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THE SWEETEST LIVES.

BY MRS. ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING.

The sweetest lives are those to duty wed,
Whose deeds, both great and small,
Are close-knit strands of an unbroken thread
Where love ennobles all.
The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells;
The Book of Life the shining record tells.

Thy love shall chant its own beatitudes
After its own life-working. A child's kiss
Set on thy sighing lips shall make thee glad;
A poor man served by thee shall make thee rich;
A sick man helped by thee shall make thee strong;
Thou shalt be served thyself by every sense
Of service which thou renderest.

—Exchange.

THE INCREASE OF CRIME.

BY CHAPLAIN THOMAS J. SHEPPARD.

Whether the increase of crime in proportion to population in this country is really alarming, I am not competent to say. But to one who reads year after year the terrible record of crime in the daily papers, who notes the constant gorge of our criminal courts, and the increasingly crowded condition of our prisons, there must come an awful fear for the perpetuity of our institutions and the welfare of our country. Our crop of criminals is no longer the old and ignorant. There is, too, an ominous increase in the breaches of trust, the beastly assaults on women, and the lawlessness of mobs. Surely it is time for every lover of God and country to ask whither are we tending, and what are the causes of this increase of crime. May they not be found in the following?

(1) A great and widespread decay of home government. Times have changed sadly as to this, and can we say otherwise than badly? Public speakers often dwell in glowing terms upon the millions of happy homes in this great and prosperous (?) country. But happy homes are well-governed homes; homes where the parents are not in the divorce courts, where parental authority is supreme and respected, and where the fear of God and the duties of life are carefully taught. Can we believe that even the best of our homes are now what they once were in these regards?

(2) The character of the home reading. Years ago our people had few books, but what they had were of a serious and largely of a religious character. I remember with what
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are reaping the fruits in a
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itnesses to be brow-beaten,
to defy justice, and litiga-
be endlessly prolonged, and
law-makers who legislate "for revenue only."

What is more evident than that this utterly secular education is a failure? It is high time to inaugurate a change. Let our public schools begin to do the work for which they were intended: to make citizenship pure and the State safe. Hence let there be definite and careful teaching that there is a God, the ruler and judge of men. Let them teach parental authority, financial honesty, the sacredness of trusts, and the majesty of law. Let the general outlines of moral accountability, of social purity, of respect to superiors, and of obligation to society, be diligently and systematically taught in our schools. Let the heart be cultivated as well as the mind stimulated, and we shall see a very different state of society, of morals and of politics in the future. In all this there need be no sectarianism. The Bible in some form will be found the ultimate source and the supreme authority in this work. There need be no sectarian bias about the teaching of the great principles of a Christian morality. It can be so done as to conserve the life of the State and in no respect invade the religious liberty of the pupils. It must be done if we are to have any assurance of the perpetuity of our institutions, which must rest not on mental power, but on moral character. It can be done in the golden mean between sectarianism on the one hand and secularism on the other, and the result will be the prophecy of Lowell's lines:

"Nor heed the skeptic's puny hands,
While near the school the church spire stands.
Nor fear the blinded bigot's rule,
While near the church-spire stands the school."

This article is already so long that but a few words can be said as to two other prolific sources of crime, immigration, and the saloon. With scarcely any check the streams of the worst populations of Europe continue to pour in upon us. With a blindness almost inconceivable Congress does almost nothing to relieve us of this burden, while all the moral and educational forces of the country are on a constant strain to assimilate and Americanize this foreign element. A tax of $200 per capita would greatly decrease the number of immigrants, and those able to pay would be, in the majority of cases, the most desirable acquisitions. Meanwhile, why compel the American born to wait twenty-one years for the franchise, and allow the foreigner to vote, in too many cases, almost as soon as he reaches our shores? And what shall be said of the open saloon, that constant corrupter of youth, breeder of crime, promoter of taxes, and enemy to every moral interest of society? On this line there is need of better methods and greater determination to stay the increase of crime.—Standard.

ONE-DOLLAR WEEKLIES.

The following, taken from the St. Louis Christian Advocate, answers questions which are often asked by patrons of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate:

Why is it that the Republic, Globe-Democrat, and other great daily papers, can send out a weekly paper for $1 a year, while the church paper costs more? This question has been often answered, but it is so constantly repeated that a District Conference of our preachers asks us to answer it again, promising to read the answer from their pulpits to those who ask the question.

The largest part of the cost of any paper is the money which goes to pay those who do the writing and those who set the type. The great secular weeklies are made up out of the type which has been already set for the dailies. Hence, in making the secular weekly, there is no expense for editors, contributors, and type-setters. The simple re-arrangement of the columns, the ink, press-work, postage and paper constitute the entire cost of the secular weekly. The secular weekly also makes much more out of its advertisements, giving more space and less heed to the quality of the same. The quality of the advertisements which pay the largest are such as can not be admitted to the columns of a religious paper.

Think of a farmer every morning going off into the forest, felling trees, splitting them into rails, and hauling them home every evening and building a new pig pen every day. At the end of the week, having seven second-hand or useless pig pens on his hand, he concludes to build one weekly goat pen. Instead of going off to the forest to chop down trees, split them into rails, and haul them home, he simply lifts the rails from the top of his various pig pens and builds one goat pen. In this way, with but little labor, he could easily build his goat pen before breakfast. If he had to go into the forest, cut, split and haul new rails for a goat pen, it would require a long day of exhausting labor. The pig pens represent the secular daily, the goat pen the secular weekly.

Some country weeklies can be made for $1 from the fact that three-fourths of the entire space is filled with patented matter and advertisements. These patent insides or outsides, in some instances, are furnished to the publisher for less than the cost of unprinted, plain white paper. There are also some religious papers made for all Christians in every part of the world, not limited by denominational, doctrinal, or geographical lines, which have gained such an enormous circulation that the cost of production can nearly all be met with the income from advertisements. This is impossible with a paper which is circumscribed by doctrinal, denominational, and geographical limitations. The cost of a denominational paper must be paid out of the individual purse of either the subscriber or the publisher, or a lingering sickness ending in death is inevitable.

If we were making a great religious daily, we could so re-arrange the type already set as to make a religious weekly without having to pay anything to editors, contributors, correspondents, or compositors. We could pay for the ink, press-work, postage and paper and then charge only a dollar a year much easier and with more profit than we can now make the St. Louis Christian Advocate, with its present quality, size and price. With the present editor's and publisher's anxiety to lend a helping hand to all struggling humanity, the reader may rest assured that he would send the Advocate for 10 cents a year if it were possible.

To make the St. Louis Advocate we must first, each week, by hand, take down our paper, and distribute into classified compartments, between two and three hundred thousand pieces of type, each piece of which has to be handled a second time in being put together again. Then the matter for each issue must be written, secured, selected, prepared and edited. This is the larger part of the expense which does not enter into the make-up of the secular weeklies. Besides, the circulation of the Advocate is not only confined to Christian people, but to Methodist Christians. Not only to Methodist Christians, but to Southern Methodist Christians. Not only to Southern Methodist Christians, but principally to Missouri Southern Methodist Christians. So its circulation must inevitably be limited compared to such papers as are made for all kinds of Christians all over the world such as have no local or Conference interests to care for.

If our pastors and Epworth Leaguers will read these facts to their flocks, or in some way get them into the hands of our people, they will be doing a great work for their church, and for righteousness, and for truth. Practical business men and women who have religion and common sense, only need to know the truth and they can be easily persuaded to do right.

OUR INTENSE MODERN LIFE.

Many men have never learned to relieve the mind after active effort, and consequently do not get the refreshing sleep necessary to enable them to work well and rapidly. The mind simply goes on thinking, thinking, thinking, because it was not switched off when the office was closed.

Gladstone, all his life, had this remarkable quality of throwing off politics and business when away from London. He declared that he never lost five minutes' sleep from anxiety, or from thought concerning any debate in Parliament.

Hard-worked men and women need a great deal of sleep. This is the great power-restorer. Grant said he could do nothing without at least nine hours' sleep. Horace Greeley never permitted business or pleasure to keep him from bed after his usual hour for retiring.

A story is related of a merchant prince in New York, who was told by his physician, when very ill, that he must die. He replied, "Can't possibly do it, doctor. I haven't time."

There must be an end to this crowding and hurrying. Outraged Nature will have her revenge. The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceeding fine. The terrible increase of deaths by apoplexy and heart disease ought to be a warning to our business and professional men who try to crowd weeks into days, months into weeks, and years into months. There is no such thing as cheating Nature. She may not present her bill on the day you violate her law, but if you overdraw on her bank, you are sure to become bankrupt. It is only a question of time.

A waiter in a down-town restaurant in New York, who has grown gray in the service, says that many of his customers habitually complain to him of dyspepsia and ill-health, and yet will cram down their lunches, day after day, in five or ten minutes.

Since 1851, according to the statistics of the Board of Health in the city of Boston, deaths from heart disease have increased seven per cent., while deaths from apoplexy have increased even more rapidly.

The American honey does not always pay for the sting. Labor is the eternal condition on which the rich man gains an appetite for his dinner, and the poor man a dinner for his appetite; but the habit of constant, perpetual industry has become almost a disease. Thousands of ambitious Americans throw away years of possible life by constant, perpetual, everlasting grind.

Dr. Richardson says that the natural life of animals is six times the period required to become fully grown. According to this, man should live about one hundred and fifty years.

Worrying and fretting are responsible for most of the nervousness and irritability of our professional and business men.

Overwork, worry, lack of exercise, are the chief causes of sudden death. The business man, the senator, the clergyman work by day and think half the night. Public and social demands, and burdensome and incessant competitors, are pressing them hard. No one dares to desert his post for a little recreation, lest he be elbowed out of place by his competitive neighbor. It seems as if everybody were working under a full head of steam, without any safety-valve.

The intensity of modern life in the United States has changed the type of many diseases. It is comparatively rare for a person to die now of old age or a lingering sickness. Heart trouble and apoplexy have usurped the place of wasting complaints, and people drop without a moment's warning. Hurry and worry are the characteristics of our national life.—Success.

TRY YOUR WINGS!

A friend of a friend of mine, who told me the story, had an eagle. He caught it when it was young, and had brought it up, as far as he could, like a domestic fowl. Having, in God's providence, to go to the other side of the world, he was selling off everything. He wondered what he should do with his eagle, and the happy thought came to him that he would not give it to anybody, but would give it back to itself—he would set it free. And he opened the place in which it had been kept, and brought it back to the back-green. How he was astonished! It walked about, feeling as if this were rather bigger than its ordinary run; but that was all. He was disappointed, and, taking the big bird in his arms, he lifted it and set it up on his garden wall. It turned and looked down at him! The sun had been obscured behind a cloud, but just then the cloud passed away, and the bright, warm beams poured out. The eagle lifted its eyes, pulled itself up. I wonder what it was thinking. Can an eagle recollect the crags and the cliffs, the revelling in the tempests of long ago, the joyous thunderings, and the
ing lightnings? Pulling itself
lifted o
wing and stretched
"by prayer and supplication"
lifted the other wing—"
taken
giving"—and outstretched
it gave a scream, and soon was
vanishing speck away in the blue
heaven. Anxious, disturbed Christian, you are an eagle living in a
hen-house. Try your wings.—Rev. John McNeil.

A RULE OF GROWTH.

One of the most difficult problems in life is to adjust the burden of one's immediate work to the conditions of one's largest development. Earnest young men and women are constantly tempted to pour their vitality so copiously in the channels of immediate duty that they frequently deny themselves the conditions of the highest growth. No young man can put all his force into the work of the day, if it be along intellectual lines, without dwarfing his ultimate development. There ought to be behind every specific force a general force, and in the long run the value of the specific force will depend upon the volume of general force; but it is this general force which is suffered to diminish by reason of the pressure of daily work.

A young minister goes into a new parish. If he happens to be a brilliant man, he is immediately assailed by calls to take part in every kind of enterprise, to speak on all occasions, and to become a leader in every movement in the community. In the enthusiasm of his strength and devotion to his profession, he gives himself body and soul to the solicitations of all these enterprises, every one of which involves a certain tax upon his strength, time and thought. His congregation, meanwhile, anticipate from him freshness, force and growth in his pulpit work, and for a time they get it; but no man can grow into full stature, develop strong lines of thought, and mature himself on the highest possible plane who does not reserve a good part of his time for study, investigation and meditation. In the course of ten years the man who gives himself to every demand begins to show a decline of freshness, a decay of force; and very soon the congregation that has been drawing on him relentlessly, and the community that has called him at every turn with imperative voice, begin to comment on his failure to fulfill the promise of his earlier years. Disappointment is followed by dissatisfaction, and the man, often embittered by a sense of ingratitude, finds his influence waning, his force declining, and steps down in order that some other and fresher man may step up into his place.

Every man must protect himself against the demands of his position, of the community in which he lives and of the causes which solicit his support, if he is to secure his highest growth and do his best work. He must heed not only the imperative demand of the duty of to-day, but the equally imperative demand of the duty of the next ten years. The young minister must defend himself against the not unkindly, but often too exhausting demands of his congregation and the community. This is true of the teacher, of the writer, of every man who, by position or talent, addresses the public, or is engaged in any kind of public work. The world does not, and, in the nature of things, can not, stop to think of a man's future. It leaves that to him. If it is denied its requests, it may sometimes grumble, but ten years afterward, instead of discarding a spent force, it is cherishing and following a growing leadership. There is a duty which every man owes to himself which is quite as great as that which he owes to the community. Indeed, it is in the widest sense a duty to the community: for the greatest thing which any man can do for the world is to make the most of the power, the force and character which are given him, and he can do this only by taking thought of the conditions which elicit what is deepest and greatest in his nature.—The Outlook.

PREACHING.

The spirituality of a sermon depends upon the spirituality of the preacher, and that depends not only upon the integrity of his faith in Christ as his Redeemer and Lord, but also upon the breadth and clearness of his intellectual view of the work of the Redeemer in all its phases, and all its bearings on things in heaven and things in earth.

The volume of water discharged from an inexhaustible reservoir is determined by the diameter of the tube through which it flows. A small tube, pouring out all it can, will deliver but a small stream, while a large one, working up to its full capacity, will deliver a great quantity. Each may do its best, but the difference in actual results is very great. It is just so with preachers and preaching. "The mind" is the instrument through which "the heart" must deliver its contents upon the congregation. If, therefore, the mind is of "small bore," it can not deliver a large volume of truth, for in this respect "the mind is the measure of the man." The intellect must be enlarged by every method. The range of vision must be expanded to the widest possible limit. All kinds of knowledge must be sought and carefully treasured. The preacher must strive for the fullness of the stature of a man, and rest satisfied with no attainment short of that which is the highest possible for himself. Gimlets do not bore big holes, nor do skiffs carry cargoes across the sea. No more possible is it for an ignorant man to be a great preacher. He can not get much of the gospel out of him, because he can not take much of it in him.

This is written mainly for the eyes of young preachers who have just entered into the ministry, or are about to do so. If they intend to quit themselves "like men," they must first make themselves men. It is not necessary for everyone of them to go to college, though, as a general rule, this is the best method of developing the intellect. But it is necessary that they, each and all, give themselves diligently to the study of such themes as will most certainly and rapidly expand their minds to the broadest and most correct understanding of the life and work of Christ, of the claims of humanity, and of all the purposes of his blessed gospel.—Alabama Christian Advocate.

SMILES.

BY JOHN F TROWBRIDGE

How many smiles there might be
If people only knew
That they feel better every time
Their faces smile anew!
How many smiles there would be
If people simply thought
Their look is fairer when they smile
Than when they're smiling not!

How many smiles there could be
If folks would always say,
"Good morning, neighbor, let me give
A helping hand to-day!"
How many smiles there will be,
My friend, when you and I
Have learned to practice what we wish
These other folks would try!

—Exchange

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BRO. S S. COPE.

At memorial service the following beautiful tributes to the life and character of our beloved brother, S. S. Cope, were read by Mrs. Julia Jayne:

"So many worlds, so much to do,
So little done, such things to be;
How know I what had need of thee,
For thou wert strong as thou wert true."

—A. T.

The vacant chair brings a tear. Sister, we could not cherish the memory of a truer or a nobler character than that of our lamented brother, S. S. Cope. In nobility and true courage he was a giant among men; in gentleness and love a St. John; in outspoken thoughts for Christ a St. Paul. His zeal for the Master was always tempered with wisdom. He was instant in season and out of season in good works; always consistent. Upon the altar of his heart the flame of love was never extinguished. The atmosphere of his home was that of purity and piety. In his lovely wife he had a helpmeet indeed. It was a benediction to be a guest within their home.

Mr. Cope was a co-worker with our now sorrowing sister in her labors for our Home Mission Society. His hospitality was too generous. When his brother died he went to his distant home, took charge of the bereft ones, and made for them a home in this, his adopted State. In his young days he had a model wife in our lamented brother, Dr. Addison Hamilton, late of the Alabama Conference.

The ways of Providence, to our finite minds, are inscrutable. We must bow with submission. But why mourn for one who is now a glorified spirit, enjoying the intelligence of heaven in the light of God's love; possessing a mansion prepared for him by our blessed Savior who has said, 'For where I am, there ye may be also"?

"Oh, thou who driest the mourner's tear,
How dark this world would be
If, when deceived and wounded here,
We could not fly to thee."

Judge A. G Mayers wrote of him:

I had the pleasure of being the guest of Mr. Cope during the terms of my court in the latter years of my official career, and I can safely say that I never knew a man who possessed more the Christian virtues in the family circle, as well as in his daily walk and conversation with the world, than he. The truth is, I have often said what I sincerely felt: that I always left his home a better man than when I entered, because of the sweet influence that he and his excellent wife had; by their Christian walk and conversation, unconsciously shed upon me. I never saw a happier family. It was sanctified by Christian love. Every word and every act seemed to be inspired by a desire to live according to the teachings of the Master, and all who came in contact with the household felt that sweet influence. He was a man of convictions, and had the courage to express them. He was always ready to perform any duty that his church required of him. He was liberal, charitable, and unselfish.

Take him all in all, he was a splendid specimen of a Christian gentleman. It is no exaggeration to say that the world was better by his living in it, and though he lived, unfortunately, but a few years, his influence for good will be felt for ages to come. He enjoyed the love and confidence of the people of his church, and the respect and confidence of all who knew him.

May God help his wife and children in this sad bereavement!

Every hour comes with some little faggot of God's will fastened upon its back.—F. W. Faber.

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(Concluded.)

Monday the remaining committee reports were tendered. A fine paper on "Female Physicians," read by Mrs. Robert McLaurin, was listened to with much interest and pleasure, especially as we would be glad to secure one from our Conference. The Woman's Board will give free the medical education. Anyone who wishes can obtain needful information from Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, corresponding secretary W. B. M., Nashville, Tenn.

We will hold in grateful remembrance President and Mrs. Chambers, the teachers and pupils, for honoring us with their presence at our meeting, aiding other friends in lovely anthems, beautiful solos, entertaining us so nicely at the college, as well as all the kindly ministries of the many friends outside the college.

STATISTICAL REPORT AND PLEDGES.

Conference treasurer reported from March, 1897 to March, 1898, total collections, $1 145 90. Amount received by general treasurer, as reported, $1,149 11. Of this amount, $27 64, thank-offerings; $8 60, mite-boxes; $54 50, scholarships; $2 10, Korea. Report of training-school, from June 1, 1897, to April 1, 1898: $5 25 Number of adult auxiliaries reported by Conference corresponding secretary, 58; number of Young People and Juveniles, 18; total, 76 Number of auxiliaries organized during the year, 21; members, 420; total members, 1 749; life members, 33 Subscribers to W. M. A, 343; Little Worker, 309 Number of leaflets distributed, 5 867; number of Annual Reports of W. F. M. S., M. E. Church, South, 225

Pledges were taken by members of the Conference to pay the $150 pledged by our representative at the Board meeting. Sixty dollars was also promised by the Conference to the school at Guadalajara, Mexico, to be named S C Trueheart, in honor of the corresponding secretary of the W. B. M.

Our missionary, Lelia McNamar, is completing her course of study this year at the Scarritt Bible and Training-school. Pledges were taken to complete the payment of her expenses.

In place of holding the next annual meeting, referred to the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Robert McLaurin, in behalf of the Conference, notified Miss Sallie Lee of her having been made a life member by the Conference.

Mrs. E. D. Jones read her report as Conference agent of W. M. A. and other literature. This office is discontinued.

OFFICERS ELECTED WHO HAVE ACCEPTED.

President, Miss Addie Marshall, of Brookhaven; vice-president, Mrs. Robert McLaurin, of Vicksburg; corresponding secretary, Miss Sallie Smythe, of Meridian; recording secretary, Mrs. C. R. M Queen, of Meridian; treasurer, Miss Mary Andrews, of Meridian; auditor, Mrs. Gulley, of Meridian; editor, Mrs. E D. Jones, of Carlisle. District secretaries: Vicksburg district, Mrs. Scott Phillips; Natchez district, Mrs. Guice; Meridian district, Mrs. R. R. Phillips. The following not heard from: Jackson district, Mrs. N. L Bryant; Forest district, Mrs. Logan; Seashore district, Mrs. J. P. Drake; Brookhaven district, Mrs. J. M Weems.

MRS. E. D. JONES.

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Selections.

THE DEAD-LINE IN THE MINISTRY.

Several years ago a grim specter—from certain latitudes down East—made its appearance, bearing on its brassy brow the inscription, "The ministerial dead-line of fifty!" It set some feeble knees to shaking, and it raised a panic among the supply committees of vacant pulpits and pastorless flocks. As this ill-favored creature is still roaming abroad, like its paternal ancestor, "seeking whom it may devour," it may be well to challenge it with one or two pertinent questions.

First of all, why that word "ministerial?" We do not remember to have heard of a legal or medical or political or commercial dead-line. These secular callings seem to have escaped the affliction entirely, or have it so mildly as not to awaken any commiseration. In all these pursuits long experience and wide observation are a positive advantage. Where there is a baffling case of disease people are very apt to send for the old doctor who is familiar with about every disease that flesh is heir to. In an important law suit the client must needs call in some veteran who carries in his head the decisions of a hundred courts. When France invaded Germany, twenty-five years ago, three old heads were put together—Emperor William, Bismarck, and Von Moltke—and the invaders were swept like chaff on a threshing-floor. The most extraordinary statesman now living performed nearly all his marvelous feats in Parliament and on the hustings after he had passed the line of threescore. John Quincy Adams became the terror of all his foes on the floor of Congress after he began to be known as "the old man eloquent." In regard to the legal, medical, political, or mercantile pursuits, no one seems to have ever discovered this ghost of a "dead-line" lurking behind the fiftieth milestone on the journey of life.

The one profession that is invaded by this specter is the Christian ministry. If you inquire of the believers in this new-fangled theory, they will probably tell you that the nervous system of ministers is apt to show some signs of exhaustion at the age of fifty, or thereabouts. According to this miserable materialistic view, the real power of an ambassador of Jesus Christ does not lie in biblical knowledge, or a sanctified heart and holy character, or the indwelling of the Divine Spirit; his power lies chiefly in the nerves and in the cells of the brain. The theory is that these physical (or animal) forces reach their maximum at about fifty, and then their unhappy possessor strikes the "dead-line." He has reached his meridian, and henceforth his sun is on the decline! Churches inoculated with this pestilent idea conclude it is "extra-hazardous" to call any minister to their pulpit if his family record shows that he has been in this world as long as most men have when they are elected to the governor's chair of a commonwealth, or to the presidency of the United States. Jockeys examine the teeth of a horse before making a purchase, and the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ are often subjected to a similar process. A Christian minister is to be estimated, like a horse, by the fire in his nerves and the amount of "go" in his physical temperament. If he can not "thrill" his auditors as he once did, if he is not equal to making new departures "suit the times," if he can not attract auditors by fresh novelties, then, according to these theologico-physiologists, he has passed the dead-line, and, like a basket of unmarketable eggs, he has survived his usefulness. What chance would "Paul the aged" stand with some modern supply committees, or with deputations who go out foraging for candidates?

If the ministry is the one profession to be subjected to this new statute of limitations, why put the mark at the age of fifty? As a simple matter of fact, this idea is perfectly preposterous, as numberless cases will certify. We need not go back to such illustrious examples as Thomas Chalmers leading the exodus of the Free Church of Scotland at sixty-three, and John Wesley still holding the helm of Methodism at eighty-seven. Let us only look around to see the men who are at the front to-day. By common consent there is no clergyman on this continent who, by the combination of varied scholarship, lofty character and brilliant oratory, is quite the peer of Dr. Richard S. Storrs; yet all his finest achievements of pulpit, platform or press have been wrought between the ages of fifty and seventy-five! The prince of British preachers, Dr. Alexander McLaren, has lately passed his seventieth birthday; and my beloved old friend, Dr. Newman Hall, at fourscore, has just completed one of the most fruitful years of his heaven-blessed labors. We need not waste time nor space by calling the roll of the men who are shepherding the largest flocks, or producing the richest discourses, or carrying the greatest weight in all ecclesiastical assemblies. They are chiefly the men whose mental and spiritual fiber has been compacted by at least half a century of experience in the conflicts of life.

The obstacles which a faithful and truly evangelical ministry have to encounter in these days of increasing materialism are becoming more and more formidable. If, in addition to these obstacles, there is to be an arbitrary statute of limitations which demands that as soon as a minister has been enriched and ripened by experience and practice he shall be regarded as ineligible to a call to a vacant pulpit, then no man of common sense or self-respect will enter the ministry. What a cruel injustice it is to the man, and what a dishonor it is to the Divine Master, when a capable and godly-minded minister is practically shelved by this preposterous time-limit! We could give many a pathetic example of most excellent preachers and pastors whose names have been "blackballed" by pastorless churches simply because some gray hairs were visible on their honored heads. These same churches which rejected ripe experience were quite ready to entrust all their momentous spiritual interests to some raw youth just out of a theological seminary! The supply of earnest, devoted, Holy-Spirit-endowed preachers does not now keep pace with the demand in our vast country. And in the name of the Master, let his churches stamp out this abominable idea that any vigorous and consecrated winner of souls shall be "tabooed" on account of his age. There is enough famine of genuine gospel now to make angels weep, and the best and brightest young men ought to have every possible encouragement to enter upon a work that any archangel might covet.

All that we have been saying in this article against an arbitrary time limit is solemn truth, and yet we admit that there is a melancholy "dead line in the ministry" which does not depend upon the nerves or on chronological tables. It is often reached before fifty. It is reached when a minister ceases to study and to think—when the curse of indolence makes his sermons as barren as the east wind. Manifold are the pitiful devices resorted to in order to hide the rags of his poverty. Sometimes old sermons—that were born old—are concealed under new texts; sometimes sensational topics are eagerly sought and presented, with more reliance on the newspapers than on God's Word or the "power from on high." It would be a mercy if such a sluggard would demit the sacred office entirely.

The dead-line is also reached when a minister's faith in the divine inspiration and absolute infallibility of his Bible is shaken; when he is hamstrung with doubts, and his vision is so dazed that he loses sight even of the great headlands of Sinai and Calvary. He may be alive as an essayist—perhaps a brilliant essayist—but as a soul-awakening, soul converting, soul-edifying preacher, he is a Samson shorn of his locks. It is a joyful and a glorious thing to be a live ambassador of Jesus Christ. But it is the most pitiable of all earthly conditions when a minister becomes dry-rotted at the heart, and his inner life is no longer hid with Christ in God. 'Gray hairs are upon him, yet he knoweth it not." He has swung over the dead-line, and nothing but timely repentance and the restoring grace of God and a new baptism of the Holy Spirit can ever deliver him from the body of that death!—Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D., in Northwestern Advocate.

CARE FOR CONVERTS.

To train young people in the Christian way is even more difficult than to secure their entrance into it. Conversion is often the work of a day or an hour; the training must extend over weeks, months, and even years. In conversion we are concerned to carry the citadel of the will, while the training relates to every part of the life. The importance of correct training is incalculable, as on it will depend the whole future course of the convert. The shape given to the spiritual life during the first few months is likely to continue to the last. The large amount of backsliding is due in part, and possibly a great part, to neglect of nurture in the beginning. With the ministers and churches who have been favored with conversions there is an important duty of instruction. Persons often begin well, but fail to go on for the want of light on the path. A little help at that point would have taken them on to the goal, while the want of it leaves them to stumble and fall by the way. If they begin right they will be very likely to continue, but, on the other hand, if they begin wrong, they will be liable to go wrong all the way. This after care will no doubt require much patience and labor on the part of the pastor and class leaders, but no care or labor will pay better. It is the best insurance against impending dangers and even spiritual shipwreck. The work may be done in part in the classes and public congregations, but in an important sense it must be individual. There must be personal contact with the pastor and the spiritual members of the church.

In these efforts at instruction the aim should be to give the new life the proper direction. The main trend is important. The old habits should give place to better ones. A bad habit may neutralize a genuine work of grace. There should be discrimination in dealing with new converts. Some have come from religious families where much religious training has already been received, and others have come from the ranks of the world where little proper instruction has been given. They have not been accustomed to read the Bible, to attend church, or to observe the Sabbath. In the latter case the whole course of nature must needs be changed. The scheme of salvation should be made plain. If any difficulties are in the way, they should be removed. Be sure that they early unite with the church and are placed under the care of competent leaders. With such care for their instruction and for the conduct of life, they should be led out into lives of activity. To be living and growing Christians they must be active workers in the vineyard of the Lord. Well started in these lines, they will be likely to run on to the end.—Selected.

TWO CLASSES OF PREACHERS.

If either of the two classes referred to should chance to read what follows, let them profit by it. The church suffers from two classes of preachers. The first class are those who have quit studying, who read no books, never study the Bible. No growth of mind or heart, starved intellects, stagnant minds. They preach the sermons which they made in the early years of their ministry, worn threadbare by repetition, moldy with age; good sermons when made, but mere skeletons now, the shadow of what they were. They pray but little; their prayers are as dry and dead as their thoughts. A starved intellect will make a starved heart. If the intellect be not freshened by study, the heart will not be freshened by prayer. The heart will not be fertile when the brain is barren. We do not locate spiritual life or progress in the head, but they hold an intimate connection. The preacher who fails to study and bring out the new things from the gospel treasury, always serving the old, will find his supply limited and stale. This class have been earnest men, and good they are, but give out no life.

The second class are stirring men, active, studious, progressive, but the springs of their activity do not have their rise in God; their inspiration is not kindled with a desire for his glory. They have their fountain and inspiration in self; ambition, reputation quickens their efforts and activities; the desire for success and to shine impels them on. They pray, but their prayers are hindered and do but blast instead of bless; they minister with diligence and outward fidelity, but the heart has betrayed God's cause to the enemy. Self and the diligence of the hands has been kindled by unhallowed flames. The first give out no streams. The second sends out strong, but poisoned streams. The fires have all gone out in the altars of the first. The second has a bright flame, an intense heat, but the flame does not ascend heavenward, and the heat is fierce with the fires of passion and lust.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

The Christian Life.

BOTTLE, WELL, RIVER.

It has been suggested that these three words quite aptly designate three classes of Christians. There are those who seem to have but "a bottle of water," such as Abraham gave to Hagar when she wandered in the wilderness and was much distressed. There are those whose eyes have been opened to see the "well of water," and in whom the water has "become," as Christ says, "a well springing up." Happy they who possess this unfailing fountain to supply their needs! But there is yet something more, even that which shall overpass all local bounds, and bear forth gladness far and wide, refreshing, vivifying, fructifying. For Jesus says again that from the believer "shall flow rivers of living water," by which he referred to the Spirit when in his largest, fullest abundance he has taken the most complete possession of the soul. The Spirit-filled life will speedily make itself felt. The important question is, how far our family, our neighborhood, our church, are being refreshed by us. Where are the "rivers of living water" that we should be giving forth?—Zion's Herald.

Discouragements are, generally, little things—things growing out of habit, or temper, or inclination. They beset the apostles; but they despised them, Paul especially. Paul glorified in his trials and afflictions and sufferings. He counted them as nothing. Not because they were all light and easy to bear, but because they were of no moment compared with the end in view. These light afflictions, he said, which are but for a moment, work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. He gives a catalogue of them in the sixth chapter of Second Corinthians, showing how apostles in those tronblous times approved themselves as ministers of God in afflictions, necessities, distresses, stripes, imprisonment, tumults, labors, watchings, fastings; by long-suffering, kindness, honor and dishonor, evil report and good report; chastened they were, but not killed; sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; they had nothing, yet possessed all things. Who has in these days such discouragements as Paul and his co-laborers had in the days of the early church?

What are our discouragements? We get weary in well-doing, we get tired of watching and working, we find continual self-denial hard, our shoulders ache from heavy burdens or burdens borne continually; we lack patience for the little tasks; results do not come quickly enough or seem large enough; we discover weaknesses where we imagined we were strong; God seems at times to desert us; duty, now and then, wears a most forbidding look. It is, finally, a long climb and a hard climb.

So it is. But it is good for us. It makes such beautiful characters; it shows forth so grandly man's magnificent powers; it makes our human nature so wondrously like the divine; it demonstrates man's ability to overcome; it reveals the vastness of the possibilities of future development; it manifests the power of God, brings the world nearer to him, and is some recompense to Christ for the sufferings of his atoning sacrifice.

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A son of one of the chiefs of Burdwan was converted by a single tract. He could not read, but he went to Rangoon, a distance of 250 miles; a missionary's wife taught him to read, and in forty-eight hours he could read the tract through. He took a basket full of tracts, with much difficulty, preached the gospel at his own home, and was the means of converting hundreds to God. He was a man of influence; the people flocked to hear him; and in one year 1 500 natives were baptized in Arracan as members of the church. And all this through one little tract! That tract cost one cent. O, whose cent was it? God only knows. Perhaps it was the mite of some little girl—perhaps the well-earned offering of some little boy. Yet, what a blessing it has been!—Selected.

When the soul has been cast in the crucible of worship and the mould of loyalty, then, and not till then, can we give acceptable service. Then can we go on God's errands. Then can we fulfill our divinely given mission in the partnership of Father, Son & Company, in the reclamation of lost, but ransomed world. God in this partership has made man his active distributing partner. If we have great talent, if we can plan largely, if we can master great schemes, we are still either God's active distributing agents, or else are embezzlers in the firm. God hasten the day when, realizing our responsibility, we will come to the proper altitude and have ever in our hearts the cry of the Psalmist, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?"—Rev. G. L. McManiman.

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THE AVERAGE MAN.

BY DR. JOHN T. SAWYER.

There's so much of seeming, so little real,
In the average man we meet,
That we sometimes fear the average man
Is nothing at all but a cheat.

The average man, while seeming a friend,
Is his heart a friend is not;
While fondly with tongue he's oiling you o'er,
Against you he's deep in a plot

He presses you close to his beating heart
And swears he will never betray—
Yet, when you have need for a friend that's true,
You find he has shrunken away.

A blessing indeed 'tis to find just one
Real, genuine man amongst men
A man whose true heart is worn on his sleeve,
Who is honest with tongue and pen.

Give me the man who is just what he seems,
Who will neither flatter nor lie: —
If a foe, he fights in an open field;
If a friend, for friends he will die.

I can lash myself to a man like that,
For his words with his heart agree;
He means what he says, and that he will do,
He is just what he seems to be

AUTHORSHIP.

BY REV. ROBERT A. WILLIAMS.

Authors are indebted to the works of others for most of their best thoughts. George Eliot, we are told, read a thousand works before she wrote "Daniel Deronda." Allison, it is said, read two thousand works before he completed his history. Richter declared that three words of Shakespeare created volumes in him. An old librarian says that authors make new books "as apothecaries make new mixtures, by pouring out of one vessel into another."

"Literature," says another, "may be aptly styled a mill, that is always grinding over and over again the same grist." "All literature," says Holmes, "lives by borrowing and lending." Even where the charge of plagiarism could not be brought, the debt to others is visible. Sensible and original an author as Macaulay gave this advice, "Soak your mind with Cicero." Many have acknowledged their indebtedness to the classics; and a larger number have derived their choicest thoughts and the beauties of their style from the Word of God. Said Daniel Webster, "If anything I have ever said or written deserves the feeblest encomiums of my countrymen, I have no hesitation in declaring that for their partiality I am indebted, solely indebted, to the daily and attentive perusal of the Sacred Scriptures—the source of all true poetry and eloquence, as well as of all good and all comfort."

Earnest and protracted labor has been another aid to authorship. Dickens declares, "If I had not known long ago that my place could never be held, unless I were at any moment ready to devote myself to it entirely, I should have dropped out of it very soon." Thackeray says of Macaulay, "He reads twenty books to write a sentence; he travels a hundred miles to make a line of description." It is said of Carlyle, "He crosses over, one rough day, to Dublin, and he jots down in his diary the personal appearance of some unhappy creatures he never saw before or expected to see again; how men laughed, cried, swore, etc." Hugh Miller said, "If I have had any success, whether as author or editor, it has been by constantly writing up to my audience—never writing down to them." Lord Bacon's best work was rewritten twelve times. Pascal's Letters were rewritten several times, one of them thirteen times. Edmund Burke had all his works printed two or three times at a private press before submitting them to a publisher. Bulwer declared that he had rewritten some of his briefer productions as many as eight or nine times before their publication.

The character, too, is a great aid to authorship. "All good men," says Carlyle, "may be called poets in act, or in word; all good poets are so in both." "He who would not be frustrated of his hope to write well in laudable things," says Milton, "ought to be himself a true poem, that is, a composition and pattern of the best and honorablest things. . . . He must live an heroic life to write an heroic poem." It is said of Byron, "In the lack of a keen conscience, he suffered the lack of the first quality necessary to a true poet."

What is true of the painter is true of the author. His work deteriorates if his life deteriorates. What he has in his life he puts upon the canvas.

What is true, too, of the orator is true of the writer. Said a well-known writer on rhetoric, "Demosthenes became an orator through the greatness and solidity of his character, and these qualities are indispensable to you, in order to the attainment of your aim." Said the elder Cato, "The orator is an upright man who understands speaking." Every quality of the heart that is valuable to the orator is equally valuable to the writer.—Christian at Work.

RITUALISM IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

The Established Church of England is just now in a crisis about ritualistic High Church tendencies. The Papists declare that their only hope of the conquest of the British Isles for the Catholic Church lies in the High Church ritualistic party. There is a sufficient basis of facts in candles, incense, such intoning that you can not tell whether Latin or English is being recited, auricular confession, robes, crucifixes, partaking of the sacrament on an empty stomach, etc., to make this unsubstantial fabric of the dream rise high and seem not likely soon to vanish quite away.

Why do Englishmen so take to ritualism, including consideration of the nature of the real Presence in the sacrament, the degree of adoration it demands, prayers for the dead, confession, absolution, and such like vagaries and subtleties? First, because the clergy regard the church as a place for "a living," as it is openly called. Men take to it as to the army or navy. Second, being in it, they unduly exalt "the service" to a place of honor altogether beyond its true value. I have heard profane men read it in the same apparent spirit that I have seen Chinamen stick their paper pictures of gods on the ship side next the storm. They do not obey the injunction to avoid vain repetitions that the heathen do. Third, having given an hour to a wild gallopade through words that only the best initiated can tell what is piped or harped, there is no time for nor expectancy of a sermon. The mind must turn to something. To many there is just fascination enough in the occultism that inheres in sacred jugglery to attract their devotion to ritualism.

They do not notice the practical effect. On High Holborn street stands the City Temple, crowded with thousands Sundays and Thursday noons, with no sign of a ritual. The next building is St. Andrews Church. Its clergy are surpliced with vestments, the altar ablaze with candles, its arches resonant with anthem and chant, and its pews distinguished for emptiness. Ritualism is powerless to attract the people. Christ did not attire himself with its robes, nor perfume the air about him with its incense, nor intone unintelligibly what the people could not understand.—Bishop Warren, in Western Advocate.

The little that I have seen of the world and know of the history of mankind teaches me to look upon their errors in sorrow, not in anger. When I take the history of one poor heart that has sinned and suffered, and represent to myself the struggles and temptations it passed through—the brief pulsations of joy, the tears of regret, the feebleness of purpose, the scorn of the world, that has little charity, the desolation of the soul's sanctuary, and threatening voices within, health gone, happiness gone—I would fain leave the erring soul of my fellow-man with Him from whose hands it came.—Dr. Chalmers.

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See you yon glorious Ensign?
"The Branch" from Jesse's stem;
Far o'er Judea's mountains,
The Star of Bethlehem?

The wise men saw its splendor,
And they were sore amazed,
They said, "That Star we'll follow,
For it we long have gazed."

"The prophets said the eastern
Heaven should show the sign,
And lo! our eyes behold it,
The Star of David's line"

"Sing all ye Hosts of heaven,
Ye planets, earth and skies,
Ye mountains leap for gladness;
We see that Star arise"

"Lead us, O blessed Beacon,
O'er mountain, desert bare,
Nor stay your beams one moment,
There is no time to spare."

"We leave behind the Orient,
That Star alone we see,
For where it stops we'll find Him;
Yes! there the King will be"

"And we have come to worship,
We know that Ensign true;
On, on, our steps we hasten,
Our journey's end is in view."

"Where is He, O! great Herod,
The young King born to reign?
Afar His star we've followed,
Nor followed it in vain."

"We've brought Him gold and jewels,
And gems from oceans deep,
And at His feet we'll lay them,
Before our eyes can sleep."

'Twas long ago those wise men
Fell down before His feet,
Since then the hosts of heaven
Doth still His praise repeat.

Glory in the Highest,
Glory to the King,
In Bethlehem Our Savior
Was born; to Him we sing.

And lo! the Star is shining,
The angels singing still,
"To God be all the glory,
On earth, peace and good-will."

Oh! Ensign of the Nations,
"Thy Kingdom come," we pray.
Oh! Christians, see its dawning
The great millennial day.

*Isaiah xl.

THE LOVE OF TRUTH.

The importance of truth, and of the knowledge of the truth to all men, was unknown in any practical way to heathenism, and may be considered as due essentially to Christianity. Christianity requires not merely truthfulness, but love of truth. The divine Son of man represented his mission to be very principally to bear witness to the truth; and that question which the highest civilization of antiquity did not care to have answered, he has made through his spirit a perpetual aspiration of his disciples. Christianity in fact has added many new cardinal virtues to the old pagan ones, and among them this, neither the last nor the least of all, the desire of moral progress. To seek truth, and as it is found to live by it and to others, to cherish true personal convictions concerning human and divine relationships and to diffuse them, in every way to testify to the truth which we live by—this is a new birth of Christianity.

Christianity, it is true, does not directly denounce some social evils, and it does not directly define some social rights; nor does it furnish new instruments, nor found new institutions for realizing its aims; but, notwithstanding, it ever has been and ever will be indirectly the most powerful adversary of such evils, and advocate of such rights. It is silent concerning slavery and tyranny and war; it does not prescribe free political institutions, nor does it make mention of the cultivation of literature, nor of many modern benevolent associations; but to all social miseries and to all civilizing agencies it upholds the permanent and persuasive opponents and inducements respectively of the grand idea of brotherhood in redemption— its law of love, its principle of progress and its standard of perfection.—Rev. Frederick Myers.

A SUNNY RELIGION.

Ours is a sunny religion, born of divine love; and one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit is joy. A joyless Christian is a libel on his profession. We ought to walk so close to Jesus as to be always in his sunshine, and make so little of earthly ills and vexations and losses as never to let them envelop us in an atmosphere of Arctic midnight. Paul made a dungeon ring with holy melodies. Every follower of Christ should strive to make his daily life a song as well as a gospel sermon.—Theodore L. Cuyler.

The record book of every Christian's life has some pages in it which were written at the bidding of that severe teacher, Disappointment. Tears may have blotted and blurred the page at the time, but as we turn over that page now, and read it in the light of experience, we can write beneath it: "Thank God for these losses; they were my everlasting gain. Thank God for these bereavements; they have saved my soul from being bereaved in heaven." All things work together for good to them that love God; to them who are called according to his purpose.—Cuyler.

No man can ever rise above that at which he aims.—A. A. Hodge.

"Which Wins?"

In nearly every man's career there comes a time when he stands between the angel of life and the angel of death, both contending for his mortal frame; and the question arises: "Which wins?" Will he be carried away by disease and death or will the angel of life prove the stronger and bring him back to health and happiness? When a man's energy and physical force have gradually weakened down to the lowest ebb, until perhaps consumption has already laid its grim hand upon him, and doctor after doctor and medicine after medicine have been tried in vain—now, perhaps, comes some kind friend who says, "Dr. Pierce can cure you, write to him: His "Golden Medical Discovery" has rescued thousands who were further gone than you."

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We thank thee, God, for all the mysteries
That thou hast hid beyond our reason's range;
That 'midst the onward rushing of our lives
We still may pause to muse on something strange.

We thank thee that we may, of hating sick,
Of loving, hoping, wearied more and more,
Dropping the old old burdens of the light,
Turn to the dark to wonder and adore.
—Graham Horne.

Our minds are like certain vehicles—when they have little to carry they make much noise about it but when heavily loaded they run quietly.—Elihu Burritt.

How near may a person live to me to be my neighbor? Every person is near to you whom you can bless. He is nearest whom you can bless most.—Channing.

All I think, all I hope, all I write, all I live for, is based upon the divinity of Jesus Christ, the central joy of my poor, wayward life.—William E. Gladstone.

Take the self-denial gayly and cheerfully; and let the sunshine of thy gladness fall on dark things and bright alike, like the sunshine of the Almighty.—James Freeman Clarke.

Never to tire, never to grow cold; to be patient, sympathetic, tender; to look for the budding flower and the opening heart; to hope always like God; to love always—this is duty.—Amiel's Journal.

If any work is really God's giving, and he puts it either into our hearts to devise, or into the power of our hands to do, no fear but he will also provide stuff sufficient, whether metal or mental.—F. R. Havergal.

No man or woman of the humblest sort can really be strong, pure, and good without the world being better for it, without somebody being helped and comforted by the very existence of this goodness.—Phillips Brooks.

The tender words and loving deeds which we scatter for the hearts which are nearest to us are immortal seed, which will spring up in ever lasting beauty, not only in our own lives, but also in the lives of those born after us.—Spurgeon.

There is nothing of which we are apt to be so lavish as of time, and about which we ought to be more solicitous, since without it we can do nothing in this world. Time is what we want most, but what, alas! we use worst.—William Penn.

Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply unveil them to the eyes of men. Silently and imperceptibly as we wake or sleep, we grow and wax strong, we grow and wax weak, and at last some crisis shows us what we have become.—Westcott.

The time to consecrate your purse is when you have a little one. If you wait till it is big and fat, you will never do it. And if you fail to consecrate that, you will miss one of the richest blessings of your life. The man or woman who has learned to give has entered upon a path of ever-widening pleasure.—Dr. A. W. Spooner.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

The eighty-fifth annual session of the Mississippi Conference convened in Hattiesburg, Thursday, Dec. 29, 1898, at 9 A. M.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop Chas. B. Galloway, who read as the opening lesson the second chapter of Second Timothy. The hymn, "And are we yet alive," was then sung with much fervor, after which the Bishop led in an earnest and eloquent prayer.

After the roll-call Bishop Galloway read a letter from Bishop Fitzgerald, expressing deep regret at his inability, on account of feeble health, to be present and preside according to appointment. Bishop Galloway then feelingly referred to his colleague's enforced absence, and spoke of what a delightful privilege he counted it to attend and assist in the work of his own home Conference that has become so dear to him. He mentioned the fact that just thirty years ago, at Vicksburg, he was admitted on trial into this Conference, being taken peculiarly on trial, for having been licensed but a short time before, he had not preached a single sermon. Said he, "If I had those years to go over again, I would once more knock at your door for admission."

Dr. C. G. Andrews, who has served the Conference so long and efficiently, was re-elected secretary, with the following corps of assistants: J. A. B. Jones, G. H. Galloway, J. G. Galloway, W. T. Leggett, H. G. Hawkins and C. F. Emery.

The hours of 9 A. M. and 12:30 P. M. were fixed for meeting and adjournment. The usual standing committees were then nominated and appointed, after which a number of communications were read and referred to appropriate committees. In accordance with the new provision in the Discipline, a committee of three was appointed to inquire into the character and qualifications of applicants for admission on trial.

Quite an interesting incident of the morning session was the presentation to the Conference of a hickory gavel made by Bro. E. R. Jones, of Harriston, Miss., of wood which grew near that spring Hill Meeting-House, in Jefferson county, Miss., near which stood the residence of Rev. Newit Vick, where the first Mississippi Conference was held. The gift was accepted with sincere thanks. In this connection Bishop Galloway stated that during the year he had visited the site of the first Methodist Church in Mississippi, and had examined the record of the gift by Lorenzo Dow and his wife, Peggy, of the lot upon which the church stood. He also mentioned some interesting facts concerning Elizabeth Female Academy, which flourished in by-gone days at Washington, Miss., and which was undoubtedly the oldest chartered female college in the world.

Rev. Mr. Curry, pastor of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. E. Carpentor, of the East Texas Conference, and Rev. W. S. LaGrone, of the North Mississippi Conference, were next introduced to the Conference.

The names of the presiding elders were then called, their characters passed, and each made a report. Rev. W. W. Simmons reported, among other things, a revival in parsonage building on the Forest district. Dr. C. G. Andrews, of the Meridian district, mentioned that he had missed a single Quarterly Conference during the year. Rev. C. A. Powell spoke of gratifying improvement in the Sunday-school work on the Seashore district.

The names of a number of brethren were next referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The passage of character was again taken up, and J. J. Golden and Gus Shaw Harmon were continued in the class of the first year. H. J. Moore, H. A. Gatlin, L. E. Alford and W. A. Thurman were advanced to the class of the second year. W. A. Terry was continued in the class of the second year. The following were continued in the class of the third year: Robt. Lee Phillips, John H. Foreman, Robt. A. Sibley, Clarence M. Crossley, James C. Ellis, George W. Huff, and H. C. Brown. The following were elected to elder's orders: J. D. Ellis, R. E. Rutledge, W. W. Moore, W. M. Williams, Robt. H. Barr, and D. Scarborough.

A report from East Mississippi Female College was then read by President Beeson, which showed that the college is succeeding most admirably. One hundred and twenty-one boarders are in attendance, which is twenty more than last year. There is not a single cent of indebtedness on the institution. Christian work among the students has already resulted in from 35 to 40 conversions. At the conclusion of this report a resolution, signed by Revs. H. W. Featherstun and A. T. Bell, calling for an investigation by the Board of Education of certain hurtful tendencies in the college and rumors respecting its work, was adopted by the Conference.

Under Question 20 the following were elected local deacons: W. E. M. Brogan, J. M. Carley, Geo. W. Huff, Wm. Patterson Donnell, Jas. E. Williams, Louis F. Alford, Thos. J. O'Neil, Frederick L. Crowson, and Luke E Alford.

Some time was consumed in discussing the status of Rev. J. E. Riddle, who refused to go to the appointment given him by the last Conference, and later on joined the Episcopal Church, but now wishes to be reinstated as a Methodist preacher. Final discussion in the matter was deferred till to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

The Conference was opened with religious service conducted by Rev. T. W. Brown.

The names of the absentees of yesterday were called, after which the Minutes were read and approved.

Dr. W. H. Pritchett, one of the Missionary Secretaries, and Dr. J. D. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education, were introduced to the Conference.

The following were announced as the Committee on Recommendations: R. Selby, G. H. Thompson, and D. P. Bradford.

A resolution was adopted, signed by Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt and C. F. Emery, making it the duty of the several Boards by whom the assessments are apportioned to the districts, to apportion the same on the basis of the salaries received by the pastors in each district during this year.

Under Question 20 the characters of a number of brethren were passed, each making a report of his work. Rev. J. N. Tucker, preacher in charge of the Indian Mission, gave an interesting account of his year's labors among the Choctaws of our State.

Rev. Dr. Murrah then read a gratifying report concerning the work at Millsaps College. Notwithstanding the yellow fever and quarantines, 143 students have been enrolled, 25 of these being the sons of preachers, and 21 are preparing for the ministry. A strong religious sentiment pervades the institution, and the Y. M. C. A. is doing better work than during previous years.

Dr. DuBose, Secretary of the Epworth League, then gave some interesting facts respecting the League work. Since Aug. 4 the circulation of the Epworth Era has increased 7,500. There are now in our church 16,000 League members and 500 chapters.

A report from the trustees of Whitworth College was read by President Chambers, and referred to the proper committee.

The following visitors were present during the morning session, and were introduced to the Conference: Rev. Mr. Hall, pastor of the Hattiesburg Baptist Church; President Fitzhugh, of Belhaven College; Prof. Phillips, principal of the Hattiesburg Graded School, and Rev. Mr. Barr, pastor of the Biloxi Presbyterian Church.

T. J Norsworthy was continued in the class of the fourth year. H. B. Vandenburg, having stood an approved examination, was elected to elder's orders.

The case of Rev. F. B. Ormond, who last year declined to go to his appointment, next came up for consideration. After he had made some explanations and a humble confession of his mistake, his character was unanimously passed.

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was then read and adopted, by virtue of which J. W. Sandell was continued in the supernumerary relation, and the following were superannuated: A. B. Nicholson, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador, T. W. Brown, and R. B. Downer. The last mentioned brother who, by to-day's action of the Conference, was put for the first time on the list of superannuates, was then called to the platform by Bishop Galloway, and invited to say anything he might choose. For half an hour or more Bro. Downer, who, for forty years, has done faithful work as an itinerant preacher, though a cripple, entertained the Conference with an account of his early life, conversion, admission on trial, and experiences as a minister of the gospel. As he spoke of the appalling difficulties he had encountered, the battles fought with self, and the victories won for the Master, the whole Conference was moved to tears. Among the many noble things he said was: "In my own estimation, I was a supernumerate when I was admitted on trial." When he sat down a most touching scene followed. While some of the old-time hymns were being sung, the brethren all pressed forward to shake his hand and rejoice with him in his devotion to God. Shouts of praise resounded, and tears of joy and sorrow were intermingled. It is such scenes and incidents as this that make Conference ties so dear to the brethren.

The morning session closed with a strong and striking address by Dr. J. D. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education, who threw much light on the project proposed by the last General Conference to raise during 1899 a million and a half dollars as a Twentieth Century Educational Fund. His speech outlined the methods to be pursued in raising this money, and aroused no little enthusiasm. Just before this address the passage of character, with one or two exceptions, was completed, and reports were heard from all the brethren whose names had not previously been called.

THIRD DAY

Conference met at the usual hour. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. M. Pugh. After the reading and approval of the Minutes, the question, "Who are admitted on trial?" was called, and the following were admitted: J. W. Campbell and R. L. Webb, from the Jackson district; W. L. Blackwell, from the Forest district; Louis F. Alford, Thos. J. O'Neil, and Frederick L. Crowson, from the Meridian district.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges against Rev. F. M. Keen reported a trial necessary, and Rev. W. H. Huntley was appointed to prosecute the case.

A beautiful and impressive incident of to-day's session was the gift by the Conference of a handsome typewriter to Dr. C. G. Andrews, who, for the past thirty-three years, has served the Conference as chief secretary, the speech of presentation being made by Bishop Galloway in his characteristically appropriate and felicitous way. Dr. Andrews was deeply touched by this token of appreciation, and in a tender and fitting response remarked that he esteemed the love and sympathy of his brethren above anything else on earth.

The following having been two years on trial, and stood approved examinations, were admitted into full connection: Geo. P. McKeown, J. A. Moore, and George M. Hull.

Bishop Galloway's address to the class admitted on this occasion was full of the noblest counsel and striking, stimulating truths, and produced a profound impression. A more timely, eloquent, or masterly address on such an occasion we have never heard. The Bishop urged upon the young brethren the avoidance of polemical discussion concerning the higher spiritual experiences. "The spirit of perfect love," said he, "means a spirit of tolerance with everything except sin. You may discuss form of words until you lose the experience you thought you had." After asking the disciplinary question, "Do you expect to be made perfect in love in this life?" he said, "You will never be made perfect in any other respect." The Bishop also put strong emphasis upon the evangelistic feature of ministerial work, and the necessity of preserving the integrity of our connectionallem.

Final action was then taken in the case of Rev. J. E. Riddle, which was up for consideration on yesterday, he being located at his own request. Rev. E. E. Langford was also located at his own request.

The Board of Education then reported that, after duly considering the resolutions passed yesterday calling for an investigation of the rumors respecting objectionable features in the management of the East Mississippi Female College, they deemed no further action necessary. The report was promptly adopted.

A resolution introduced by Dr. C. G. Andrews, respecting the war claim and the Agents of the Publishing House, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests, as was also a resolution proposing the establishment, two years hence, of a Mississippi paper, to cost one dollar per annum. The editor and publisher of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE at this point took occasion to address the Conference in behalf of its official organ, pointing out the inexpediency of the proposition, and offering to reduce the price of the ADVOCATE to one dollar as soon as 12,000 subscribers are secured.

The report of the Board of Directors of our Orphans' Home at Water Valley mentioned, among other interesting items, the following: Thirty-five children in all have been cared for, thirty-four of whom are still in the Home. Seven of the children have recently been converted and joined the church. Four thousand two hundred dollars has this year been expended for the support of the Institution, $1,900 of which was contributed by the Mississippi Conference. The first Sunday in April was designated as Orphans' Day.

Rev. J. W. Chambers, chairman of the Joint Board of Finance, having announced a deficit of $170 on the amount needed to pay the Conference claimants in full, was given opportunity to take a collection to cover the same, and the sum of $88 was quickly raised.

Rev. M. L. Burton, manager of the Orphans' Home, next made an earnest and telling address in behalf of this noble benevolence of the church.

The report of the Joint Board of Finance, which was then read, stated that the total collections for Conference claimants this year is $500 short of what was raised last year; recommended the first Sunday in March as Veterans' Day, and fixed the total assessment for Conference claimants at $6,000, the same as last year.

Before adjournment the Bishop announced the names of the committee appointed to try Rev. F. M. Keen; then came sundry announcements and the benediction.

MONDAY MORNING'S SESSION.

Conference was opened with religious service by Rev. J. D. Crymes; Bishop Galloway presiding. After the reading and approval of the Minutes of Saturday's session, and of the memorial session on Sunday, a report was heard from the Board of Church Extension, which mentioned a shortage in the collections for this cause as compared with last year of $292. The work of the Woman's Home Mission Society was heartily commended, and it was shown to be making encouraging progress. One thousand seven hundred dollars has been raised by this society this year, and four parsonages have been substantially aided. February 26 was designated as Home Mission and Parsonage Day.

A resolution was then passed instructing the pastors to pro rate their collections, except when taken for a specific object, so as not to discriminate against any one of the Conference assessments.

The committee appointed to try Rev. F. M. Keen, ex-chaplain in the U. S. Army, next reported that they had acquitted him of the charges of immorality, but had found him guilty of imprudence, and that, in view of the frank confession made by him and pledge to conduct himself more discreetly in the future, his character be passed. This was accordingly done.

The report of the Board of Education, which was next had, spoke encouragingly of the work and prospects of our several Conference colleges, and recommended the observance of first Sunday in October as Education Day. The following educational statistics were then given: Number of schools, 5; value of educational property, $109,000; endowment funds, $107,000; number of teachers, 52; number of pupils, 752.

President J. W. Chambers next took the platform, and delivered a strong and earnest address in behalf of Whitworth College, which, in spite of the hard times, is having a prosperous session.

Appropriate resolutions of sympathy with our beloved senior Bishop, John C. Keener, in the loss of his son, Dr. J. O. Keener, of the Alabama Conference, who has just passed over the river, were introduced by Dr. C. G. Andrews and unanimously adopted, the secretary being instructed to communicate the same at once to our bereaved brother and his family.

The greater part of the morning session was taken up with the warm discussion of several items in the report of the Committee on Publishing Interests. The first matter that evoked discussion was a proposition to establish a Mississippi Methodist paper at Jackson two years hence, or as soon as the contract with the present publisher expires. The amendment was finally voted down by a large majority, and an amendment to the original clause was passed warmly endorsing the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, and pledging hearty co-operation therewith.

The last item of the report related to the War claim of our Publishing House, and precipitated a lengthy and heated debate, which resulted in the passage by an overwhelming majority of the following resolutions, for which two substitutes were offered, but were finally rejected:

Resolved (First), That if the agents of the church made any statements which misled senators into the passage of the bill through the United States Senate, though they declare that they had no such purpose, and though such statements did not affect the merits of the case, we deplore the fact.

Resolved (Second), That the public declaration and assurance of our Board of Bishops that if the Senate, by affirmative action, declares the passage of the bill was due to such misleading statements, that they would take the proper steps to have the entire amount returned to the government, plants the church on high ground, and is fully responsive to the utmost demands of reason and the conscience of the church.

Resolved (Third), That we approve this action of the Bishops, and we believe the settlement of the whole matter had best be left to them, and the unrestrained action of the United States Senate, which has it under consideration.

Conference then adjourned to meet at 3:30 P. M.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The session Monday afternoon was taken up mainly with the hearing and adoption of reports of the various committees not previously heard from or having supplementary reports, namely: the Sunday-school Board, Epworth League Board, Committee on Bible Cause, Board of Missions, and others. The report on Sabbath Observance, presented by Rev. H. G. Hawkins, was a strong and timely document, and contained a resolution memorializing the Legislature to give relief as far as practicable to railroad employees from Sunday labor, and same was adopted after some alterations had been made.

The report of the Committee on Temperance, which was adopted without change, emphatically reaffirmed our position on the temperance question, urged persistent effort toward State prohibition, and condemned the use of tobacco and cigarettes.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church, presented by H. W. Van Hook, mentioned that the church has had many victories this year as well as many trials, that the grace of liberality has abounded, and that our schools are well patronized. Bishop Galloway here took occasion to say a few words, and expressed it as his deep conviction that the great need of the church is a deepening of the spiritual life. "If we, as Methodists, are not a spiritual people," said he, "we have no mission to the world."

Among the most noteworthy resolutions passed by the Conference was the one offered by Rev. H. M. Ellis, pledging us to more active effort for the evangelization of the Jews in our State. The resolution was warmly advocated by Dr. H. M. DuBose.

Resolutions were passed tendering hearty thanks to the people of Hattiesburg for their hospitality, to the New Orleans dailies, and the several railroads of the State for their kindness and courtesies.

Vicksburg was selected as the place for holding the next Conference.

A collection amounting to $33.45 was then taken for Bro. Jim Johnson, an Indian missionary.

After the following statistics had been given, Conference adjourned till 7:30 P. M., at which time the appointments were read by Bishop Galloway: Number of local preachers, 129; members, 38,773—an increase of 2,330 over last year. Infants baptized, 830; adults baptized, 506. Number of

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Epworth Leagnes, 57; number of Epworth Leagne members, 1,790; nnmber of Snnday-schools, 346; nnmber of Sunday-school teachers, 1,971; number of Sunday-school scholars, 16,185; amonnt raised for foreign missions, $5,326; amonnt raised for domestic missions, $3,401.86; amonnt raised for chnrch extension, $1,483.76; amonnt raised for presidlng elders, $2,144.06; amonnt raised for pastors, $55,864 67. Nnmber of societies, 420; honses of worship, 388—valne of same, $451 556; nnmber of pastoral charges, 123; nnmber of parsonages, 104—valne of parsonages, $94,250. (We omit several items.)

APPOINTMENTS.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

H. W. Featherstun, P. E.
Brookhaven, T. W. Adams.
Magnolia and Osyka, J. A. B. Jones; J. W. Sandoll, supernnmerary.
Tylertown, B. H. Rawls.
Whitestown, J. W. Tinnin.
McComb City, I. L. Peebles.
Summit and Topisaw, V. V. Boone.
Bogue Chitto, J. A. Moore.
Pleasant Grove, M. A. Thurman.
Sallnan, W. M. Williams.
Hazlehurst, R. Selby.
Crystal Springs, C. A. Powell.
Mount Carmel, J. D. Ellis.
Westville, L. E. Alford.
Caseyville, J. S. Parkor.
Adams, W. W. Morse.
Wesson, J. M. Morse.
Beauregard, H. A. Gatlin.
Providence, C. McDonald.
Whitworth Female College, J. W. Chambers, president.
Mississippi Orphans' Home, M. L. Burton, manager.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

C. G. Androws, P. E.
Meridian, Central, J. M. Weems.
South Side and Poplar Springs, W. G. Backus.
East End, D. P. Bradford.
West End, H. M. Ellis.
DeKalb, C. D. Cecil.
Hinnsville, R. E. Rntledge.
Poplarville, R. L. Phillips.
Lauderdale, G. S. Harmon.
Vimville, C. D. Crossley.
North Kemper, L. F. Alford.
Daleville, H. Mellard.
Enterprise and Stonewall, J. T. Leggett.
Pachnta, W. J. Ferguson.
Shubuta, A. T. Beall.
Mathersville, R. H. Barr.
Middleton, J. C. Ellis.
Waynesboro and State Line, J. T. Nicholson.
Wayne mission, supplied by D. C. Farmer.
Winchester, F. B. Ormond.

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

W. W. Simmons, P. E.
Moss Point, J. E. Carpenter.
Americus, J. W. Campbell.
Escatawpa, W. J. Dawson.
Biloxi, W. G. Forsyth.
Ocean Springs and Scranton, W. H. Lewis.
St. John's Mission, J. H. Holland.
Whittington, G. W. Huff.
Bay Saint Louis and Long Beach, J. P. Drake.
Pearlington and Longtown, G. H. Galloway.
Lumberton and Poplarville, W. H. Huntley.
Purvis, George P. McKeown.
Columbia, H. B. Trevilion.
Hattiesburg, B. F. Jones.
Galloway, R. L. Webb.
Ellisville and Laurel, N. B. Harmon.
Vancleave, W. L. Blackwell.
Williamsburg, G. R. Ellis.
Leaksville, H. B. Vandeeburg.
Covington, F. L. Crowson.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

E. H. Mounger, P. E.
Vicksburg, Crawford Street, A. F. Watkins.
South Vicksburg, W. W. Cammack.
Rolling Fork, H. W. Van Hook.
Angnilla, F. M. Koon.
Mayersville, W. T. Griffin.
Warren, H. L. Norton.
Satartia, C. C. Evans.
South Warren, W. W. Hurst.
Edwards, C. F. Emery.
Bolton, L. Carley.
Utica, G. A. Guice.
Rocky Springs, J. N. Ware.
Hermanville, A. D. Miller.
Vera, J. G. Cammack.
Port Gibson, L. S. Jenos.

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Jackson, First Church, R. W. Bailey.
Capitol Street, R. J. Jones.
Fannin, H. C. Brown.
Brandon, B. F. Lewis.
Steens Creek, R. Bradley.
Madison, H. G. Hawkins.
Canton, J. W. McLaurin.
Sharon, F. M. Williams.
Camden, T. J. Norsworthy.
Franquil, J. M. Cowan.
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CONFERENCE NOTES.

Greatly to the regret of all, Rev. J. P. Drake was taken sick dnring Conference and was forced to retnrn home on Satnrday.

No other people have ever manifested to onr Conference more generons hospitality or greater appreciation than those of Hattiesbnrg.

A dozen or more preachers' wives were in attendance, among them being the brides of Revs. H. A. Gatlin, J. A. Moore, and J. T. Abney.

The financial reports showed a considerable falling off as compared with last year. The shortage, however, was not as great as was expected.

The Woman's Home Mission Society was represented by the bright and consecrated Miss Pauline Stafford, who secnred qnite a nnmber of subscribers to the organ of the society, "Onr Homes."

It is almost "like carrying coal to Newcastle" to say that Bishop Galloway received a royal welcome to his old Conference. Nowhere is the Bishop more popnlar—more nniversally beloved—than in his native State.

Bro. I. L. Peebles was untiring in his efforts to look after the interests of the Conference and the comfort of the brethron, and proved himself in every way a most worthy host. Presiding Elder Powell also rendered efficient service in this direction.

Tho Conference was largely attended, not only by the people of Hattiesbnrg, bnt also attracted many visitors from the surrounding country and the towns adjacent, this being the first time that an Annnal Conference has been held in this section of the State.

The Conferenoe sessions were held in the Hattiesbnrg Public School building, an elegant and oommodions brick structnre fitted np with all the modern improvements. A more snitable place for the meeting of a deliberative assembly conld hardly have been fonnd.

Dnring onr stay in Hattiesbnrg we were hospitably entertained by Bro. and Sister McInnis, having as onr oo-gnest onr genial friend, Rev. H. C. Brown. We also enjoyed the hospitalities of Sister Hawkins, Bro. J. P. Carter, and Bro. Bionnt and Presiding Elder Powell.

On Snnday the brethren named below preached in the varions chnrches: Revs. A. F. Watkins and Dr. DuBose in the Presbyterian Chnroh; Dr. Pritchett in the Baptist Chnrch; Revs. G. H. Thompson and C. F. Emery in the Colored Methodist Chnrch; Rev. B. S. Rayner at Ellisville, and Rev. H. P. Lewis at Rawls' Spring.

We have great reason for thankfnlness over the fact that onr increase in membership dnring '98 was 2 330

We were not fortnnate enough to hear more than one of the sermons preached before Snnday, bnt, jndging by reports, they were all of a high ordor. Following are the names of the brethren who preached: Revs. H. W. Featherstnn, R. Bradley, W. B. Lewis, and T. L. Mellon.

Among the leading laymen in attendance we noted: D. S. Harmon, T. L. Monnt, S. J. Johnson, Jndge A. T. Bell, L. P. Brown, T. C. Harmon, Capt. S. B. Watts, ex-Sheriff Harper, W. M. Thornton, Col. A. C. McNair, Maj. R. W. Millsaps, Lieut.-Gov. Jones, H. B. McGehee, and T. M. Evans.

Dr. H M. DnBose's address, Friday night, on the Epworth Leagne, was masterly, magnetic and magnificent, and completely charmed all who heard it. By the witchery of his word painting, the brilliance of his rhetoric, the brightness of his hnmor, and the elegance of his thought, he held the vast audience spell-bonnd for nearly two honrs.

On Sunday night, in the school bnilding, Dr. C G. Andrews preached a strong and splendid sermon on ministerial stewardship, after which the following were ordained by Bishop Galloway to the office of traveling elders: Daniel Soarborongh, J. D. Ellis, R. E. Rntledge, Waldo W. Moore, Wm. M. Williams, Robt. H. Barr, and H. B. Vandenbnrg.

At the memorial service, Snnday afternoon, Rev. W. B. Lewis read a memoir of Rev. M. J. Harris, and Rev. P. D. Hardin a memoir of Rev. G. W. Ferrer, after which a nnmber of brethren rose and paid fitting tribntes to these translated ministers. Memoirs were also read in honor of Bros. S. S. Cope, of Panlding, Miss., and W. G. Paxton, two consecrated laymen who died dnring the year.

Methodism in Hattiesbnrg is aggressive, and is moving forward with rapid strides. Dnring Bro. Peebles' pastorate of two years 245 members have been added to the chnrch, and the pastor's salary has been raised from $700 to $1,000. One hnndred and nine members have been received the present year, forty-six of these being on profession of faith. All the oollections were reported as raised in fnll. The Snnday-school has an enrollment of 230.

Bishop Galloway's sermon, Snnday morning, on the text: "Nevertheless the fonndation of God standeth snre," was the grandest disconrse we have ever heard him deliver, and had an electrical effect npon the great oongregation present. Many were the glad amens and the mingled tears of joy and sympathy that it evoked. After the sermon the following were ordained local deacons: James M. Carley, Wm. P. Donnell, Lewis F. Alford, Frederick L Crowson, and L. E. Alford. At another time dnring the Conference Thos. J. O'Neil and Geo. W. Hnddleston wore ordained to the same office.

On Saturday night a highly enjoyable and profitable Missionary Mass Meeting was held. An interesting report was first read by Rev. T. L. Mellen in behalf of the Mission Board, which was followed by the treasurer's report. Miss Sallie Smylie, representing the W. F. M. Society, next read a most excellent paper, telling abont the work of the Woman's Board. The address of the evening was then delivered by Dr. J. H. Pritchett, one of our Missionary Secretaries, who presented the gronnd and claims of missions in one of the most profonnd, logical, and stirring speeches we have evor listened to. His address is snre to bear frnit.

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NOTES.

The Epworth Leagne Department was received too late for this issne.

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For onr write-np of the proceedings of the Conference onr readers are indebted to Rev. M. M. Black.

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The following brethren paid appreciated calls at the ADVOCATE office on their way home from Hattiesbnrg: W. B. Hines, W. L. C. Hnnniontt, J. M. Morse, W. W. Morse, E. F. Edgar, V. V. Boone, L. F. Alford, J. A. B. Jones, T. W. Adams, B. F. Jones, and J. A. Moore.

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Until my weary feet shall reach the goal.
And somewhere near the open door of heaven
I know that I shall feel thy glad caress,
And the old love with all its sweetness given
Shall fill my spirit life with holy bliss."

POLITENESS IN CHILDREN.

A mother writing in Harper's Bazaar prefaces her "talk" under the above heading by telling of reading, not long ago, of a discouraged and despairing mother who said to her children, "You ain't got no manners, and I declare I can't beat none into you."

Now, the course pursued by this mother was not more unwise, and but little more vulgar, than that pursued by some parents in the higher walks of life in their attempts to teach their children to be polite. As politeness is the expression of kindness and goodwill, it can not be whipped nor scolded into children. It can not be put on or off at will, like a garment. It must be largely the result of example in the case of children. The imitative faculty is strong in a child, and, if father and mother are habitually polite to each other and to everyone else, the child will imitate this beautiful trait and be polite also.

The writer recalls without pleasure a visit in a home in which the mother very properly classed good manners among the cardinal virtues of life, and she was determined that her children should be "little ladies and gentlemen." Her methods of achieving this result were astonishing, in view of her intelligence and of her position in life. No sooner were we seated at the dinner table than she began to instruct the children in this wise:

"Edith, sit up straight. It is vulgar to lounge at the table, above all places. Harry, take your elbows from the table. How often have I told you that it was rude to put your elbows on the table? Is it possible, Harold, that you are eating mashed potatoes with a spoon? I have told you over and over again just what was the proper use of the spoon at the table."

In the parlor it was: "Edith, sit erect! Harry, don't pass in front of Mr. H—— without an apology! Harold, you forgot to say 'Thank you.' Mamma wants her little boys and girls to be polite."

Now, we are all more or less familiar with this painful method of instructing children in the art of politeness. It is possible that it was the misfortune of some readers of this to have received this sort of instruction in the days of their own childhood. If so, they can testify to the sense of humiliation and anger that filled their childish breasts when the attention of strangers was directed to them. They felt shy, awkward, and painfully self-conscious in the presence of visitors, and the arrival of guests was looked forward to with fear and dread, because it meant public exposure of the child's defects.

This method would imply that good breeding was confined altogether to the external things of life, and that if children ate properly and gave proper replies when spoken to, and bowed at the right time and in the right way, they had achieved the highest forms of politeness.

Henry Ward Beecher said that "politeness is a religious duty, and should be a part of religious training." The law of politeness applies to men and women quite as much as to children; and if courtesy and kindness and sweetness are the natural expression and attitude of the parents, these graces will naturally manifest themselves in the child.—Union Signal.

FATHERHOOD.

We must be something to our children. And I know no better argument for universal liberal education than the need for universal educated parenthood. A man can be a merchant without a liberal education. A man may be a doctor, even, with only technical education. A man may be wealthy without being wise, but a man can not be worth his salt as a parent without the ideals and the tastes and the power of expression that free him from the humdrum and the grossness of life, and enable him, in some degree, to point and to lead his children along the path of the same freedom.

Fundamentally, however, the parental relation is a moral and spiritual relation. The chief importance of the kind of intellectual nature I have described lies in its utility for moral and spiritual ends—for the growth of character. These two things must go together.

The child must be good, but must also be something; and the surest way to make him good is to make him good for something. For example, the parent who is interesting and companionable, intellectually, has a better right to correct and punish his child than one who has no time, or takes no time, to live with his child. Punishment must be rational and positive. One of its first requisites is that it be a subtraction from an already existing fund, not a process that reduces the child to less than zero. He blames most effectively who has previously found most occasions for praise. His punishments can be simplest and lightest whose helpful service has been most marked. The essence of moral, as distinguished from brutal, punishment lies in this: that it touches not so much the body as the spirit; that it works upon ideals, chiefly depriving for the time being, of valued privileges or possessions of a moral sort.

And, secondly, I would not have it thought that, in laying stress on physical and moral matters, and saying nothing of religious interests and duties, I place the latter in a subordinate place. Lack of time has made it necessary to confine attention to those things, which, while they are important, are so chiefly because they form the basis and the only basis of religious nurture. It is a privilege too precious to forego to lead the children to love the stories of the Bible, lead them to see God in nature and in human life; to pray with the children, and be rewarded by having the children pray for you when you are away from home, or in your presence pray for needed graces for you all; and it is above all the duty of the earthly father, as clear as it is humiliating, to give the child the only basis he can have for a knowledge of his heavenly Father.—Harvey.

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UNCONSCIOUS REVELATIONS.

The other day, as I sat by my window, I was the observer of a little incident which set in motion the train of thought reaching from my quiet home to you, wherever you are. I live on a street which has a smooth asphalt pavement greatly in favor with wheelmen and women, and there are few hours between morning and bedtime when young people are not flying up and down its lengths on their magical machines.

A very pretty girl came sweeping along, managing her bicycle with the graceful ease of a confident and skillful rider. Her face was glowing with health, her dress was most becoming, and her whole air was that of one accustomed to the courtesies of polite society, and used, on her own part, to much gentleness and consideration. Yet, when another girl, evidently a novice, swerved awkwardly and narrowly escaped colliding with her, the pretty young woman shocked and amazed the elderly lady in the shadow of the curtains by exclaiming, angrily, "Great Scott! I wish you would look where you are going!"

There was a bit of wholly unconscious revelation of character. I saw that my beautiful maiden was not like the King's daughter, "all glorious within." She had caught, perhaps from a schoolboy brother, the trick of slang; she was impatient, she was hasty of speech and temper, and she failed to make allowance for the inexperience of another. I was saddened, and I wished with my whole heart that the young girl could realize how unfortunate for herself was the frame of mind and the habit of petulance which had made possible her impetuous remonstrance. Life may discipline her by greater trials than the clumsy blunder of a fellow-traveler on the road, and by and by she may learn to repress the vehement word of irritation. But what I long for, when I think of her, and of thousands like her, is that they may not feel the impulse to needless vexation with the errors or even with the carelessness of others. It is a splendid thing so to live that the face, manner, voice, and what the Bible aptly terms "walk and conversation," are the expressions of inward poise, serenity and sweetness.—Margaret E. Sangster, in New York Evangelist.

GOOD THINGS TO LEARN.

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine.

Learn how to tell a story. A well-told story is as welcome as a sunbeam in a sick-room.

Learn to keep your own troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows.

Learn to stop croaking. If you can not see any good in this world, keep the bad to yourself.

Learn to hide your aches and pains under a pleasant smile. No one cares whether you have the earache, headache, or rheumatism.

Learn to attend strictly to your own business. Very important point.

Learn to greet your friends with a smile. They carry too many frowns in their own hearts to be bothered with any of yours.—Selected.

A German boy was reading a blood-and-thunder novel. Right in the midst of it he said to himself: "Now, this will never do. I get too much excited over it. I can't study well after it. So here goes!" and he flung the book out into the river. He was Fichte, the great German philosopher.—Christian Leader.

Whoever would govern a child must first govern himself. A word spoken hastily, a reproof given in anger, may be the beginning of alienation, or a lesson in passion, of which the unhappy fruits will appear long after.

DID YOU EVER THINK.

That though a loving thought may not seem to be appreciated, it has yet made you better and braver because of it?

That the little acts of kindness and thoughtfulness day by day are really greater than one immense act of goodness once a year?

That to be always polite to the people at home is not only ladylike, but more refined than having "company manners?"

That to judge anybody by his personal appearance stamps you as not only ignorant, but ill-bred?

A wise man who left the company of an acquaintance rather than avenge an insult said: "If you were climbing a hill and a great stone was rolling down toward you, would you not consider it wise to step aside, and allow it to rush past? So it is better to avoid an angry man until he has had time for reflection."

Hygiene.

FATS AS FOOD.

Fats, including all palatable oils, are valuable as foods, and under favorable conditions may be digested and absorbed in considerable quantities by a healthy adult.

A study of physiology shows that nature has bestowed great attention upon the means for the digestion, absorption and assimilation of fatty substances by the human body. This fact may be taken as an indication that fat is naturally a beneficial food. Yet it is a popular supposition that fat is unwholesome; and in many cases the eating of fat does cause discomfort and stomach disorder.

To live naturally, everyone should spend a part of the day in physical exercise, preferably in the open air. Exercise is requisite for the digestion of fat. Lack of exercise is one reason why, in many cases, fats "disagree" with the eater.

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The writer was recently asked by the anxious mother of a young girl of consumptive tendencies whether her fondness for butter was not unnatural and harmful. To such a person the taste for fatty foods is a natural craving for a perfectly proper and wholesome food. The craving should not be discouraged at all; but plentiful indulgence in out-door air and exercise should be insisted upon as a necessary condition of digesting the fats; otherwise symptoms of stomach disorder will appear; blotches and pimples will often occur upon the face, and general ill health will result.

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OBITUARIES

DUKE—HAMILTON HAYES was born in Burke county, Ga., Jan. 8, 1819, and died in Conshatta, La., Oct. 28, 1898. He was married to Mrs Sarah Ann Munson, Oct 31, 1839, in Macon, Ga., by whom he had nine children—seven daughters and two sons. After many years of happy married life, death claimed his excellent wife. He afterwards married Mrs. Eliza Cable, June 17, 1869, of DeSoto parish, La., a most estimable lady, by whom he had two daughters. There are now living seven daughters and one son by his first marriage, and two daughters by his last, and they, with his wife and forty-one grand and great-grandchildren, are truly bereaved of the loss of this noble husband and father. He was converted at the age of nineteen, and joined the Methodist Church. He moved to Louisiana, and lived for the last twenty-nine years in Conshatta, the place of his death. He loved the church of God, and was prominent in building up its interests. He was almost a life-long steward, and especially prompt and correct as a recording steward, which many a Conference committee can testify. For over twenty years he was a faithful superintendent of the Conshatta Sunday-school, prompt, cheerful, commanding the respect and love of all. He was born again of the Spirit, and was ever ready to testify to his acceptance with God. He was a noble man of God, walking uprightly to the end of his life, having the confidence of his brethren. The entire community and fraternity of Masons of which he was a prominent member mourned together over his death. He was a just man, paying his obligations, and especially to the church. When dying the question was asked, "Do you still trust God?" He calmly answered, "I have trusted him too long not to trust him now." Fearlessly and patiently he awaited his Master's call. Thus, surrounded by his large family, kindred and friends, he gently fell asleep in Jesus.

May the mantle of the father fall upon the only living son, who has taken up the work that his father laid down to go to his great reward. May God comfort his bereaved wife, son and daughters with the hope of a family reunion in heaven! J. F. PATTERSON.

BREWER.—Daniel Brewer was born in New York, Aug. 16, 1824, and died at his home at Lecompte, Rapides parish, La., May 21, 1898, aged seventy-three years eight months and twenty days. He came to Louisiana in 1851 and settled in Rapides parish, where he spent the remainder of his life. In 1856 he was married to Miss Esther Susan Moore, and to these parents were born fourteen children—seven sons and seven daughters. His widow, four sons and four daughters survive.

He joined the M. E. Church in his eighteenth year, and for fifty-five years was a follower of the meek and lowly Savior. He was a constant church worker, earnest, devout, and faithful. He had served as steward, trustee, and Sunday-school superintendent. For the sake and means in his possession no man did more for the cause of Christ. He had his family altar, where he and the other members worshiped twice a day. He was very efficient in all the meetings of the church. When he went to Lecompte there was no church-house. A lot was procured, and soon he and others erected a beautiful house of worship. He was the friend of the Methodist preacher, and at his home he always received a Christian welcome.

For three years he was sick, but was resigned and hopeful. He endured as seeing Him who is invisible. As a mail-clad warrior he laid his armor by in the consciousness of a glorious victory. Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. J. F. SOUDLOCK.

JONES—Mrs. ROSASTA HELLAN JONES died Sept 24, 1898. She was born at Phœnix, Yazoo county, Miss., Aug. 22 1841, and was a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Holloman. Her father was a local preacher in the Methodist Church. She was educated at Whitworth College, and during her girlhood professed conversion and united with the Methodist Church. In December, 1886, she was married to Dr. L. G. Jones, of Yazoo county, and in 1887 they moved to Madison Station, at which place they lived happily together until her death. The husband has lost a true and worthy wife, the children a tender and loving mother, the church one of its chief ornaments, and the world one of its best friends. The preacher, too, has lost one of the best of friends. The country of the Methodist Church and parsonage at Madison Station is in a goodly measure owing to her personal efforts. Several times during the year the pastor and church received substantial mementoes of her affection. She was never absent from her place in the sanctuary, unless providentially prevented. She earnestly endeavored to bring up her children in the instruction and discipline of God. The opinion of the community is universal that she was indeed a good soldier of the cross, loyal to her church and worthy of everlasting life. May the bereaved husband and other loved ones meet her in heaven!

JNO. D. ELLIS.

Madison Station, Miss.

HARRIS—JOSEPH W. HARRIS was born May 4, 1831, near Commerce Wells, in Hinds county, Miss., and died Dec. 3, 1898, near Flora, Miss. He was the youngest son of W. H. and Mary Harris. He joined the Methodist Church in 1890 quite early in life, and ever remained a faithful, consecrated Christian life. He never vowed any will oaths, but gave all of his life to the Lord and the right, living in such a noble, upright way that everyone was compelled to love and admire him. He lived a life that his parents were not ashamed of, and made a character with which he was not afraid to go into eternity with. His sudden death was caused by pernicious malaria. He had not been well for some time, yet he was not thought to be in any danger until two days before he died, when he was taken suddenly and violently ill, and was unconscious till he died. His death was a shock to the whole community, and a sadness that will not soon pass away. He leaves a father and mother and two brothers and three sisters to mourn his loss. The home is inexpressibly sad, yet amid sorrow, grief and tears they are comforted in the thought that he is at rest in our Father's house, and there they will meet again. May God comfort and bless all the loved ones left behind! J. G. CAMMACK.

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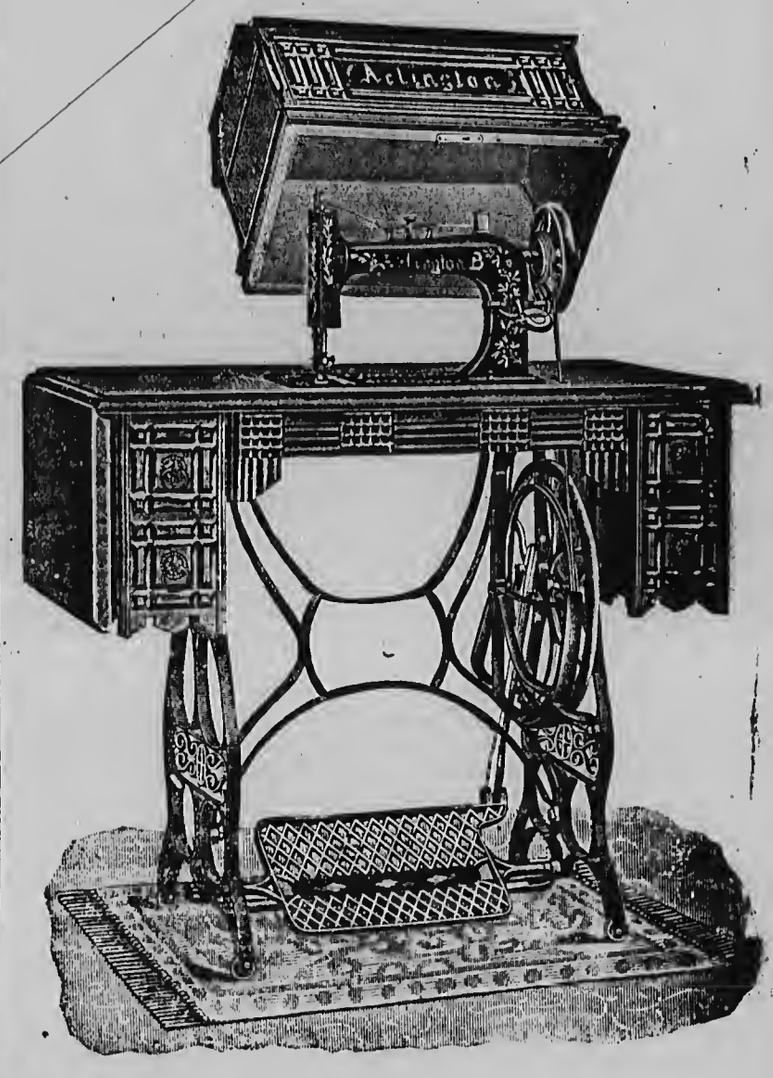

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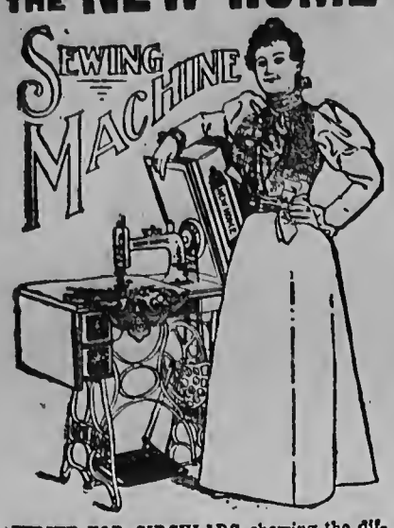

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Southern Educational Association, which met in this city last week, adjourned on Friday.

Senor Don Macias Romero, the Ambassador of Mexico to the United States, died in Washington on Dec. 30.

Iowa druggists are being assessed the regular saloon license tax of $50 per month in some towns. Sioux City insists on this rule because the saloons of that place sell less whisky than the drug stores.

The insurgents at Iloilo are trying to provoke a conflict with the Americans. They will not surrender until they hear from Aguinaldo. General Miller has given them an ultimatum, and last accounts show him preparing to enforce his demands for surrender.

Ten thousand bushels of rice was raised last year on the North Carolina State farms by convict labor. The crop required the labor of thirty-five convicts, and the greater acreage was land only reclaimed from marshy wastes last year. The quality of the rice is said to be very good.

About the only unpleasant jar in naval circles, as a result of the war with Spain, is the matter of the promotions accorded to those officers who had the good fortune to distinguish themselves. The public generally is familiar with the acrimony occasioned by the promotion of Rear Admiral Sampson. He was passed over the heads of a number of his seniors, and in this way their promotion was to some extent delayed.

A compromise has been arranged by General Brooke, which satisfied the Cubans, and will result in all classes celebrating evacuation on Sunday. The Cubans were still feeling greatly hurt over the refusal of the American commander to allow them to participate in the ceremonies. Generals Brooke and Meacal had a conference in the Inglaterra Hotel, at which it was agreed that full sway should be given the Cubans for a grand insurgent celebration to be held in Havana on Feb. 24, the fourth anniversary of the uprising in Santiago province. General Brooke told Meacal that the insurgents might march and feast to their hearts' content at that time. When this became known good feeling resulted and plans were immediately begun for a week's celebration. It has already been decided that formal disbandonment of the insurgent force shall take place on Feb. 24.

AN OLD ENEMY.

Thibodeaux, La., Dec. 28, 1898.—Celiste M. Aucoin, Lock Box 202, this place, states that she has been entirely relieved of her old enemy, headache, by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and she has never been ill since she began its use.

The been of employment at fair wages is seemingly not appreciated by Cuban laborers. A few days ago the dock laborers struck for a raise of 55 cents a day. They were getting $1.25 a day, which is 25 cents more than they were getting under the Spaniards. Now they refuse to go to work under $1.80. General Wood told the ring-leaders that if they did not instantly go to work, he would import all the negro laborers from Jamaica that were required for government purposes.

The sovereignty of Cuba passed from Spain to the United States at noon on Jan. 1. The form of the transfer was simple, consisting only of an exchange of speeches in the salon of the palace, the hauling down of the Spanish flag and the raising in its stead of the flag of the United States on the flagstaff on the palace roof. Salutes were fired from the heavy guns of the forts and the warships before and after the change of flags. The raising of the stars and stripes was greeted with cheers by the people, who covered the roofs of the buildings around the palace and plaza.

Very soon after Congress resumes business on Wednesday President McKinley will transmit to the Senate the treaty of peace with Spain, and with it he will turn over to Congress the entire problem of dealing with all the complications the war has brought to the United States. Pending action by Congress, the Executive will initiate no new policy in regard to any of the islands. Congress must decide how long the system of military government is to continue and what is to displace it in each locality.

After the treaty is out of the way, efforts will probably be made to secure the passage of some sort of resolution declaratory of the policy of the United States toward the new acquisitions, and especially toward the Philippine Islands, but it is not probable such a resolution will be adopted. The most that is likely to be done is the authorization of a commission to visit the Philippines and submit a report to the next Congress.

Growing out of the obligation to maintain peace and order in the islands is the necessity for a larger army and an increased navy. The House committee on naval affairs has already decided to increase the enlisted strength of the navy to 20,000 men and 2200 apprentices, and most, if not all, of the fifteen new warships recommended will be authorized. The bill for the reorganization of the personnel of the navy and the marine corps and for the increase of the latter corps is also in better legislative position than ever before, and it is possible it may be passed during the present session.

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Permit me, in behalf of myself and my grief-stricken loved ones, to thank you, as a body, for your words of sympathy expressed in the language of the resolutions forwarded by your secretary, Rev. Jno. T. Sawyer, D. D.

Yours in Christ, C. C. WIER.

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SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Sardis	31, Jan.	1
Tyro, at Fredonia	7,	8
Como	8,	9
Senatobia	14,	15
Cockrum, at Palestine	21,	22
Coldwater and Hernando	22,	23
Courtland, at Courtland	28,	29
Batesville and Wesley	29,	30
Arkabutla	Feb. 4,	5
Nesbit		7
Pleasant Grove	11,	12
Longtown	12,	13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs	18,	19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet	19,	20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel		22
Wall Hill	25,	26

The Sardis district stewards will meet at Sardis, Miss., Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1899, at 10 A. M. Pastors will please notify their respective district stewards.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Iuka station	Jan.	1
Corinth circuit		6
Kossuth circuit	7,	8
Marietta circuit		13
Ripley and New Albany	15,	16
Blue Springs circuit		14
Booneville circuit	21,	22
Brown's Creek	28,	29
Belmont		27
Guntown	Feb.	4, 5
Ripley circuit		9
New Albany circuit	11,	12
Saltillo circuit		16
Jonesboro circuit	18,	19
Burnsville and Jacinto		24

District stewards' meeting at Corinth, 19 A. M., Jan. 5.

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ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Nettleton circuit	31, Jan.	1
Okolona	7,	8
Aberdeen circuit	Thurs.,	10
Amory and Smithville	14,	15
Prairie, at Pain's Chapel	Thurs.,	17
Verona and Nettleton, at Nettleton	21,	22
Quincy circuit	28,	29
Montpelier circuit, at Palestine	Feb. 4,	5
Buena Vista circuit	Thurs.,	7
Houston circuit	Thurs.,	9
Houston and Wesley	11,	12
Shannon circuit	18,	19
Okolona circuit	Tues.,	21
Fulton circuit	25,	26
Tremont circuit	Tues.,	28

District stewards' meeting in Aberdeen, Jan. 4, at 11 o'clock, at the Methodist Church.

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Water Valley cir., at Palestine	31, Jan.	1
Oxford station	7,	8
Grenada cir., at Spring Hill	14,	15
Grenada station	15,	16
Minter City	21,	22
Tatum, at Friendship	28,	29
Toccopola	Feb.	4, 5
Paris, at Prospect	Fri.,	10
Banner	11,	12
Charleston, at Harrison	18,	19
Chapel Hill	25,	26
Slate Springs, at Bentley	Thurs.,	28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel	Wed., Mar.	1
Ellzey, at Old Town	Fri.,	3
Pittsboro		4, 5

The district stewards will all please meet in Wood Street Church, Water Valley, Wednesday, Jan. 4, at 11 A. M.

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Sallis, at Sallis	31, Jan.	1
Kosciusko station	1,	2
Ethel, at Shady Grove		5
Pickens, at Richland	7,	8
Ebenezer, at Ebenezer	14,	15
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington	15,	16
Cumberland, at Long Branch		20
Tom Nolen, at South Union	21,	22
Eupora and Maben, at Eupora	22,	23
Rural Hill, at Centre Ridge		27
Ackerman, at McCool	28,	29
Belzoni, at Belzoni	Feb.	4, 5
Poplar Creek, at Friendship	11,	12
Chester, at Chester	18,	19
Louisville, at Rocky Hill	25,	26
Salem, at Salem	Mar.	4, 5

The district stewards will meet in the Methodist Church, Durant, Miss., Dec. 28, 1898, at 1 o'clock.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Macon station	Jan.	1, 2
Shuqualak, at Center Valley		3
Hebron, at Hebron		5
Crawford, at Crawford	7,	8
West Point		11
Tibbee, at Tibbee		13
Cedar Bluff, at Phoba	14,	15
Starkville circuit, at Smyrna	21,	22
Starkville station	22,	23
Lagrange, at Lewis Chapel		26
Sturges, at Sturges	28,	29
Columbus circuit, at Mt. Pleasant	Feb.	4, 5
Columbus station	5,	6
Winstonville, at Mashulaville	11,	12

District stewards will meet me at West Point, Jan. 11, at 10 o'clock A. M. A full attendance is very much desired.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Greenwood, 1st	" " " "	Jan.
Vaiden, 2nd	" " " "	"
Carrollton station, 3rd	" " " "	"
Indianola, 4th	" " " "	"
Winona circuit, 5th	" " " "	"
Sidon and Etta Bena, 1st	" " " "	Feb.
West, 2nd	" " " "	"
Carrollton circuit, 3rd	" " " "	"
McNutt, 4th	" " " "	"
Black Hawk, 1st	" " " "	Mar.
Dublin and Webb, 2nd	" " " "	"

District stewards will please meet me in Winona, Wednesday morning before second Sunday in January.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Alexandria station	Jan.	7, 8
Lecompte and White Chapel, at L., Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.		13
Chicot and Washington, at W.		14, 15
Bunkie....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Tues.,	17
Simsport	preaching, 7:30 P. M.,	18
Simsport	Conf., 11 A. M.,	19
Melville....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Fri.,	20
Pineville		21, 22
Boyce and West A., at W. A....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M..	Tues.,	24
Natchitoches...Conf., 2 P. M; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Thurs.,	26
Montgomery and Colfax, at Colfax		28, 29
Ada and Winfield, at W....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Tues.,	31
Olla and Pollock, at P....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Fri.,	Feb. 3
Columbia		4, 5
Jena and Jonesville, at W. S. Springs. Conf., 11 A. M; pr'g, 7:30 P. M.	Tues.	7
Spring Creek, at Gleumora		11, 12
Dry Creek, at D. C....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Tues.,	14

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Centerville	Jan.	7, 8
Gloster		14, 15
Hopewell		21, 22
Harriston		28, 29
Washington	Feb.	4, 5
Salem		11, 12
Fayette		18, 19
Jefferson Street		24, 26
Wesley Chapel		25, 26
Meadville	Mar.	4, 5
Roxie		11, 12
Percy's Creek		18, 19
Woodville		25, 26
Brandywine	Apr.	3, 4

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MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Meridian, Central	Jan.	7, 8
Meridian, South Side, at Poplar Springs		8, 9
Meridian, West End		14, 15
Meridian, East End		15, 16
Vimville, at Pleasant Hill		21, 22
North Kemper, at Spring Hill		28, 29
DeKalb, at DeKalb		29, 30
Porterville, at Porterville	Feb.	4, 5
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale		5, 6
Wynno, at Liberty Hill	Fri.,	10
Winchester, at Big Rock		11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna		12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto		18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise		19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel	Fri.,	24
Marbersville, at Poplar Springs		25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman		26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel	Mar.	4, 5
Binnsville, at Secoba		11, 12

District stewards will please meet in Central Church, Meridian, Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 10 A. M.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

MARRIAGES.

PERRY—CUNY.—At the hotel in Delhi, La., by Rev. Jas. G. Galloway, Mr. C. F. Perry, of Edwards, Miss., to Mrs. L. A. Cuny, of Louisiana.

WITHERS—CHICHESTER.—At the residence of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Emma Chichester, Edwards, Miss., Dec. 20, 1898, by Rev. Jno. G. Galloway, Mr. R. S. Withers to Miss Edith Chichester.

MORGAN—MORGAN.—At the residence of Mr. Hampton Morgan, Vermilion parish, La., Dec. 22, 1898, by Rev. J. White Davis, Mr. Neville F. Morgan and Miss L. Berthn Morgan.

OLLIOFT—HARVEY.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Morrow, Miss., Dec. 11, by Rev. Hervie Meliard, Mr. Otto T. Olliolt to Miss Lillian Harvey, all of Lauderdale county.

HARVEY—BRETT.—In Andrew Chapel Church, at Morrow, Miss., Dec. 18, by Rev. Hervie Meliard, Mr. H. A. Harvey to Miss Mary Brett, all of Lauderdale county.

SMITH—EDWARDS.—Near Ethel, La., Dec. 21, by Rev. C. C. Miller, Mr. Mills Smith, of Wilson, to Miss Nellie Edwards.

ALLEN—BITT.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Moseley, Miss., Dec. 22, 1898, at 2:45 P. M., by Rev. Paul D. Hardin, Mr. W. S. Allen and Miss Nora Hill, all of Rankin county.

HOFFPAUIR—MARTEL.—At the residence of Mrs. Ford Hoffpauir, Lafayette parish, La., Dec. 14, 1898, by Rev. J. White Davis, Mr. Joseph E. Hoffpauir and Miss Ida A. Martel.

ALDRIDGE—REYNOLDS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Meadville, Miss., Dec. 22, 1898, by Rev. R. S. Gale, Mr. M. L. Aldridge and Miss Rube Reynolds, all of Franklin county, Miss.

WELLS—REEVES.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 22, 1898, by Rev. J. W. Timmis, Mr. Thomas J. Wells to Miss Belle Reeves, all of Whitesiown, Miss.

CLARK—MAGEE.—At the parsonage in Montpelier, Miss., Dec. 18, 1898, by Rev. J. W. Raper, Mr. B. F. Clark and Miss Mary Jane Magee.

SHERMAN—HATCHETT.—At the home of the bride's father, Dec. 25, 1898, by Rev. J. W. Raper, Mr. E. Sherman and Miss Mollie J. Hatchett.

MILLER—HENLEY.—At New Bethel, in Noxubee county, Miss., Dec. 28, 1898, by Rev. E. S. Lewis, Mr. L. H. Miller, of Abbott, Miss., and Miss Edna Henley.

HAGLER—MORRIS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. —— Morris, Gainsville, La., Dec. 21, by Rev. J. H. Brown, Robert L. Hagler to Miss Mary B. Morris.

JONES—LAWLEY.—At the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. J. H. Hammett, Dec. 21, by Rev. J. H. Brown, Mr. J. M. Jones, of Jackson parish, to Mrs. Mary Lawley, of Winn parish.

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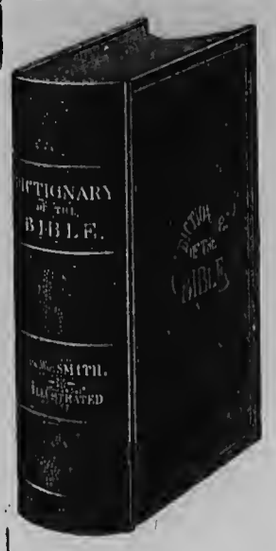

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OPPORTUNITY.

BY ANNIE M. LIBBY.

There was a chance for loving service; my idle hands were slow.
There were messages to carry; my feet refused to go.
There was place for words of kindness, and time for songs of cheer,
But I left them all unspoken till there was none to hear.
Yet I called myself a worker with Him who died for men,
Nor knew I had denied my Lord, and pierced His heart again.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

FROM KEY WEST TO HAVANA.

On Tuesday night, the twenty-second instant, at 9:30 o'clock, Bishop and Mrs. Candler, Dr. Fulwood, Bro. H. W. Baker and myself, left Key West by the "Mascotte" for Havana. Our little steamer had made the round trip from Tampa twice during the week we were detained at Key West. As on our former voyage, we found her crowded with passengers. Fortunately a state-room was secured for the Bishop and his wife; the rest of us found a lodging-place in the smoking-room. The purser had promised this cubbey-hole to ourselves; so we retired early. To my astonishment two other passengers—Americans—entered a half hour afterwards, and one of them claimed that I was in his bed. Baker kindly suggested the apartment belonged to us by arrangement of the purser, and that "Dr. Lambuth was already fast asleep; he was very tired, and it would be a pity to disturb him." With a good-humored remark about men always being asleep when it was inconvenient to be awake, my constant climbed up in the bunk above my sofa, and was snoring long before I got through shaking over Baker's strategy. In the morning the affair ended with a hearty laugh all round and introductions.

A full hour before day Bro. Baker had me on deck looking for land. He is incorrigible as an early riser, and would make a good attendant upon the imperial court at Peking, where they get up at 3 A. M. to transact business. A cup of coffee and a talk with the quartermaster made the hour slip rapidly by. Our sailor friend was on duty keeping the morning watch. I kept it in another way, praying silently for him and for Cuba yet shrouded in darkness across our bow. He was not a professing Christian, but he believed in his mother's God and in the ultimate triumph of the gospel. She was a Wesleyan Methodist, lived on one of the Bahama Islands, and had taught him the Scriptures in his youth. That he loved his old mother was evident from the tender, reverential tone of voice in which he spoke of her. Little did she realize, perhaps, that her life was a sheet anchor to this weather-beaten mariner.

What a contrast! Bro. Baker fell in with an Italian the night before. The conversation turned on religion and the Pope. He scouted the sincerity of those who professed to be religious, and almost hissed at the name of the head of the Roman Catholic Church. "How," said he, "can we hold in veneration a man who blessed the soldiers of Spain as they went forth to curse and butcher the soldiers of Cuba, and yet he claims both as being under his fatherly care?" It is evident there has come a radical change in the sentiment of the people in the West Indies. The power of Catholicism is waning—a new light begins to dawn. The day is breaking. "Arise, shine, for thy light is come!"

A shaft of light shoots athwart the eastern horizon. It is followed by another and a third. We were just crossing the Tropic of Cancer. Twilight in the tropics is short, and daylight comes fast. Almost at the same time the quartermaster pointed out the revolving light on Morro Castle. "Two points, sir, off the starboard bow." There it was shining a moment, then disappearing, reminding us of the ignis fatuus Spain has been in the western hemisphere. Thank God the baleful light of her dominion on this side of the Atlantic has set forever!

Turning again to the east, we beheld the sun a vast dome of gold emerging from the sea. Once a narrow film of cloud across his equator gave him the appearance of Saturn, but, stripping himself of every encumbrance, he rose clear and full orbed into the heavens, the peerless conqueror of night and of darkness. As he discharged his arrows of light in every direction, there suddenly appeared before us the Cuban coast, with its silvery line of surf backed by hills of richest verdure. The language of the nineteenth Psalm came unbidden to my lips: "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth his handiwork. . . . In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race." By this time we were joined by Dr. Fulwood, who started the Doxology, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." We joined in with such a will that the astonished captain thrust his head out of his cabin to ascertain the cause of these unusual sounds. "Humph, only singing a hymn," and the old sea dog pulled in his head again. Only a hymn, but one of conquest, or we sadly mistake the signs of the times.

An hour brought us abreast of Morro Castle and the embrasured forts on either side. How they frowned upon us! Hundreds of Spanish soldiers in blue lined the battlements, but made no demonstration. Passing the narrow entrance, we glided into a magnificent bay, which, with its numerous pouch-like receptacles, could hold the navies of the world. A beautiful sheet of water, far more attractive than the city, which was a fac-simile of Venice by day-light, so cracked was it and seamed and scarred. Old Cadiz or Barcelona could hardly present a more antiquated appearance.

We are anchored. "What is that?" comes from a dozen passengers at once. "The wreck of the Maine," is the reply. A shadow creeps over the face of every American. Silence reigns, while the imagination calls up the quiet of nightfall, three hundred seamen going to rest, a lurid light, an explosion, cries of "Help, help; for God's sake, help!" Then all is quiet again, but two hundred and sixty brave men have met their doom. If Spain or her minions were responsible, the recompense has been swift and fearful. "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord."

WALTER R. LAMBUTH.

Nov. 24, 1898.

Communications.

REPORT OF THE EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

It is with pleasure that I present to you this, my third report as president of the East Mississippi Female College. I am glad to be able to report it in a most prosperous condition. Notwithstanding the yellow fever, quarantine, low price of cotton, etc., that prevented many of our students from coming, we have enrolled the largest number of boarders of any year in the history of the college. Last session our total enrollment was 327 students—178 in the Conservatory of Music, 53 in Elocution and 120 in the Boarding Department. Up to this time this session we have enrolled 121 boarding students in the college, which is about 20 more than were enrolled this time last year.

We have this year the finest student body we have ever had. More of the students are young ladies of mature minds, and are, therefore, capable of doing a higher grade of work. We have them this year from many of the Southern States; also from as far West as New Mexico and Arizona. We have decidedly the best faculty we have ever had before. Some have thought that because they hear more of our fine talent in music and elocution, that they are the best teachers we have. This is by no means the case. It is a difficult matter to display the abilities of a teacher of mathematics, languages, or English, while it is quite easy to show the skill of a pianist, violinist, or elocutionist. "By their fruits ye shall know them" is what we shall say of our literary teachers. They are all real scholars, and teachers of culture and experience, and are doing a high grade of work. Our teacher of higher English is an A. B. graduate of the University of South Carolina, being the first woman to graduate from that institution. She received high honors in a large class of young men, and was the peer of any man in the class. She has taught several years, and is doing as high type of work in English as is done in most male colleges.

Our teacher of languages is an A. B. graduate of Wellesley College. This in itself speaks for her ability. She has held a chair of languages in a prominent Southern college for several years, and is the best teacher of ancient languages, man or woman, with whom I have ever been associated.

Both the teacher and assistant teacher of mathematics have taken post-graduate courses in the University of Chicago, and we shall be glad to compare the work in this line to that done in any of our male colleges. In short, we have spared no means in employing the very finest talent in every department. We are doing thorough, honest, conscientious work of a high order. In proof of this, I have only to say that one of our last year graduates entered the Senior work at the University of Chicago, and is taking a high stand in that advanced institution.

Our curriculum, faculty and thoroughness of work more than meet the requirements of the Education Commission appointed by our last General Conference. We do not pretend to do university work, but we are willing to have its character and thoroughness tested by competent judges. We have lost a number of pupils this session because they could not enter the class for which they made application. We have 110 studying Latin, and quite a number in Greek and modern languages, and, of course, all of our classes are studying English and mathematics, many studying sciences, history, etc.

Our Music Department still holds the high place it has justly won among Southern music schools. A director of music in a prominent Southern Methodist college, after visiting us and hearing some of the artists we employ, said that the musical talent here certainly excels that of any female college in the South. Whether this is or is not true is a matter of opinion. At any rate, I know that we have had teachers come and study with us who have been to Northern conservatories, and yet they think some of our talent equal to any they studied under in the North.

To those who are not familiar with the inside workings, appearance and improvements of the college, I would say that you would be astonished at the many changes in the institution in a material way. Besides the erection of the new buildings, the college has been painted on the outside, and painted, papered and calcimined on the inside; the old chapel divided up by partitions into recitation-rooms, twenty music-rooms added; a complete set of water fixtures, sewer connections, gas connections, bath-rooms, hot and cold, have been put in. We have bored a deep well and erected a tank, put in steam pump, laundry fixtures for steaming clothes, and numbers of other permanent improvements—all at our own expense. We have replaced all the old pianos with new instruments, and now we have two fine grand pianos and quite a number of new uprights. The old furniture has been gradually replaced with new until now one who has not gone through the college recently would hardly recognize it as the same institution.

Despite the large and constant expense in repairing, keeping in repair, and thoroughly renovating and furnishing an old and, in some respects, dilapidated building, we have been able to keep the best of tables, as can be attested by our pupils and faculty. Our teachers have been paid promptly at the end of every month, some of them in advance, and that without their even having to ask for their salaries. By prayer and careful management we have been enabled to pay cash for everything, not a single cent of indebtedness has occurred, and no credit has been asked for. In addition to this, it has been a pleasure to take every daughter of preachers or widows of preachers of any denomination free of charge for tuition, and at less than cost for board. We have also been enabled to help many poor and worthy girls who could not otherwise have had the opportunities we give them. This, I say, has been a real pleasure, and we are thankful to God for giving us this opportunity of thus helping on his cause.

We are grateful at the encouragement and co-operation that many of our preachers have given us in our work. Especially are we grateful for the strong support we have received from the people of Meridian. From all classes of business men we have received commendation, encouragement, and patronage. Among our patrons are the strongest, wealthiest, most influential business men in the city. Traveling men, lawyers, doctors, bankers, Jews and Gentiles are in sympathy with and encourage the college. This greatly aids us in our work. The fact that Meridian is a friend of and encourages the college makes our duties lighter.

But over and above all these things, this material prosperity, I rejoice in the wonderful spiritual atmosphere at the college. I am pleased to say that it excels even the high standard of last session. Already we have had between 35 and 40 professions of conversions, that have occurred from time to time during the session. This work commences at the very beginning of the session and continues till the end, or until the material is exhausted. We had six conversions at the first regular meeting of the Young Woman's Christian Association, and others almost every week up to the time I left for Conference. On last Sunday, Christmas night, we had a spiritual feast in that upper room in the college. Five girls were converted, and others received new life and new inspiration. On the Sunday previous four or five others were converted. Many of these girls have been at other colleges in and out of the State, and they tell us they were never in such a spiritual atmosphere before. We require them to attend the morning services at church and Sunday-school, and give them the meeting at night in the college, where they are all alone; nothing to divert their minds; none present but girls and teachers, and the Lord honors the meetings in a wonderful manner. It is an inspiration to hear these ringing testimonies, and see the bright faces and beautiful lives of these girls. They have organized among themselves twelve, or more, Worker's Training classes, which includes nearly every girl in the Boarding Department. They meet once a week voluntarily, and study the Bible together. We think it is something remarkable that nearly all the students voluntarily enter into these Bible classes. They select leaders from among their number, and receive training by doing personal work among the unconverted or weak Christians. Committees of active Christian girls are appointed to meet the new students as they come in, and thus throw around them a good influence from their first entrance into the college. Most of our teachers being active Christian workers greatly facilitates this work. The religious atmosphere is something wonderful. Many girls have said they do not see how it is possible for a girl to remain in the college a session without being a Christian. They are often sent to us especially on account of the religious influence, and, of course, steel themselves against it; yet I have seen the Holy Spirit break up one after another until at the end of last session only about three or four remained unconverted. I have seen many a hard heart melt before the wonderful wooings of the Spirit of God. We do not promise to make saints out of all that may be sent us, but I do say that the Lord has wonderfully blessed and honored our efforts in making Christians of the girls. When school opened about half of the girls were unconverted, according to their own statements. Nearly all were church members, but about half did not have the witness of the Spirit to regeneration. One by one we have seen these girls born into the kingdom of God until now the number of unsaved has grown beautifully small. The Lord has blessed us in every way, financially, numerically, and spiritually. We have also been wonderfully blessed in health. Barring a number of cases of la grippe, it would be hard to find a better health record. We attribute this to a healthy location, pure water, wholesome food, plenty of exercise, careful and skillful watching, and regular and systematic living. Our girls are hale and hearty, most of them having gained from five to thirty pounds since they came. If they should say they are not fed well, no one would believe it; yet I don't think you could get any to say that. On the whole, they are studious, religious, healthy, happy and contented. We are willing for our work to speak for itself. One of our pastors, a member of this Conference, one with whom I am not intimately acquainted, told one of our girls this Summer he was always glad to meet up with an E. M. F. C. girl on his work, for in her he found a helper and a religious worker. This is not universally true of them, yet we believe it is true of a large per cent. of them.

We are not pleasing everybody, Mr. President; neither are we trying to please all. There was never an enterprise that succeeded but that some one was ready to speak evil of it, or try to pull it down. Our Master's work was not popular with all people, yet it lives to-day. We are trying in our own humble way to please God and do right, and we are willing for the work to speak for itself. God has wonderfully blessed the humble efforts we have put forth. To him be all the praise. We take no credit to ourselves except that we are trying daily, in every detail of the work, to follow his leadings. He honors the feeble efforts and does the work. Praise be to his holy name. Give us your prayers, your support, your sympathy, and your girls, and we will strive to send out women who are real scholars, and who love God and his church.

WORN OUT AND DEAD.

MR. EDITOR: I am sure it will bring joy to your heart, and through your columns to the hearts of your readers, to know of a prominent death which has recently occurred in our church.

The subject of this sketch was the unfortunate, but legitimate, child of Fanaticism and Intolerance, and his parents before him could never agree. He was born in a wrangle, grew up in a gale, and spent his life in a storm. Being the child of the church, multitudes took interest in him, and what was worse, took sides with one or the other of the ever-contending parents. Nothing is more unfortunate than for parents to disagree on the training of their children.

The father of the deceased determined that his son should be raised up with double-barreled theological notions, while the strong-minded mother was equally determined that her boy should entertain none other than single-barreled views. The contest waxed warm, and reached beyond the privacy of the home, and spread through many parts of the church. The church grew warm in spots, and the conflict continued and intensified until one party religiously declared to the other, "You shall not play in our back-yard." The other party devoutly responded, "We are the children of a king, and will play where we please."

But in the lapse of time both parties got more religion, and, consequently, more light, and came up to a broader view of things, and began to see how foolish and ridiculous the fight, and also discovered that the effect upon the "subject" was fast proving fatal. He had declined, become attenuated, frazzled, played-out, and ere they were aware of it, death had ended his ailments. (What a friend is death! He cures the incurable.) A delegation from both parties attended his burial. It was an occasion of great rejoicing, and, clasping hands around his grave, they sung in unison,

"Together let us sweetly live,
Together let us die."

This, followed by the long-meter Doxology and benediction, closed the service over the remains of the "holiness controversy." After a hearty handshaking the parties took leave of the deceased, saying, "Requiescat in pace, without hope of resurrection." Also gladly agreeing that henceforth every man should have his own choice of weapons in doing battle for the Master, using either one of the good old gospel pieces, the single or the double barrel, as his own godly judgment should direct. They also religiously agreed and declared that "Hereafter any effort made, through pulpit or press, to revive his memory, would be (to say the least) in exceeding bad taste; and to indulge again in unkind or unbrotherly utterances, on either side, of the 'subject' would be understood at once by all refined and godly people to be proof positive of the lack of one of two essential things, viz.: common sense or religion."

CLAY.

Selections.

Yesterday is no mausoleum of dead deeds, no storehouse of mummies. Memory is a granary holding seed for to-morrow's sowing; memory is an armory holding weapons for to-morrow's battles; memory is a medicine chest with balms for to-morrow's hurts; memory is a library with wisdom for to-morrow's emergency. Yesterday holds the full store of to-day's civilization; contains our tools, conveniences, knowledges; contains our battle fields and victories; above all, gives us Bethlehem and Calvary. But alone man's yesterday is impotent; his to-morrow insufficient. The true man binds all his days together with an earnest, intense, passionate purpose. His yesterdays, to-days and to-morrows march together, one solid column, animated by one thought, constrained by one conspiracy of desire, energizing toward one holy and helpful purpose—to serve man and love God.—Newell Dwight Hillis, in "The Investment of Influence."

The man of faith is never in a hurry for God to explain himself.

THE BIBLE.

BY HORATIUS BONAR.

My thoughts are here, my God,
Expressed in words divine,
The utterance of heavenly lips
In every sacred line.

Across the ages they
Have reached us from afar;
Than the bright gold more golden they,
Purer than purest star.

More durable they stand
Than the eternal hills;
Far sweeter and more musical
Than music of earth's rills.

A thousand hammers keen
With fiery force and strain,
Brought down on it in rage and hate,
Have struck this gem in vain.

Against this sea-swept rock
Ten thousand storms their will
Of foam and rage have wildly spent;
It lifts its calm face still.

It standeth and will stand,
Without or change or age,
The word of majesty and light,
The church's heritage.

—Exchange.

Communications.

THE INFLUENCE OF EDUCATION UPON OUR NATION.

BY MISS BELLE M. TRIMBLE.

Read at the Thanksgiving service in Farmerville, La., Nov. 24, and published by request.)

There is an old Greek legend that runs as follows: In the palmy days of Athenian greatness the king had offered the laurel to the man who could confer the highest benefit upon the State. When the appointed day arrived a great many contestants presented themselves before the king and all the assembled Athenians. The soldier was there aglow with military splendor to show that through his deeds conquests were made, enemies subdued, and the safety of Athens assured; the statesman came forward to claim that through the brilliancy of his thought Athens was the home of democracy and freedom and culture; the physician argued that by restoring humanity to health and usefulness he conferred the greatest benefit to man; the poet was there with his marvelous creations of the imagination, and the sculptor put forth a strong plea on the ground that his statues cultivated the love of the beautiful and the artistic; the farmer came forth with the fruits of the ground and claimed that but for him none of the others could live; the sailor showed how he utilized the winds and the waves, and gave Athens the products of far-away countries; the blacksmith and the jeweler and the weaver and the merchant were all there, but, after each had made his boast, the king noticed an old man, bent with age and white with the snows of many Winters, standing a little aloof from the other contestants, to whom he said, "And what claim have you to present?" But the old man shook his head and said, "Nothing, my lord; I am only a school teacher, and all these were my pupils." "Then," said the king, "your training and your thinking have produced all these—our military splendor, our political glory, our domestic greatness, and our intellectual brilliancy; to you I award the laurel as being the greatest benefactor to the State."

This old legend but illustrates the influence of the educator in the estimation of the Greek. Let us see what is the influence of the educator, or of education, in our own republic. Let us go back a moment and notice the origin of education in this country. To whom are we indebted for this great system of learning, and by whom has it been so carefully and ably guided? In its first stages the church was the promoter of education.

The revival of learning, born of Paganism in Italy, took a religious turn throughout England and Germany, and gave Protestantism to the world. The Reformation allied itself with the universities: Wycliffe, Tyndale, Luther, Melanchthon and Calvin turned their lecture-rooms into preaching-places, and Wittenberg, Heidleberg, Oxford, Cambridge and Edinburgh, with their thousands of students, made those countries Protestant. What is true of England and Germany is true of the American colonies. In Winthrop's company there were about eighty ministers, the greater part of them graduates of Cambridge and Oxford, and they became the leaders of education, and to them we are indebted for our educational system. Harvard, Yale, Princeton, William and Mary, Columbia, Vanderbilt, and nearly every great university in our land was founded by the church, and has had its growth in and support from Christianity. Thus we see that we owe our educational advantages to the church.

Now, let us see what has been the influence of these advantages upon our nation. In the broader sense we are educated by every influence and force with which we come in contact, and everybody and everything are our teachers; but in this paper we use the term "education" as referring to the work of our schools only, and as applied only to the mind. Using the term in this limited sense, education has had a prodigious influence upon our material progress as a nation. With her mighty naval and military academies she has produced soldiers who are the admiration of the world. The great inventions and exploits in military affairs have not been made by the ignorant idler, but by the men of trained minds. We need but to mention the names of Dewey and of Hobson to illustrate this. Our great law schools have produced statesmen capable of coping with the diplomats of Europe. Our pedagogical and theological institutions have moulded minds whose thoughts are read from continent to continent. In all departments of life we have come to realize that "thought is the constructive force in the world, and that the thinker is the creator of values beyond any work." Think of the inventions that have resulted from the thought of man. Take the steamboat and the locomotive! How Fulton, Watts and Stephenson by their thoughts have utilized so great power from steam! Take the telegraph and the telephone and the electric light. What are the thoughts of the men who discovered these worth to humanity? How much more work the mind of Eli Whitney or Elias Howe accomplish than thousands of ignorant, untrained minds. But you may say these men were geniuses, and that education had nothing to do with it. Indeed, they were geniuses, and I would not claim for a minute that every educated child can accomplish great things, but what I do maintain is that education, the thorough training of the mind, greatly develops natural talent, and the history of nations and the example of individuals prove this to be true. Cultivate the minds of our nation, and our sons will not be "hewers of wood and drawers of water." Develop their thought-power so that they may understand and utilize the forces of nature. Let them catch the winds, the rushing waters, and the lightning, and make these elements do their work. But aside from the influence of education on our material progress, there is a higher and grander side to its influence. Victor Hugo has said, "He who opens the door of the school-house closes the door of the jail," and the French philosopher was right. The right kind of education cultivates the heart as well as the head: it gives us pleasure in the virtues of life; it opens up the enjoyment of the beautiful; it gives happiness through living by the Golden Rule; it makes the lawyer, the doctor, the merchant, the teacher, the preacher, but, above all, it makes a man a truth-loving, a God-fearing man. This side of education is essential to our well-being. It will not do to cultivate the mind alone. Bacon has said that, "In knowledge without love there is ever something of malignity." The mental without the moral education is just as apt to turn out polished knaves as industrious, capable citizens.

As we have seen, our educational system had its origin in the minds of those who gave up home and kindred and country for conscience sake; therefore, in the birth of our schools the moral side was strongly emphasized. The sturdy traits of American character exemplify this. Let us not depart from the high ideal set by our forefathers.

Realizing, then, that education enables us to utilize the world about us, and to develop our own natures, as well as to enjoy a future existence, let us, as a nation, as a State, as a town, give thanks to the Giver of all blessings for our great institutions of learning. May they, in the future, as they have been in the past, be the crowning glory of our grand commonwealth!

NOTICE.

To the Members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Mississippi Conference—

DEAR SISTERS: Again, at the fourth quarter of our fiscal year, it becomes my duty, as your president, to acquaint you with the condition of our work, and to enlist your earnest prayers and efforts in bringing it up to the high mark of other years. The reports of your treasurer for the second and third quarters show that we have fallen somewhat behind those of last year, but we are fully persuaded that this is caused by the peculiar conditions under which we have worked, and that these having passed away, their effect may be entirely overcome by a faithful effort on the part of all during this fourth quarter. I am encouraged to trust this matter to you, feeling sure that as in the past it has only been necessary to set that matter before you in order to have you do cheerfully what was needed to be done, so at the present moment you will unite your hearts as one woman to bring the work up to the required standard. It is not simply that we must not fall behind; it is that a failure on our part means more than we can correctly estimate to the Lord's work and workers in foreign fields. It means retrenchment, discouragement, and unsaved souls.

Sisters, we can not thus wound our Lord and neglect the souls for whom he died. I commit to your ever-faithful hands the work of this fourth quarter, expecting that you shall lovingly and conscientiously do your Lord's work. I would especially call your attention to the depleted condition of our Contingent Fund. The last annual meeting was a very heavy drain upon our resources, failing, as we did, to obtain the usual reduction in rates; hence, since that time this fund, so necessary to our work, has been quite exhausted—in fact, overdrawn. In order to replenish our treasury, it will be necessary to give close attention to the collection of this fee from the members. Many do not understand its importance, and do not pay. It would be well to discuss it freely in the auxiliary meetings, that all may know just how necessary it is to our work. Great care must always be taken by auxiliary treasurers that the contingent fees are properly reported, being kept entirely separate from dues and other fees.

My prayers and labors are with yours, that at the close of this fiscal year we may render our account to the Lord of the harvest with great joy, and not be ashamed before him. God bless you all!

BESSIE W. LIPSCOMB.

NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

At the recent session of the Louisiana Conference the following report of the Committee on Church Publications, on the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, was unanimously adopted:

We call attention first to our own ADVOCATE published in New Orleans. Of its merits as a weekly paper we need say nothing to the members of this Conference, who are familiar with its pages. We all know that it occupies a high plane as a religious family paper. Its editorials and clippings give us wholesome food upon which we may grow and strengthen in the spiritual life, and at the same time we get the religious and secular news of immediate interest to us. But while our own paper is greatly superior to many others circulated among our people at a smaller price, we are confronted with this difficulty in canvassing for it. This fact makes it imperative, if possible, to reduce the subscription price of the paper, which the publisher says can be done when the circulation reaches twelve thousand, and he proposes to help us, in any way practicable, to obtain that number. Surely this ought to be done in the three patronizing Conferences.

AMEN

To the note of Bro. H. P. Gibbs on "Tobacco." Without condemning the brethren who are already addicted to the use of tobacco, it may be said that the habit is unnecessary, expensive, often selfish, and if scientific testimony be accepted, is injurious to health. Many of the laity would be glad to see the Conference go further and refuse to admit candidates who use tobacco in any form.

The shepherd of souls ought not to be the servant of any habit. Did our Lord ever plead trials or deprivations as excuse for self-indulgence? "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow me." Rigid self-denial, absolute unselfishness must be the portion of those who would be Christ-like in heart and life.

If the way of life be strait and narrow, surely the pathway to power in the service of Christ our Lord lies through the very straitest and narrowest part of that way. E.

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THE KEY-NOTE.

The last message of the year 1898—what shall it be? The angels gave the key-note when they sang to the shepherds near Bethlehem eighteen hundred and ninety-eight years ago. No other song of joy has lived so long, and had the power to bring with it each year such buoyant hopes, such fresh inspirations of delight in the thought that "unto us a Child is born, unto us a Savior given." It was not unto me, but unto us—to China's millions, to the inhabitants of the islands of the sea, to all peoples, to the whole world. What wondrous love is this! We know that

The fields are all ripening, and far and wide
The world is now waiting the harvest-tide.

But there is another truth that clouds the joy of the first:

But the reapers are few, and the work is great,
And much will be lost should the harvest wait.

On whom does the responsibility rest? Shall it be your fault and mine if the harvest is left ungarnered? Shall the ripening fields go to waste, while hundreds and thousands of those who profess to believe in Christ refuse to obey his last command, or neglect to make the slightest effort to show their faith by their works, and send the gospel to those who have never so much as heard his name mentioned? How can they know him of whom they have never heard? While the blessed Christmas-tide is with us, and the New Year approaching, and all preparing gifts for loved and loving friends, may prayers go with everyone, that each recurring thought of it may bring a blessing! We must remember that love makes way for love, and prayer makes way for prayer; and from the loved at home our hearts should go out to those far away in heathen lands, who have no Christ in their hearts, no Christ in their homes. Oh, how bereft of all that brightens this life, of all that gives a hope of eternal life!—(Selected from W. M. Advocate for N. M. Column.) LEN.

Muldon, Miss., Dec 27, 1898.

MRS. J. C. STUART.

The Ladies' Aid Society No. 1, of Central Church, Meridian, has lost one of its most useful members by the removal of Mrs. J. C. Stuart to New Orleans. As secretary, she was prompt and accurate. In caring for the poor she was ever ready to lend willing assistance, and many were the garments her deft fingers fashioned to clothe the needy. When necessary to make collections for a church enterprise, Mrs. Stuart always responded, not only going herself, but furnishing conveyance for the committee.

May our friend and faithful coworker find a happy home among the Methodists of New Orleans!

MRS. JOHN A. LEWIS,
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Meridian, Miss., Dec. 26, 1898.

Home Mission Society.

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To insure progress and success, Dr. A. T. Pierson says: "We must have knowledge of the field of work, sympathy with the workers, and prayerful interest in the work." Some one has also written: "A great work can not be done unless we have large views concerning it. It must be considered as to its source, its history, its present state, and its future development."

It is not within the bounds of this brief article to consider all the points presented in these two paragraphs, but we may, in a few words, apply them, as a whole, to the question that is interesting some of our very best people just now, which is, "How shall we raise from moral degradation and vice poor, down-trodden, crushed Cuba, which, by the fortunes of war, has been cast under the protection of our country's flag?"

From the press, teeming with information concerning this "nearest, neediest, ripest field," we may glean all needful knowledge, and sympathy will naturally follow, not only sympathy for the sufferers, but hearty, sympathetic co-operation with those working for the relief and salvation of these people. Sympathy without prayer is of little worth, and prayer without a willingness to help is equally worthless.

Sisters of the W. H. M. S., let us keep informed of the needs of the Cubans on our own shores and in their fair island-home, and remember that while all can not go, all can help in some way. At the beginning of this last year of the century let us be united in our efforts to cheer Miss Bruce and her co-laborers by helping to save the people bought with the precious blood of our brave boys. They died to break the shackles of Spanish oppression. Let us rejoice that it is our privilege to aid in setting them free from the power of sin.

The amount realized from the Week of Prayer recently observed by many of our societies was, it will be remembered, devoted to our Cuban Mission work in Key West. The importance of this work was strongly emphasized by Bishop Candler, who says: "The school at Key West is vital to our conquest of Cuba. The naval depot there is not more vital to the Southern squadron than that school is to our Cuban Missions on the coast of Florida or on the island of Cuba," and he adds, "I do hope the good women will press it to early completion." K.

The Christian Life.

ALONE WITH GOD.

In these days of hurry and bustle we find ourselves face to face with a terrible danger, and it is this: no time to be alone with God. The world in these last days is running fast; we live in what is called "the age of progress," and "you know we must keep pace with the times." So the world says. But this spirit of the world has not confined itself to the world. It is, alas! to be found among the saints of God. And what is the result? The result is no time to be alone with God, and this is immediately followed by no inclination to be alone with God. . . .

This "desert life," as many call it, is of an importance which can not be overvalued. Let us turn to the pages of God's Book. On scanning its precious pages we find that the men of God—God's mighty men—were those who had been in "the school of God," as it has been well said; and his school was simply this: "in the desert alone with himself." It was there they got their teaching. Far removed from the din and bustle of the haunts of men—distant alike from human eye and ear—there they met alone with God; there they were equipped for the battle. And when the time came that they stood forth in public service for God, their faces were not ashamed; nay, they had faces of lions; they were bold and fearless, yea, and victorious for God, for the battle had been won already in the desert alone with him.—London Christian.

THE BLESSING OF ENLARGEMENT.

It is quite common to mistake our own incapacity for God's unwillingness to give. We can not take more than our hearts and lives can hold, not even of the free and abundant grace of God. The limit of blessing for every man is the limit of capacity. Even God does not put more than a pint into a pint cup. Therefore God's richest blessing is the blessing of enlargement. When a soul submits to him he causes it to grow, so making room for more delight and larger power of use in every blessing. God's will to give may always be taken for granted. Our will to receive is not so sure. And when we are disposed to complain of our small share of spiritual blessing, may it not be best to ask ourselves whether it is not our will that fails and our littleness which can not find room to receive? God's apparent grudging, we may be sure, is always a sign of our incapacity. What we most need, therefore, is a continual enlargement of soul, which comes to men only from the continual presence of God's spirit. God does not offer gifts at random, much less does he enlarge a soul which has no desire for him. He who thinks that spiritual capacity may be picked up anywhere along life's dusty road, and that one may set his heart upon the earth and then enjoy the full measure of a disciple's happiness besides, will surely be disappointed.—Congregationalist.

OUR DEPENDENCE ON BODILY CONDITIONS.

We are affected more than we dream of by the very state of the atmosphere. The great Doctor Alexander was once asked "whether he had the full assurance of faith." He replied, "Yes, except when the wind is in the east." When Elijah lay down under the juniper tree, and wished that he might die, he was suffering from physical prostration, and God had prepared food for him, and the angel said, "Come and eat." You will mark the tenderness. He did not say, "Can this be Elijah?" No. This was not the time to preach to him; this was the time to care for him physically. "Come and eat, for the journey is too great for thee." What comfort there is in that sentence, "the journey is too great for thee"! It gives us such an ideal view of God. We feel that he sees the journey which is before us, as well as the way we have come, and wants us to be prepared physically for it. Oh, what it would be to many who read these words if they only believed that God cared whether the journey was great or not! I am compelled to believe that so many never realize that God cares whether they are tired or not. Would it not make a difference if we believed he cared for us? Well, he does, and he would have us rest always in his love.—Margaret Bottome, in Ladies' Home Journal.

A man may seem for a while to be a Christian without really being one. But no one can actually be one long without its becoming apparent. To have clean, honest, happy, trustful hearts, then, hearts which need not shrink from being laid bare to view because God reigns in them—this is the great thing. This, too, is the way to influence others. It is the old familiar truth once more apparent, that to be means far more than to say or even to do; and the nobler and fuller the inward life, the holier and richer are the outward appearance and the fruit of it in example and influence. We need not reveal all the items of personal history, opinion, or feeling; but the underlying principles to which we are loyal we may not hesitate to show forth. We may testify to our love and practice of charity, for instance, without specifying our gifts even of sympathy and consolation. The inward life is the soul's attitude toward God. The outward show is its attitude toward men. The nearer they approach harmony, and even identity, the better.—The Advance.

Bear in mind that your happiness or your misery is very much of your own making. You can not create spiritual sunshine any more than you can create the morning star; but you can put your soul where Christ is shining. Begin every day with God. Keep a clean conscience and a good stock of Bible promises within reach. Keep a strong, robust faith that can draw honey out of a rock and oil out of the flinty rock. Never spend a day without trying to do somebody good; and then, keeping step with your Master, march on toward home over any road, however rough, and against any headwind that blow. It will be all sunshine when we get to heaven, and "there is no night there!"—Theodore Cuyler.

Not one little brown withered leaf falls to the ground on one of the November days but the shape of the plant is changed; so there is not one little act of ours, one whispered prayer that His kingdom may come but becomes a factor in the world's redemption. If I can only place one little golden brick in the pavement of the Lord's highway, I will place it there, that coming generations may walk thereon to the heavenly city.—Phillips Brooks.

You never can tell when God will take a little word you may drop, like an arrow shot at a venture, and cause it to strike some hearer between the joints of the harness and bring him down. Therefore, let no opportunity slip for speaking a word for Christ.—Rev. A. F. Schauffler.

A MINISTER'S STATEMENT

Rev. C. H. Smith of Plymouth, Conn., Gives the Experience of Himself and Little Girl in a Trying Season—What He Depends Upon.

The testimonials in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla come from a class of people whose words are worth considering. Many clergymen testify to the value of this medicine. Read this:

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For the ADVOCATE.

"AND WHEN THEY SAW THE STAR, THEY REJOICED."

BY MRS. E. L. SHERWOOD.

Shine on! oh Star of Heavenly Light,
Without thy beams we grope in night,
Nor sun, nor moon, nor both combined,
Can pierce the darkness of the mind.

Blinded by self thro' weary years,
While seeking self, we find but tears;
Joy comes unsought when thy bright ray
Reveals to us the Christ, the Way.

O! Magi of the Orient clime,
Your vision fair has thrilled all time,
With glimpses of a Father's face
Whose love is Heaven, whose gift is Peace.

Whitworth College.

MRS. HENRY BACKUS.

Her life was a beautiful one, and like the fading of the day, it went out without a murmur, without a sigh, without a pain. Sweetly trusting in the Savior she had served for many years, her eyes fixed upon the cross, she passed through the valley of death, leaving a blessing with the loved ones who had watched over her and comforted her in old age. For the past eight years she has been an invalid, but never complained. She loved those dear to her on earth, but loved better that One who had gone to prepare a place for her, and watched and waited for the coming of the summons, only praying that the end be calm and peaceful, without pain. Her death was as sweet as her life. Without an enemy she lived, without an enemy she died. She has gone home to heaven.

Mrs. Backus was seventy-four years old. She was a Miss Annie Gurley. Her father was a well-known citizen of Selma, Ala. She attended school at the academy in Summerfield, and was married to Dr. Backus fifty-seven years ago. Seven children and a number of grandchildren survive her. One of these grandchildren, Miss Daisy Backus, was the idol of her heart. She thought there was no one like "Daisy," and their childish play was something that could hardly be understood. It was love, sweet love, and all else faded before it.

URGE YOURSELF.

There is a strong tendency in quite a large number of people to never undertake certain tasks until they chance to feel in a congenial mood for them. They wait for special "inspirations" as incitements to endeavor. Now, while it is delightful to be in a rapturous mood when one is engaged in a task, it is very unfortunate for one to be governed by the accidents of inspirational tenses. Such a one does not accomplish anything like as much as one does who urges himself to the taking hold of a work which he is capable of doing, whether he feels just like it or the reverse. I have found, in the course of many years of writing for the press, that I have had to especially urge myself to the task of taking up certain subjects, especially for a particular class of papers. It is much more difficult for me to think up subjects which seem suitable for young people's papers than it is to get hold of some general religious theme which would be appropriate for any religious newspaper. I can not allow myself to write at random when I attempt to produce an article for the young people, and especially when writing many of such articles. So I advise my young readers to bring themselves up to the point of downright urgency in the matter of applying themselves to mental tasks which, were it not for such urgency, they would not essay to perform. There is a twofold advantage, at least, in such a course: one is, it increases one's mental strength; the other is, it leads one into happy discoveries of truth, such as would not be revealed to one unless he persisted in exploring into veins of truth which had been formerly sealed against him. One needs to knock hard and repeatedly at the doors of some truths in order to gain admittance to their inner wealth and bright beauty. Do not depend upon your moods for undertaking explorations into the realms of truth. Push forward. —C. H. Wetherbe, in Epworth Era.

What you learn from bad habits and in bad society you will never forget, and it will be a lasting pang to you. I tell you in all sincerity, not in the excitement of speech, but as I would confess and have confessed before God, I would give my right hand if I could forget that which I have learned in bad society.—John B. Gough.

For the ADVOCATE.

TRUST THOU IN ME.

BY ELLIS MINER HAGGARD.

The way is rough and steep, my child—
The tempests rage, the storms are wild—
Take thou my hand—
And I will lead thee day by day,
Though gloom of night obscures the way
To Canaan's land.

And if thy frightened footsteps fall
In the wild tumult of the gale,
Then call on me!
My arms about thee will enfold,
The way no longer will be cold,
I'll shelter thee.

Trust thou in me, my love surrounds,
And in my Presence joy abounds,
I am thy friend;
When life's brief span shall cease to be
Thou shall in triumph dwell with me,
Time without end.

Atlanta, Ga.

THE DISCIPLINE OF LIFE.

Sooner or later we find out that life is not a holiday, but a discipline. Earlier or later we will discover that the world is not a play-ground. It is quite clear God means it for a school. The moment we forget that the puzzle of life begins. We try to play in school; the Master does not mind that so much for its own sake, for he likes to see his children happy; but in our playing we neglect our lessons. We do not see how much there is to learn, and we do not care. But our Master cares. He has a perfectly overpowering and inexplicable solicitude for our education; and because he loves us, he comes into the school sometimes and speaks to us. He may speak very softly and gently, or very loudly. Sometimes a look is enough, and we understand it, like Peter, and go out at once and weep bitterly. Sometimes the voice is like a thunder-clap startling a Summer night. But one thing we may be sure of: the task he sets us to is never measured by our delinquency. The discipline may seem far less than our desert, or even to our eye ten times more. But it is not measured by these—it is measured by God's solicitude for our progress; measured solely by God's love; measured solely that the scholar may be better educated when he arrived at his Father. The discipline of life is a preparation for meeting the Father. When we arrive there to behold his beauty, we must have the educated eye; and that must be trained here. We must become so pure in heart—and it needs much practice—that we shall see God. That explains life—why God puts man in the crucible and makes him pure by fire.—Henry Drummond.

FAULT-FINDERS.

Many people have a genius for seeing the faults of others, but there is one peculiarity about this faculty which will be an interesting study for the psychologist; it is the tendency to criticise most sharply those faults in others which are most prominent in ourselves. In other words, that which exerts our greatest antagonism is the duplication of our own traits. It would be amusing, if it were not disturbing and pathetic, to hear people criticise mercilessly traits in others which everybody recognizes as being the special possession of the critics themselves. It is pathetic because it shows how little we know about ourselves, and it is disturbing because it suggests to the listener that he may be doing precisely the same thing. In all probability he is. So little do we know ourselves, as a rule, that when we see parts of ourselves in others we detest them. "If we recognize them as being in a sense our own possessions, we might not like them any better, but we should surely sympathize with their possessors. If there is any common experience which ought to draw us together, it is identity of struggle and temptation. We ought to stand shoulder to shoulder with those who are fighting the same fight which we are fighting, and who find in themselves the same tendencies to evil or to weakness; and yet these are the very people from whom, as a rule, we withdraw ourselves most entirely, and upon whose shoulders the lash of our criticism falls most mercilessly.—Great Thoughts.

"When a boy," said a prominent member of a church, "I was much helped by Bishop Hamline, who visited a house where I was. Taking me aside, the Bishop said: 'When in trouble, my boy, kneel down and ask God's help; but never climb over the fence into the devil's ground, and then kneel down and ask help. Pray from God's side of the fence.'" "Of that," said he, "I have thought every day of my life since." Continuing, he remarked: "Sandford Cobb, the missionary to Persia, helped me in another way. Said he: 'Do you ever feel thankful when God blesses you?' 'Always.' 'Did you ever tell him so?' 'Well, I don't know that I have.' 'Well, try it, my young friend; try it, try it. Tell him so; tell him aloud; tell him so that you will hear it yourself.' That was new revelation. I found that I had only been glad, not grateful. I have been telling him with grateful feelings ever since, to my soul's help and comfort."—Epworth Herald.

Mr. Depew's remarks about the decrease of drunkenness among railroad men indicate an encouraging condition of affairs if true, and we have no doubt of their substantial accuracy. The association has helped to bring a better order of things about. It never has claimed the entire credit. The brotherhoods have aided much. The companies by strict discipline, and the public by more rigid demands, have also helped to raise the standard of manhood. But the work is by no means completed. Drinking is not a lost art. Drunkenness is not a forgotten vice. The tears of wives who suffer and of children who starve are not dry upon their cheeks. Drink with its attendant evils is still the greatest enemy of railroad men. There must continue to be relentless warfare against it by all those who wish to see the moral standard of the railroad men raised.—Railroad Men.

Be resolutely and faithfully what you are, be humbly what you aspire to be. Be sure you give men the best of your wares, though they be poor enough; and the gods will help you to lay up a better store for the future. Man's noblest gift to man is his sincerity; for it embraces his integrity also.—Thoreau.

Man talks to God; that is prayer. God talks with man; that is inspiration. The Hebrews believed both in prayer and in inspiration. They believed that man could talk with God. They believed that God did talk with man.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Geo. P. White, St. Francisville charge, La., Dec. 29, 1898: "I am glad to say that we are again stationed among our kind and ever-generous people of St. Francisville circuit—i. e., Bayou Sara circuit. This is our second year, and the people proved their kindness to us last year. But again they have endeared themselves to us, and made a new exhibition of their hospitality and generosity. At the close of Xmas-eve Day came one to our door bearing what he called the 'breakables,' saying that more was behind, and soon there stood a wagon drawn by two horses, loaded with Xmas offerings: something for the preacher and ever-faithful wife and the little folks, and something for the horse and cow; flour, sugar, coffee, hams, rice, grits, jellies, preserves, and some cash, and, in fact, everything that would go to make one happy on Xmas Day. Yes, and four turkeys. Mr. Editor, I am glad I was sent back. So my blessing was this: 'Lord, I thank thee for friends, health, strength, appetite, and, above all, for capacity.' I hope many others were rounded as we were. We are now engaged in trying to build a church and parsonage. May the good Lord bless us in our labors during the present year, and may his work prosper at our hands! Dear Editor, we extend you a cordial invitation to come among us during the year."

Rev. H. O. White, Lake Providence, La., Jan. 3, 1899: "I arrived at my work and filled my appointment, morning and night, the first day of the new year, after a trip by railroad of 275 miles, and then by steamboat 65 or 70 miles, at a cost of something over $100. We are comfortably situated in the parsonage; all in good health, and ready to do the best year's work of the thirty-nine that I have spent in the active work in Louisiana. I wish each preacher could be a presiding elder for two or three years, or even eight years, as I have been, and go back to the pastorate and realize how pleasant to have some one to claim them as their preacher."

If life were one long summer day and its journey through a garden of flowers, it might be possible for people to be careless of their health without fearing evil results. Unfortunately, since Adam and Eve were driven from the Garden of Eden, life has not been a toilless journey through a garden of flowers. Man must earn bread by the sweat of his brow, and woman must bring forth children in pain and suffering.

In both cases the curse is multiplied many times over because both men and women neglect their health. Man's toil is rendered a thousand times harder by the added burden of ill-health. The woman is a still greater sufferer. She suffers in silence untold agonies from weakness and disease in a womanly way. Motherhood becomes to her a menace of death, and her babes are born with the seeds of disease already implanted in their little bodies. There is but one unfailing remedy for women who suffer in this way. It is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs that bear the brunt of maternity. It makes them strong, healthy, vigorous, virile and elastic. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration, soothes pain and tones and builds up the tortured nerves. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It does away with the trials of the period of apprehension and makes baby's advent easy and almost painless. Thousands have testified to its marvelous merits.

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Be what thou seemest: live thy creed
Hold up to earth the torch divine.
Be what thou prayest to be made:
Let the great Master's steps be thine.
—Horatius Bonar.

The twin names of God are Light and Love.—C. H. Spurgeon.

I had rather do and not promise than promise and not do.—Warwick.

Look upon your troubles as the shadows of coming mercies.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Every Christian of every age and calling is appointed an ambassador for Christ.—James H. Brookes.

Christ is not only a revelation of what God is, but he is also a pattern of what man should be.—Selected.

The work of evangelizing this world, for every man, is a matter of personal, inalienable obligation.—Robert E Speer.

Every profession and business enterprise has a premium list open for the competitive acceptance of young men.—Exchange.

He that will not reason is a bigot; he that can not reason is a fool; and he that dares not reason is a slave.—Henry Drummond.

I do not believe in the Christianity of him who would keep salvation to himself, who makes no effort to save others.—Thomas Guthrie.

That man whose chief impulse is to be factious and contentious needs seriously to inquire into the state of his soul. Genuine religion is a religion of love.—Selected.

Hath any wronged thee? Be bravely revenged. Slight it, and the work's begun; forgive it, 'tis finished. He is below himself that is not above an injury.—Sir Thomas Browne.

It is the spirit of that life to which we should attain. It is not by saying Christ's words, or by doing Christ's acts, but it is by breathing his Spirit that we become like him.—Frederic W. Robertson.

Great battles are really won before they are actually fought. To control our passions, we must govern our habits, and keep watch over ourselves in the small details of every-day life. —Sir John Lubbock.

Instead of girding ourselves, then, let us stretch forth our hands and allow the blessed Spirit to gird us and bear us even whither we would not, if only we shall thereby find those who need us most.—A. J. Gordon.

Make use of time, if thou valuest eternity. Yesterday can not be recalled; to-morrow can not be assured; to-day only is thine, which, if thou procrastinatest, thou losest; which loss is lost forever.—Jeremy Taylor.

Moses copied from the pattern seen in the mount. We have to build not a tabernacle, but a life and a character. For our convenience pattern has become person. Our model is the perfect man, Jesus.—C. H. Parkhurst.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

One of the most remarkable political campaigns ever carried on in any section of the Union in the interest of honesty and reform was waged recently in Pennsylvania under the leadership of Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow, the independent candidate for governor. The Keystone State has for some time been under the dominion of a ring of corruptionists and plunderers, who have robbed the people most shamefully. The reform movement, the slogan of which was, "None but honest men for office," was organized to defeat the boodler element, headed by Senator Quay, whose name has become the synonym for political dishonesty. Up to a short time before the election came off there were the strongest indications that Dr. Swallow would carry the State by a large majority, but the Republican party managers fearing defeat, gave it out that unless the Republicans united, there was strong probability of the election of the Democratic candidate. This false rumor, which was circulated with prodigious industry in every nook and corner of the State, had the two fold effect of uniting both the Republicans and the Democrats, and thus largely diminished the vote of the reform ticket.

Dr. Swallow, though defeated by such conscienceless scheming, evidently has in him the elements that make a true reformer. On being asked shortly after the election whether he was out of politics, by way of reply, he inquired: "What right has any American citizen to go out of politics?" Would that this sentiment could find a permanent lodging-place in the breast of every Christian in the land. Every citizen is responsible to the extent of his vote and his influence for the character of the government under which he lives —national, state, and municipal. Everyone is, therefore, under the most sacred obligations to exercise his civic rights faithfully; to do all in his power for the purification of politics and the election of good men to office.

Every section of the Union suffers more or less from political corruption, hoosism, and hoodlerism, the popular notion being that a Christian must not dabble much in politics. This erroneous notion is responsible for much of the rottenness that from time to time is unearthed in governmental affairs. When Christian people turn over the entire management of political affairs to the sons of Belial, is it to be wondered at that they pillage the public and perpetuate themselves in office? Religion should play a no less important part in civil than in industrial life. The Christian who holds himself aloof from political affairs is derelict in duty. While many pursue this course thoughtlessly, or under the influence of false conceptions, more, we are persuaded, do so from sheer cowardice. It oftimes requires a measure of heroism to undertake the task of purifying politics. Good government is not to be had for nothing. Its establishment and perpetuation in a country of free institutions like this demands ceaseless vigilance, aggressiveness and self-sacrifice on the part of every true patriot. Indifference to civic duties and responsibilities is one of the great evils of the day. All would like to enjoy the benefits of good government, but comparatively few are willing to make any sort of sacrifice in order to secure it. Benjamin Kidd uttered a profound truth when he remarked a few years ago that "the great need of this country is civic self-sacrifice." If the virtuous element in our citizenship would assert itself more strongly all over the country, the Augean stables of politics would soon be cleansed, and the reproach that American cities are the worst governed on the globe, save those of China, would be taken away. As the New York Evening Post pertinently says: "This country has never lacked men to die for it—men who are ready without a moment's hesitation, or a sign of reluctance, to lay down their lives; but it has lacked for many years past men who are willing to live for it. It is a great deal easier to die for one's country than to live for it, because dying requires one supreme act of courage, and that is the end of it, but living involves continuous courage, self-sacrifice, patience, and hard work. A Democracy demands that every citizen shall put the interest of the State first, and his own second. If the citizens are willing to do this, Democracy is the best form of government which men have tried; if they are not willing, it is one of the most ineffective and disappointing." These words are worthy of being carefully pondered by everyone who claims to belong to the ranks of good citizenship.

PROMPTNESS IN CHARITY.

Since this section of our Southland is now passing through a period of financial stringency of extraordinary severity, readiness in charity is the pressing duty of the hour. While we are in the midst of times that try men's souls, it must not be forgotten that the lot of the poor will be unusually hard this Winter unless those who have enough and to spare shall generously come to their relief. Because of the widespread business depression and the general distress consequent thereupon, it is peculiarly incumbent upon the rich and the well-to-do to be more liberal in the bestowal of charity than at other times. Seldom has there been a time when so great need of open-handed benevolence and of self-sacrificing sympathy existed. Creditors should be as lenient as possible with their debtors.

It is a sad fact that the harder the times, the more illiberal some who have abundance become. The straitness in business affords them a wished-for excuse to be selfish and stingy to their fellow-men and to the church. Many deliberately shut their eyes to the destitution around them, fancying that, avoiding contact with it, they shall escape responsibility. It is ofttimes as wicked to refuse to see want and suffering as it is to refuse to relieve such when brought to our notice. In every community there are unfortunates and ne'er-do-wells whose path could be smoothed no little if their neighbors would only consider their condition and render slight, but timely aid. Let us remember that the Word of God says: "He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse."

The present financial distress would be far less grievous than it seems if people would think and talk less about it, and if the more fortunate could be gotten to turn their eyes from their own supposed impecuniosity to the penury and hardships of the really poor, who form so numerous a class everywhere.

Not a few attempt to shirk doing what they ought for the relief of their needy neighbors on the ground that others are better able to help than they are. Be this as it may, every Christian must share in the work of benevolence according to ability, or be but sounding brass. "Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" Should our ability be limited to the giving of so insignificant a thing as a cup of cold water, let us give that in the name of the Lord, saying, in heart at least, to our brother with whom we share some blessing, "Thy need is greater than mine." Heaven-sent opportunities of benevolence are all about us if we will but recognize them.

Not infrequently men ask God to do for his work and for the poor what they ought to do themselves. Such asking is sinful presumption. When a rich man in a Chicago noon meeting asked the audience to pray that God would help a needy mission to a needed building, Mr. Moody, who was in charge, said quickly: "Brother, I would not bother the Lord with that. I would do it myself."

How great is the suffering often produced by delayed generosity! Some people are always going to help the needy, but they never do it until the last moment, and hence are criminally neglectful. There is no little force in the saying that "he gives twice who gives quickly." Do not wait until your fellow-man is ready to perish from cold and hunger before ministering to his needs. Do not delay giving him a word of encouragement until he is ready to despair from loneliness and lack of sympathy. Do not put off visiting your sick neighbor until he is altogether at the gates of death, and the relatives are worn out with watching, but go promptly, and act the part of a ministering angel.

While such trying times are upon us, let us show ourselves "ready to distribute, willing to communicate." The need of free-flowing charity is urgent. Let us act now.

SOME SURPRISING STATISTICS.

The following table gives the number of deaths in this city from all causes since 1870, and also the population for each year. The mortuary figures are taken from official records. The population figures are based upon the U. S. Census except for the years since 1890. Most persons resident here regard our estimate of the present population as an underestimate. The figures for '70, '80 and '90 are taken from the U. S. Census. Those for intervening years are computed on the theory that the rate of increase is uniform for the years in a census decade.

	Deaths.	Population.
1870	7,391	191,418
'71	6,059	193,890
'72	6,122	196,367
'73	7,505	198,817
'74	6,798	201,321
'75	6,117	203,798
'76	6,257	206,275
'77	6,708	208,752
'78	10,318	211,229
'79	5,122	213,706
'80	5,623	216,190
'81	6,400	218,774
'82	5,922	221,358
'83	7,523	223,942
'84	7,150	226,526
'85	6,673	229,110
'86	6,221	231,694
'87	6,075	234,278
'88	6,301	236,862
'89	6,075	239,446
'90	7,238	242,039
'91	6,856	245,534
'92	7,499	249,029
'93	7,156	252,524
'94	6,843	256,019
'95	8,045	259,514
'96	7,594	263,009
'97	6,730	266,504
'98	6,826	270,000

By inspecting this table, it will be seen that in '97 and '98, when the city was supposed to be in the midst of a fearful epidemic, the number of deaths was smaller than in any year since 1890. This without regard to population. But in order that the exact truth may be known, it is necessary to consider the question of population. The population at present is estimated at 270,000. In 1890 the population was 242,039. If the death-rate had been as high in '98 as in '90, then the total number of deaths would have been 8,062 instead of 6,826—a difference of 1,236. If the death-rate had been as high in '98 as in 1870, then the total number of deaths would have been 10,421 instead of 6,826—a difference of 3,595

What is true of the years specified is true of each year since 1870, with one exception, viz., 1879. In other words, the terrible epidemic years of '97 and '98 show a less percentage of mortality than any years since 1870 with one single exception. Truly, "Truth is stranger than fiction."

TWENTIETH CENTURY EDUCATION FUND—FIRST GIFT.

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CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 9, 1899.

The above from the pen of Bishop Galloway was received just before going to press. This being the case, we have no room to exhort after him; otherwise we would do so.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

With more than sixty other preachers in the Conference, this writer has moved his family during the past month; but, unlike the others, he has had no Board of Stewards, committee, or other church officials, to aid in making the transition, to have the parsonage ready, the supper prepared, the larder filled, and the formal hearty greeting extended. Nevertheless, after much toil and fatigue, we are in our own newly-hired house, and are receiving many brotherly and sisterly greetings, and are being made to feel that we have a cordial welcome to citizenship among the good people of Winona. May our newly-formed relations prove to be mutually pleasant and profitable.

Being thus more centrally located, and at the crossing of the "Illinois Central" and "Southern Railway" lines, I am more favorably situated for the promotion of the work assigned me than heretofore, and I hope the advantage thus afforded will result in greater efficiency in the service.

Favorable reports are being heard from various pastors in their new charges.

"Gilderoy" has gone from the "bottom to the top of Tallahatchie river," as he expresses it, and is happy in his new field.

Bro. Bowen begins well in Columbus. He writes: "The people have given us a good Christian welcome. The services twice a day during Christmas week were successful. Good was done. We are much encouraged by the outlook. The League has increased fifty per cent. Dr. Boiling did a great work here, and the people stand by me in all the work." There will evidently be a lively time in the "old town" this year.

Bro. Park has captured Rosedale. He says: "On our arrival we found conveyances waiting, parsonage ready, larder filled, and everything done to make our welcome warm and coming comfortable." Now, if those people will open their hearts for the divine message as they have for the messenger, great spiritual good will come to them under the ministry of their worthy and consecrated pastor.

Dr. Sullivan is making a good impression as a cultured Christian gentleman and able minister of the gospel upon the intelligent, thinking and devout ones in Kosciusko. His ministry and pastorate will, doubtless, be a great blessing to that people.

Bro. Shipman begins the work on the Winona district earnestly, and, with proper co-operation on the part of preachers and people, he will do good service. We do not hesitate to bespeak the same for the other new presiding elders.

I have just read "Doctrinal Tract, by Rev. C. McDonald, of the Mississippi Conference," and pronounce it good. It deserves circulation and reading. Send five cents to the author, or to myself, for it.

Persons ordering books and all correspondents will note my change of address to Winona, Miss., and govern themselves accordingly.

Please send me at once all dues on last year's account, and orders for books and Sunday-school supplies for this year. Many brethren have expressed appreciation of these "Notes," and desire for their continuance. These expressions are gratifying indeed, and I will be pleased to write occasionally when there is something worthy of note. To this end, brethren, write me what you know and what you are doing that is of interest. And write yourselves to our Conference organ, and keep it filled with fresh and inspiring matter. Happy New Year to everybody. And may this year be one of unprecedented success in every department of our church work!

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., Jan 6, 1899.

A WISE FRIENDLY ADMONITION.

If we believe some people and some evangelists and some editors, we speedily arrive at the dismal and damaging conclusion—at which many infidels and irreligious people are arriving—that nobody in the church is any good, or anywhere near right in anything, but their own dear wise, thoroughly-saved selves. Now let such people go to the altar, and be saved from their all-consuming self-sufficiency and lynx-eyed suspiciousness. Then we will begin to come round about right.—Christian Standard.

DEPARTED.

My wife's only brother—J. H. Martin—crossed the dark river this sixth instant, after an illness of upwards of seven weeks. Feared no evil. Brethren, pray for us.

J. H. BROWN.

Garnville, La.

We sympathize with our brother in his bereavement.

The great object of religion is not to prepare people to die, but to prepare people to live. If people live right, they will die right.—Standard.

We hope all our subscribers who are in arrears will pay up as early as possible.

NOTES.

Rev. A. T. Buck has made a good beginning for '99 at Sallis, Miss.

Rev. J. A. Leech has made an auspicious beginning at Minter City, Miss.

Dr. C. W. Carter let the light of his genial face shine into our sanctum recently.

A reception will be given to Dr. and Mrs. LaPrade at Rayne Memorial Church on Friday night, the thirteenth.

We are pleased to learn that Rev. H. W. May has made an excellent beginning at Amite City, La. The outlook is hopeful.

Dr. J. W. Price has met a very cordial reception from the Methodists of Holly Springs, Miss. The outlook is decidedly encouraging.

An intelligent, cultured brother, in renewing his subscription, speaks of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE as "the best paper in the South."

In our write-up of the Mississippi Conference we failed to make mention of an excellent Sunday-school address by Rev. T. B. Holloman.

Bishop Galloway will leave home on Friday, the thirteenth, for Texas, where he will remain for a month, conducting an educational campaign. Thence he goes to Virginia.

In speaking of the sermons preached at the Hattiesburg Conference, we failed to mention one by Rev. J. T. Nicholson. We heard it highly commended by those who heard it.

Dr. W. H. LaPrade has been royally received by the congregation at Rayne Memorial. The people are delighted with his ministrations, and he begins the year under the most favorable auspices.

A pastor, writing from his new charge, says: "This is a hard place, but, by the help of God, we will make it a good one during the next four years." This is genuine Methodism. Just that sort of a spirit in the rank and file of our itinerant hosts has made Methodism what it is.

From a private letter from President I. W. Cooper, of Centenary College, we quote as follows: "New pupils are coming in every day. Our pastor, Rev. F. S. Parker, has captured everything in his pathway. He is one of the finest preachers in Southern Methodism. We are arranging a Bible course for Centenary, and Bro. Parker will have charge of it."

Rev. E. N. Evans began his ministry at Carondelet with a prayer meeting service on Wednesday night, the fourth. He made an excellent talk, appropriate to the occasion. The attendance was quite good, and after the service an informal reception was given, affording everybody an opportunity to get acquainted with the pastor and his family. His sermon on Sunday made an impression which is prophetic of a successful pastorate.

In the account of the Mississippi Conference proceedings, last week, by inadvertence the number of Epworth League members was put at 16,000, and the number of chapters at 500. The sentence should have read: "There has been an increase of 16,000 Epworth League members and 500 chapters since Sept. 1." There are now in fact upwards of 250,000 League members and 5,000 Epworth League chapters in Southern Methodism.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Mansfield, La., EDITOR.

Let the Louisiana Leaguers look for a good time at Crowley in the Spring.

To make the meeting a success, it will be necessary for each Leagner to play his or her part by planning to attend, and by praying for the special blessing of God upon the Conference.

It would be well for the Executive Committee to begin now to select topics, and persons to lead discussion of same, that plenty of time may be given for prayerful study and careful preparation.

It was our privilege to spend Christmas with the Methodists of Lake Charles, and during the visit to address the senior Epworth League. They also have a Junior League. Good things are reported of the Leaguers thereabouts.

The Christmas number of the Epworth Era was an extra neat and attractive edition. Dr. DuBose is making a great success of the paper. Its circulation continues to increase daily.

Rev. R. L. Honiker, pastor of St. Matthew's Church, Jacksonville, Fla., is editor of the Epworth League department of the Florida Christian Advocate. He is described by Dr. DuBose as a capital gentleman and a lovable brother.

We are glad to note the reorganization of the Port Gibson College League. We note the name of Miss E. M. Hartwell as president, and whom we remember as one of the efficient Leaguers at Wood Street, Water Valley.

Ere these notes appear in the ADVOCATE, the new year, with its privileges and responsibilities, will have been ushered in. Let us ask God to forgive us for our indifference and unfaithfulness in the past, and then press more earnestly than ever "toward the mark for the prize."

Many who beheld the brightness of the morning rays of 1898 have heard the summons, and have crossed to the other side. We hope to meet them some sweet day by and by.

The editor of this department wishes the Leaguers in Mississippi and Louisiana a Happy New Year, and desires to join them in fervent prayer for a fullness of power as necessary for the work which confronts us in the coming days.

The Louisiana Leaguers will please note change of postoffice address of Rev. P. O. Lowrey (treasurer) from Farmerville to Shreveport, La.

We would be glad to know from those who have charge of affairs exact time of meeting of the Louisiana League Conference at Crowley.

We are glad to give space in our department this week to Mississippi notes from Miss Vic Thompson, Tupelo, Miss., who is corresponding secretary and treasurer of the State League Conference.

LEAGUE NOTES.

[Cleaned from State Correspondence.]

BY MISS VIC THOMPSON, TUPELO, MISS., CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Now is the time to begin to talk up our fifth State League Conference, which is to convene at West Point, May 18-21.

Central Church League, at Meridian, has bought fourteen sets of the Reading Course for 1898-'99. There is no more certain sign of a progressive League.

Dr. DuBose has promised to attend our State Conference, and efforts will be made to secure Bishop Candler; Joe Ramsey, of Tennessee; John R. Pepper, of Memphis; Bishop Galloway, and Mr. Hemphill, the Texas singer, who has offered to take charge of the music.

The Corinth Epworth League is reported to have taken on new life under the president in charge, Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, and with Bro. T. W. Lewis as pastor. I'm sure they will make things move.

The Holly Springs League is the only League not having a representative at the Meridian Conference, which has voluntarily paid two shares on our special fund.

Do you want your Leaguers to renew their zeal and energy for the Master's cause? Then take them in a body to the West Point Conference in May.

MISSIONS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

A determined effort is now necessary on the part of the district secretaries, the League presidents, and the Missionary Committees, in order to redeem the pledge made at the Meridian Conference for Dr. and Mrs. Fearn and the Water Valley Orphans' Home. I trust that immediate steps will be taken to push this matter vigorously during the month of January. It will never do for us to meet in the State Conference, on the eighteenth of next May, without redeeming this pledge; so now is the time for us to take up this work in earnest. I have received $75 during the month of December, making a total of $387 already paid. While this is an improvement on the preceding months, still we must do a great deal more each month in order to meet this pledge. Let us arouse ourselves, and see that $200, at least, is forthcoming during the month of January. I trust that no League, that can possibly do more, will stop at either one or two shares. As yet only the Greenville; First Church, Jackson; Holly Springs, Corinth, and the Carrollton Leagues have paid two shares. What League will be next to pay two shares?

"All for Christ."

VIC THOMPSON, Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., Dec. 29, 1898.

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OUR KENTUCKY CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. EDITOR: While the savans of New York are discussing whether la grippe is infectious or contagious, and the terrified Knickerbockers are organizing their quarantines against the plague, the busy little bacillus, rapidly propagated by our slovenly arts, or transformed by frequent and violent changes of our thermometer, goes steadily on with his work, and shakes the continent with his ravages. My wife, two children and myself are just escaping from his mandibles, though confined to our room by weather that last night sent the mercury into the bulb.

Change of appointment and new domestic conditions are responsible for my failure recently to get your paper promptly, but the last two issues came to-night, and were eagerly devoured article by article and item by item. Rev. F. S. Parker's report of the Conference proceedings was most delightful. As was once said of his brilliant father by Bishop Keener, I may be allowed to say of his gifted son, Gerald, "There's a great deal of fine butter in that brain, if he will consent to churn it but a little." I read with consuming interest the appointments of the Louisiana Conference.

CHAS. F. EVANS.

Versailles, Ky., Jan. 5, 1899.

A CORNER-STONE LAID.

One of the most impressive services ever witnessed by the people of our lovely little city was that which took place on Christmas Day at 3:30 P. M. At that hour the corner-stone of the Moore Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was laid in the presence of a large assembly of our citizens. After an appropriate hymn by the choir, the prayer was read by Rev. J. B. Stone, and Rev. W. S. Shipman, presiding elder of the Winona district, read the lesson. The pastor, Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb, announced the contents of the box to be deposited in the corner-stone, viz.: A copy of the Bible, the Discipline, the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, the Nashville Advocate, the Epworth Era, Sunday-School Magazine, the Illustrated Lesson Paper, Little People, The Children's Visitor, a book in which is written a short history of the new church, giving a list of members of the church, the number and state of the Sunday-school and societies of the church. Also a list of all who had made any contribution toward the erection of the building, the name of building committee, architect and builders, a copy of the Winona Times in which is a picture and account of the building; a picture of Col. O. J. Moore, with newspaper notices of his death; the resolutions passed by the Sunday-school at the time of his death; a notice of the death of his wife, Mrs. Rebecca N. Moore; the statistical report of the church for 1898; a copy of the contract; a list of workmen on the building Dec. 24, 1898; a $100 Confederate note presented by Jules Blackwell, and other things of minor importance.

After reading the above the box was deposited in the stone with these words: "We lay this corner-stone of a house to be built and set apart, from all worldly uses, for divine worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." The vault was then cemented, and after another hymn the benediction was pronounced.

Winona, and Winona Methodists in particular, will long rejoice at the very mention of Dec. 25, 1898, because of this happy occasion.—Winona Times.

The issue of the Winona Times, from which the above is taken, contains a cut of the new building, which will be one of the handsomest church edifices in the State. It is fitting that this architectural gem should bear the name of that honored layman who was so long connected with our church in Winona, Col. O. J. Moore. We congratulate Bro. Lipscomb and his enterprising flock.

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MINDEN, LA.

I arrived with my mother, sister, and little brother last evening. Came thirteen hundred and sixty miles from Laurel, Md., in the Baltimore Conference. The good people here gave me a hearty reception. The presiding elder and Official Board met yesterday and made Minden a station. Bro. Crews has secured a young man for the country work. Parsonage was ready for myself and family. Will preach of first sermon next Sabbath to this people.

Pray for us! Let us into your hearts, brethren of the Louisiana Conference; for "we are brethren." It is my desire to identify myself thoroughly with the work in this Conference.

COURTLAND P. SMITH.

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PAINT TALKS—XII.

CAUSES OF THE DESTRUCTION OF PAINTS.

There is no paint that does not look well when it is new. The poorest mixture produced looks bright, glossy and clean when it is fresh from the brush. But rain and snow, wind and sun quickly test the quality of paints. The best paints will still look quite respectable at the end of five or eight years; the poorest begin to look shabby at the end of as many months. What is the cause of this difference?

Briefly stated, with very few exceptions, the lasting paints are compounded with pure linseed oil and contain a goodly percentage of zinc white, while the fading, crumbling, discoloring paints contain materials which destroy the oil and are based on pigments which are themselves not permanent.

If a paint darkens, loses its gloss and begins to grow "chalky" after a short time, it is probably a pure white lead paint; if its colors fade or change in the sunlight, it is either colored with aniline dyes, or it is a white lead paint tinted with one of the many colors that are destroyed by lead; if it "deadens" or "flattens" and begins to peel and chip off, it probably contains an alkali which has destroyed the linseed oil, or a mineral oil which has evaporated; if it shows cracks like the lines on a checker-board, the painter has probably been at fault in not allowing sufficient time for the under coat to dry before applying the next; and if it shows blisters, one or more of the coats have probably been applied in damp weather or at a time when the air was saturated with moisture.

But there is another cause for the destruction of paints which, though seldom taken into account, is very important, and that is the action of the dust, sand, etc., carried by the wind. If we have two paints, one of which retains its glossy surface, while the other becomes dull and powdery, we shall find that the latter collects and retains dust while the other remains comparatively clean, and that of the two the dull surface will be worn away much more rapidly than the glossy coating. The reason for this is that the glossy surface is elastic, while the dull surface is brittle; the wind-borne dust acts like a sand blast, and cuts away the brittle surface, while upon the elastic surface it makes no impression. Remembering that pure white lead paints always lose their gloss and become dry and powdery in a very short time, while paints containing zinc retain their gloss indefinitely, it is easy to understand one of the reasons why a combination paint based on zinc is more durable than other paints. The additional reasons are the greater stability of zinc white itself, and its superior oil-carrying capacity; for it should never be forgotten that so long as the oil endures the paint will remain good and sound, but when the oil is gone the paint crumbles and washes away.

The most lasting paint is the most economical. The combination paints usually cost less and cover more surface per pound than the so-called "strictly pure" paints, and they last fully fifty per cent. longer; therefore the paint consumer will see that it will profit him to insist that the paint used on his buildings shall be based on zinc white and that it shall be mixed only with pure linseed oil and the necessary driers—the less of the latter the better for the paint.

STANTON DE DLEY.

A CALENDAR THAT STAYS.

The calendar crop is never short, as the postoffice people will testify. We always get our share, and begin the new year with a great assortment, but the one we select "for keeps" is that of N. W. Ayer & Son, the keeping-everlastingly-at-it advertising men of Philadelphia. This one spends the whole year in our company. It is a piece of fine printing, but its good looks do not constitute its sole charm. It is clear and plain. While they last, a copy can be obtained postpaid by sending 25 cents to the publishers.

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MR. EDITOR: Please announce that I have appointed Rev. Henry L. Hughes, preacher in charge of Dry Creek circuit, for the present Conference year.

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J. A. PARKER.

The postoffice address of Rev. R. B. Downer, till further notice, will be Ellisville, Miss.

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"BLESSED ARE THEY THAT MOURN."

BY WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT.

Deem not that they are blest alone
Whose days a peaceful tenor keep:
The anointed Son of God makes known
A blessing for the eyes that weep.

The light of smiles shall fill again
The lids that overflow with tears;
The weary hours of woe and pain
Are promises of happier years.

There is a day of sunny rest
For every dark and troubled night:
And grief may bide an evening guest,
But joy shall come with early light.

Nor let the good man's trust depart,
Though life its common gifts deny,
Though with a pierced and broken heart,
And spurned of men, he goes to die.

For God has marked each sorrowing day,
And numbered every secret tear;
And heaven's long age of bliss shall pay
For all his children suffer here.

ACTING A LIE.

Dolly had been told never to meddle with a beautiful vase that stood on a bracket over the piano. "It will break very easily," her mother said. Now, Dolly had an intense desire to take the vase down and examine it—probably because she had been told not to do so. One day, when she was alone, she made up her mind to gratify her curiosity. She took the vase down without breaking it, but on trying to put it back the bracket slipped off its nail, and the vase fell to the floor, and was broken into a dozen pieces. Dolly was frightened. As she stood there trying to think her way out of the dilemma her kitten came into the room.

"I'll shut Spotty into the room, and mama'll think she did it," decided Dolly, "and Spotty can't tell."

So the kitten was shut up in the parlor, and when Dolly's mother came home she found Spotty there, and the vase broken.

"Do you s'pose Spotty did it?" asked Dolly.

"I think she must have done so," answered her mother. "You don't know anything about it, do you?"

Dolly pretended that she didn't hear the question, and got out of the room as soon as possible. That night she couldn't sleep. "You lied," something said to her. "No, I didn't," she said. "I didn't say I didn't break it." "But you might just as well have said so," the voice of conscience told her. "If you didn't tell a lie, you acted one, and that's just as bad as telling one."

Dolly stood it as long as she could. She got up and went to her mother's bed.

"Mama, I broke the vase," she sobbed out. "I thought if I acted a lie, you wouldn't find out about it, but I can't sleep for thinking that God knows, if you don't."—Christian Intelligencer.

HOW TO FILL THE LIFE-PLAN.

It may often be hard to learn what God's plan is for our future, but there will generally be no difficulty in finding what it is for to-day. If we fulfill his plan day by day, we shall fill the life-plan at last.

"Do you think that will please me?" said a gentleman to a little bootblack who had shined his boots with unusual thoroughness. The boy replied: "I think it will please my father." "Where is your father?" "In heaven." "Poor boy; when did he die?" "My father is not dead. My father in heaven is God," "Do you think it will please God that you have done a good job on my boots?" "Oh, yes; God is pleased whenever we do the best we can." He was making a success of life more truly than many in higher stations not doing their best.

I do not much believe in the regulation school committee speech that stimulates every boy to rise out of his social class to be a president or a millionaire. The world is full of failures, men who went up like rockets and came down like sticks. Better to urge each one to contented faithfulness in his lot and place. In any case, "The best way to rise out of a lowly position is to be conspicuously useful in it." But

"Some must follow, and some must lead,
Though all be made of clay."

Let us do all we can to magnify what are commonly regarded as lowly offices. Let the tailor be a "Pantaloon Artist;" the livery, a "Hotel de Horse;" the cobbler's shop, a "Hospital for Refractory Shoes;" the barber's shop, "Tonsorial Parlors;" and let the organ blower be the "Assistant Organist." You remember the case where one such compelled the boasting organist to say "we" by refusing otherwise to blow, and the other one who said, "I can pump any tune that organist can play."

"All are needed by each one,
Nothing is good or fair alone."

There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, another glory of the stars, for one star differeth from another star in glory. "Every man's life is a plan of God." We are to fulfill that plan, to fill it full of light and life. Its best definition of success is enfolded in those words of Christ, "She hath done what she could." Neither man nor God can say anything greater of a man than this, "He hath done what he could."—Success.

KEEP A CLEAN MOUTH.

A distinguished author says: "I resolved, when I was a child, never to use a word which I could not pronounce before my mother." He kept his resolution, and became a pure-minded, noble, honored gentleman. His rule and example are worthy of imitation.

Boys readily learn a class of low, vulgar words and expressions which are never heard in respectable circles. Of course, we can not think of girls as being so much exposed to this peril. We can not imagine a decent girl using words she would not utter before her father or mother.

Such vulgarity is thought by some boys to be "smart," the "next thing to swearing," and yet "not so wicked;" but it is a habit which leads to profanity, and fills the mind with evil thoughts. It vulgarizes and degrades the soul, and prepares the way for many of the gross and fearful sins which now corrupt society.

Young readers, keep your mouth free from all impurity, and your "tongue from evil;" but in order to do this, ask Jesus to cleanse your heart, and keep it clean, for "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."—The Standard.

TAKE THE TIME.

Let us take time for reading. It will never come if we wait to have every piece of work finished, and every speck of dirt removed from each article we use. We can always find something else to do, and conscientious housekeepers, with little taste for mental pursuits, are apt to make a great blunder. "The life is more than meat, and the body than raiment," which means—if I may be allowed to preach a wee bit of a sermon—that you yourself, with all your immortal faculties, are of vastly more importance than your house and furniture and clothing and cookery; and these are utterly worthless if they serve as hindrances instead of helps to your individual human culture.

No kind of labor is degrading if done from a worthy motive, and no motive can be nobler than the womanly desire to make a pleasant home. With this end in view—with love as a prompter, washing and darning and scrubbing are all elevated from drudgery to a nobler sphere. But our homes can not be properly attractive and profitable to our families if we ourselves are dull and harassed. Our brothers and fathers and husbands and sons need cheerful and intelligent companions at home far more than they need nice dinners and spotless linen. It is necessary that good home-makers and keepers should read and reflect and listen and converse.—Selected.

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One secret of a sweet and happy Christian life is learning to live by the day. It is the long stretches that tire us. We think of life as a whole, running on for us. We can not carry this load until we are threescore and ten. We can not fight this battle continually for half a century. But really there are no long stretches. Life does not come to us all at one time; it comes only a day at a time. Even to-morrow is never ours till it becomes to-day, and we have nothing whatever to do with it but to pass down to it a fair and a good inheritance in to-day's work well done and to-day's life well lived.

It is a blessed secret, this of living by the day. Anyone can carry his burden, however heavy, till nightfall. Anyone can do his work, however hard, for one day. Anyone can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, till the sun goes down. And this is all that life ever really means to us—just one little day. "Do to-day's duty; fight to-day's temptation, and do not weaken and distract yourself by looking forward to things you can not see, and could not understand if you saw them." God gives us nights to shut down the curtain of darkness on our little days. We can not see beyond. Short horizons make life easier, and give us one of the blessed secrets of brave, true, holy living.—British Weekly.

Hygiene.

WORK AND WORRY.

"Studying too hard," "overworked," are charged with many deaths, but, in the majority of cases, most unjustly. Trouble kills, but it is a very rare thing for a man to think himself to death, unless his thoughts are intimately connected with something painful and distressing. Study is a boon to the student. He would rather study than eat. The greatest students have lived long and happily to fourscore and beyond.

Thought is to the brain what exercise is to the physical constitution; it keeps the channels of life clear, the blood vessels unobstructed, and the vital fluid courses along them, distributing newness of life and vigor of action to the latest hours of existence, while the want of thought brings starvation to the circulation and causes man to drivel and sleep in old age—dead as to everything except eating and dozing and cowering over the fire.

Men may study hard, and after fifty may study with comfort and advantage for five, ten and fifteen hours day after day; and if the studies are pleasurable, they promote the general well-being of the system, both physical and mental, only if abundant sleep is had, with a regular supply of simple and nourishing food, sitting down to meals in pleasant moods and allowing a good half-hour before study is resumed.

Many of our literary men die prematurely, not from overstudy, but from depressing mental states and irregular or excessive eating and drinking. It is high pressure and constant tension, rather than steady, continuous labor of body or mind, which hurries multitudes to their graves years before their time. With all haste there is impatience, solicitude, worry. In the present age we rfea that everything is sacrificed to "hurry."—Public Health Journal.

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THE OLD AND YOUNG.

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For the tendency of many of us, when seventy is reached, is to let ourselves go to pieces. We can call it "resting on our oars," or describe it with as picturesque a set of symbols as we choose. But, for all that, a man or woman comes to one of the great critical periods of life about the time that age is reached. They can then either sink under existing conditions, let every encroachment of age have its way, excusing themselves on the plea of years for every failure to meet them gracefully, or they can readjust themselves to the changes years have wrought, and with renewed spirit go on, still young and still attractive, because still growing and still alive.

And certainly the most adorable old people are the old people who have met age in the latter way, and who have kept themselves alive to the criticisms and suggestions of the young. "Have your children told you yet that you turn out your toes?" said one middle-aged parent, laughing, to another. His daughter saved him. For all children, when just grown, become absorbed in their parents—it is a mark of their affection—and they are more sensitive to their failures, peculiarities or virtues than to those of all the rest of the world. And certainly no sweeter sight is to be found than that of young girls who are interested in their father's cravat, the latest cut of his vest, or his looking his very best on all occasions. For though our fathers and mothers bring us up, when a certain period is passed we turn about, in all well-regulated families, and return the compliment. The young educate the old as surely as once the old trained them, and the really fascinating old person is one who has submitted to the process.—Harper's Bazar.

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RIGHT AND WRONG USE OF THE TONGUE.

The slue of the tongue all point to the necessity and profit of self-mastery. So evident and so important did this appear to James that it occurs again and again in his epistle. "In many things we all stumble," he writes. If any stumble not in word, the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also." If this confession of failure and magnifying of the office of the tongue seem exaggerated, let anyone sit down quietly and think of the sins and cruelties of human speech. The careless words which no repentance can call back again, the rash promises which it has cost us so much to fulfill, the expression of the lower nature which has shamed the higher, the confessions of evil and yieldings to falsehood, the hot and angry words which sober thought condemned—these are some of the perils of the tongue.

On the other hand, like most of the uses of the world which turn so easily to evil, the tongue may be the instrument of great and lasting good. "Therewith bless we the Lord and Father." If we can, by God's grace, hold it to blessing, there is no better testimony to the indwelling of God's Spirit in a human soul than righteous, considerate, modest, truthful speech. The faithful Christian's manner of words, as well as of life, already has the mark of heaven's purity and truth upon it. Speaking the truth in love, men trust him. Seeking not his own, men come to speak unselfishly in his presence. Considering others, they in turn become considerate. Cherishing no resentments, he awakens no angry feelings. Such a Christian self-control is not easily attained, but it is worth striving for, and by God's help it is not out of reach.—The Congregationalist.

THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS.

The power of forgiveness, even for an offense against human law, is well illustrated in the following incident:

A soldier was about to be brought before his commanding officer for some offense. He was an old offender, and had often been punished. "Here he is again," said the officer, on his name being mentioned; "flogging, disgrace, solitary confinement, everything has been tried with him." Whereupon the sergeant stepped forward, and, apologizing for the liberty, said, "There is one thing which has never been done with him yet, sir."

"What is that?" said the officer.

"Well, sir," said the sergeant, "he has never been forgiven."

"Forgiven!" exclaimed the colonel, surprised at the suggestion. He reflected a few minutes, ordered the culprit to be brought in, and asked him what he had to say to the charge.

"Nothing, sir," was the reply; "only I am sorry for what I have done."

Turning a kind and pitiful look on the man, who expected nothing else than that his punishment would be increased with the repetition of his offense, the colonel addressed him saying:

"Well, we have tried everything with you, and now we have resolved to forgive you."

The soldier was struck dumb with amazement; the tears started in his eyes, and he wept like a child. He was bumbled to the dust, and, thanking his officer, he retired—to be the old, refractory, incorrigible man? No!—from that day forward he was a new man. He who told the story had him for years under his eye, and a better conducted man never wore the Queen's colors.—Exchange.

OBITUARIES.

GRISWOLD—Prof. LYMAN GRISWOLD was born May 19, 1829, in Easton, Md.; married to Miss M. Amanda Lawrence in Bossier parish, La., Nov. 6, 1870, and died in Cooper, Texas, Nov 8, 1898.

Teaching school was his life-work. He made an ideal president, holding the reins with a firm grasp, yet ever mindful of the rights of even the smallest child in school. He bent his energies to his profession, and many prosperous business men in the South can testify to his worth as an instructor.

About two years ago he fell and broke a leg, since which time he has been a confirmed invalid and great sufferer, which resulted in death.

He was a loyal member of the M. E. Church, South, always ready to support its institutions and work for the advancement of the cause of Christ. He loved the song service, and often have I seen him melted to tenderness and tears when he heard the songs he loved: "There is rest for the weary," and "Coma bear me away on your snowy wings." He had a great, loving heart, always glad to do good for others; generous almost to a fault, often depriving himself of necessities to relieve the needs of friends and enemies. But his life-work is finished; his pure spirit has been wafted on angel wings to his reward in heaven.

He leaves a wife and two children, who sorrow for the absence of their loved one; but, although there is a vacant couch in their home and a void in their hearts that can not be filled, they would not call him back to earth, for they, too, have learned to say, "Thy will be done." M. A. LAWRENCE.

GUTHRIE—Mrs. ANNA E. GUTHRIE was born Aug. 2, 1848; died Oct. 8, 1898; married J. L. Guthrie near old Trenton, La., in 1868. Her maiden name was Noble. She joined our church when thirteen years old. Her remains were carried to Farmerville, and rest beside those of her husband and three little children.

For years a resident of Ruston, she had moved back to her plantation on Island De Siard, to remain with her sons. She returned to visit her kindred and friends; was smitten by fatal disease. She suffered much and long, but manifested patience and resignation, ever expressing her unwavering faith in God. She was true to her church vows, assumed so early in life. Her place at all the church services was rarely vacant, and her communion with the saints at the chancel rail constant. She was a working member of the church. She had a prayerful solicitude for her two sons (now grown), that they might "adorn the doctrines of God our Savior," and left them the heritage and inspiration of a "good name, which is rather to be chosen than great riches." What a stimulus to holy living! And they, following her Savior, may surely know that a tinsle rest is for them, into which, we have reason to believe, their glorified mother has entered.

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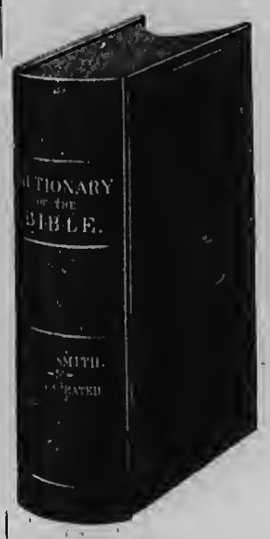
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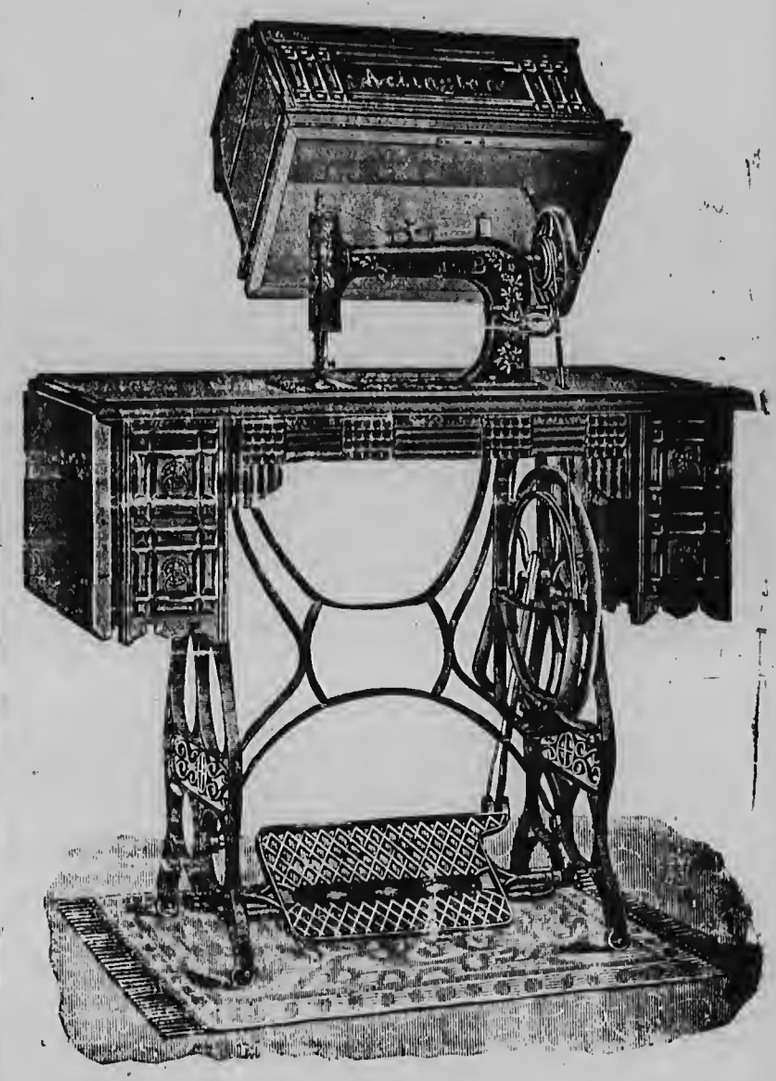
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President Harper, of the University of Chicago, announced the other night at the annual convocation of the university that gifts aggregating $402,000 had been made to the institution.

By a head-end collision between two passenger trains on the Lehigh Valley railroad, at West Dunellen, N. J., on Monday, thirteen persons were killed and over twenty-five were injured.

Governor Mount, of Indiana, has prepared a bill for the Legislature "allowing the next of kin to the person lynched to bring suit for damages against the county in which the lynching occurs."

The Central American Union, or Greater Republic of Central America, as it was at one time called, is no more, as each of the States composing the union has agreed to resume its independence and regulate its own affairs for the future.

Though a native force is opposing the peaceful occupation of Iloilo by General Miller's command, it is nevertheless a fact that the natives of the Visoaya group and the Island of Mindanao have petitioned the American Government for annexation to the United States.

The meeting held, on Friday, at the City Hall, this city, for a preliminary discussion of the proposed water and sewerage tax was in every way representative, being composed of citizens of every class and calling. There was a large degree of unanimity in the expression of willingness to pay the tax.

Several important retirements in the army will occur during the current year. Brigadier General Stanton, paymaster general, will retire on the thirtieth instant; Brigadier General Flagler, chief of ordnance, June 24; Brigadier General Sumner, in August next, and Brigadier General Shafter, Oct. 16.

It is reported that General Henry Kyd Douglas, of Maryland, who was Stonewall Jackson's chief of staff, and in whose arms the famous Southern soldier died, is engaged to Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris, General U. S. Grant's only daughter. General Douglas is 65 years old.

The House Committee on Rivers and Harbors is keenly alive to the necessity for providing a channel through Southwest Pass, and is equally appreciative of the large commercial advantages which will result. It is a foregone conclusion, therefore, that an appropriation of $7,000,000, if not $8,000,000, will be recommended to carry out the project.

While Paris has been, according to the news reports, the head center of all the experimentation with and exploitation of the new automobile vehicle, and while America has seemed backward in this latest craze, Chicago has quietly secured a contract for furnishing Europe with 50,000 electro-automobiles during the next ten years, the money involved being something like $5,000,000.

Although the trouble growing out of the Fashoda incident, which at one time threatened to precipitate war between France and England, has subsided, it has left the relations between the two countries in a decidedly strained condition. New causes of irritation are cropping out daily, and even conservative people are beginning to fear that, sooner or later, war must come.

The Spanish transport "Notre Dame de Saint," which sailed from Havana on Dec. [illegible] for Barcelona, arrived there with 1100 repatriated soldiers on board. The vessel was overcrowded, and many of the troops were found to be ill on the steamer's arrival. During the voyage thirty-nine deaths occurred. The sick soldiers were speedily attended to. The remainder of the troops were in a fearfully emaciated condition.

President and Mrs. McKinley gave an elaborate dinner at the White House on Monday, at which the members of the Paris Peace Commission were the guests of honor. Invited to meet them were the members of the Cabinet, senators and representatives in Congress, and a number of officers of the army and navy, who took prominent parts in the war, including Major-Generals Shafter and Wheeler, and Admirals Sampson and Schley, and Captain Robley D. Evans.

The charges that the United States warship "Maine" was blown up in Havana harbor by design have again been actively brought forward. This time persons are individually accused of the crime, names and details being freely given. The principal in the commission of the atrocious act is said to be one Zacaries Bresmos, a judge of one of the lower courts. If he executed the crime, it is more than likely that others higher in authority were more or less privy to it, since it is difficult to see how the preparations for the explosion could have been made without the knowledge of the military and police authorities, if, indeed, their connivance was not involved.

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ATTENTION, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The printers are at work on the Minutes, and say that they will finish the job in about three weeks. Please let me know your postoffices at once. Unless your appointment plainly indicates the postoffice, please do not presume on my knowing it. Also, if the pastoral charges have been changed, let me know how many members are in the charge of the pastor this year. Unless this is done, I will have to distribute the Minutes according to the number of members reported last year. Please let the presiding elders and pastors attend to this matter.

C. G. ANDREWS, Sec'y.

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We have been requested to publish our editorial on "The Gospel of Giving" in the form of a tract, and have done so. We will send it, post paid, at the following prices: 3 copies, 5 cents; 10 copies, 15 cents; 25 copies, 30 cents; 50 copies, 50 cents.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Senatobia	Jan. 14, 15
Cockrum, at Palestine	21, 22
Coldwater and Hernando	22, 23
Courtland, at Courtland	28, 29
Batesville and Wesley	29, 30
Arkabutla	Feb. 4, 5
Nesbit	7
Pleasant Grove	11, 12
Longtown	12, 13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs	18, 19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet	19, 20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel	22
Wall Hill	25, 26

The Sardis district stewards will meet at Sardis, Miss., Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1899, at 10 A. M. Pastors will please notify their respective district stewards.

T. C. WEBB, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Marietta circuit	Jan. 19
Ripley and New Albany	15, 16
Blue Springs circuit	14
Booneville circuit	21, 22
Brown's Creek	28, 29
Belmont	27
Guntown	Feb. 4, 5
Ripley circuit	9
New Albany circuit	11, 12
Saltillo circuit	16
Jonesboro circuit	18, 19
Burnsville and Jacinto	24

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Amory and Smithville	Jan. 14, 15
Prairie, at Palm's Chapel	Tues.. 17
Verona and Nettleton, at Nettleton	21, 22
Quincy circuit	28, 29
Montpelier circuit, at Palestine	Feb. 4, 5
Buena Vista circuit	Tues.. 7
Houston circuit	Thurs.. 0
Houston and Wesley	11, 12
Shannon circuit	18, 19
Okolona circuit	Tues.. 21
Fulton circuit	25, 26
Tremont circuit	Tues.. 28

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Grenada cir., at Spring Hill	Jan. 14, 15
Grenada station	15, 16
Minter City	21, 22
Tatum, at Friendship	28, 29
Tuscopois	Feb. 4, 5
Paris, at Prospect	Fri.. 10
Banner	11, 12
Charleston, at Harrison	18, 19
Chapel Hill	25, 26
Shiloh Springs, at Bentley	Thes.. 28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel	Wed.. Mar. 1
Ellzey, at Old Town	Fri.. 3
Pittsboro	4, 5

H. C. MORKHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ebenezer, at Ebenezer	Jan. 14, 15
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington	15, 16
Cumberland, at Long Branch	20
Tom-Nolen, at Santh Union	21, 22
Emora and Maben, at Emora	22, 23
Rural Hill, at Centre Ridge	27
Ackerman, at McCool	28, 29
Belzona, at Belzona	Feb. 4, 5
Poplar Creek, at Friendship	11, 12
Chester, at Chester	18, 19
Louisville, at Rocky Hill	25, 26
Salem, at Salem	Mar. 4, 5

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tibbee, at Tibbee	Jan. 13
Cedar Bluff, at Pheba	14, 15
Starkville circuit, at Smyrna	21, 22
Starkville station	22, 23
Lagrange, at Lewis Chapel	26
Sturges, at Sturges	28, 29
Columbus circuit, at Mt. Pleasant	Feb. 4, 5
Columbus station	5, 6
Winstonville, at Mashniaville	11, 12

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Carrollton station	3rd " " " " Jan.
Indianola	4th " " " " "
Winona circuit	5th " " " " "
Sidon and Etta Bena	1st " " " " Feb.
West	2nd " " " " "
Carrollton circuit	3rd " " " " "
McNutt	4th " " " " "
Black Hawk	1st " " " " Mar.
Dublin and Webb	2nd " " " " "

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Clarksdale	Jan. 14, 15
Shelby	15, 16
Friar's Point	20, 21
Lula	21, 22
Jonestown	28, 29
Belen	29, 30
Tunica	Feb. 4, 5
Austin	5, 6
Hillhouse	11, 12
Deason	12, 13
Gunnison	18, 19
Rosedale	19, 20
Bolivar	25, 26
Lehrton	Mar. 4, 5

The district stewards will meet in the pastor's study, Greenville, Jan. 18, at 4 P. M.

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Byhalia, at Byhalia	Jan. 14, 15
Pontotoc, at Pontotoc	21, 22
Waterford, at Waterford	28, 29
Holly Springs cir., at Sylvestria	Feb. 4, 5
Red Banks cir., at Victoria	11, 12
Mt Pleasant cir., at Mt Pleasant	18, 19
Olive Branch, at Miller	25, 26
East Holly Springs, at Harmony	Mar. 4, 5
Ashland, at Union Hill	11, 12
Connersville, at Ebenezer	18, 19

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Lecompte and White Chapel, at L.	
Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Jan. 13
Chicot and Washington, at W.	14, 15
Bunkie....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Thes.. 17
Simsport.....preaching, 7:30 P. M..	18
Simsport.....Conf., 11 A. M..	19
Melville....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Fri.. 20
Pineville	21, 22
Boyce and West A., at W. A....Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M..	Thes.. 24
Natchitoches...Cent., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Thurs.. 26
Montgomery and Colfax, at Colfax	28, 29
Ada and Winfield, at W....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M....Thes..	31
Olla and Pollock, at P....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Fri.. Feb. 3
Columbia	4, 5
Jena and Jonesville, at W. S. Springs. Conf., 11 A. M.; pr'g, 7:30 P. M..	Thes. 7
Spring Creek, at Glenmora	11, 12
Dry Creek, at D. C....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.	Thes... 14

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tchoupitoulas Mission	Jan. 15
Felicity Street	22
Louisiana Avenue	20
Dryades Street	Feb. 5
Donaldsonville	12
Rayne Memorial	19
Lower Coast	26
Carrollton Avenue	Mar. 5
Carondelet Street	12
White Castle	19
Burgundy Street	26
Covington	Apr. 2

District stewards will meet in pastor's office of Carondelet Street Church, Jan. 12, at 7:30 P. M.

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Baton Rouge circuit, at Antioch	Jan. 14, 15
Baton Rouge	15, 16
Port Vincent, at Port Vincent	21, 22
Live Oak, at Palmetto	22, 23
Pine Grove, at Pine Grove	28, 29
Ponchatoula, at Ponchatoula	30, 31
Franklinton, at Fisher's	Feb. 2, 3
Amite City, at Amite City	4, 5
Slaughter, at Ethel	11, 12
Wilson, at Gayden	18, 19
Clinton	19, 20
St. Helena, at Greensburgh	25, 26
St. Francisville, at Concord	Mar. 4, 5
Jackson	5, 6

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Morgan City	Jan. 14, 15
Patterson	17
Franklin	18
Jeanerette	19
New Iberia	20
Abbeville	21, 22
Lafayette	24
Opelousas	26
Prudhomme	28, 29
Plaquemine Brule	Feb. 1
Crowley	4, 5
Indian Bayou	7
Lake Arthur	11, 12
Lake Charles	15
West Lake	17
Grand Chenier	..

Pastors will please inform also where the Conferences are to be held, and when off the main railroad, how to get to them.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Shreveport—First Church...11 A. M.	Jan. 15
Texas Avenue...7 P. M..	15
South Bossier, at Alleuton	21, 22
North Bossier, at ——	28, 29
Caddo, at Keatchie	Feb. 4, 5
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane	11, 12
Logansport, at Logansport	18, 19
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport	25, 26
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Mar. 4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill	11, 12
Red River, at ——	18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs	25, 26
Cousinatta, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Mansfield	0
Florine and mission, at ——	15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle	22, 23
Pelican, at ——	29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Vernon	Jan. 14, 15
Ruston	21, 22
Downsville	28, 29
Farmerville	29, 30
Haynesville	Feb. 4, 5
Homer	5, 6
Bienville	11, 12
Lanesville	18, 19
Gibsland	20
Valley	25, 26
Minden	Mar. 4, 5
Gansville	11, 12
Arcadia	18, 19

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MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Meridian, West End	Jan. 14, 15
Meridian, East End	15, 16
Vimville, at Pleasant Hill	21, 22
North Kemper, at Spring Hill	28, 29
DeKalb, at DeKalb	29, 30
Porterville, at Porterville	Feb. 4, 5
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale	5, 6
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	Fri.. 10
Winchester, at Big Rock	11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna	12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto	18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise	19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel	Fri.. 24
Mathersville, at Poplar Springs	25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman	26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel	Mar. 4, 5
Binnsville, at Scooba	11, 12

District stewards will please meet in Central Church, Meridian, Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 10 A. M.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ellisville and Laurel, at Ellisville	Jan. 14, 15
Purvis, at Purvis	17
Lumberton and Poplarville, at L.	18
Americus, at Pleasant Hill	21, 22
Vancleave, at Pine Grove	24
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at S.	28, 29
Biloxi, at Biloxi	30
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach and Gulf Port, at Bay St. Louis	31
Pearlington and Logtown, at P.	Feb. 4, 5
Galloway, at McLaurin	0
Escatawpa, at Zion	11, 12
Moss Point	12, 13
Whittington, at Colevillle	15
St. John's, at St. John's	16
East Covington, at Bethel	18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	21
Hattiesburg	26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia	Mar. 1
Leaksville, at Leaksville	5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hattiesburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Vicksburg—Crawford Street	Jan. 8
South Vicksburg	8
Port Gibson	14, 15
Bolton, at Bolton	21, 22
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	28, 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Feb. 4, 5
Warren, at Oak Ridge	11, 12
South Warren, at Bovina	18, 19
Mayersville, at Mayersville	25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar. 4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs	11, 12
Satartia, at Bentonia	18, 19
Utica, at Utica	25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr. 1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah	8, 9

The district stewards for Vicksburg district will meet in Crawford Street Church, Vicksburg, on Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1899, at 12 o'clock.

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Morton, at Morton....Sun. and Mon.	Jan. 8, 9
Raleigh, at Raleigh... Sat. and Sun..	14, 15
Trenton, at Gasque... Sat. and Sun..	21, 22
Forest, at Harperville. Sat. and Sun..	28, 29
Carthage, at Carthage....Sat..	Feb. 4
Walnut Grove, at W. G..Sun. and Mon.	5, 6
Hillsboro, at Oak Grove	Tues.. 7
Lake, at High Hill....Sat. and Sun..	11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence..Sat. and Sun	18, 19
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill	Sat.. 25
Newton and H., at Hickory..Sun. and Mon	20, 27
Chunkey, at Suqualena	Fri.. Mar. 3
Vossburg and H., at Heidelburg..Sun. and Mon	5, 6
Montrose, at Mt. Zion..Sat. and Sun.	11, 12
Shiloh, at John's	Sat. and Sun.. 18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur...Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
Neshoba, at Mars Hill. Sat. and Sun..	Apr. 1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talli-Chulek. Mon	3

District stewards will please meet at Newton, Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2 o'clock P. M. The pastors are also invited and expected to be present.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Magnolia, at Magnolia	Jan. 14, 15
Gallman, at Belhesda	21, 22
Crystal Springs	22, 23
Caseyville, at New Hope	28, 29
Brookhaven	29, 30
Whitestown, at Whitestown	Feb. 4, 5
McComb City	5, 6
Beauregard, at Beauregard	11, 12
Wesson	12, 13
Bogue Chitto, at Norfield	18, 19
Adams, at Adams	25, 26
Summit, at Summit	26, 27
Westville, at Westville	Mar. 4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Bluntsville	Thes.. 7
Providence, at Bahala	11, 12
Tylertown, at Tylertown	18, 19
Pleasant Grove, at Tilton's	Wed.. 22
Hazlehurst	25, 26

The district stewards will meet at Brookhaven, Wednesday, Jan. 25. Let every district steward be present.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Terry, at Terry	Jan. 14, 15
Sharon, at Mt. Pleasant	21, 22
Canton...7 P. M..	22, 23
Madison, at Madison	28, 29
Jackson—First Church...11 A. M..	Feb. 5
Capitol Street...7 P. M..	5
Tranquil, at Pleasant Hill	11, 12
Yazoo City...7 P. M..	12, 13
Fannin	18, 19
Brandon...7 P. M..	19, 20
Steen's Creek	25, 26
Yazoo circuit, at Fletcher's	Mar. 4, 5
Benton, at Benton...7 P. M..	5, 6
Silver Cr. and B. L.	11, 12
Lake City and Lodi	18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's	25, 26
Camden, at Camden	Apr. 1, 2

District stewards will please meet in First Church, Jackson, Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 11 A. M.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Gloster	Jan. 14, 15
Hopewell	21, 22
Harriston	28, 29
Washington	Feb. 4, 5
Salem	11, 12
Fayette	18, 19
Jefferson Street	24, 26
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Meadville	Mar. 4, 5
Roxie	11, 12
Percy's Creek	18, 19
Woodville	25, 26
Brandywine	Apr. 3, 4

Let every steward have his report at the Quarterly Conference.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

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A. D. MILLER.

Hermanville, Miss., Jan. 5, 1899.

NOTICE.

Pastors and Sunday-school Superintendents, Mississippi Conference:

The Sunday-school Board met and organized with the following officers: W. T. Griffin, president, Mayersville; D. Scarborough, secretary, Forest, Miss; Thos. Mount, treasurer, Vicksburg, Miss. Any Sunday-school not able to buy necessary literature can secure the same by applying to the secretary for blank applications. Applications should be made immediately. There is money in the treasury for this purpose. Let us begin the new year with renewed zeal in this great work.

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MARRIAGES.

MCCORMICK—EASTERLING.—At the home of the bride's brother, Mr. E. H. Easterling, Dec. 21, 1898, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. J. A. Meere, Mr. James G. McCormick, of Brookhaven, Miss., and Miss Anna Easterling, of Bogue Chitto, Miss.

MCCULLAGH-BAIRD. At Castalian Springs, Durant, Miss., Dec. 25, 1898, by Rev. J. S. Oakley, Mr. Alfred McCullagh, of Memphis, Tenn., to Mrs. Edith V. Baird.

MCGUIRE—DRANE.—December 25, 1898, by Rev. J. S. Oakley, Mr. Perry G. McGuire to Miss Nora Drane, both of Durant, Miss.

DONOHO—RATLIFF.—At the residence of the bride's father, Hon. W. P. Ratliff, Dec. 27, 1898, by Rev. J. S. Oakley, Mr. Robert E. Donoho, of Kosciusko, to Miss Anna L. Ratliff, of Attala county, Miss.

YOUNG—STRANGE.—At the residence of Mrs. E. C. McGrady, in Shreveport, La., Dec. 25, by Rev. P. O. Lowrey, Mr. Klarence Young, of Port Arthur, La., and Miss Pearle Strange, of Shreveport.

WOLF—DODD.—At the home of the bride's parents, Myrtlstown, La., Dec. 28, by Rev. P. O. Lowrey, Mr. W. W. Wolf, of Shreveport, and Miss Myrtis Dodd.

SANDERS—SEBASTIAN.—At the home of the bride's parents, at Spring Ridge, La., Dec. 20, by Rev. P. O. Lowrey, Mr. J. J. Sanders, of Jonesville, Texas, to Miss Janie Sebastian.

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GREAT AND SMALL.

BY JOHN HALL INGHAM.

I love to lie awhile and look
Into the bubbling of a brook;
Nor do I greatly long to know
Of silent tides to which they flow,
Nor wonder, when the sunbeams play,
How many sunbeams make a day.

My faith accepts as wisely planned
The things I do not understand;
I can not doubt the rainbow knows
A secret hidden from the rose;
But rather would my flower see,
Than solve the heavenly mystery.

'Tis not that I ignore the great,
Only I am content to wait.
The Infinite has too fierce a glare
For my poor human sight to bear;
While little things more dear to me,
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Communications.

AN ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The seventh Annual Conference of secretaries and members of the various Foreign Missionary Boards of the United States and Canada was held in New York City, Jan. 10-13. There were interesting papers read and discussed on The Qualifications and Training of Missionaries, The Science of Missions, Gifts for Special Objects, Comity, etc. The topic, however, which will attract the widest interest was the action in regard to an Ecumenical or International Conference on Missions, to be held in New York City in April, 1900.

The plans for this have been maturing for three years. A committee appointed at the Annual Conference in 1896 has been in communication with the different Protestant missionary societies of the world, and has met with most gratifying responses from all. There seems to be a very general appreciation of the appropriateness of the plan for rounding out the century with a survey of the work accomplished in the past and an outlook over the future. In the afternoon meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 11, the Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., secretary of the American Board, the foreign missionary organization of the Congregational Churches, presented a graphic and interesting paper on the plans already formed and the prospects for success.

The whole enterprise is under the care of a General Committee appointed by this Annual Conference, of which Dr. Smith is chairman, and the Rev. S. L. Baldwin, D. D., of the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, is secretary. There is also an Executive Committee, composed of some members of the General Committee, together with the chairmen of a number of sub-committees charged with special duties for the conduct of the detail work. These committees, including those on Finance, Program, Publication and the Press, Hospitality, Transportation, Hall and Places of Meeting, and others as may be needed, will find a large field of work, in view of the magnitude of the undertaking.

Some conception of the Conference will be obtained from the fact that in 1888, at the Conference in London, there were 1,759 delegates in attendance, and it is hoped to double that number next year. There are about 200 societies whose work is to be represented, and it is hoped to have missionaries present from every part of the world. The general plan of the Conference is to have a few general sessions and a number of sectional meetings where specific topics can be discussed. Papers will be presented by experts on the different topics, and these will be followed by short addresses. It is planned also to secure the attendance of the delegates in different cities of the country, and it is hoped that miniature Conferences may be established elsewhere, so that the presence of so large a body of men directly interested in missionary work and closely connected with it may be exerted to arouse a still greater interest in the cause.

The Conference at London had the support of many of the most influential men of the country—nobility, clergy, officers in the army and navy, men in business and professional life. It is the earnest wish of the committee in charge that the same thing should be true of the Conference to meet in this country. Already many of the prominent citizens of this country have joined in the movement, and others have indicated their interest. There was held last week a business men's meeting, called by Darwin R. James, John H. Converse, W. E. Dodge, Lucien C. Warner, William L. Brower, Seth Low, Gen. O. O. Howard, Enoch L. Fancher, Everett P. Wheeler, D. Willis James, Mornay Williams, and Frank H. Fields.

At this meeting a Committee of Finance was appointed, consisting of prominent business men representing the different denominations. They will arrange plans for securing subscriptions to meet the necessary expenses of the Conference, such as hiring halls, publication of the proceedings, entertainment of guests, etc. As this is a matter in which the whole country is interested, they will also enter into correspondence with different cities to secure the formation of sub-committees in them.

England has more than once entertained American delegates, and given them right royal welcome. It is the hope of the committee that America will not be behind, but will give to the kinsmen from over the sea and to the delegates from other countries a welcome that shall show that we are ready and able to assume our place in the great world movements, with its honors and responsibilities. It is the purpose of the committee to keep the public well informed of the various steps taken, and they will welcome any inquiries or suggestions. The addresses of the secretaries are: General Secretary, the Rev. S. L. Baldwin, D. D., 150 Fifth avenue, and Associate Secretary, W. Henry Grant, 156 Fifth avenue, New York City.

Correspondence.

CALIFORNIA LETTER.

I dated my first letter for the new year this morning. In spite of a previous determination not to be caught napping this time, I first wrote "'98," and am inclined to the opinion that I mailed a second epistle so dated.

The new year has opened auspiciously for California (from a temporal point of view it has). The clouds literally "poured out water" during most of the day yesterday over the greater portion of the State, and indications are reported to be favorable in the remainder. The heaviest snow seen for years fell in the mountains of Shasta. Still, the rainfall to date has been but little greater than for the corresponding period last year, and everybody was getting blue, fearing a repetition of last year's drouth. The ground is so thirsty that an unusual amount of water will be needed this season.

The State seems to be greatly in need of a moral awakening. The Legislature met to-day. A United States senator is to be elected to succeed Stephen M. White, who is precluded from succeeding himself by virtue of being a Democrat, while the Legislature is Republican. The Call and Chronicle, the two leading Republican papers, charge that money is being expended freely to purchase votes for certain aspirants who are objectionable to those papers. In seeking to defeat such candidates other plots have been unearthed, and the crookedness of former Legislatures exposed. It seems beyond question that more than one Western senator has purchased his seat.

For some time a controversy was waged in the city papers between certain A. P. A. leaders and Peter C. York, a Catholic priest. The priest proved more than a match for his opponents, in persistency at least, and silenced them long since. He has continued his fight "against bigotry and in favor of liberty," speaking constantly and making free use of the press. He had about convinced the public that the Catholic Church was the real champion of freedom, but I am inclined to think he has made one speech too many. Just before the election he made a wholly unprovoked attack upon Hon. Jas. G. Maguire, the Democratic candidate for governor, the most serious charge brought against him being that he had left his mother's church. Mr. Maguire has figured out that this speech caused the defeat of the Democratic ticket, and has published an open letter to Mr. York, in which he exposes the political intrigues of the priesthood. The leading papers were afraid to publish this letter, proving again which church is in politics, but the author is able and fearless, and I am persuaded has not had his last word upon the subject by several. He is not an A. P. A., and is opposed to that organization. If a Protestant minister had made the speech made by York, he would have been promptly and roundly denounced by the politicians and the political papers; but not so 'Father York." When the Catholics and railroad company join hands they can about get what they want in this section. By the way, the A. P. A.'s and priests endorsed the same candidate this time.

Our new presiding elders are moving rapidly, and conquering as they go. With about two dozen charges each to look after, they do not spend much time at home. Drs. Riddick and Emery write up their rounds for the Pacific Methodist Advocate, and their "write-ups" are interesting reading. Kenney, of the San Joaquin district, has not spoken, but is well spoken of. Many of the preachers are having a hard struggle financially, but if the season continues favorable, doubtless "better times are coming."

Bishop Hendrix seems to have done well in choosing transfers for us, if he did permit some of our best men to leave us. I. F. Betts, the Alabamian, my successor at Hollister, has completely won the hearts of his parishioners, and they pronounce him an excellent preacher. They are good judges, for this scribe served them four years, you will remember.

Clarence M. Davenport, from the St. Louis Conference, is preaching to large audiences at Colusa. Colusaites think they have the preacher. I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting him.

All those who came out during last year are doing well. One of them, J. R. Sawyer, of North Carolina, is at Fresno, in some respects the first appointment in the Conference, and none among us have made a more favorable beginning.

There are several other things that I had intended to say, but I have about reached the limit of space that one letter ought to occupy, so will make mention of them at another time. W. P. ANDREWS.

Oakland, Cal., Jan 2, 1899.

FROM THE ARCADIA DISTRICT, LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

MR. EDITOR: I hear so much said about our preachers of the Louisiana Conference not writing about the interests of the church that I feel guilty myself; so I venture to say some things in the way of information and exhortation. I am so anxious to see our church in Louisiana come to the front, in every respect, and to see all the preachers and people take hold to score a great victory this year. I promise to be (if possible) more devoted to her welfare than ever before.

All the preachers are at their posts except Bro. J. H. Brown, who has been detained at Gainsville on account of sickness in his family. The presiding elder and seven preachers were returned to their charges, seven new ones came into the district, three were changed to other works (in the district), and five went out. Rev. C. P. Smith, transfer from the Baltimore Conference, has made a good impression upon the presiding elder, and also upon his flock at Minden. I have divided the Minden charge, making Minden a station, which was desired by the entire Board of Stewards. I have put the country appointments with other unoccupied territory, and appointed Rev. A. F. Vaughn, P. C. It will be called Flat Lick circuit. The district shows an advance in collections for the past year that is encouraging. The spiritual state of the church is perceptibly better than it has been for the two past years. We are planning to build several churches this year, and to bring up all assessments in full. May the Lord help us! I don't think the district has been better manned in many years.

I want here to urge all the pastors in the district to try to visit all their members, and all who do not belong to any church, as soon as they possibly can. If we expect to save the outside, non-church people, we must visit and induce them, if possible, to attend church. We have many godly families that will forego the pleasure of our visits into their homes if we are diligent in looking after the unsaved. Oh, may we, as itinerant Methodist preachers, have the spirit of the Master, that seeks them that are unsaved, that they may be brought to the great Physician of souls!

Now, a word to the stewards and officers of the church.

Dear brethren, will you not see to it that your pastor is not hampered and hindered from his high and holy work of winning souls to Christ by lack of support for himself and family? Will you not, in the beginning of this year, supply all his needs, and give him every opportunity to do the work of a minister of Christ? Let me urge that every steward in the Arcadia district see to it that he will not leave a single stone unturned to raise every dollar assessed for his pastor. To do this, you must begin at once, and, if possible, have every dollar up to date of every Quarterly Conference. I beg you, don't put off your work, but commence now. Keep your preacher in good spirits, and he can work better. Assist him in raising at least half his Conference assessments for the various causes before Spring.

And now, to all that have not subscribed for the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, I urge that you do so at once. Remember, it is only one dollar if the subscription list reaches twelve thousand; and I believe it will go to fifteen thousand at that one-dollar price if the preachers will work for it.

I wish here to ask the prayers and co-operation of my brethren, that I may have grace, strength and wisdom to lead the army of the Lord in the Arcadia district. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell and work together in the unity of the Spirit and the bonds of peace! Faithfully,

B. T. CREWS.

Selections.

HAPPINESS.

Thousands of men have made shipwreck in their attempts to get honey out of the hive of life without getting stung. "Antony sought for happiness in love; Brutus in glory; Cæsar in dominion: the first found disgrace, the second disgust, the last ingratitude, and each destruction."

It is impossible to get happiness from any one thing in life if followed to the exclusion of everything else. Many people fortify themselves against lots of troubles that never come.

He who seeks pleasure, who pants along the path which he imagines will lead to happiness, who tries to buy and bargain for bliss, never finds that for which he expends so much toil. "The kingdom of heaven is within"—or nowhere. Soul radiance must gild the unlovely, color the commonplace, and give old surroundings ever-new beauty, or the grayness, the restlessness, the sameness must continue to depress, to irritate and, perhaps, to madden the heart and brain of man.

A sunny soul, like rose-colored glasses, gives everything an agreeable look. Its possessor sees beauty everywhere. He does not need to go to Switzerland to behold the Alps; he sees them in imagination in the thunder cloud.

Phillips Brooks, Thoreau, Garrison, Emerson, Beecher, Agassiz, were rich without money. They saw the splendor in the flower, the glory in the grass, books in the running brooks, sermons in stones, and good in everything. They sucked in power and wealth at first hand from the meadows, fields, and flowers, birds, brooks, mountains, and forests, as the bee sucks honey from the flowers. Every natural object seemed to bring them a special message from the great Author of the beautiful. To these rare men every natural object was touched with power and beauty, and their thirsty souls drank it in as a traveler on a desert drinks in the God-sent water of the oasis. To extract power and real wealth from men and things seemed to be their real mission, and to pour it out again in refreshing showers upon thirsty humanity. They believed that a man's most important food does not enter by the mouth. They knew that a man can not live by estates, dollars, and bread alone, and that, if he could, he would only be an animal. They believed that the higher life demands a higher food, a heavy ambrosia.

Some of the happiest homes I have ever known—ideal homes, where intelligence, peace and harmony dwell—have been homes of poor people. No rich carpets covered the floors; there were no costly paintings on the walls, no piano, no library, no works of art. But there were contented minds, devoted and [illegible] lives, each contributing as much as possible to the happiness of all, and endeavoring to compensate by intelligence and kindness for the poverty of their surroundings. No man is happy who does not think himself so. Nothing is wanted to make yourself wretched but to fancy yourself miserable.

"I once talked with a Rosicrucian about the Great Secret," said Addison. "He talked of it as a spirit that lived in an emerald, and converted everything that was near it to the highest perfection. 'It gives luster to the sun,' he said, 'and water to the diamond. It irradiates every metal, and enriches lead with the property of gold. It brightens smoke into flame, flame into light, and light into glory. A single ray dissipates pain and care from the person on whom it falls.' Then I found his great secret was Content."—Success.

WISE WORDS.

In his charge to the grand jury, this morning, Judge H. C. Niles was strong and vigorous, as he always is. His reprobation of the blind-tiger evil was forceful, and deserves to be widely published for the good it may do and ought to do in making for better citizenship. He said: "The blind tiger is the worst man in any community. It has come to pass in some parts of the State that justices of the peace have been elected by this lawless element to cover up crime, and in some cases these men have been elected as law breakers.

"Men complain to me of their sons being debauched by this influence. We build churches and school-houses, and endeavor to give our boys the best surroundings possible, when a worthless fellow from another State comes into the community and sets up a still, and every lawless man gathers around him. Good men are afraid to take the initiative, saying to themselves that he will soon run his course.

"You might as well turn a lot of rattlesnakes loose and say that they are not poisonous and won't bite. Soon the young men of the neighborhood are gathered together in a band to regulate a few negroes. They are whipped, and, thus fired by the product of the still, they go in for whipping a white man. Some of the boys go with reluctance, but they go; nevertheless. The white man resists, and kills a few of them. The remainder of the boys scatter.

"The local grand jury inquires into the matter, and nobody knows anything about it. The community is torn up. Property values decline in that neighborhood. Yet, in view of this state of affairs, I have known men, when summoned to sit on a jury in criminal cases, to declare that they were against capital punishment, and then make one of a mob to lynch a man.

"When we are coming over on the other side of the hill, we like to think that we are leaving our boys in a good community, and on the road to good citizenship.

"It is within the power of the federal court to destroy these hateful institutions. The time was when there were few illicit stills in this State, but the thing is growing worse, and the stills are multiplying.

"These men are debauching our boys and ruining our State, and the time has come to call a halt. Gentlemen, I expect you to do your duty."—Special Correspondent of the Picayune (Jan. 17), Jackson, Miss.

We are indebted to a daily of this city for some interesting items concerning the temperance reform in the railroad business. It seems that the rules against railroad employees visiting saloons are being rigidly enforced, and with the best of results to everybody concerned. One high official on one of the biggest lines running out of Chicago says that the reform has done more for the railroads and the men than any other movement undertaken. The feeling is steadily growing that it is not safe to risk life and property by entrusting the heavy trains of to-day to men who drink. And the reform has not been confined to subordinates. Many of the higher officials have ceased to carry liquors on their private cars, because they feel that otherwise they can not consistently demand total abstinence from the men under them. One official reports that four years ago he visited a saloon in Chicago which was patronized by railroad men and found that fifty-four employees of one road were running monthly accounts ranging from $5 to $15 per month. He recently visited the same saloon and found that only six railroad men had accounts there. Further investigation showed that the money which before went for drink was being invested in homes.—Union Signal.

Overdoing is undoing. A cake burned to a crisp is as much a failure as a cake half baked. An audience wearied, confused and vexed with too many points in a sermon, or too many addresses at an anniversary, is an audience hindered instead of helped. It is a great faculty to "make things go," but one of the ways to do it is to stop before going too far.—Churchman.

It is not in the power of all the men on earth to make one man come to God by Christ, because it is not in their power to make men see their state by nature. It is a sight of what I am that must unroost me, that must shake my soul, and make me leave my present rest.—Bunyan.

SOME TIME.

BY BELLE M'KINNEY SWOPE.

Some time in the great hereafter
We shall know why the shadows fell,
Why the roses so soon were blighted
We had loved and cherished so well,
The sun had been shining brightly
When the deecy cloud appeared
And the shadows lengthened and deepened
Till our fondest hopes were seared.

Some time in the land immortal
We shall know why our listening ears
Caught no sound but life's long discord
As it filled the passing years.
Along the tiresome journey
There was gladness about the way,
But the flowers lost their sweetness
And we trampled them day by day.

Some time in the realms of glory
All our prayers will answered be,
And our doubts will be buried
In the depths of the crystal sea.
The things that tried us most
Will be strewn on the glistening wave,
And the selfish aims of life
Keep a watch in the silent grave.

Some time when the songs of earth
Have been blended with those above,
And the harps and the voices swell
To the chords of infinite love,
Our cares and crosses forgotten
And our hearts, though attuned to pain,
Shall awake to the notes of sweetness
In the glad angelic strain.

Some time when the sun and the stars
In their golden glory have set,
And our souls with the souls we loved
In the great beyond have met,
The shadows that touched our lives
As the tints on the white sea foam,
Shall illumine the beauty of heaven
When we rest in that blessed home.

—Exchange.

Communications.

AN OPEN LETTER TO DR ANSON WEST, OF THE NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

My Dear Friend and Brother: I read your paper in the Nashville Christian Advocate, of Nov. 24, 1898, with more than usual interest. Knowing yonr forcefulness as a writer, and yonr logical mothod of reaching "the reason of things," I really hoped to be able to find ont what I once thonght I knew, bnt now know that I never know it at all, viz.: that the M. E. Church, Sonth, has "Standards of Doctrine" other than the XXV Articles of Religion.

More than a quarter of a centnry ago I knew of all those meetings of Mr. Wesley and his preachers, and numerons Conferences prior to 1784, at which it was agreed "to follow Mr. Wesley in all matters of polity as long as he lives," and to accept Mr. Wesley's "Notes on the New Testament," his printed sermons (52 in number) and "The Minutes" as Standards of Doctrine; and all these years I have been asking for some proof that these pre-organized agreements had, at some time, by some authority, been incorporated into the governing rnles of the organized church.

Yon mnst allow me to express my snrprise when I saw that yon had followed all these "Conferences," from the first one down to the last one before the organization of the church, and given us all they ever said or did on the question of standard-making, but came to a "dead halt" a few weeks before the organization of the church.

Yon certainly proved beyond any doubt that the Societies, previous to the organization of the church in 1784, recognized "Standards of Doctrine" in the publications named above. But you failed to show us even a shadow of proof that the church, in its organized capacity, had ever enacted any law, or passed any resolntion, or issned any decree establishing snch Standards for the church as the Societies had for themselves. Seeing this failnre npon yonr part, I immediately wrote a review of your communication, and forwarded it to the Nashville Christian Advocate, bnt there was no room in that excellent paper for the other side of the qnestion, and I have, therefore, adopted this method of calling yonr attention to some facts which yon seem to have overlooked.

No one, so far as I know, denies the historic facts which yon present; bnt you seem to forget that the Societies, prior to 1784 (Dec. 26), were several things, each acting without a Constitntion or any code of laws, and the church, snbseqnent to the "Christmas Conference," was a separate and distinct whole, acting nnder a Constitution and code of laws adopted by the Christmas Conference for the government of the church in after years. Whatever the preachers from the Societies agreed npon at their often-recnrring Conferences was binding npon the Societies till repealed or amended by some snbseqnent gathering of the brethren from those Societies. When the church was organized these Societies were merged into another state, and lost their identity in "The Methodist Episcopal Church in America." Such of their rnles and regnlations as were deemed needfnl in the new state of being assnmed by the Sociotios were incorporated in a book called "The Discipline," otc. Instead of adopting Wesley's Sermons, his Notes on the New Testament, and The Minntes, this newly-organized church adopted "The General Rulos of the United Societies," the "XXV Artioles of Faith," three "Restrictive Ruies," and a "Ritnal." Nothing was said abont the "Standards" which the Societies had accepted as gnides of doctrine and polity, nor has anything been said or done by any legislative body of the Methodist Church from Dec. 25, 1784, to Jan. 5, 1899.

The latest action of any body of men in regard to standard-making was by less than a dozen preachers six months or more before the M. E. Church was organizod, and more than sixty years before the organization of the M. E. Church, Sonth. Yon have not shown us, Doctor, how an agreement entered into by individnals, as snch, can become binding on a corporation into which they may onter, except by express agreement of the corporation. These Societies, prior to December, 1784, had an agreement among themselves. At that time they went into a corporate organization without recognizing these former agreements, bnt with a new agreement embodied in the Book of Disciline adopted at the time of the organization of the corporate body. By what rnle of interpretation can you bind a corporation to certain agreements entered into by the corporators before the act of incorporation was perfected?

Bnt let ns go fnrther, my dear Doctor. Snppose the Baltimore Conference of 1784 had adopted the Standards which yon claim, and that the Lonisville Conference of 1845 did not recognize these Standards, wonld yon then insist that, althongh the M. E. Chnrch, Sonth, ignored them in its organization, and has continued to ignore them to the present day, that they are "Standards of Methodist doctrine" for onr church, notwithstanding this silent repndiation of them? Bnt this snpposition is of a possibility, and not a fact. The trnth is, as I read it, the church has, from the day of its organization, silently repndiated all standards, except the "Holy Scriptnres." (See Art. V.) What was done at the organization of the church, and all that was done towards the creation of "Standards of Doctrine," was: (1) The adoption of the "General Rules," (2) The adoption of "The Articles of Religion," (3) The adoption of the Restrictive Rules, and (4) The adoption of a ritual, or form of service. To reason that the first Restrictive Rule refers to something which the Conference had never done, nor, as a Conference, ever authorized, is, it seems to me, a very much twisted form of reasoning. The General Rules and XXV Articles had been previously adopted, and the General Conference, desiring to protect them from fntnre legislation, adopted the first Restrictive Rnle, referring to them as "Standards of Doctrine" existing "previonsly" to the Restrictive Rule.

Yon know, Doctor, that before the government of the United States was organized we were governed by laws emanating from England, because there were no law-making bodies in North America. We were governed by George III. through colonies—societies?—of his own making. Some of the "statntes of George III." are still binding in this country; bnt why still binding? Simply this: They have been recognized by the proper legislative or jndicial anthorities of our government. Not all the statntes of George III. are law in this country; only snch as have been recognized by proper anthority.

So of the Societies before there was a church. They obtained their laws from England; John Wesley was the rnler. Some of these laws—the General Rules, XXV Articles, etc.—are binding because we have recognized them through onr legislative body. We have recognized no other Standards since 1845, nor since Dec. 25, 1784.

In your communication to the Christian Advocate you snggest that, 'Opinions formed without investigation of the subject to which they pertain," and in "ignorance" of the facts in controversy, are of little worth. This is qnite true. Still, we should remember that not all "opinions" which are contrary to our own are the result of "ignorance," nor of want of information or "investigation of the snbject to which they pertain."

Allow me to ask you: Why did the Christmas Conference deem it necessary to formally adopt the General Rnles and the Articles of Faith if a thing, simply because of its previous existence, wonld become anthoritative without snch formal adoption? If it were necessary to give force and anthority to the General Rnles by formal adoption, why did not the "Standards of Doctrine" submit to the same necessity? We know that the Christmas Conference did adopt the General Rnles, and we know jnst as well that it did not adopt Wesley's Notes, nor The Minntes, nor Wesley's Sermons.

I meet a few people so intent for these "Standards" that they claim Watson and Clark and everything Wesley ever wrote; and a few go even so far as to claim Raiston, Snmmors, and all the books, first and last, placed in "the course of study"—"Edgar's Variations of Popery" and all. Well, when the church adopts these, or any of them, "though Israel be ignorant of us, and Abraham knows us not," yet we will be able to give the time, the place, and the persons involved in so important a matter.

We hope, Doctor, that when again yon "take yonr pen in hand," it will be to tell us what the church has done—not what the Societies did—to create "Standards of Doctrine." Please go to Lonisville in 1845, for we are not at all concerned about what some other church had before our church had an existence; bnt if the M. E. Church, Sonth, has ever recognized any Standards of Doctrine, tell ns so plainly, and keep ont of the pre-organized period of our history. With much esteem,

Your friend and brother,
J. A. Parker.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

Much trouble and confusion arises from a lack of correct bookkeeping in our church registers. The law of the church requires that two books be kept—one by the secretary of each church in the charge, and one by the pastor for the whole charge. Where this is done there is not much trouble in keeping the books straight. The secretary of the Church Conference is required to enter the full names of all who join the church on his register, and in chronological order. (See Discipline, paragraph 88.) This book, when correctly kept, ought to be well-nigh perfect. The preacher in charge is required to keep a similar register for the whole charge, no matter how many churches, secretaries and church registers there may be in the charge. This is bookkeeping by double entry—one entry by the secretary of each church, and one by the preacher in charge. As to the duty of the preacher in this regard, see paragraph 132. If the secretary's book gets wrong, it can be righted by the pastor's book; or if the pastor's book becomes twisted, it can be corrected by the registers of the several secretaries. This law requiring the preacher in charge to keep a register applies to stations, circuits, and missions.

The secretary of each church is required to report to the Quarterly Conference all the statistics which the Discipline requires to be reported to the Annual Conference. From these reports the preacher makes up his report. From all this it would seem that our statistical reports ought to be absolutely correct.

In charges containing more than one organized congregation the pastor is to record the names on his register under the name of each church in his charge. The reason, or reasons, for all of this will be apparent after only a moment's reflection.

The law is so simple, plain and explicit that it looks like it is needless to call attention to it, and yet a little experience in the field satisfies one that the law is not known, or is ignored by most secretaries and by a majority of pastors.

I have thought it would be a good thing to have a committee on the registers of preachers in charge at our Annual Conferences. It would, at least, stir the preachers to keeping such registers. In a ministry of forty years I have found only two such books in any of the many charges I have served.

Such laws and regulations as we have have been the outgrowth of wisdom and of long experience. They have been tested by time. There is a sound reason for every one of them. The best and quickest way to get rid of our unwise regulation is to enforce it rigidly. If it does not stand the test, it will be expunged.

Statistical tables are dry, but they are very important. They show at a glance, and in round numbers, what progress the church is making. We could not know very well where we are at, nor what doing, without them. Names are carried on our books for years that ought to be off. In all such cases the bookkeeping has been negligently done, or not done at all. A reported decrease in numbers is often a healthy sign—a sign of more accurate bookkeeping, if of nothing more. In some places the same names are on the records of two different pastoral charges, and in the aggregate the same member is counted twice. It might be well to clean up our records of all such cases, even if the totals indicated a decrease of one hundred thousand members. We appear to be more numerous, but we are really no stronger by carrying such names on our books.

The evangelists are said to be great counters, and some pastors have an unholy ambition of the same kind. They count all that are in sight, and many who are not in sight and have not been for years. When a member has been lost sight of for twelve months, let his name be dropped from the roll.

One of the best ways to keep the roll purged is to have the members assessed for the support of the ministry as required by law. This causes the voluntary dead-heads to forsake the ship. It tends to keep the eyes of the stewards on the church register, and they insist on getting rid of all nominals, unless, indeed, it be the names of persons too poor or too deeply afflicted to pay anything. It leads those who live elsewhere to call for letters, and to join and pay where they live. Gilderoy.

LATTER-DAY EVANGELISM.

There is a style of evangelism that has afflicted our own as well as other churches for the last fifteen years, and which has accustomed our people in many places to a style of preaching which no thoughtful, self-respecting pastor will give his people. Because an apparent success has attended such preaching, the people have the idea that only billingsgate, abuse, coarse wit, personal incident, dashed with allusions that violate modesty and the parental prerogatives, can obtain a hearing from the masses or effect the conviction of the desperate men in the community. Such a style will undoubtedly fill the pews, and may easily for a while command the money to foot the bills incident to the saving of "so many" precious souls. When the churches have fully realized, as they eventually will, that great sensation and great revivals are not convertible terms, and that "prosperity" does not consist in filling the church with the tainted, idle and disaffected members of other churches, or the curious and gossipy outsiders, another view of progress and piety and liberality will obtain. Many of these supposed converts have gone into Official Boards, and run well for a season, but have brought with them ideals and standards of spirituality and methods of preaching that are being insisted on as the methods and conditions of pulpit efficiency. Surely we can not long content ourselves with a lay-leadership of such a type if we hope for permanent prosperity, or care to maintain the polity or traditions of our church. Surely we are not ready for reorganization on basis of such ideas or character as are being furnished in this off-hand way.

Chas. F. Evans.

Versailles, Ky., Jan. 2, 1899.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS."

In the Advocate, of Dec. 29, Bro. T. W. Lewis has some reflections concerning the last session of the North Mississippi Conference which I appreciate. Bro. Lewis is one of our most gifted and useful preachers, and one that we delight to honor; but he has some things in his communication that I would like to call in question. He announces a questionable axiom, "That nothing succeeds like success," then refers to Bro. Raper's success on Montpelier circuit, and concludes by saying: "What Bro. Raper has done on this circuit may be done on almost any circuit if the preacher will put his life into the work. Some brethren do not succeed because they do not expect to succeed. Such men as W. M. Young, J. W. Raper, O. L. Savage, J. R. Countiss, and others, will succeed anywhere." But good Bro. Lewis seems to have forgotten that he said in reference to Bro. Raper and Montpelier, "Surely the man and the occasion have met." If the man and the occasion must meet to accomplish success, then there are no men who will succeed just anywhere. But I will offer no argument to set aside his assertions until I see whether he proposes to defend them. I delight for him to say nice, encouraging things about the brethren who accomplish some worthy task, but I do not like for him to jump at conclusions, and say, "If every other preacher would do like them, they would succeed, too," and thus disparage against some worthy men of God who are giving their whole life to the work, and because they, maybe for the time being, are not having just the same degree or character of success, to thrust at them with failure.

It is not like Bro. Lewis—cheerful, sweet-spirited, and kind—to say cruel things about the fellow-laborers; neither is it like the manly man that he is to keep bobbing up with assertions, and not try to defend them. Last year Bro. Lewis had some strictures on the unsuccessful preacher similar to this last. I asked him to defend them, and he hid away in mystic silence. I now charge that he come to the defense of his confident assertions, or else hereafter forever hold his peace.

Yours for truth and brotherly kindness,
J. H. Smith.

"THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND."

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

On account of various hindrances Carrollton station—Rev. H. T. Cunningham, P. C.—did not observe the first Sunday in January in the interest of this fund; but announcement was made, an address has been issued, and plans are being formulated to devote the fifth Sunday in January to that great interest. Every care will be taken to make the day a success, and those having the matter in hand feel no hesitancy in guaranteeing that Carrollton will pay her share—$150—of the one and a half million dollars. Indeed, they expect to pay more than one dollar per member before the opening of the twentieth century.

Since there is nothing of greater importance before the church, and since the success of the plan outlined by the General Board of Education depends upon the co-operation of each preacher and charge, it is hoped no preacher will neglect to make adequate preparation for a special day to inaugurate the plan. Let the presiding elders in the Quarterly Conferences give attention to this important work, and aid the preachers in securing the hearty co-operation of the Official Boards

This suggestion is made: At once fix upon a day, and make special preparation to begin the work in such manner that success will be assured. The amount can be easily raised if everyone will do his duty. Surely the end to be attained is worth the effort necessary to accomplish it.

J. R. Bingham,
Secretary.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Mrs. E. R. Parker, of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

Incidents like the following should convince us that in our cities we have the most important kind of missionary work to do. It is told in substance as follows by a superintendent of city missions: We learn from a reliable source that in one of the city courts a little girl was called on recently to testify against her father in his trial for the murder of her mother. The judge questioned her to test her ability as a witness, and about many matters she manifested a good degree of intelligence, but she told the judge that she had never heard of God, did not know what the Bible was, did not believe she had a soul, and expected to go to the cemetery when she died.

This being but one of hundreds of such cases that exist at the very doors of those who live in large cities, we can not afford to make city evangelization a secondary question from the standpoint of the church or of patriotic America. "May the drowsy be stirred, and those who sleep in dreamless indolence be awakened!"

Y.

The Christian Life.

HOW TO BECOME A BETTER CHRISTIAN.

A young friend of the editor is ambitious to be a literary man. What is he doing now? He is reading the best literature in the language. It is not necessary to say, "The best literature he can get," for the best is accessible to all in these days. He is studying the writings of the masters in English composition. He is at work earning his living, but he keeps up his study of literature. He also uses his pen considerably and spoils a good deal of white paper. But it is possible for him to succeed and he is in the right course.

Do you desire to be a better Christian? You must adopt a course similar to that pursued by the literary aspirant. Cultivate the acquaintance of God. Read the literature about him. Not only read, but study the Bible. Hold frequent conversations with God and with good men. Put in practice what you learn. You can pursue your legitimate callings, and at the same time learn more and more about God and his ways. You will become a better Christian by knowing God and by doing his will.—The Watchword.

IN THE SHADOW.

We must all go there sometimes. The glare of the daylight is too brilliant; our eyes become injured and unable to discern the delicate shades of color or appreciate neutral tints—the shadowed chamber of sickness, the shadowed house of mourning, the shadowed life from which the sunlight has gone. But fear not; it is the shadow of God's hand. He is leading thee. There are lessons which can be learned only there. The photograph of his face can be fixed only in the dark chamber. But do not suppose that he has cast thee aside. Thou art still in his quiver; he has not flung thee away as a worthless thing. He is only keeping thee close till the moment comes when he can send thee most swiftly and surely on some errand in which he can be glorified. Oh, shadowed, solitary ones, remember how closely the quiver is bound to the warrior, within easy reach of the hand, and guarded jealously!—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

PRAYING BETTER THAN WORRYING.

There is not much gain in thinking about the things over which one can have no control. It is better to leave them prayerfully with God. The man who tries to think of such things worries. He is worried about his health, and about the weather, and about his family, and about the wickedness of the world, until he has learned the lesson of prayer. Then he does the best he can each day and leaves the rest with God.—Sunday-School Times.

When a heathen artist was asked why he took so much pains with the back of the figures he was chiseling, since they would be against the walls and no one would ever see them, his noble answer was, "The gods will see them." Always we are working for God's eye, and should ever do our best. Not only are we working for God's eye, but it is God's own work we are doing. Whether we are carpenters, painters, stone-cutters, farmers, teachers or ministers, it is God's work we have in hand, and we must do our best. Old Stradivarius was right when he said that if his hand slacked, he would rob God. We rob God whenever we do anything carelessly. A writer says, "The universe is not quite complete without my work well done." We misrepresent God and disappoint him when we do anything in a slovenly way.—Wellspring.

We can honor Christ in no way so much as by bringing souls to him. There can be no higher service in the Christian life than this. This should be the all-absorbing theme with every child of God, the one object uppermost in every believer's heart. We who have tasted and found that he is satisfying ought not to rest until every weary, sin-sick soul has the knowledge of our blessed Redeemer.—Exchange.

The Bible is among books what Christ is among men; yet many hold the Bible in their hands and read and get no more out of it than the sparrow does of the message in the wire she sits on.—C. L. Goodell, D. D.

Clergyman's Statement

Nerve Strength Gained by Taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

BRIGHTON, IOWA.—Rev. Bernard M. Shulick of this place, owing to weakness of the nerves, was for a time unable to attend to his duties. He makes this statement: "I have suffered for a long time from weak nerves. After I had taken a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla I became quite well again. The weakness of the nerves has now wholly disappeared and I am able to attend to my duties again. I am therefore grateful to Hood's Sarsaparilla and I recommend it to everyone who suffers from weak nerves."

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For the ADVOCATE.

HUMILITY.

BY M. L. OUSTINE.

If I a diadem might weave
To deck the brow of noblest worth,
I would not have it formed of gems,
Tho' gleaned from rarest mines of earth.
For tho' a flashing splendor shone
From the cold heart of each bright stone,
It could not add a lustre where
The soul had lent a light, its own.

Nor would I pluck the flaunting hues
From gaudy Fashion's bright parterre
To twine among my laurel leaves;
No place should they find there.
A royal purple is the shade
Of which my offering would be made,
And I should have to seek for it
Down in some cool, sequestered glade.

Then would I say to whom I love,
This now yet let thy emblem be,
For only merit that is true
Is covered with humility.
I culled it in a val'ey fair,
Lured by the fragrance on the air;
Sweet thing! tho' screened by leaflets green,
Its odor told me it was there.

Thus clothed with an unconscious worth,
The truly pure and peerless mind
Breathes thoughts, like incense, o'er the earth,
That bless and elevate mankind;
And even when the precious vase
Falls shattered, from th' accustomed place,
Leave memory's sweet perfume behind.

IN MEMORIAM.

(A memorial in respect of H. H. Hines adopted by the fourth Quarterly Conference of the First Methodist Church, South, at Jackson, Miss., Dec. 26, 1898.)

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches;" "is better than precious ointment."

When a good man dies his name is a priceless heritage to his family, but his memory belongs to all who knew him, and it is proper to perpetuate it, not only by a marble shaft rearing its top towards heaven, his abiding-place, but by recording upon the Minutes of any body of which he was a member a memorial giving expression to the appprecciation in which he was held, and the regret felt that these earthly ties have been severed.

Bro. H. H. Hines was, for a quarter of a century, a member of this Conference. When called to council he never failed to respond, unless providentially prevented. No mere indisposition, no business engagement elsewhere, ever caused his absence, but in sunshine or storm he was always at his post, till disease confined him to his home; and the records of this Conference, of which he was so long the "recording steward," bear silent, but enduring testimony to his fidelity to duty, and their neatness but exemplify his personal character.

"Bro. Hines" was a clean man—pure in conduct, speech; pure in thought, for the stream of his life was as clear as crystal, and such as could only flow from a pure fountain. The "cleansing blood" had been applied to his heart, and he lived a life of consecration to his Creator. Therefore, in his death we realize that we have lost a most faithful co-laborer in God's work, the church a consistent member, and all a true and tried friend. Lost? No, not lost; he has only gone up higher, and waits to welcome all who will follow him as he followed his Savior.

Resolved, That this memorial be recorded on the Minutes of this Conference, and a copy furnished to his widow, and that the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE be requested to publish it.

T. P. BARR,
R. P. MOORE,
W. H. WATKINS,
C. C. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

THE MINISTER'S HOME.

Every church should have a parsonage, a minister's home, and that should be comfortably and respectably furnished. No pastorate without one is complete in its appointments. While it is not as important, yet it should be considered a convenience as necessary as a pulpit. If the minister must have a proper place in which to stand when he undertakes to preach, so, too, he should have a decent, respectable house in which to live. It should be located, as a rule, in convenient reach of the church. It should be easy of access, not in an out-of-the-way place, where strangers could not easily find it. It should be recognized and known throughout the congregation as the "parsonage."

There are many churches which seem to have no conscience on this matter. Year after year some pastors are obliged to hunt a house to live in. To say nothing of the time this house hunting consumes, the vexation and worry to which it subjects the pastor and his family certainly do not improve their amiability. It is awful! this annual or biannual moving, which many a minister must endure. It takes nearly six months to restore one's equilibrium after he has suffered the evil effects of one moving. If your church, then, dear brother, has no parsonage, stir them up about the matter. Doubtless the families of your congregation have homes of their own or are in a fair way of soon securing them. There is no reason why they should not at the same time help their minister to get one. If a people want their minister to feel at home among them, they should first provide one for him. Churches which have parsonages do not change ministers as frequently as churches which have none. The parsonage serves as an anchor to keep the acceptable pastor from floating elsewhere.—J. F. F., in Arkansas Methodist.

For the ADVOCATE.

PARODY ON PALMS OF VICTORY.

BY JOHN A. LOWE.

I saw a way-worn preacher
In tattered garments clad;
He was on his way to Conference,
But it seemed that he was sad.
He'd passed though many a conflict,
He'd borne many a trial,
But he shouted as he journeyed,
"I'll conquer after while."

Chorus: "Palms of Victory," etc.

The circuit had been a poor one,
The people had been untrue,
The stewards had been neglectful,
And his compliments never few;
His pants were almost threadbare,
In his pocketbook was none,
But he shouted as he journeyed,
"Dollveruco will come."

Chorus: "Then Palms," etc.

The Conference now is over,
The good-byes are already said,
And our "hero" gone rejoicing
With ideas in his head.
In reading out the appointments
Of the medium, great and small,
He was made presiding elder,
And that atoned for all.

Chorus: "Then Palms," etc.

Nettleton, Miss., Jan. 7, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

AFTER CONFERENCE.

Didn't the new Bishop scatter us? Whatever else he can, or can not do, at scattering he is a grand success. This itinerant moved four times in the year Anno Domini 1898. First from Opelousas to Natchitoches. Finding no parsonage at the latter place, we boarded a short time; then lived two months in our own hired house. Next, we lived the balance of the year in our own house, and between Christmas and New Year we moved from Natchitoches to this place, making four times in all. Pretty hard to beat, yet not as bad as movers that we have heard of. We heard of a family out West that moved so often that when the sound of a hammer was heard that indicated a move, the chickens would come toward the noise, lie down, and cross their legs. It is said that a "rolling stone gathers no moss," and that "three moves are as bad as a burn-out." We heard of another family who moved so much, and became so poor, that when starting on a move, they had only "to call their dog and put out the fire." We care but little for moves, or hard work, or self-denial, as long as we are sure that we have the love and sympathy of our ministerial brethren. While this is assured, we are willing to toil and work until we find rest in our grave. At our late Conference at Mansfield we almost despaired of that sympathy and love. We have a serious physical affliction which disqualifies us for circuit work, while we are strong and can do station work well. This was well known to three of our presiding elders, and yet they saw us put down, and heard us read out for this work with five appointments. The Lord of all knows how much we love the itinerancy, yet this year will close our itinerant work unless we can get a work that we can serve without so much suffering. May the Lord give us all a glorious year!

H. ARMSTRONG.

Cotton Valley, La., Jan. 4, 1899.

INDIAN LETTER FROM INDIAN MISSION.

MR. EDITOR: Will you give me a small space in the ADVOCATE? As most, or all, of the members of the Conference know, I have not preached in four years, but I feel that I must preach again among my own people, and desire to ask an interest in the people's prayer, that God may use me for his glory. I believe God will bless his faithful workers. I am so thankful to God for sending us good men to preach to us Indians, and hope the Bishops will continue to send us a preacher. We have heard it talked that the Conference was going to drop us, and let us go, but let me beg of the good men of the church: Don't, don't let us poor red men and our families go. We have souls to save the same as any other native, and I want to work for the salvation of my own race, and I pray God to bless our church, our Bishops, and presiding elder. We want to do the best work this year that has been done. Pray for us, that we may be faithful.

SIMPSON J. TUBBY.

PATTERSON, LA.

I want to say to my brethren that I feel once more at home with a charge of living souls on my hands, head and heart; and I am happier than I have been for a whole year. The past has seemed the longest and most restless year of my ministerial life. I am satisfied that the law providing for the superannuated relation is a wise arrangement in our church, and I am grateful to my brethren of the Conference for giving me a year's rest. I am sure I have been greatly benefited by it. If I had taken work last year, I might have been hopelessly disabled for life. In my present state of health and physical condition I hope to be able—through the blessing of God—to do many years of effective work in the Master's vineyard.

I have reached my new field (Patterson), have preached two Sundays, twice each day, with the old-time liberty, and feel no bad effects from the effort. My throat seems almost as strong and sound as it was fifteen years ago. I hope, under divine help, that the foundation for a successful year in saving souls is being laid. The kind people of Patterson have proven their sympathy and readiness to co-operate with the pastor by giving him a hearty reception. A nice dinner was set in the parsonage dining-room; and many good and necessary articles of food stored in the larder provides a living for the preacher and his family for many days. The dear sisters were exceedingly cordial in their greeting, and made us feel very much at home; each family seems vying with each other in considerate acts of kindness for our comfort.

Forty years ago I was stationed at this place. I was then almost a beardless boy. Many have been the changes since that time. I was married while in this charge. Nearly all of the settled families then have been broken up—many of them dead, and we trust are resting in their beautiful homes in the city of many mansions. Their children have grown up, married and have families of their own; but they keep up the old-time hospitality of the generation that has passed away. While some have strayed from the old paths, and forsaken the training of their fathers and mothers, many of them are in the "good old way," and are honoring their parents by serving the God of their fathers. Some of the survivors of the past generation are now great sufferers; infirmities and affliction have come with age; yet they are firm in their religious integrity and are confidently looking for their release from this life of tribulation.

Forty years ago Patterson was but a small village, and during the Civil War it was greatly reduced; but it adopted the doctrine of expansion long before the Spanish-American War, and where there were large cane fields is now occupied by beautiful cottages, dwellings and magnificent homes, several large saw mills, shingle mills, sash and door and blind factories doing an immense business in our own and other States. We also have an ice factory, with the advantage of the Southern Pacific railroad passing conveniently near, giving us direct communication with the outer world. If the lands around could be bought, it would soon develop into a city of no mean dimensions.

I am sorry to say that our church has not kept pace with the growth of the town; but we earnestly pray that the church may awake from its lethargy and that a new era may soon be recorded of Methodism in Patterson. Pray for us and our people.

JNO. A. MILLER.

Patterson, La.

The man is considered the most reckless of men who risks his life by putting his head into the mouth of a savage lion. The men who perform this foolhardy act are few and far between.

There are tens of thousands of men who daily do a much more rash and dangerous deed. They are the men who overwork and neglect their health. No man can do this with impunity. The inevitable result is serious illness and premature death. One of the most common results of carelessness in regard to health is consumption. There is one, and only one, unfailing remedy for this dread disease. It is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It has a record of thirty years, during which time it has cured 98 per cent. of all cases of bronchial, throat and lung affections. It acts directly on the digestive and nutritive organism. It creates a healthy appetite for food, facilitates the flow of digestive juices and promotes the assimilation of the life-giving elements of the food. It is the great blood-maker, flesh-builder and nerve-tonic. In cases of nervous prostration it builds up the nerve fibres and gives sound, refreshing sleep.

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Why should we ever shrink or fear,
Whatever seeming ill befall,
Since He, the all loving, waiteth near,
Who sees and understands it all!
—Selected.

Be not simply good; be good for something.—Thoreau.

Good humor is the clear blue sky of the soul.—Frederic Saunders.

He that never goes forward for fear of making a mistake has already made it.—Bible Reader.

It is right to be contented with what we have, but never with what we are.—James Mackintosh.

Do not anticipate trouble, or worry about what may never happen. Keep in the sunlight.—Franklin.

If some men had killed Goliath, they would remind the Lord of it every day in the week.—Selected.

Be determined to succeed. If you have great difficulties, cut your way with the diamond of faith.—C. H. Spurgeon.

He who has no time to help another will be likely to have little help when his own time of need comes.—Exchange.

As nothing truly valuable can be attained without industry, so there can be no persevering industry without a deep sense of the value of time.—Mrs. Sigourney.

The attempt to serve God without love is like rowing against the tide. Love makes duty sweet. The angels are swift-winged in God's service because they love him.—Watson.

Disappointment is always hard to bear, but it may be made easier if we endeavor to bear it bravely, finding comfort in the thought that things are seldom so bad that they can not be mended.—Exchange.

"The oyster mends its shell with a pearl." So even wounds which last year's follies and sins made in us may, through the healing grace of God, become pearls in our character in the after years.—J. R. Miller.

Fill your memory with "words of eternal life." You will need them in the dark and lonely hours of life. Then they will shine out like stars. They will speak in the solitude with infinite sweetness and power.—Selected.

There are no men or women, however poor they may be, but have it in their power, by the grace of God, to leave behind them the grandest thing on earth, character; and their children might rise up after them and thank God that their mother was a pious woman, or their father a pious man.—Dr. McLeod.

Be avaricious of time; do not give any moment without receiving it in value; only allow the hours to go from you with as much regret as you give to your gold; do not allow a single day to pass without increasing the treasure of your knowledge and virtue. The use of time is a debt we contract from birth, and it should only be paid with the interest that our life has accumulated.—Letourneur.

ENNOBLING THE COMMONPLACE.

Sir John Lubbock expressed a great truth when he said: "Whether a life is noble or ignoble depends not on the calling which is adopted, but on the spirit in which it is followed. The humblest life may be noble, while that of the greatest genius or the most powerful monarch may be contemptible." A railroad engineer or a brakeman may display the most heroic faithfulness in the discharge of duty, while the directors of the great corporation may show themselves to be actuated principally by selfishness and unscrupulous greed. The owner of a princely estate not seldom proves himself to be a churlish knave, while a servant in his employ exhibits all the qualities of a noble manhood.

We are all more or less inclined to imagine that greatness and worth can be attained only in the pursuance of great occupations and grand enterprises; but this is far from being true. Fame may be denied him; but he who in his toil, however lowly, feels the impulse of a noble motive, causing him to be honest, faithful and diligent, rises above his commonplace task, and is worthy to be enrolled among the great and the good.

To the majority of men labor in one's special calling is mere drudgery, utterly lacking in any worthiness. The student, forgetful of the priceless blessings of wisdom, oft looks upon his lessons as a task for his affliction, and, therefore, as a thing to be shirked, if possible. The clerk in a mercantile house, having to be up early and late, and to perform disagreeable duties, frequently looks no further than the dull routine of his daily life, and aspires to be no more capable or industrious than he is forced to be. The laborer, working under a boss, is often ambitious rather to do as little as possible than to do his work well. To all such labor has no dignity and but little blessedness, while life seems but a weary, unceasing round of duties and cares that must be endured from stern necessity.

To the man, however, who feels the thrill of a high and holy purpose, life is invested with an infinite meaning, and toil, however commonplace, affords opportunity for the display of noble traits, and the development of heavenly virtues. He who puts his heart into his work will be little disturbed by a sense of the unworthiness of his occupation, provided it be an honest one. People are prone to fancy that if they were but engaged in some lofty enterprise, or splendid business, they would accomplish great things; but in most instances they would be no more great or faithful in their new places than they were before. Well has it been said that "greatness consists not so much in doing extraordinary things as in doing ordinary things extraordinarily well."

It is one of the chief glories of religion that it touches life at every point, exalting the commonplace, and bringing conscience to bear upon everything we do. Christianity sets before men the loftiest motives to faithfulness, diligence, and honest toil, teaching us that even the most ordinary occupation, the most trivial act, may be made a means of glorifying God, and of receiving his favor. The Christian ought to feel that all that makes up life—its toils, its cares, its temptations, its responsibilities, its duties—are of divine appointment, and that his daily tasks, however humble, are a divine obligation. As George Herbert sings:

"A servant with this clause
Makes drudgery divine;
Who sweeps a room as for thy laws,
Makes that and the action fine."

So, then, every act we perform, every word we speak, has a religious character; and consequently the distinction between sacred and secular is largely imaginary and misleading. Piety that is confined to acts of devotion is hardly more than an empty form. The manner and spirit in which we perform our daily tasks, and in which we deal with our fellow-men, often indicates more truly whether we are the Lord's than do our acts of worship.

If we could only feel that the divine concern embraces all we do, and that it is possible for us to honor God in ordinary duties and menial tasks, as well as in affluences or greatness, how it would transform life, and invest its lowly and monotonous phases with a halo of glory! A devout washerwoman at the close of a hard day's labor sang as she ascended the stairway to her abode in a dingy attic, "One more day's work for Jesus." Though the world may make merry over such a sentiment, it is nevertheless divine in its origin. That humble disciple, engaged in her lowly avocation, knew more of the true philosophy of life, the secret of blessedness, here and hereafter, than can be found in all the ponderous tomes ever written from an anti-christian or unchristian standpoint. Every Christian ought to feel that in faithfully discharging his daily tasks, however humble, wearisome and monotonous, he is serving God. When the anxious mother, cumbered with many cares and the ceaseless round of household duties, comes to realize that her place in the home is a part of God's plan, and that her service is unto the Lord as well as unto her loved ones, then "every meal becomes a sacrament, and the commonest duty a burning bush flaming with the presence of God."

THE MORMON QUESTION.

At the November election Mr. Brigham H. Roberts, a resident of Utah, was elected as its member to the Fifty-sixth Congress, which will be called to order in March, 1899. This statement of itself, and without explanation, would have little significance, but becomes of general interest upon the explanation that Mr. Roberts made his candidacy as a Mormon, was elected by the voters of the Mormon Church, and goes to Washington for the express purpose of forwarding the interests of Mormonism in Utah and elsewhere. Even this, however, would not be so deeply significant were it not for the fact that Mr. Roberts is said to be a polygamist, and that his canvass in Utah was made with the understanding that he had a plurality of wives and that all his influence and labor would be directed toward maintaining the system which has made Mormonism a blotch on the civilization of this country.

There is a popular impression that polygamy was abolished in Utah by the vigorous action taken by the United States Government for its suppression, but it seems from the statements made in the press that the abolition of this disgraceful institution was only in name, and that, in a more or less disguised form, it is still practiced among the Mormons. If this is the case, it is evident that the real Mormon issue has not yet been met. So long as Utah was a territory, Congress could deal with the Mormon question as in its wisdom seemed best, but now Utah is a sovereign State of the Union, with a regularly formed State Government and the right to manage its own business as its citizens see proper. Its Legislature has full power to make all laws for the regulation of its affairs, and if polygamy is practiced openly or secretly and the local tribunals do not interfere, it is not easy to see how the United States Government can intervene for the suppression of the evil.

It is true that Utah was admitted with a distinct provision forbidding polygamy, but everyone knows how easily provisions of this kind may be evaded, and although the Mormon Church loudly professed its intention of mending its ways, if its leaders chose to go back into the old paths, it would not be easy to restrain them, and there is, therefore, a possibility, not to say probability, that in a few years Mormonism will resume all the revolting features which made it a stench in the nostrils of the world.

What action Congress will take with regard to Mr. Roberts when he presents himself for admission and qualification as a member is uncertain. Each House of Congress has the right to determine the privileges and election of its own members, and if Mr. Roberts has been properly elected and is duly qualified, it is possible that he may be allowed to take his seat, even though the fact be proven that he is a polygamist. There are persons who take the ground that so long as the election is in proper form and valid, Congress has no right to inquire into the morality of its members, and that if Mr. Roberts had a hundred wives, that fact has no concern for Congress.

On the other hand, however, and leaving out of the question the legal quibbles which are raised by casuists, the members of Congress should take the broad ground that polygamy has been forbidden by the laws of the United States, and that no lawbreaker should be allowed to occupy a seat in either House. If Mr. Roberts is a polygamist, as charged by the newspapers, even his appearance as a candidate for a seat in the House of Representatives is an insult to the decent people of this country, and the House will be justified in refusing him admission. To allow him to take his seat, with a knowledge that he is a violater of the law, is contrary to sound morality and public policy. The moral and Christian people of this country have made up their minds that no such institution as polygamy can be allowed within the limits of the United States. If the end can not be accomplished in one way, it can in another, and if the Mormons continue in their efforts to perpetuate a barbarous and loath some institution, they may ascertain the fact to their cost.

[We heartily endorse the above from the St. Louis Advocate. It is as good as if we had written it.—EDITOR.]

A WORD TO THE BRETHREN.

We request the co-operation of all our pastors and presiding elders in making known our $1 offer. Let it be known that this offer looks to a permanent reduction in the subscription price of the paper. There is no way in which a reduction can be brought about except by an increase of circulation. Our offer is intended to facilitate this result. A number of brethren have written us pledging their hearty co-operation, and several have sent in new subscriptions already. We hope all will do likewise. Every pastor ought to be interested in the circulation of the Conference organ. He who circulates such a paper as the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE in the homes of his people will confer a priceless benefit upon them and help himself by generating an increased interest in the institutions of the church.

PRACTICAL RELIGION.

Each one of our delinquent subscribers doubtless supposes that his small arrearage is a matter of no consequence. If there were only one delinquent, that might be true. But it alters the case very materially when the delinquents number a thousand or more. We hope each subscriber who is in arrears will look at the label on his paper and read the golden rule, "with the spirit and with the understanding." When this is done, true religion will materialize into that which will make glad the heart of the printer and the vender of paper and ink.

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REV. A. J. JONES.

Rev. A. J. Jones, a superannuate of the North Mississippi Conference, died yesterday morning at nine o'clock, at his home near this place. It was a most triumphant death. A more extended notice will be given later. W. S. LAGRONE.

Water Valley, Miss., Jan. 16, 1899.

The above note from Bro. Lagrone will be read with painful interest by a large circle of friends in North Mississippi. Bro. Jones was a most excellent man, a good preacher and a diligent, faithful pastor. Though in the prime of life, he had been on the superannuated list for two or three years, being a victim of pulmonary consumption.

The fact is, the spirituality and success of a church can be more accurately measured by its missionary spirit than in any other way. No one will dispute the statement that the strength of a church depends upon the number of true believers which it contains; but believers are true only in so far as they resemble Christ and obey his word, and his word, above all other words, is to preach the gospel to every creature. The non-missionary church decays and dies; the missionary church lives and grows. All the way from Pentecost to the latest outpouring of the Holy Ghost every great spiritual awakening has been followed by a new departure in the field of missions; and conversely such departures have always been times of blessing in the home churches.—Missionary Outlook.

A SAD REVIVAL STATE.

No man in his senses can oppose revivals, but no man in his senses can fail to see that we are making some sad mistakes in conducting revivals. We want to emphasize the fact that, while we are not stressing the protracted meeting too much, we are stressing the continued, perennial revival too little. We are relegating the revival work altogether to the annual protracted meeting, and the consequence is that we have fewer conversions, and most of the year a backslidden church. We save our revival sermons for the special meetings, and the people do not look for any revival movements except during those services. Neither preachers nor people expect any conversions at other times, and hence they neither pray nor work for them.

Our church had a marvelous history when our preachers were in the revival spirit all the time, and all the time were talking, working, and preaching for immediate soul-saving results. They were all the time stirring up the people and urging them to seek salvation at once and to bring others to the cross. The church was then more or less in a revival state all the year, and when the protracted-meeting season came, they were ready for the onset without any long season of labor with the church.

Under our present system the church, for eleven months of the year, has nothing to do but to backslide, and she generally uses her opportunity in that way and to that end. Hence there are not only no conversions, or but few, during those eleven months, but when the protracted-meeting season comes, most of the time must be spent in trying to revive the backslidden church, and that task becomes harder and harder every year. Many have noticed that each year more and more time must be spent in bringing the church up to the working and soul-saving condition, and this is only because so little is done in keeping the church up to that condition. When church members do nothing for the salvation of others nine-tenths of the year, of course they will backslide, and of course it will be harder to revive them the next year.

We would not have preachers to abate any of their interest in protracted services, but it is of the first importance that they give more heed toward continuing the revival interest during the entire year. By that means people may be converted every week, the work done during the special meetings will be more efficient and productive, and the aggregate result in conversions will be far in advance of what it now is. A revival every Sunday and Wednesday night is the only way to keep the people at work and to insure success in the protracted meetings. It is the only way, too, to keep the church from lapsing into that condition where it will soon be impossible to have a revival at any time.—Wesleyan Advocate.

General Brooke was in command in Porto Rico, and he distinguished himself by his physical magnificence, his pompous concern for his own dignity, and his blunders of administration. Fortunately he was removed before he had time to do any great hurt, but unfortunately he was transferred to the position of military governor of Cuba. We suppose he was put there because his rank, to which he had risen by the succession of years since he was transferred, after the Civil War, from the volunteer to the regular army, seemed to require that some important place be given him. He had hardly come to Havana before trouble began, and every day adds to it. General Wood, at Santiago, is a much more efficient officer, and he is unusually popular. He had succeeded in making the people love the United States. He could feel with the people, and was evidently doing his best for them. But General Brooke has already, by his lack of tact, and by his heedlessness of the feelings of the Cubans, made the American name almost a stench with the people. Such a man is not fit to be put in authority; he ought to be immediately put in some honorary position of innocuous exhibition, and such a man as General Wood should be put in his place. To have the gift of popularity is now a first essential in Cuba, and even more in the Philippine Islands. There everything depends on this. A wise, tactful man could easily break down the disaffection of Aguinaldo and his followers; a tactless man may inaugurate a long insurrection. There is absolutely no need of any rebellion against our authority. The people can be made to want it and love it. Popularity is not policy only, it is sacred duty.—Independent.

There is no such Ithuriel spear to try our spirits as the little every-day occurrences of our habitual life, as its most common joys and sorrows. —Rev. John W. Chadwick.

NOTES.

The postoffice address of Rev. H. P. Lewis is Jackson, Miss.

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We regret to learn that Rev. L. A. Reed is quite ill of la grippe.

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Rev. J. F. Sanrlook is out again after an illness of several days.

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Rev. B. F. Jones has met with a most cordial reception from his new flock at Hattiesburg.

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Rev. Barnette Wright has made an auspicious beginning at Burgundy Street Church in this city.

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As was to be expected, Rev. R. H. B. Gladney has made a fine beginning in his new charge at Eupora, Miss.

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Dr. J. B. A. Ahrens has been confined to his bed for several days. We hope and pray for his speedy recovery.

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Sister Beall, wife of Rev. W. T. Beall, of Moss Point, Miss., is quite seriously ill, requiring his constant presence at her bedside.

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Rev. S. M. Thames writes: "My reception in Macon has been all that could be desired, and we are starting off with the prospect of a good year."

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Rev. R. P. Howell, of the Louisiana Conference, writes that his new charge has given him a hearty welcome, and that he is pleased with the outlook.

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Dr. J. D. Cameron writes that he has received a cordial welcome from his new charge at Coldwater, Miss. He says the parsonage is the nicest he ever lived in.

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Rev. M. D. Fly, of the North Mississippi Conference, preached last Sunday for the first time since Conference, having been laid up with an attack of la grippe.

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Rev. V. D. Skipper has been most cordially received by his new charge at Louisiana Avenue. The people are delighted with him both as a preacher and a pastor. The prospect is good for a prosperous year.

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The New Orleans Preachers' Meeting was honored on Monday last with the presence of Bishop Williams and Bishop Cottrell, of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, and Rev. Mr. Philips, pastor of that church in this city.

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Rev. L. J. Jones, writing from Walnut Grove, Miss., says: "My people have given me a warm reception. They are mindful of the wants of their pastor in the way of supplies for the table. I hope to do a greater work this year than I did last year."

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Dr. John T. Sawyer came down from Shreveport last Monday to look after the Conference Minutes. He reports everything and everybody as moving off finely for a successful year on the Shreveport district. He preached at First Church at 11 A. M., Sunday, to a very large congregation.

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Rev. B. F. White writes that he has been most cordially received by his new charge at Lake Charles. Congregations are large, and growing, and the outlook for the year is decidedly hopeful. Bro. White was presiding elder of the district that includes Lake Charles twenty-six years ago.

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From a private letter from Rev. B. P. Jaco we quote as follows: "Have gotten moved, preached two or three trial sermons (?), and been duly pounded, etc. The people seem to be patient, ready to endure affliction as good soldiers, and I—I will rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep, etc."

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Jan 13, 1899.

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MUSICAL PEDAGOGICS.

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Dr. DuBose, the General Secretary of the Epworth Leagues, and editor of the Epworth Era, has just finished his round of the Annual Conferences. Subjoined we give some things suggested as a result of his peregrinations:

We may now give some of our slowly maturing views on the League situation. First, we are more than ever convinced of the providential coming of the Epworth League into organic Methodism. It has quickened the spiritual pulse of the church, helped to the compacting of the body, contributed to the working forces of Methodism, and infused into our whole system a spirit of aspiration and enlarged desire. We have carefully noted the effect of the movement on the church as shown in the reports submitted to the several Annual Conferences which we have attended. These reports amount to a demonstration of the wisdom of setting the League afloat. We are also impressed in this connection with the prophetic value of what has been accomplished. Nowhere have the plans of the League been strained. What has been done has been done in most cases by "the League on trial." The experiment has convinced every honest, patient pastor of its importance. The League has its life before it. Its largest victories are to be written in the records of the new century.

EPWORTH LEAGUE UNION.

The Epworth League Union held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, the tenth, at Carrollton Avenue M. E. Church, South. The meeting was opened with Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Dr. C. W. Carter.

After the usual routine business there was the election of officers for the ensuing half year. Rev. G. D. Parker, having ably served two terms as president, was re-elected. Mr. A. S. Daniels was elected first vice-president; Miss F. B. Patterson, re-elected second vice-president; Rev. J. F. Foster, third vice-president; Dr. W. S. Cushman, secretary, and Rev. P. H. Fontaine, treasurer. After some well-rendered songs there were refreshments served.

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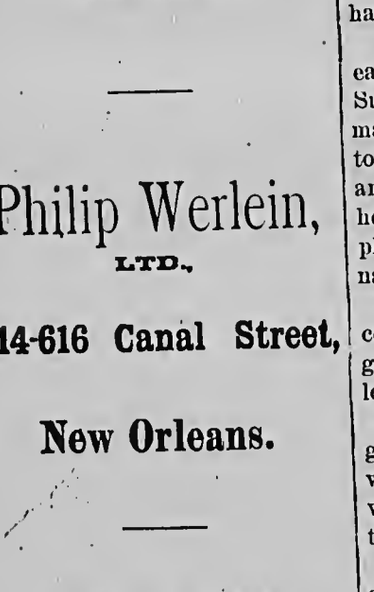

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And carries every fraction;
Who well divides his precious time,
The due proportions giving,
To sure success aloft will climb,
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"If I were a cobbler, it would be my pride,
The best of all cobblers to be;
If I were a tinker, no tinker beside
Should mend an old kettle like me."

It is a rule that a workman must follow his employer's orders, as a writer in "The Living Age" says, but no one has a right to make him do discreditable work. Judge M——, a well-known jurist living near Cincinnati, loved to tell the following anecdote of a young man who understood the risk of doing a shabby job even when directed to. He had occasion to send for a carpenter, and a sturdy young fellow appeared.

"I want this fence mended. There are some unplaned boards—use them. You need not take time to make it a neat job. I will only pay you a dollar and a half."

Later, the judge found the man carefully planing each board. Supposing that he was trying to make a costly job, he ordered him to nail them on just as they were, and continued his walk. When he returned, the boards were all planed and numbered ready for nailing.

"I told you this fence was to be covered with vines," he said, angrily; "I do not care how it looks."

"I do," said the carpenter, gruffly, carefully measuring his work. When it was done, there was no other part of the feuce as thorough in finish.

"How much do you charge?" asked the judge.

"A dollar and a half," said the man, shouldering his tools.

The judge stared. "Why did you spend all that labor on that fence, if not for money?"

"For the job, sir."

"Nobody would have seen the poor work on it."

"But I should have known it was there. No; I'll take only a dollar and a half." He took it, and went away.

Ten years afterwards the judge had a contract to give for the erection of several magnificent public buildings. There were many applicants among the master-builders, but the face of one caught his eye.

"It was my man of the fence," he said. "I knew we should have only good, genuine work from him. I gave him the contract, and it made a rich man of him."

It is a pity that boys and girls are not taught in their earliest years that the highest success belongs only to those whose work is most sincerely and thoroughly done.—Success.

TEACH OBSERVATION.

Busy mothers are apt to neglect to teach their little ones the art of observation. Thereby much is missed by mother and child, for who can teach anything, however simple or well known, without learning something themselves? Look at the children near you, while they are engaged in play, or take them for a walk and listen to their chatter, and see how they differ in the development of this faculty.

A successful professional man, when asked to what he attributed his success, answered, "To my attention to little things," and it is the little things that need to be brought to the notice of children. The big things they see for themselves. It is another case of looking after the pennies and letting the pounds take care of themselves.

I give this faculty of observation the credit for about half of my pleasure. I once took a walk into the country with two friends. One was of the observing kind, the other was not. When we reached a bit of wood, that, for us who could comprehend it, contained more than we were able to get the full pleasure of by merely passing through, the one who could not take in its beauties said: "Well, I'll sit here till you two are through going into raptures over every old weed you come to. Then we'll go on." Poor girl, the long, lovely ramble had only served to weary her. We were not conscious of fatigue, because our enjoyment was greater than our weariness.

Children who are observing are much easier to teach, in school or workshop, than those who are not. Therefore it is not simply a matter of enjoyment, but one of greater importance that they be taught to see the little things, for when they come to engage in business for themselves, the brighter boy or girl will be given the preference always.

A good way to sharpen this habit, and one which will help to while away many a rainy afternoon or evening, if pleasantly conducted, is to let the children sit before a window, or walk a certain distance (using the same window or walk), and then write out as best they can all that they have seen.

Each will try to report having seen more than the others, and, of course, keeping within verity, it will be good exercise.—Housekeeper.

PROFITABLE LOSSES.

The following good speech is nearly a verbal report of one heard at a temperance meeting:

"I have been thinking since I came into the meeting to-night about the losses I've met since I signed the total abstinence pledge. I tell you there isn't a man in the society who has lost more by stopping drink than I have. Wait a bit until I tell you what I mean. There was a nice job of work to be done in the shop to-day, and the boss called for me.

"'Give it to Law,' said he. 'He's the best hand in the shop.'

"Well, I told my wife at supper-time, and she said:

"'Why, Laurie, he used to call you the worst. You've lost your bad name, haven't you?'

"'That's a fact, wife,' said I. 'And it ain't all I've lost in the last sixteen months, either. I had poverty and wretchedness, and I lost them. I had an old ragged coat and a shockin' bad hat, and some waterproof boots that let the wet out at the toes as fast as they took it in at the heel. I've lost them. I had a red face, a trembling hand, and a pair of shaky legs that gave me an awkward tumble now and then; I had a habit of cursing and swearing, and I've got rid of that. I had an aching head sometimes, and a heavy heart, and, worse than all the rest, a guilty conscience. Thank God, I've lost them all.'

"Then I told my wife what she had lost.

"'You lost an old ragged gown, Mary,' said I. 'And you had trouble and sorrow, and a poor, wretched home and plenty of heartaches, for you had a miserable drunkard. Mary, Mary, thank the Lord for all you and I have lost since I signed the temperance pledge!'"—Chase City Progress.

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When General Grant was a boy his mother one morning found herself without butter for breakfast and sent him to borrow some from a neighbor. Going, without knocking, into the house of his neighbor, whose son was then at West Point, young Grant overheard a letter read from the son stating that he had failed in examination and was coming home. He got the butter, took it home, and, without waiting for breakfast, ran down to the office of the congressman from that district.

"Mr. Hamar," he said, "will you appoint me to West Point?"

"No, so-and-so is there and has three years to serve."

"But suppose he should fail, will you send me?"

Mr. Hamar laughed. "If he don't go through, no use for you to try."

"Promise you'll give me a chance, Mr. Hamar, anyhow."

Mr. Hamar promised.

The next day the defeated lad came home and the Congressman, laughing at Uly's sharpness, gave him the appointment. "Now," said Grant, "it was my mother's being out of butter that made me General and President." But it was his own shrewdness to see the chance and promptness to seize it, that urged him upwards.—Christian Advocate.

DUSTING A ROOM.

The girl who takes as much pride in learning to dust a room properly as she does in learning to draw, who broils a steak with the same nicety as she embroiders a rosebud, who makes coffee as carefully as she crochets, is the girl who will make the economical, cheery wife, loving mother, and delightful companion. It is not a crime to know how to keep house. Every girl expects to have a home of her own some day, yet the girl and her mother, when circumstances permit, too often act as though there was no such thing as a servantless home, and food grew on bushes ready for the picking.—Selected.

HOW TO REACH THE BEST.

The way to get the best there is in people, is to give them your best. Don't expect others to be sweet, and polite, and thoughtful, so long as you adhere to the selfish principle that people must "take you as they find you." When your friends begin to grow careless and disrespectful, stop and ask yourself whether you are not getting back a reflection of yourself. A young wife complained to her husband that he smoked in her presence. "You never used to do it," she said. "No," was the significant rejoinder, "and you never used to wear curl papers in mine."—The Lookout.

CHEERFULNESS.

"Be cheerful," says the man who is easy in his circumstances, missing no loved face at the table, nor by the hearth. But does he ever consider how hard it may be to be "cheerful" when the heart aches, and the cup-board is empty, and there are little fresh graves in the churchyard, and friends are few or indifferent, and even heaven for the time being seems to have forgotten us; so desolate is our lot? How difficult for one man to understand another, in such different circumstances! How easy to say, "Be cheerful!" How hard he would find it to practice it were he stripped of all life's brightness!—Great Thoughts.

I shall never forget the impression made upon me during the first year of my ministry by a mechanic whom I had visited, and on whom I urged the paramount duty of family prayer. One day he entered my study, bursting into tears, as he said: "You remember that girl, sir? She was my only child. She died suddenly this morning. She has gone, I hope, to God; but, if so, she can tell him, what now breaks my heart, that she never heard a prayer in her father's house, or from her father's lips! Oh, that she were with me but for one day again!"—Norman McLeod.

By reading good books, by keeping one's self well informed as to the interesting events of the day, one may become a good conversationalist. Still, the most fascinating talkers are by no means those who know the most; but, instead, those who have the greatest amount of tact, are most sympathetic, versatile, and, most important of all, have that wonderful something that, lacking a better name, we call magnetism.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Remember that if anyone shies off from you and acts as if he does not like you, that it is your fault and not his. If there is nothing admirable or lovable about you, how can you expect others to like you? First, make yourself "likable" and "lovable," and then others will like you and love you.—H. M. Myers.

Dr. Parkhurst, in his "Talks to Young Men," says: "Thirty years ago, if a young man made up his mind to go to college, the first question he asked of himself was, 'How can I earn the money?' The first question he is likely to ask himself to-day is, 'Whom can I look to, to give the money?'"—Western Recorder.

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It is a book that never will cease to be as perfect as now; as perfect in itself and in its interior fitness to the race; a book, therefore, of which no conceivable assaults will impair, though they may hinder its power to bless; a book that will abide till human nature has been made over. The present Archbishop of Westminster has affirmed, in a recent essay, that "the Scriptures separated from the church perish." But the truth is that the Scriptures preserve the church, and keep it from perishing; and that nowhere are they so omnipresent and so influential as where the church, in his sense of the word—as a vast organization of priestly function and prelatic prerogative—has never had or has lost its power. They will perish, not when the Roman hierarchy does, but only when the earth does, for which they were made, and the living souls of men on the earth to which they were adapted by God. And even then their influence will remain, in brighter effects, in grander spheres.—Rev. Dr. R. S. Storrs.

PASTOR AND PEOPLE.

The relation between the minister and his people should not be merely a commercial one. The pastor is not an employee. He is God's servant and messenger, sent to warn, to admonish, to edify and instruct the men and women by whom he is surrounded. He is not a hired man, but a helper. The church member who forgets that the church is opened on Sunday that the people may worship God, and who goes to church in the mood which he attends a lecture or a play, all his critical faculties alert, is much to be pitied. He has yet to learn the meaning of the word "worship."

The people have a right to demand in their pastor piety, intelligence, knowledge, zeal, industry, and fair common sense. The ministry being a most important and responsible calling, he who engages in it should do so only in response to an unquestioned divine call. If there be in this work those who are insensible of its responsibilities and unequal to its duties, it is safe to presume that it was no heavenly voice which called them into this field. The real minister of the gospel never puts his personal welfare in the scale as the chief factor. He is the servant of Jesus Christ, and he gladly goes where Providence points the way.

Such a man is entitled to the cordial and prayerful co-operation of his flock. Christian people should honor him for the work's sake, should see that he lives by the gospel, and should deal with him kindly; yet fairly. They should endeavor to be sharers of his toils as well as his joys, and should help him even as he fain would help them. From the public congregation the critical spirit should be banished and the spirit of devout prayer and sincere worship invoked. It is surprising how rapidly one grows in Christian stature when he goes to the house of God with a sincere yearning after spiritual food. Yes, when one is in the right mood the humblest servant of God is a helper to riper Christian experience; but if we forget to come to the church in a prayerful spirit, an archangel's sermon would be wasted upon us.—Central Advocate.

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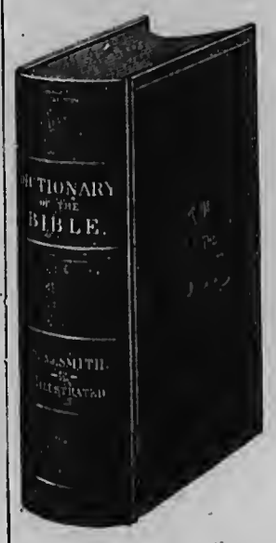

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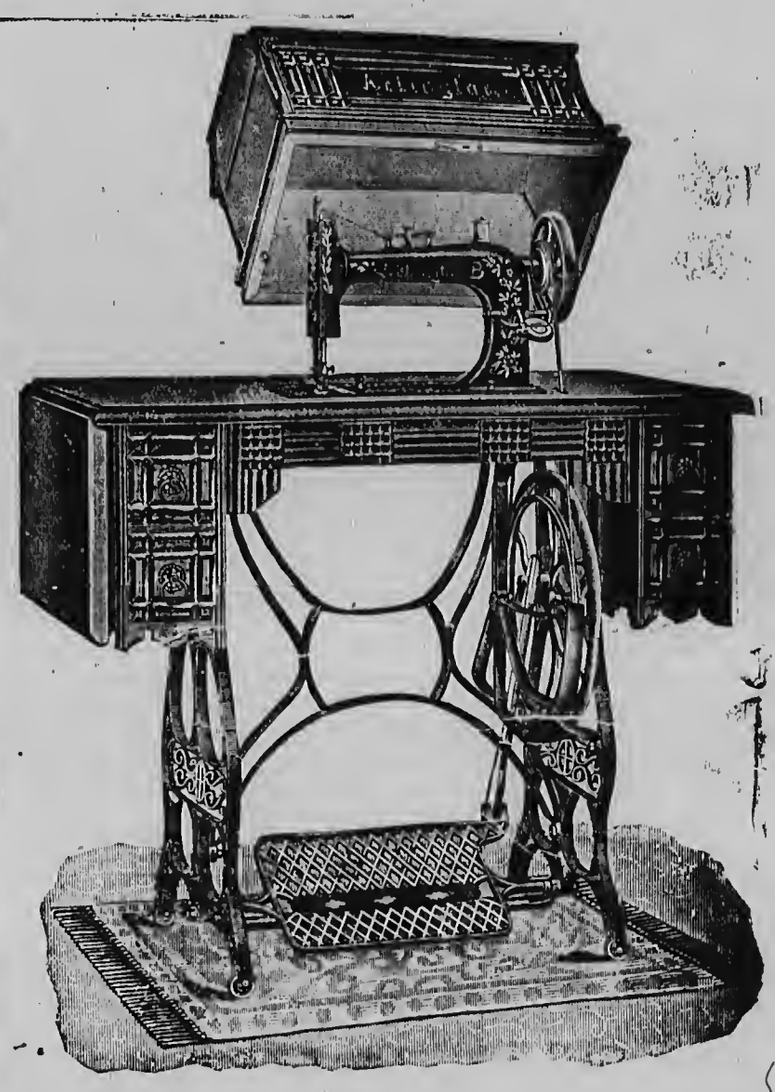

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

By a vote of the California Senate no wine, beer nor other spirituous liquor was served at the inaugural ball.

The Detroit City Council has adopted a resolution urging the taxing all church property in excess of a valuation of $10,000.

The savings banks of New York have deposits amounting to $766,684,916. This money belongs to no less than 1,805,880 persons, mostly poor.

The Massachusetts Paris Exposition Commission has about decided to include in the State exhibit at the coming international fair a working model of a Boston police station, showing the operation of the police signal system in all of its details.

There are 367 building and loan associations doing business in the State of New York. A bill is to be introduced shortly in the Legislature placing them under the supervision of the State Superintendent of Banking, in the same manner as the banks now are.

The American Government is now building and equipping a railroad in Cuba. Seventeen hundred men are at work. At least 1300 more will be given employment as soon as possible. The road runs from Trisconin around Guantanamo, giving connections with all railroads entering Havana.

On Saturday the new United States cruiser "Albany," which is building in England at the shipyards of Armstrong & Co., the noted shipbuilders, was launched from the ways. This cruiser, which is a sister ship of the "New Orleans," was purchased, together with the latter vessel, from the Brazilian Government just before the outbreak of the war with Spain.

The delay of the United States Senate in arriving at a decision upon the peace treaty is damaging American prestige in Manila. Two-thirds of the population would gladly support American rule, but dare not oppose Aguinaldo, who is backed by the army. The better class of Filipinos and the working classes fully understand that any form of purely native government would constitute a reign of terror.

That splendid marksmanship which characterized Yankee sailors everywhere in the war with Spain is not going to be neglected in these times of peace. The comfortable frigate "Lancaster" is fitting for sea at the Portsmouth yards, and will soon take fifty young seamen gunners South for a three months' term of practice. The monitor "Amphitrite," with her great 10-inch turret guns, is also preparing for this duty, in which she was engaged before the war.

Official dispatches just received from Iloilo, Island of Panaya, indicate that the natives are disposed to be friendly, although absolutely opposed to the landing of the United States forces without orders from Malolos, the seat of the so-called Filipino National Government. Some of the officials at Iloilo are not in accord with the revolutionary movement, but are willing to accept an American protectorate and to go to state the case to Aguinaldo if furnished transportation by the Americans.

It is said Brigadier-General Charles Eagan, commissary general of subsistence of the army, will be court-martialed by order of the President for the vituperative language employed by him on Thursday before the War Investigation Commission in his comments upon Major-General Miles and the testimony of that officer respecting the character of the beef furnished to the army which invaded Puerto Rico.

The War Commission will find in its report to the President that the charges of officers that the beef furnished to this army of invasion of Puerto Rico was "embalmed," chemically treated and unfit for use, are untrue, and that the meat supplied was good.

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Secretary Algor—For weakness, especially in his relations with Major-General Miles.

General Miles—For his conduct before, during and after the war. For bringing unfounded charges that bad beef was supplied to troops in Puerto Rico.

General Shafter—For certain points which he admitted in his testimony.

General Breckinridge—For leaving his department to take part in the Santiago battle.

General Brooke—For conditions at Camp Thomas.

Medical Department—For lack of inspections. For failure to carry out proper sanitary regulations.

Congress—For failure to make appropriations for smokeless powder.

President McKinley will have in his possession the full report of the War Commission within the next ten days. This report, it is asserted, will not be a whitewash of the army administration. It will be unanimous on all essential points.

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SMITH—McCARTY.—At the parsonage, Daleville, Miss., Jan. 10, by Rev. Hervie Mellard, Mr. S. B. Smith to Miss Belle McCarty.

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DANIELS—SCHIELE.—At the residence of Mr. J. N. Henig, Vidalia, La., Jan. 11, 1899, by Rev. H. D. Howell, Mr. J. B. Daniels, of Yazoo City, Miss., to Miss Maggie M. Schiele, of Concordia parish, La.

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Floyd		11, 12
Tallulah		18, 19
Winnsboro		25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr.	1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

District stewards, please meet in Rayville, Friday, Jan. 27, at 1:30 P. M.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Felicity Street	Jan	22
Louisiana Avenue		29
Dryades Street	Feb.	5
Donaldsonville		12
Rayne Memorial		19
Lower Coast		26
Carrollton Aveaue	Mar.	5
Carondelet Street		12
White Castle		19
Burgundy Street		26
Covington	Apr.	2

S. S. KREMER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

South Bossier, at Allenton	Jan.	21, 22
North Bossier, at ——		28, 29
Caddo, at Keatchie	Feb.	4, 5
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane		11, 12
Logansport, at Logansport		18, 19
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport		25, 26
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Mar.	4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill		11, 12
Red River, at ——		18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs		25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr.	1, 2
Mansfield		9
Florine and mission, at ——		15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle		22, 23
Pelican, at ——		29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Vimville, at Pleasant Hill	Jan.	21, 22
North Kemper, at Spring Hill		28, 29
DeKalb, at DeKalb		29, 30
Porterville, at Porterville	Feb.	4, 5
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale		5, 6
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	Fri..	10
Winchester, at Big Rock		11, 12
Wayneshoro, at Buckatunna		12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto		18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise		19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel	Fri..	24
Marshersville, at Poplar Springs		25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman		26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel	Mar.	4, 5
Blumsville, at Scooba		11, 12

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Americus, at Pleasant Hill	Jan.	21, 22
Vancleave, at Pine Grove		24
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at S		28, 29
Biloxi, at Biloxi		30
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach and Gulf Port, at Bay St. Louis		31
Pearlington and Logtown, at P	Feb.	4, 5
Galloway, at McLaurin		0
Escatawpa, at Zion		11, 12
Moss Point		12, 13
Whittington, at Colerville		15
St. John's, at St. John's		16
East Covington, at Bethel		18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg		21
Hattiesburg		26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia	Mar.	1
Leaksville, at Leaksville		5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hattiesburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Trenton, at Gasque	Sat. and Sun..	Jan. 21, 22
Forest, at Harperville	Sat. and Sun..	28, 29
Carthage, at Carthage	Sat..	Feb. 4
Walnut Grove, at W. G.	Sun. and Mon.	5, 6
Hillsboro, at Oak Grove	Tues..	7
Lake, at High Hill	Sat. and Sun..	11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence	Sat. and Sun	18, 19
Rose Bill, at Rose Hill	Sat..	25
Newton and H., at Hickory	Sun. and Mon	26, 27
Chunkey, at Suqualena	Fri..	Mar. 3
Vossburg and H., at Heidelburg	Sun. and Mon	5, 6
Montrose, at Mt. Zion	Sat. and Sun.	11, 12
Shiloh, at John's	Sat. and Sun..	18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur	Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
Nesboba, at Mars Hill	Sat. and Sun..	Apr. 1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Tall-Chalok. Mon		3

District stewards will please meet at Newton, Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2 o'clock P. M. The pastors are also invited and expected to be present.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Gallman, at Bethesda	Jan.	21, 22
Crystal Springs		22, 23
Caseyville, at New Hope		28, 29
Brookhaven		29, 30
Whitestown, at Whitestown	Feb.	4, 5
McComb City		5, 9
Beauregard, at Beauregard		11, 12
Wesson		12, 13
Bogue Chitto, at Norfield		18, 19
Adams, at Adams		25, 26
Sumalt, at Summit		26, 27
Westville, at Westville	Mar.	4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Bluntsville	Tues..	7
Providence, at Bahala		11, 12
Tylertown, at Tylertown		18, 19
Pleasant Grove, at Tilton's	Wed..	22
Hazlehurst		25, 26

The district stewards will meet at Brookhaven, Wednesday, Jan. 25. Let every district steward be present.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Sharon, at Mt. Pleasant	Jan.	21, 22
Canton	7 P. M..	22, 23
Madison, at Madison		28, 29
Jackson—First Church	11 A. M..	Feb. 5
Capitol Street	7 P. M..	5
Tranquil, at Pleasant Hill		11, 12
Yazoo City	7 P. M..	12, 13
Fannin		18, 19
Brandon	7 P. M..	19, 20
Steen's Creek		25, 26
Yazoo circuit, at Fletcher's		Mar. 4, 5
Benton, at Beaton	7 P. M..	5, 9
Silver Cr. and B. L		11, 12
Lake City and Lodi		18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's		25, 29
Camden, at Camden		Apr. 1, 2

District stewards will please meet in First Church, Jackson, Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 11 A. M.

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Washington	Feb.	4, 5
Salem		11, 12
Fayette		18, 19
Jefferson Street		24, 26
Wesley Chapel		25, 26
Meadville	Mar.	4, 5
Roxie		11, 12
Percy's Creek		18, 19
Woodville		25, 26
Brandywine	Apr.	3, 4

The district stewards will meet at Gloster at 11 A. M., Feb. 8, 1899.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Bolton, at Bolton	Jan.	21, 22
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork		28, 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Feb.	4, 5
Warren, at Oak Ridge		11, 12
South Warren, at Bovina		18, 19
Mayersville, at Mayersville		25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar.	4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs		11, 12
Satartia, at Bentonia		18, 19
Utica, at Utica		25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr.	1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah		8, 9

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THE MISSIONARY OUTLOOK.

Need we say how much depends upon an intelligent apprehension on our part in order to an intelligent forecast of our future? The century of missions is closing; and what inspirations, what resources, what preparations, what opportunities, has this century brought us! At the beginning of the century there were only two or three missionary societies in all Protestant Christendom; now there are upward of one hundred such societies, whose representatives are preaching the gospel to every nation under heaven. Then less than fifty versions of the Scriptures comprised the entire work of Bible translation since the days of the apostles; now the Word of God has been translated into more than two hundred and eighty languages, and the whole Bible made accessible to nine-tenths of the human race. In the beginning of the century £13 2s 6d was cast into the treasury at the house of Widow Wallace at Kettering for inaugurating the enterprise of modern missions; at the close of the century the societies which have sprung from that humble beginning are contributing $11,000,000 annually for evangelizing the heathen. A hundred years ago Woman's Missionary Societies were unknown; to-day there are nearly thirty such societies in America, along with twenty-five thousand auxiliaries, contributing $1,750,000 annually for the spreading of the gospel. At the beginning of the century, though the doors of several of the heathen nations stood ajar, hardly one had been securely opened; now every nation under heaven is to such degree accessible that missionaries of the cross have entered in. Well may we write the word "opportunity" over the closing decade of this nineteenth century, and well may we be admonished that opportunity is but another name for importunity, as though God were beseeching us by every open door to open our hearts and to open our hands and to open our purses, that we may worthily meet the crisis of missions which is upon us.

Now, measuring our fidelity on the scale of our opportunity, what estimate do we reach? The field is the world, and the whole world is accessible; and in all the world we have at the present time about seven thousand missionaries. But the same constituency which has seven thousand missionaries in the foreign field has a hundred and twenty-seven thousand ordained ministers laboring at home. The wealth of Protestant Christians has increased so enormously during the century that the evangelical Christians of the United States are credited with possessing $13,000,000,000; but, Do they possess this wealth, or are they possessed by it? is the question which must be raised when I tell you that these same Christians contribute annually only twenty-five cents per capita for foreign missions, and that this contribution is computed to be but one thirty-second part of one per cent. of their wealth. In spite of the meagerness of our contributions of men and money, missionaries have won marvelous triumphs. The converts from heathenism and their families are estimated at three millions—a result for which we should thank God and take courage. But, according to the statistics of Mr. Johnstone, in his "Century of Missions," the gain in heathen and Mohammedan population has been seventy times greater than this. Considering, then, that of earth's one thousand four hundred millions of population, a thousand million are yet destitute of any saving knowledge of Christ, and considering, moreover, that every success already won constitutes a new call for laborers and contributions and evangelical zeal, is it not clear that the demand upon us in the closing decade of this century is greater than ever before? What shall be our answer to this demand? In reply, I may disarm prejudice by saying that I repeat what many wise men thought at the beginning of the century, and what more think at the close, when I give this threefold challenge: Churches to the front, reserves to the front, and pastors to the front!—Review of Missions.

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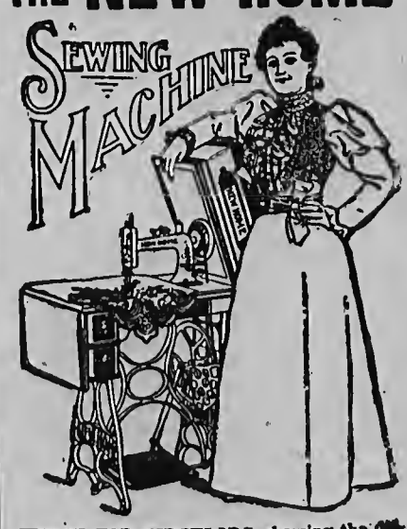

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THE KAISER'S SUMMER RESIDENCE.

Among my acqnaintances in the Crescent City I nsed to nnmber a negro laborer, who was acenstomed to speak of an edncated man as one who had had his "head bleached against a college wall." During my stay in Germany, I have visited a nnmber of royal palaces, and, if their walls have the virtne corresponding to that of the halls of learning, there is ground for the hope that my cranium, which, for some reason, kind natnre has refnsed longer to shelter, will find itself adorned with a royal crown.

A few days since I paid a visit to the town of Potsdam, sixteen miles sonthwest of Berlin, where the Kaiser has his Snmmer residence. The town is of ancient origin, bnt was of little importance nntil the Great Elector fonnded his palace and park near by. It is situated on an island in the Havel river, which here divides into nnmerous branches, forming a network of charming little lakes. This lake district, snrronnded as it is by wooded hills, makes an ideal spot for a royal Snmmer home, and it is no wonder that, in the neighborhood of this little town of 38,000 inhabitants, there shonld be no less than seven palaces. We are not snrprised that Frederick the Great, whose life was by no means the happiest, shonld select this qniet spot for his favorite residence, and bnild there his famous palace, and give it the name of Sanssouci, meaning "without care." This palace is situated in a large park, which is adorned with fonntains and statnary. In front of the great fonntain is a marble bench, where the great Frederick loved to sit. Since I have not been as fortnnate as my friend, Thomas Carter, who succeeded in taking a seat on the throne of the Emperor of Anstria, I contented myself with a seat on this marble bench. From this point the most beantifnl view of the palace is had. It is approached by a flight of steps sixty-six feet in height, intersected by six terraces. The building is only one story high, is long and narrow, and has little exterior ornamentation. It is no longer occnpied, bnt is kept in perfect order, and shown to the pnblic.

The first room entered is that of Frederick's friend, the French skeptic and satirist, Voltaire, who felt he paid dearly for his residence with Frederick, since the monarch's attempts at literary work forced him to much time correcting and completing his productions. This room looks to-day mnch as it did when the French philosopher said farewell to Sanssouci. Its walls are covered with varions animals, carved in wood, and painted in bright colors. It was so arranged by Frederick dnring Voltaire's absence, for the pnrpose of informing the haughty Frenchman that his services were no longer needed, and that his room was more acceptable than his company. The monkey reminded Voltaire that his personal appearance was not altogether lovely; the parrot informed him that he talked too mnch; the stalk and crane insinnated that he traveled too mnch, and the peacock, embroidered on the window cnrtain, rebuked his pride.

The apartments of Frederick are preserved mnch as they were when he resided there. Attention is called to a small clock which Frederick was accustomed to wind himself, and which is said to have stopped at the precise moment of his death—2:20 P. M., Aug. 17, 1786. I expressed doubt as to the trnth of this story, but the Cicerone said it was really so, whereupon I proceeded to swallow one of the proverbial "granoinm salis."

Besides aspiring to literary fame, Frederick the Great was very fond of playing the flute. He had a concert room, where he was fond of gathering together the ladies and gentlemen of his conrt, and entertaining them with a few of his choice selections. An artist has pnt one of these scenes on canvas, and if it has been faithful in portraying the facts, the distingnished company did not have a royal time, thongh they were the gnests of the king. On the faces of some agony and long-snffering seemed to be portrayed, and one can imagine that when the last note of the king's mnsic fell on their ears, they heaved a sigh of relief, and said, "The king has kept the best note for the last."

On leaving the library one passes throngh a long, narrow hall, containing nnmerons paintings and pieces of statnary. It was here the king took his walks when the weather prevented his going ent. The gnide calls attention to the long, narrow seats here which, in former years, were mnch wider than they are now. Frederick's gnards fonnd they made comfortable beds, and slept on them while on dnty. To pnt a stop to this the king had their width redneed.

On leaving the palace one sees near by an old-fashioned wind-mill, made famons throngh the tradition that the owner refnsed to sell it to Frederick the Great.

A fifteen minntes' walk throngh Sanssouci Park brings one to the New Palace, or Palace of Frederick's Crown, which is known as the Snmmer residence of the present Emperor. Its decorations and frescoes are very rich. Its most striking featnre is what is known as the Shell Saloon—a large room with marble floor, arranged as a beantifnl grotto. This is accomplished by the nse of stones and shells for the lining of the walls. Snch skill has been employed in the arrangement of the large variety of beantiful shells and of the rare specimens of costly stones, that it reqnires bnt little effort for one to transport himself to the golden age of Greece, and see the nymphs dancing to the mnsic of the shepherds' reed. Honrs cenld be spent examining in detail the stones which prodnce so charming an effect. Immense pieces of agate, qnartz crystal, petrified wood, and the like, jnt ont everywhere. A shell is pointed ont whose pearl has not been removed. Two little stnffed alligators, or crocodiles, are in the attitnde of crawling down the wall. On tables rest two beantifnl specimens—one a piece of malachite, the other a lapis lazuli. One of these is a present from the Czar of Rnssia, and a large nnmber of the stones on the walls were presented to the Kaiser by the royalty of Europe.

Abont a half mile from the town proper may be fonnd many handsome villas overlooking the lakes. Here is the Kaiser's boat-honse, on the ontside of which may be seen the bones of a whale he helped to catch. Not far off is a park where he hnnts the wild boar, or, as one has said, the place where the Kaiser has somebody drive np pigs for him to shoot.

HENRY BEACH CARRE.

Berlin, Germany, Jan. 9, 1899.

WEST POINT NOTES.

We are now nicely and comfortably domiciled in onr two-story parsonage. We are just abont as well sitnated here as we were in Grenada. We are perfectly delighted with onr new charge. We think we have abont the best in the Conference. This is the most progressive town, with the exception of Water Valley, I have visited in the State of Mississippi. It is not only becoming qnite a mannfacturing place, bnt it is also a city of schools. Not only the Southern Female College, with its large patronage, and presided over by that distinguished educator, Dr. Eshman, is located here, but it is said we have abont the best pnblic school in the State. Prof. Hayes has charge of the pnblic school, and a snperior gentleman I have not met in a long time.

We also have one of the best business colleges of which I have any knowledge. It is said to be the only incorporated school of the kind in the State of Mississippi. This school is presided over by Profs. G. A. Magon and A. A. Andrews. Any young man or lady desiring to stndy bookkeeping, stenography, or typewriting, wonld do well to correspond with these gentlemen.

Well, there have been two interesting church meetings held here since our arrival. One was the district stewards' meeting, and the other was the colored Conference. The district stewards' meeting was a very harmonions one, and the presiding elder was very mnch delighted because the stewards increased his salary over what it was last year. Bro. Bnrronghs has done a great work on this district dnring the last three years, and the brethren of the district fully appreciate his labors.

Bishop Merrill presided over the colored Conference, and, so far as I conld learn, gave very general satisfaction. We had the honor of entertaining the Bishop. It is a great blessing to come in contact with such a man, and a great pleasnre to have him in ynr home. He is the senior Bishop of the Northern Methodist Church, and for over a half centnry has largely fignred in shaping the History of American Methodism. He is not only a great preacher, bnt he is one of the most scholarly men I have met in a long while. It was a treat to have him and Dr. Curts preach for ns last Snnday. They gave ns two powerfnl sermons. The congregations were immense, and the effects of the sermons were very manifest.

Praying the blessings of God upon the ADVOCATE, I am,

Ynrs fraternally,

W. M. MCINTOSH.

Selections.

GRAVE OF GEN. THOMAS HINDS.

MR EDITOR: I had the pleasnre of receiving to-day several valned sonvenirs from my friend, Mr. E. R. Jones, of Harriston, Miss.; a gavel and brick from the site of the residence of Rev. Newett Vick, in which the first Mississippi Conference of the M. E. Church was held Nov. 1, 1813, and a brick from the grave of Gen. Thomas Hinds, together with a copy of the epitaph on his tomb. From Mr. Jones' interesting letter I qnote as follows:

"As a loyal Mississippian and resident of the capital city and imperial connty, both located in the 'New Pnrchase,' and named in honor of the two men who effected it, I send yon a brick from the grave of Gen. Thomas Hinds and a copy of his epitaph. In a cotton field, with only a few oak trees abont it, fonr miles west of Fayette, on the 'Home Hill place,' with his wife beside him and his brother John near by, is his neglected grave. A low brick vanlt, with the foot end gone, snpporting a broken marble slab, marks the place. On the slab is the following:

"'In Memory of
General Thomas Hinds,
Born in Berkley Co., Va., Jan. 19, 1781.'

"Removed to this State at the age of nineteen, he gave promise of the fntnre of the deeds of his yonth; was distingnished for his daring intrepidity in the last war with Great Britain, and verified pnblic expectation by the lofty stand he afterward assnmed and always snstained in the connoils of his State.

"He was an incomparable patriot, bold in conception and fearless in execntion. Covered with honors and with years, he descended to the grave on the twenty-third day of Angnst, 1840, aged sixty years seven months and fonr days.

"How sleep the brave who sink to rest,
By all their country's wishes blessed.

"Beside him is the grave of his wife, of like design in size and shape, and in a perfect state of preservation, as is also that of John Hinds. On the former is this inscription:

"'Lemenda Green,
Daughter of Thomas M. Green,
Died June 29, 1819, aged 28 years.'"

I am greatly obliged to Mr. Jones for these interesting relics and for this appreciated, historic information.

But here we have another illnstration of the nnwisdom of "family bnrying-grounds." In the progress of years these estates pass into other hands, and honored graves tended by loving hands are sadly neglected, and are often profaned by the rnthless plowshare.

Now, I snbmit that the grave of gallant Thomas Hinds shonld receive immediate and patriotic attention. It was to him and his brave "Dragoons," after a brilliant victory over the British, that General Jackson made the short speech which has gone into history, "Yon have this day been the astonishment of one army and the admiration of the other." And in every position he displayed the qnalities of eminent leadership. We owe it to onrselves to sacredly gnard his heroic dust. Wonld it not be well for his remains to sleep with other distinguished co-patriots in the cemetery of onr State capital and in the connty which bears his honored name? CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

Clarion-Ledger, Jackson, Miss., Jan. 13, 1899.

A CAMPAIGN AGAINST CONSUMPTION.

The New York Board of Health has determined to carry on its fight against consnmption and tnberculosis more vigorously than ever. The Board reached the conclnsion some time ago that consnmption was very infections, and that it onght to be treated like other infections diseases. A nnmber of radical measnres, with this object in view, were adopted, bnt they proved so extreme as to draw forth vigorous protest. Consnmptives have not been accnstomed to being treated like persons snffering from other infections maladies, and resented all restrictions placed npon their liberty of action.

The Board of Health, althongh it found its regnlations nnpopnlar, has persisted in its campaign. "Consnmption wonld be practically stamped ont," said Dr. Hnbbard, of the bacteriological laboratory of the health department, "if consumptive people in the poorer districts wonld appreciate the necessity of taking one simple precantion, and that is not to expectorate npon the floors or any place where the matter can dry and the germs it contains contaminate the air. Consnmption is a cnrable disease nnder proper conditions, and it is not a communicable disease when sanitary laws are obeyed."

The plan of campaign which the New York Board of Health is now pnrsning is to inspect all dwellings in which a nnmber of cases of consnmption have occnrred in the last two years, and then to disinfect these houses; or, if they are considered too badly infected, to remove the inmates to healthy honses.

Whenever a case of death from consumption is reported, an inspector from the Health Board visits the house and issues an order compelling the owner to wash the walls and ceilings, if they be kalsomined or painted, with a solntion of washing soda and hot water. If the walls and ceilings be papered, the paper mnst be removed, the walls washed with the solution and fresh paper pnt on. All the woodwork, including the flooring, mnst be washed and repainted.

The inspection of honses for the pnrpose of determining which are infected is now well nnder way. It will be completed in two months. As far as it has proceeded it has shown beyond qnestion that certain honses, particularly in the poorer part of the town, are infected with tnbercnlosis. One house, No. 12 Pell street, was shown to have developed an average of five fatal cases of tnberculosis annually for a number of years past. And in one small ward (the sixth) forty-five honses were fonnd which had developed 260 cases of tnbercnlosis in the last three years. The New York Board of Health believes that it will be able to cnt down the amonnt of consumption in New York 50 per cent. by the very simple process of disinfecting honses in which cases of consnmption have been reported and in removing healthy persons from snch honses.—Times-Democrat.

THE DRINK BILL AND THE LABORING MAN.

Plenty of money evenly distribnted throughout the country insnres plenty of employment at fair wages for labor. Waste and extravagance render money scarce among the masses, and thereby injnre the laboring man.

That the rnm traffic, and its consequent waste and drnnkenness, render money scarce is a trnth patent to all who are willing to see. That the resnlt is the enrichment of the money kings, and the impoverishment and enslavement of labor, is a trnth that is being demonstrated by every year's history of onr conntry.

Look for a moment at the following fignres: The average annnal receipts from the customs of this connty for the three years ending Jnne 30, 1894, when the McKinley tariff law was in force, were only $171,000,000, or less than $2.50 per capita of the popnlation of the connty. The total ontpnt of silver in the country in 1894 was $64,000,000—an average of less than one dollar for every man, woman, and child. But it is reliably estimated that, at the very least, $1,000,000,000 is expended directly every year by the people of this conntry for strong drink.

The ordinary expense of the United States Government for all the departments dnring 1895 was less than $375,000,000; hence the drink bill of the conntry for that year was three times the amonnt required to rnn the general government, and the liqnor bill for that year was nearly sixteen times the amonnt of the entire valne of the silver prodnct of the conntry for the same period!

Now, it is definitely estimated that fnlly one-half of the drink bill of this conntry comes directly out of the wages of the workingmen. Can any power of legislation, and any power obtained by labor combinations, help the laboring man who spends his earnings for drink? Can the wage class snpport in idleness and lnxnry 232,295 of the liqnor dealers and their families, their bar-tenders and their families, and pay the enormons rents of their dram-shops, and hope to prosper themselves?

These are qnestions for the philanthropic friends of labor and for the laborers themselves to think abont, and think hard. The saloon is the first cause of poverty in this conntry, and the prime cause of the hardships nnder which labor groans to-day, and the men who devote their time and money to social reforms will do well to note the fact. To endeavor and hope to bring any real, permanent relief to labor, or to inangnrate for wage-earners a better condition of things without striking down the legalized liqnor traffic, is as insane as it wonld be to hope to bale the Caspian Sea dry while the Ural and Volga rivers are ponring their waters into it.

America is well recognized as the laboring man's paradise. In no other conntry in the world do common toilers have so good a chance as here. Were all snch to rigidly abstain from spending any of their earnings for strong drink, there is no reason why extreme poverty shonld afflict any of them. Why, then, is it that, as the socialistic reformers declare, "the poor are growing poorer"? The answer is, that so long as the laborers of this country expend or waste annually $500,000,000 for strong drink, so long must a large portion of them, with increasing families and decreasing ability to work (that decreasing ability caused by the debilitating effects of strong drink on the body), become poorer and poorer every year.

The late Dr. Howard Crosby, for many years a close observer among the poor, declared that in all his investigations he had never fonnd a family borne down by poverty that did not owe its fall to rnm. We are aware that to-day some sober, npright, indnstrions men are poor and ont of employment. They have never spent their earnings for rnm when employed. Nevertheless, onr conviction is, that if the ten billion dollars which, in the last ten years, have been directly snnk and drnnk in liqnor in this conntry had been nsed in the pnrchase and nse of lands, honses, fnrniture, clothing and provisions, the indnstries of the conntry wonld not have experienced snch a panic, honest labor would have had employment at living wages all the time, and there would have been no strikes nor strikers' riots.

The Hon. Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor, says: "I have looked into a thonsand homes of the working people of Enrope—I do not know how many in this conntry—and I never had to look beyond the inmates to find the cause of poverty. So far as my own observation goes, drnnkenness is at the bottom of the misery, and not the indnstrial system or the indnstrial conditions snrrondning the workingmen and their families."

Charles Booth, anthor of "Panperism and the Endowment of Old Age," says, "Strong drink is the most prolific of all the causes of poverty," and John Burns, M. P., and one hnndred and thirty-nine other British labor leaders, in an address snpporting the Veto bill, in 1893, said, "The chief cause of the present poverty and debasement is strong drink."

Speaking to workingmen, Chief Arthnr, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, said, "If I conld, I wonld inaugnrate a strike that wonld drive the liqnor traffic from the face of the earth." And T. V. Powderly, former General Master Workman of the Knights of Labor, says, "The liqnor traffic is responsible for the misery of nine-tenths of the working classes."

So here we have the cause given by men who are anthority on the snbject, and that cause is: The chief cause of poverty in this conntry, after all, is that all-consuming, health-destroying, cnrse-inflicting demon, the liquor traffic. And do what we may, institute all the reforms and philanthropic measnres possible for the betterment of the condition of labor, yet nntil the legalized rnm traffic is completely uprooted and driven from the land, the real relief and ennoblement of the masses of common toilers can never be effected; never, never, never!—Religious Telescope.

"One of the saddest things which I have come across," said Mr. Irvine, of New York, "is the exposnre to vice to which many women are pnt. I referred to this in my sermon yesterday. My eyes were first opened to it by the remark of an agent of a house-owner. 'A man may have to say that he can not pay the rent, bnt a woman need never say so.' I pressed him for an explanation, and came near knocking him down when he told, with brntal frankness, how many agents took advantage of the defenseless condition of widows with small children, and gave them their rent as the wages of sin. I immediately began an investigation, and fonnd five women near my church who had fallen recently in this way. They were driven to it by nnprincipled agents. They conld not bear to see their children turned into the streets. I am making strennons efforts to keep these women ont of the power of these agents. A basket of groceries was taken to one of them this morning."—Woman's Journal.

WARNING.

BY MARGARET E. SANGSTER.

In the time of our fullness and thrift
Ere the time of our loss and our dole,
Let the angels who guard us uplift
A warning to every soul.
Or, lest we unclose to find all unaware
We waken some day to the gloom of despair.

We shall never be sorry for love
For the words that are patient and sweet;
For the hardness repressed
For the anger ungnessed,
For the grace that is swift to entreat.

We shall never be sorry for hope
That heartened the weak and the tried,
That made them the bolder to cope
With the evil one close to their side;
For the pity we've shown
To the souls that alone
Were stemming some fierce, rushing tide.

We shall never be sorry for care
To the old or the little ones given,
Nor ever regret the swift prayer
That went to our Father in heaven,
For meekness and cheer
When the outlook was drear,
For faith when our courage was riven.

In the time of our fullness and thrift,
Ere the time of our dole and our loss,
Let the angels who guard us uplift
A voice against cleaving to dross;
Let us hear it and heed it lest all unaware
We waken some day to the gloom of despair.
—Exchange.

Communications.

GO FORWARD.

This should be the watchword of every Christian. Ceaseless activity is the condition of all success. In every department of life to stand still is to stagnate. To hold our own is not enough; to rest upon our oars, trusting to the momentum already acquired to carry us forward, is to find ourselves very soon hopelessly left in the race. However brilliant the achievements of the past, they will count only as a valuable preparation for the duties and conflicts of the hour. These are pressing. They must be met; they may not be ignored. While there remains a battle to be fought, the Christian soldier may not be at rest; while there is work to be done, no worker may be idle. The race is before us. We may not, without eternal peril, loiter or turn aside. God's Word exhorts us to "run with patience the race that is set before us," to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Whatever we may have already accomplished, let us remember there is still more to be done, still more that we can do, and by as much as we have done, by so much are we better capacitated for service. The experiences gained is, in itself, a large result from the efforts we have made, and we are, therefore, prepared to do better work, and more work, than ever.

Our only safety is in progress. We must progress in our personal experience of grace, or we shall backslide; we must, day by day, grow richer in the things of God, or we shall sink into spiritual bankruptcy; we must exercise ourselves in work for God, or our spiritual powers will be paralyzed, and we shall be helpless invalids.

Let us bestir ourselves. Let us redouble our diligence. Let us go forward, remembering that Jesus Christ is the captain of our salvation; that over us is his banner of love, and that his divine hand is leading us to a kingdom and a crown.

Correspondence.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

MR. EDITOR: We heartily indorse the "Twentieth Century" educational movement in Southern Methodism for the cause of Christian education, and we are ready to do what we can. But we are at a loss to know how to go about it. The books and leaflets sent out by the General Board, as far as they go, are all right, but they only give specific direction to twenty per cent. of the amount to be raised.

Bro. Bingham, our Conference Secretary, makes a special appeal to the pastors to unite in a determined effort to make the plan a success. What plan? If it is the plan suggested by the General Board, it is too indefinite to be worked successfully. Suppose I go before my congregation in the interest of Christian education, and grow eloquent over the "Twentieth Century" movement. Some brother will be sure to ask, "What are you going to do with it, and what is it for?" I answer, It is for Christian education, and twenty per cent. goes to the endowment of the Theological Department of Vanderbilt University; the remainder will be kept at home. But he asks me, "What are you going to do with the remainder?" Will some one please tell us what to say? There must be some specific direction given to this money if we are to succeed. To go before the church in North Mississippi and ask for $41,300, and not be able to state what we propose to do with it, is folly. We must determine what we will do with this money before we can expect the people to respond.

The last General Conference provided for this collection to be applied to the strengthening of the whole educational work of our church. One-fifth of the amount to be applied as stated above, and the remainder to be applied according to the direction of the Annual Conference within whose bounds it shall be raised. Now, if the Conference at its last session gave direction as to how this money was to be applied, we have heard nothing of it. If the Conference failed to give directions, what can we do? Some of us are exceedingly anxious to give our share of this fund to endow Grenada College. There may be some who would oppose. There must be concert of action, and a definite aim in this matter, if we are to succeed. Who will tell us what to do?

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Capitol Street Church Auxiliary and First Church, Jackson, have more faithfully performed their duty in reporting to the editor than any in the Conference. We take great pleasure in forwarding for publication the following from Mrs. L. S. West, the zealous president, who wrote, "I hope you will hear from us more regularly this year." Will not every president say this?

Capitol Street Church Auxiliary, report from June, 1897, to November, 1898: Members, 33; honorary, 3; life members, 1897–1898, 4; average attendance, 10; W. M. Advocates taken, 9; Evangels, 24. Dues, $37.95; Conference expense fund, $3.60; thank-offering, $3.35; McNemar fund, $15; McGavock, $51.45; life members, $80. Total, $191.35. This is the largest amount reported from any auxiliary.

We frequently have the pleasure of meeting with these good sisters in their monthly meetings, and some time since had the honor of occupying the president's chair, she being providentially hindered, and found a new method used by them—that of using envelopes, with the printed dates and blanks for dues, and also for specials on the outside, addressed to each member. They are distributed at each meeting to receive the donation, then collected, and the contents noted. This insures accuracy, and is a reminder of the obligations. This, with other good methods used, is one secret of their success.

GLEANINGS.

Nashville Christian Advocate: "A letter from Dr. Lambuth, in regard to the work proposed by the Woman's Board in Cuba, says: 'I am now convinced, after visiting six of the most important cities of Cuba, that the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions should have three missionaries on the field as soon as possible—one to be located in Havana, another in Santiago, and the third to be associated with the first, but at liberty to travel to interior cities whenever occasion demands.'

"Provision has been made for carrying out the suggestions Dr. Lambuth made, and while the Board may not at once appoint three missionaries, one will soon open classes for Bible study. Cuba is looking to America for spiritual emancipation, as well as political, and our Board will have some part in presenting the gospel message of justification by faith in Christ. The way is open, the call has come, the responsibility is upon us. We will try to meet it with God's help."

Extracts from Mrs. Tuneheart in Review of Missions: "The creation of the best literature, unaccompanied by God's Word, will not avail, but with it, and the Spirit that will take the truth and apply it to the soul, thousands will move God-ward, and nations will be born in a day.

"At this time the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions is concerned much about an increase in telling literature. The plan to send out valuable books at minimum cost is resulting in the preparation of memoirs, biographies, short addresses, and maps showing the location of our missions. A memoir of Miss Dora Rankin, whose beautiful young life was given to China in the early days of the Woman's Board, has been prepared. It is an attractive little volume containing a cut of Dora herself, as well as of the school-buildings at Nantziang, so intimately associated with her and her sister, Miss Lochie. 'Pleasant College,' Lonise Home, and the church in which they worshiped, are all full of tender memories of them, as well as of Dr. C. F. Reid, now missionary in Korea. He planned, and, owing to his untiring industry and gratuitous services, the work of the sisters was made more easy. . . . Later a fuller sketch may be sent out."

For sale by our Woman's F. M. Board. Price, 25 cents. Address Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, Secretary, Nashville, Tenn. This is especially intended for our young people. "They will then learn that a beautiful young life given fully to God's service may be a very happy, bright life."

"'Dawn on the Hills of Y'ang,' by Mr. H. P. Beach, giving facts, pleasing and profitable, of China as a mission, has been issued by our Methodist Publishing House, and arranged in cheap form. The Woman's Board has paid for two hundred copies, which will be sold at 25 cents apiece. . . . The book contains a valuable introductory chapter by Bishop C. B. Galloway, giving the history of our work in China.

"'The Missionary Roll Call,' being prepared by Mrs. I. G. John, will soon be out, meeting a long-felt want. Everyone interested in the missionaries sent out by the Board wants to know something of their history, their call to service in the foreign field, etc.

"The news from the China Jubilee Conference causes thanksgiving. Miss Haygood writes, Oct. 28: 'Our Jubilee Conference, our Annual Conference, our Annual Meeting, are all over, and all have been very delightful. . . . We have all felt Bishop Wilson's presence and teaching a real benediction. He has a marvelous hold upon the heart of the China Mission. We are arranging to have a consecration service in the Hayes-Wilkins Memorial when he goes to Sung-Kiang. . . . Mrs. J. W. Lambuth's presence was a very great joy to us all, and her memories of the China Mission, extending back more than forty years, made by far the best part of our jubilee reminiscences. In calling to mind the fact that she was the mother of all our boarding-school work, we felt that it was to be desired that her name should be permanently associated with one of our boarding-schools, and so, as the name of the Snchow boarding-school, 'East Side,' was purely local, we resolved in our general meeting that it should hereafter be known as the 'Mary Lambuth School,' and so reported.'" MRS. E. D. JONES.

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Home Mission Society.

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OUR VOWS.

"Vow, and pay unto the Lord your vows."

"To perform a vow means to do at once the Master's bidding. The secret of faithful keeping of our vows to him is to keep ourselves in the love of Jesus," says Dr. Cuyler.

I wonder if every woman in our church knows or thinks she is pledged to the work of a missionary? That what our foreign work is to foreign lands our "home mission" should be to our own? That, as members of this Home Mission Society, we renew our vows to our Master to tell by words and deeds "the old, old story of Jesus and his love"?

I wish we could get into our souls the full force of the word "salvation." If it means anything to us, is it not worth telling to others? If it has done so much for me, shall I not help my brother or sister to find the same treasure?

It has been said that in the study of botany or geology we are to begin at our own door-step. What a suggestion to us as Visiting Committees! How many of us keep the promise to visit in his name, to read his Word to his poor, to seek out and help the sick or neglected ones, many of them near our own homes!

Keeping our vows is only to practice our religion. We are not merely to say, "Be ye warmed and filled," but we are to help warm and fill them. Are we women of the Home Mission Society doing this? Are we making any sacrifice for him who gave up all for us? Are we willing to wear plain clothing that another may wear the robe of righteousness? Do we dispose of our jewelry that a sister or brother may secure the pearl of great price? Do we furnish our tables with plain fare that others may be given the Bread of Life? God help us to know that it is not what we intend to do, but what we do, that counts with our Lord. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these, ye did it unto me." And we can no longer say, "No man hath hired us; there is nothing I can do."

This society has opened up avenues for service or sacrifice that none but the hopelessly blind will fail to see. Passing by our schools, orphans' homes, and city missions, in other places, we have in Meridian a direct appeal to the love and sympathy of every mother and sister in our Conference. This heaven-inspired rescue home calls for prompt and generous thank-offerings to God from every woman who, from her sheltered home, will heed the message, "The Master is come, and calleth for thee." Lord, help us to so keep ourselves in the love of Jesus, that we may know the secret of faithfully keeping our vows to him, and, like many of old, at once arise to do his bidding.

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Selections.

THE SERPENT IN THE GLASS.

Many of the famous advocates of temperance are dying off, but there is one trumpet-tongued orator who continues to sound his tocsin in every house that contains a Bible. It is the divinely-inspired preacher who utters this tremendous warning: "Look not on the wine when it is ruddy, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it goeth down smoothly; for at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder!" Young man, listen to that loud and loving voice before you touch that glass of champagne; good woman, stop and think what you are about before you mix that bowl of punch for your party; father, be careful how you put that sly serpent on your table, for some of your boys may get stung to death!

To break the terrible habit, and to shake off the serpent, requires such effort that few are permanently reformed. Some surrender to the inevitable and go over the cataract with eyes open to their doom. A young man said to a friend of mine: "This awful drink has used up my money, ruined my health, and almost killed my parents. It will soon kill me and send me to hell! I know it, and yet the habit is so strong that I can not stop." And he did not stop; yet when he began to sip his wine he never dreamed that he would die a wretched sot. Of all the deceivers that betray body and soul to damnation, none is so alluring and ensnaring as the glass.

It is strange that parents—many Christian parents—will allow it to come into their homes, and will provide it for guests. It is strange that, in spite of all the miseries suffered by drunkards' wives, so many young women are willing to marry young men who are in the habit of taking a social glass. They are playing with a viper. If their hearts are stung with agony, it is their own fault. If the above-mentioned things are strange, it is stranger still that churches, Sunday-schools and pulpits do not ring out oftener and more vehemently this heaven-sent tocsin: "Look not on the wine! look not on the wine! it stingeth like a serpent and biteth like an adder!"—Rev. T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

CANT AN ABOMINATION.

Cant is not hypocrisy, but it is very closely allied to it, and may very easily pass into it. Hypocrisy is a conscious and deliberate assumption of a false character with a view of deceiving others; cant is unconscious self-deception leading to the affectation of a virtue or a feeling not really possessed. It is often very difficult to distinguish between the two, and their effect in creating distrust of the genuineness of religious professions is very often the same. Indeed, it is a question whether cant is not more hurtful to religion than hypocrisy, for the discovery even of many hypocrites does not seriously give rise to the suspicion that all religious professions are hypocritical, while cant may induce the feeling that while the alleged experiences of religious people may not be consciously false, yet they may be delusions. And it is this admixture of cant in religious services and in the conversation of Christian people that, perhaps, more than anything else, prejudices the minds of observers against Christianity.—Northwestern Advocate.

THE MEANEST MAN.

He claimed to be a Christian man and to love God's house. Some years ago he drifted West from New England. He tarried in Minneapolis for ten years and then returned to his Eastern home. One of his old neighbors, who had never been West and had vague notions about our civilization, asked him about the churches of this city, intimating that he supposed they were poor and weak. In substance his answer was as follows: "Churches I should say we had churches out West, and good ones, too; large and strong, and just like those in New England! They have many eloquent preachers and fine music, and the people are friendly and sociable. If you ever go to Minneapolis, be sure and go to the —— Congregational Church. That church is all right, and they will take good care of you and make you feel at home. I went to meeting there for ten years, and had a good seat, and attended all their picnics and social meetings, and it did not cost me a red cent."—Christian Intelligencer.

The Christian Life.

HAPPINESS.

Dreams of happiness we all indulge. But too many of us seek this happiness outside of ourselves—in riches, in learning, in adventure, in excitement, in fame, in novelty, in friendships, flying to the very ends of the earth in search of it, when lo, it was to be found all the time at home. "The kingdom of God is within you," and the happiness men desire can only be found under that kingdom. Happiness is not something that can be manufactured and then pressed upon one as a bargain. It is not obtained from the outside; it is from within, and in this fact lies the great desirability of being a Christian, and the highest type of a Christian, coming entirely under the dominion of the spiritual.—D L Moody.

"If Clara Barton ever had a motto or watchword, she has kept it so modestly in the background that I have never heard of it," writes her niece; "but her idea of life, I often think, lies in what she once said to me when, with feverish haste and impatience of youth, I was longing for great things to do: Keep yourself quiet and in restraint; reserve your energies, doing those little things that lie in your way, each one as well as you can, saving your strength so that, when God does call you to do something good and great, you will not have wasted your force and strength with useless strivings, but will be ready to do the work quickly and well." Enter into the sublime patience of the Lord. Be charitable in view of it. God can afford to wait; why can not we, since we have him to fall back upon?—George Macdonald.

There is a great deal of pious nonsense in the idea that one should be so busy saving others that he will not have time to think of his own soul. We have seen a great many people of this sort—people who are busy as bees working in meetings, and all the while developing great ugly bumps that are destroying the symmetry of their Christian character. A man may profess religion, talk religion, give eighteen hours a day to the subject of religion, and yet drift into all sorts of unchristian habits of speech and conduct—habits which make his own home people wonder if religion is anything more than a more profession after all. A little wholesome selfishness that will lead a man to devote an occasional half hour to his own soul is a needed corrective in many fevered lives.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

The late Dr. Thomas Armitage was once consulted by a young minister as to the line of study which would contribute most directly to his efficiency as a preacher. After a few searching questions the Doctor replied, "I should advise you to make a thorough study of the New Testament miracles." The answer appeared a strange one, but the Doctor explained his meaning by adding, "The great lack of modern preaching is a deficient sense of the supernatural, and you may quicken your own faith and gain power of presenting the things of the Spirit to other minds by making the New Testament miracles the subject of your study and meditation for a series of months."—Presbyterian.

Life's loneliness—there are times when we all have to go into it—there are chambers in the soul where no foot can fall, no dearest friend can come. There are circumstances that reveal to us this loneliness and intensify our sense of it. Who will show us any good at such times? There is nobody, there is nothing that promises any hope. Life is a thing empty and forsaken, with no hand that can lead us, no voice that can speak to us, no light breaks through the haunting gloom. There is but one answer to that cry of the heart, "Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us."—Rev. Mark Guy Pearse.

Of intellectual and social passion there is enough in the pulpit, and one has even been amazed at the most strange of all enthusiasms, critical passion, when a preacher has become quite hot over the authorship of the Pentateuch. What is wanting, and what can not be wanted, is the sense of the unseen and eternal—of the everlasting love of God, the atoning sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ, the unspeakable value of a single soul, the infinite pathos of human life, the tenderness of the Holy Ghost, and the graciousness of the Evangel.—Ian Maclaren.

It would be better for us all, sincerely and reverently and promptly, to recognize the truth that the God of the Universe—the God in whose hands we are, and with whom we have to deal—is not an Infinite Sentimentality, but an Infinite Moral Energy. God is love. Woe to us if he were not! But God is also Righteousness, and the man who fancies he can do just as he pleases because God is love—be just as impure, unjust, cruel, disloyal, hateful—will find himself brought up with a round turn.—Dr. F. A Noble.

To serve God. Herein lies true happiness, the happiness of yesterday, the happiness of to-day, the happiness of all days. But we must know this, and when we know this, we must act. Many never know it, and of those who know it, many never commence to act; of those who commence, many do not continue, or else continue so feebly that their search for happiness serves merely to weary and disgust them still more with their false happiness—that is, with their real unhappiness.—Louis Venillot.

The best evidence of Christianity is furnished by the Christian. If it is not found in the personal life, it is not found at all. Without this fruitage the gospel is but a form of sound words, the teaching of Christ only beautiful sayings, and the church naught but a human organization. Christianity was instituted for man, and it either means all to him, or it means nothing. It is not simply something to believe and profess, something to admire and defend; but it is Truth, it is Life.—Exchange.

The Master does not say to us, "Go and do everything," but he marks out a special path for each one of us, and gives to each one of us a special duty. There are diversities of gifts in the kingdom of God, and these gifts are divided to every man according to his several ability. I may have five talents, or two, or only one; I may be called to do twenty things, or only one. My responsibility is simply to do that which I am called to do, and nothing more.—Hannah Whitall Smith.

Is there much real, true, disinterested kindness in this world? Take your own daily life and examine into the motives that lie behind your generous actions. How many of the good turns you do for others are done to add to your reputation as a good fellow, or a sweet girl? How much good we all do to gratify our vanity, even if we reap no more tangible results, only God knows. But how beautiful is that love which seeketh not itself in any form or in any manner!—Uplook.

A PREACHER'S REPORT

Interesting Statement by Elder Joel H. Austin of Goshen, Ind.

"I was a victim of catarrh and had almost constant pain in my head. The trouble was gradually working down on my lungs. I was weak and irresolute. My wife had the grip and Hood's Sarsaparilla cured her. After this I had the same disease and resorted to Hood's. In a short time the aches and pains were relieved and I also saw the medicine was helping my catarrh. In six weeks I ceased to have any further trouble with it and I am now a well man. The pains and bloating I had in my limbs are gone and I am relieved of a heart trouble. I am thankful for a medicine so intelligently compounded and so admirably adapted to the needs of the system." ELDER JOEL H. AUSTIN, Goshen, Indiana.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents.

For the ADVOCATE.

REFLECTION.

BY W. H. HUNTLEY.

"The Sun of righteousness shall arise."

What tho' before the sight the frequent blur
Of tears makes all things dim, demur
Eclipse a one full occasion, in the din
Of twilight shadow-filled, let me be taught
How from within and not without the thought
Of mists and storms are born, and how
When clear the eyes are grown peace opens now
Before, above, about, because
Of need and promise and of shining laws
From Him the Son, the Sun

Lord, I've been learning that behind the lids
Of earth eyes red from weeping springs the bids
To bitterness and weary stumbling, none
Other cause, so come I now in trust—
"Thou knowest the frame, that we are dust."

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Dust—dust, trampled, dull, then must
This knowing quiet all—the silence rust?

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But jewelled facets has the dust, each fleck
Light flings in myriad lances from the wreck
Of matter, from the grind of nature's bones—
Brighter and less blue the air because of dusty zones
Outspreading from the earth away
Where day is on the search of Day,
Where shines the Son, the Sun.

SERMONS THAT FEED.

Dean Stanley preached his first sermon in a little village church near Norwich, and an old woman was heard to say after the service, "Well, I do feel rather empty like." "Yes," replied another venerable dame, "that young man did not give us much to feed on." Those two old saints understood what nutritious preaching is, and they had probably come to church with good appetite. Their comment on the maiden effort of a man who was yet to become famous was very different from the remark of a devout Christian who told me that the sermons of his pastor were "roast beef and plum pudding to us for a whole week." That was high praise, and it bespoke honest work and a full larder. What are some of the characteristics of nourishing sermons?

1. They must have a great deal of Bible in them. Not an occasional scrap, or a text introduced to beautify a sentence or round out a period. The strongest sermon is that which is most saturated with Scripture. The minister who never wears out, or wears out his congregation, is the spiritual miner who digs deepest into the golden ore beds of divine revelation. It was said of Chalmers that his discourses "held the Bible in solution." The same thing may be said of the sermons of Spurgeon, Maclaren, F. B. Meyer, and Dr. William M. Taylor. All these strong men had a strong faith in the perfect and plenary inspiration of the Book; they felt that when they spoke the Holy Spirit was speaking in every line of Scripture which they were weaving into their discourses. "Thy words were found," said the ancient prophet, "and I did eat them; and they were unto me a joy and the rejoicing of mine heart."

2. Nutritious sermons have a great deal of prayer over them. It is not only devout Quakers who hold that a person can not preach aright unless "the Spirit moves him." Prayer is the ladder by which this divine power descends into a godly minister's study when he is preparing his beaten oil for the sanctuary. This same power fires his soul in the pulpit. Feeding the intellect is not enough; the conscience and the affections must be quickened, purified, and made strong. A very eminent minister wrote to me forty years ago, "I am convinced that, even esthetically considered, one hour of prayer is a better preparation for sermon writing than a whole day of study." A sermon that will not bear to be prayed over is not worth preaching.

3. The preaching that feeds people has a great deal of what may be called every-day religion in it. It is in the best sense practical, for it controls the daily practice and teaches people how to live. There is a lamentable lack with many ministers of knowledge of human nature and of the wants, temptations, and trials of their parishioners. These men are well up in theology and biblical criticism and religious literature of all kinds; some of them are walking encyclopedias, but to the living, acting, working, laughing, weeping, and sinning world around them they are well-nigh strangers. During the week their parishioners have been driving a pen or a plow, hammering an anvil, or pleading in a court room, or up to their eyes in stocks or sugar casks or cotton bales. The women have been busy with their needles or their nurseries. When the Sabbath comes they bring their every-day wants with them to church, even though they wear their Sunday clothes. They want preaching that tells them how to live and what to believe. They want plain, portable preaching that they can carry home with them. Doctrinal sermons? Yes, provided that it is stiff, vital, Bible doctrine, not in dry flour barrels, but baked into gospel bread for every-day consumption. Truth, all divine truth, they want, but not in hard, scholastic technicalities. Young men sometimes deliver "trial sermons before Presbytery" when they apply for licensure that smell strongly of the class-room and are garnished with such words as "predicate," "subjective," and "ratiocination." When they have learned to preach they will do with such fodder what Dr. Edward N. Kirk did with his first "six splendid sermons"—they will stick it into the grate.

Sermons for every-day use will not only be scriptural and spiritual; they will be simple in language. There lay one of the great elements of Spurgeon's world-wide popularity and power. A discourse that a minister would not be willing to read to his boy of twelve years old or to an intelligent servant in his kitchen is not generally a safe sermon to take into his pulpit. There may be exceptions to this rule, but the average preaching must be to the average mind of young and old, rich and poor, cultured and ill taught, in the congregation.

A poor woman in the congregation of old Dr. Ashbel Green, of Philadelphia, once asked her pastor:

"Dr. Green, what do you think is the great business of the shepherd?"

"To feed the flock, madam," was his reply.

"That is my notion, too, sir," said she, "and therefore I think that he should not put the hay up so high that the sheep can not reach it."—T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

A GREAT PASTOR.

Remarkable as Dr. Cuyler is as a preacher, he has other characteristics that appeal to his parishioners with an equal force. He has a remarkable executive ability, and every detail of his magnificent church organization was guided by his unerring judgment. Combined with this, he has a wonderful faculty for remembering persons and their names. Every man, woman and child of his congregation of over two thousand members was personally known to him, and the hearty welcome, hand-grasp and shoulder-pat by their pastor made them feel that their individuality was respected and that their interests were in his keeping. The stranger that came within the gates was welcomed and not forgotten. Those only who have felt the sense of loneliness that a large city inspires, and the lack of that friendly companionship so grateful to all that the customs of a city forbid, can appreciate the marvelous value of the warm, sincere and loving hand-grasp of such a man as Dr. Cuyler.—John I. Covington, in Herald and Presbyter.

We never know for what God is preparing us in his schools; for what work on earth, for what work in the hereafter. Our business is to do our work well in the present place, whatever that may be. —Lyman Abbott, D. D.

Many have yielded to go a mile with Satan that never intended to go two. He leads poor creatures down into the depths by winding stairs, and does not let them see the bottom, where they are going.—D. L. Moody.

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Nobody is richer until somebody is poorer. Evermore the vicarious exchange is going on. The rock decays and feeds the moss and lichen. The moss decays to feed the shrub; the shrub perishes that the tree may have food and growth. The leaves of the tree fall that its boughs may blossom and bear fruit. The seeds ripen to serve the birds singing in all the boughs. The fruit falls to be food for man. The harvests lend man strength for his commerce, his government, his culture and conscience. The lower dies vicariously that the higher may live. Thus nature achieves her gifts only through vast expenditures.—Dr. N. D. Hillis, D. D., in Golden Censer.

The mere fact that a minister draws a great crowd to hear him is no proof that he is preaching a sound gospel. It may be a proof that he is doing nothing of the sort. Human nature is controlled by a great complexity of motives, and is open to appeals of many sorts. The correctness of all preaching must be determined by one test. If it is in harmony with the letter and spirit of the New Testament, it is all right. If not, it is all wrong. Let it not be supposed, for one moment, that we think it a small matter to draw the people. On the contrary, we esteem it a great matter. But it must always be done by the use of right methods.—Nashville Christian Advocate.

FROM THE WORK.

NEWS FROM BOYLE, MISS.

New Year has come and gone, and leaves in its wake those ever-ready resolves. These, alas! are too easily forgotten and crowded out by temptations.

The people whom it is my pleasure to serve this year have given an example well worth patterning after. On Jan. 6, 1899, my Boyle and New Salem congregations came together in the church at Boyle and began their noble work for the year by giving a reception and donation party to welcome their first resident preacher. It seemed that the hearts of the people beat as one, as they will in no cause save Christ's. There was hardly a man, woman, or child, who did not give according to their means to the cause of him who appreciates the widow's mite. In a very condensed form I give a list of the donations:

One set of dishes, 56 pieces; 1 set of knives and forks, 1 washstand, 1 washstand set, 1 barrel of flour, 10 hams, 5 bushels of corn, 5 gallons of molasses, 5 gallons of coal oil, 2 table cloths, 1 dozen napkins, 4 towels, 2 shirt waists for Mrs. McKeown, 1 gingham wrapper, 5 bushels of sweet potatoes, 28 pounds of coffee, 36 pounds of sugar, 11 dozen eggs, 3 pounds of butter, 10 pounds of lard, 3 bottles of communion wine, 6 cans of baking powder, 3 pounds of macaroni, 1 pound of mince meat, 26 cans of fruit, 24 boxes of matches, 21 pounds home-dried fruit, 5 pounds rice, 16 pounds of sausage, 2 tin buckets, 1 egg beater, 1 kitchen fork, 1 spoon, 3 papers of pins, 1 loaf of bread, 1 paper of needles, 11 spools of thread, 1 box of toilet soap, 2 pairs of pillow cases, 3 pounds of soda, 2 boxes of oatmeal, 1 basket of spare-ribs, 11 pounds of salt, 3 bottles of fruit flavoring, 4 pounds of starch, 10 bars of soap, 1 stick of bluing, 2 pairs of socks, 3 pounds of black pepper, 2 live hogs, 7 chickens, 1 cake, 1 large box of groceries, 9 cans of condensed milk, 2 sacks of table salt, 1 can of oysters, 1 can of corned beef, 1 can of salmon, a generous package of cheese, crackers, rice, sugar and coffee. Ten dollars and seventy-five cents cash.

Looking down the long vista of years, I see a noble future for a town that gives thus liberally to the cause of Christ. May he reward thee openly! With the Psalmist David, I can say, "Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life."

L. A. MCKEOWN.

Jan. 14, 1899.

Rev. Jas. O. Bennett, Keatchie, La., Jan. 16, 1899: "We begin the year's work on this (Caddo) circuit under encouraging prospects. We came into the parsonage on the fourth instant. Were cordially received, and on the night of the fourth were vigorously pounded. We feel very much at home with these good people, and are constantly receiving tokens of their appreciation of the one who comes to minister to them in spiritual things. For all this we devoutly thank God and take courage. In conclusion, let me say that I shall do my best to give the ADVOCATE a wider circulation during the year. I think the ADVOCATE grows better with every issue. It is one of our very best church papers."

Rev. R. M. Blocker, Lake Arthur, La., Jan. 16, 1899: "I am glad to say we are settled for the year. We have a good home on Lake Arthur, yet it is a rented home, and not a parsonage. We have been kindly received. I have two churches, about twenty miles apart, and all the missionary work I can do. I am just in from Lacasine. I had to swim my pony twice about a hundred yards. The woods are in awful condition since so much rain. We had one bright conversion on our first Sunday at Lake Arthur. Bro. Howell left this work in good condition."

When a Japanese girl marries, she blackens her teeth, thus to a great extent marring and spoiling her beauty. American husbands would not dream of such barbarism, but on the contrary, want their wives to remain beautiful and attractive just as long as possible. In fact, every woman owes it to herself and society to preserve her beauty, attractiveness and amiability to the very end.

Thousands of women fail of this for one great prevalent reason. While they resort to every device to preserve their beauty of complexion by external applications and possibly take the best care of their general health, they are too frequently utterly neglectful of their health in a special womanly way. No woman can remain beautiful, attractive or amiable, who suffers from weakness and disease of the delicate and important feminine organism. A woman who suffers in this way will lose her clearness of complexion, her eyes will become dull, worry and pain will mark her face with wrinkles and she will become nervous, sickly, fretful and despondent. There is a sovereign remedy for all troubles of this description. It is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

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Out of sight and out of reach they go—
These close familiar friends, who loved us so;
And, sitting in the shadow they have left,
Alone with loneliness, and sore bereft,
We think with vain regret of some fond word
That once we might have said and they have heard.

—Nora Perry.

It is not a sin to be wealthy, nor a virtue to be poor.—Exchange.

Place your work high; always work with a will and never be satisfied with mediocrity.—Selected.

The man who has sense enough to hold his tongue is very nearly as wise as the man who knows what to say and how to say it.—Selected.

God never does anything for us that we can do for ourselves. If we could have saved ourselves, Jesus would never have come.—Exchange.

Some one has beautifully said that we should give God our last thought at night that he may be with us in our dreams, and our first waking thought that we may keep him company all day long.—Selected.

Line upon line, precept upon precept, we must have in a home. But we must also have serenity, peace, and the absence of petty fault-finding, if home is to be a nursery fit for heaven's growing plants.—Exchange.

No man or woman of the humblest sort can really be strong, pure and good, without the world being better for it; without somebody being helped and comforted by the very existence of this goodness.—Phillips Brooks.

The shortness of life is bound up with its fullness. It is to him who is most active, always thinking, feeling, working, caring for people and for things, that life seems short. Strip a life empty and it will seem long enough.—Phillips Brooks.

The present time—youngest born of eternity, child and heir of all the past times, with their good and evil, and parent of all the future—is ever a "new era" to the thinking man. . . . To know it, and what it bids us do, is ever the sum of knowledge for all of us.—Thomas Carlyle.

Too long have we been willing to put that kingdom which Christ came to found away beyond the stars; to interpret all his glowing words about it as the description of some visionary state which has no relation to this world. That was not the purpose of his mission; that is not the meaning of his gospel. In his prayer there is not intimation of a wish that we may go to heaven; it is a prayer whose sole burden is that heaven may be brought to earth.—Standard.

A man may have the most dazzling talents, but if they are scattered upon many subjects, he will accomplish nothing. Strength is like gunpowder—to be effective, it needs contraction and aim. The marksman who aims at the whole target will seldom hit the center. The literary man or philosopher may revel among the sweetest and most beautiful flowers of thought, but unless he gathers or condenses them in the honeycomb of some great thought or work, his finest conceptions will be lost or useless.—Southern Advocate.

SEEKING, AND ITS REWARD.

In every realm of human activity finding is conditioned upon diligent search. Riches seldom fall into the lap of the sluggard. The earth yields but a poor harvest to him who sows sparingly and tills indifferently. Well-filled barns come to the husbandman not by accident, but as the result of diligent, wisely-directed toil. Most great inventions are the product of earnest effort directed to a specific end. It was thus that Eli Whitney invented the cotton gin, Morse the telegraph, and Edison the phonograph. Each set himself a definite task, and went to work at it with might and main. It was Sir Issac Newton, the tireless seeker after scientific truth, who discovered the great law of gravitation. Random, half-hearted seeking rarely amounts to anything.

This truth has significant spiritual applications. Many believers serve God in a general way, with little thought of making definite progress, or performing specific acts of service. They pray, not because they realize special needs and opportunities, but because of a conviction that prayer is a good thing, and ought not to be neglected. Hence, though they go through the form, they derive small benefit therefrom. Their prayers being entirely vague, it is not strange that they are lacking in joy and strength. Prevailing prayer is accompanied by introspection, and involves continual supplication for specific blessings—the expression of specific wants and aspirations. Before bestowing his best gifts upon us, God waits until we perceive our woeful lack of strength and goodness, and earnestly seek the riches of his kingdom.

The aim of preaching should be higher than the utterance of beautiful thoughts and forceful truths. It should be such as to show the sinner his lost condition, and point out to him the way to Christ. It should cause the believer to see his personal defects and duties, and teach him how to lead a life of constant holiness.

The hunter does not wait for game to wander near his home, or to cross his path; but he roams through the forests and over the fields in search thereof. Likewise, the Christian worker must not tarry for the unsaved and the unfortunate to seek him out, but must go where they are. Nor can he hope to reach the masses by shouting truth and sympathy to them from a distance. He must mingle with them, and show how he longs to help.

The sinner, too, can not hope to receive pardon and peace while wandering with profligate companions in paths of sin. He must first forsake his evil ways, and go where he can honor God, and where God is honored. To find God fully he must seek him in the sanctuary, or pray to him fervently in secret. It is useless for any man to seek God while he remains on the devil's grounds. In the kingdom of grace finding without seeking is impossible. As the precious gold is obtained from the rugged mountain-side only by patient, persevering toil, so the rich nuggets of promise and hope enrich only those who delve for them in the exhaustless mines of divine truth. It was to Abraham alone in Ur of the Chaldees and in Canaan, living in the midst of idolatry and unbelief, that God revealed himself, and to whom he made exceeding great promises because of the tenacity of his faith and the ardor of his search for heavenly wisdom. It was to the devout and hungry-souled eunuch of all the travelers who journeyed through Palestine in apostolic days that God sent his evangelist, Peter, to show him the way of salvation. God never fails to bless the waiting Simeons, the devout Cornelinses, and the wrestling Jacobs, but those who make no effort to draw nigh unto him, he knows afar off. "He that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

God has ordained that they who would inherit eternal life must seek him and serve him with the whole heart. Only those who hunger and thirst after righteousness shall be filled. Not until there is agony of desire and importunity in prayer does God pour out the fullness of his Spirit. While our heavenly Father graciously bestows far more than we ask, the intensity of our yearning for grace largely determines the measure of its bestowment. No man has any more religion than he longs and prays for. If Christians would seek the power and favor of God as earnestly as men seek riches, honor, and enjoyment, the tempter would assail us in vain, and life would be harmonious with the music of heaven. Thousands are literally burning out their lives in the vain pursuit of fame, fortune, or pleasure; but no soul ever yearned and sought after God without finding him.

REV. L. A. REED DEAD.

Rev. L. A. Reed died in this city on Friday, the twentieth, of pneumonia, preceded by an attack of la grippe. He was the oldest member of the Louisiana Conference, being about eighty-seven years of age. He was buried from Burgundy Street Church on Saturday, the funeral services being conducted by the presiding elder, Rev. S. S. Keener, assisted by several of the city pastors. He was universally respected and esteemed as a man of sterling integrity and a faithful minister of the gospel. At the recent session of the Louisiana Conference he was granted a superannuated relation. A suitable memoir will doubtless be prepared soon.

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The second term of the current session will begin Monday, Feb. 27, and continue until June 20. This will be a favorable time for new students to enter.

It will be gratifying to the friends of our college to know that the work of the session is progressing finely.

W. B. MURRAH, Pres.

THE CASE OF CONGRESSMAN-ELECT ROBERTS, OF UTAH.

1. Polygamy is contrary to the law of Utah.

2. It was contrary to the law of the United States at the time that Utah was made a State.

3. Utah would not have been made a State if the Mormon hierarchy had not affirmed that polygamy was to be no longer practiced with the approval of the Mormon Church.

4. Polygamy is counted a crime and an immorality in all the States of the Union, in all the Territories, and in the District of Columbia.

5 Congressman-elect Roberts is an avowed and open polygamist.

6. In electing him under the circumstances, Utah has treated the government of the United States most discourteously.

7. The House of Representatives is the judge of the qualifications of its own members.

8. The seating of this man will give great encouragement to all secret and semi-open polygamists in Utah and the other States where the Mormons exist and grow.

Mormonism has the same right to exist and practice its principles in this country as Christianity or any other religion has, but it has no right to break any law of the State or promote the breaking of the same.

The preceding points contain everything pertinent to the subject, and some things which perhaps would not naturally control the result, but are necessary to a full recognition of all that may follow from seating or unseating this man. We have no doubt of the full power of Congress to unseat him, and that his flagrant course fully justifies it.—New York Advocate.

A communication from our Missionary Secretaries conveys the information that the receipts of the Board for the year ending Jan. 1, 1899, are $10,040.97 less than for the previous year.

This statement should receive careful attention from every pastor and presiding elder. Let the collection for foreign missions be taken at once in every charge, and let the money be forwarded to the treasurer at Nashville. This is a case where promptness will be of incalculable service. Should the church fail to respond to this call, the result will be either another debt, or diminished appropriations, which would mean retrogression at a time when "Forward" should be our motto.

At the recent session of the Western North Carolina Conference, Rev. James Needham, who lacks only a few months of being one hundred years old, preached to a congregation of two thousand people, says the North Carolina Christian Advocate.—Midland Methodist.

NOTES.

The postoffice of Rev. J. M. Alford is Magnolia, La.

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Rev. J. E. Denson begins the year well at Dryades Street.

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Rev. W. T. Woodward has made a good beginning at Lecompte, La.

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Rev. H. S. Spraggins has begun the year quite auspiciously on the Tibbee charge.

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It is stated in the papers that almost all the State officers of Texas are Methodists.

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Bishop W. A. Candler will preach the commencement sermon of Millsaps College, Sunday, June 18.

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The Methodists of First Church, Dallas, Texas, gave a reception a few days since to Bishop Galloway.

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Miss Helen Gould, of New York City, has given $310,000 to get a library building for New York University.

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Sister Sibley, wife of Rev. R. A. Sibley, Jr., of the Mississippi Conference, has been seriously ill, but is now convalescent.

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Trinity College, North Carolina, has a trio of Bishops on its next commencement programme—Candler, Duncan, and Vincent.

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Rev. B. H. Sheppard writes: "I am working hard for the ADVOCATE. I hope to send you at least fifty new subscribers this year."

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Rev. W. G. Forsythe has made an excellent beginning at Biloxi. He is pleased with the place, and regards the outlook as hopeful.

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Rev. J. W. McLaurin has been most cordially received by the Methodists of Canton, Miss. He begins the year joyfully and hopefully.

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The Southern Christian Advocate has removed from Greenville to Columbia, S. C., and changed its form from an eight-page to a sixteen-page sheet.

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Rev. W. H. Lewis writes that he and his family are very pleasantly domiciled in their new home at Ocean Springs, Miss., and that he regards the outlook as encouraging.

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Rev. W. H. Huntley pays for thirty-five new subscriptions for one month, hoping thereby to secure them permanently. Many thanks to our brother for his interest in the ADVOCATE.

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Dr. J. W. Harmon, of the Mississippi Conference, let the light of his genial face shine into our sanctum recently. He is in good health and spirits, and but for the almanac would be as young as ever.

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Miss Jessie Norsworthy, daughter of Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, of the Mississippi Conference, was married, on the eighteenth, to Mr. John Ligon, of Jackson, Miss. May Heaven's richest blessings rest upon them through life!

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Rev. W. L. Linfield, Morton, Miss., writes: "Our new presiding elder, Bro. Mellen, preached for us on the second Sunday, and delighted his congregation with his strong and edifying sermon. He has made a fine impression on my people here."

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The press dispatches announce the marriage of Dr. E. H. Monnger, of the Mississippi Conference, to Mrs. S. M. Folkes, of Oak Ridge, Miss. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the happy pair, and invoke Heaven's richest blessings upon them.

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Rev. J. M. Wyatt, the progressive and popular presiding elder of the Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, will dedicate a new church at Pine Grove, on the Okolona circuit. The pastor, Bro. Craddock, and his enterprising flock are to be congratulated.

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The Executive Committee of the Louisiana State Epworth League held a meeting on Monday night, and took important action relative to the approaching League Conference at Crowley. The time for the Conference has not yet been fixed, but will be soon. An excellent programme will be arranged, and a large attendance is anticipated.

A brother complains that the ADVOCATE gives very little news from his immediate vicinity. Yet our files show that he has not sent in a report from his charge, or reported a single item of church news for years. His complaint is founded in—what?

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Prof. C. B. Snyder, musical director in the Conservatory of Music of Whitworth College, has been appointed examiner of all applicants from the State of Mississippi for admission into the New England Conservatory. This is the best possible evidence of the excellence of Whitworth's musical department.

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Bro. A. said he could not circulate the Conference organ in his charge, though he did circulate other papers extensively. When the itinerant wheel moved Bro. A. to another field, his successor secured about forty subscriptions to the Conference organ within a short time. Is there any point in this?

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Rev. R. W. Vaughan, writing from Downsville, La., under date of Jan. 16, says: "We have had very bad weather since Conference, but have filled most appointments, and find the outlook very promising. The people and preacher are confidently looking forward to the best year in the history of the work. Pray for us."

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The National Prison Reform Association has been holding its annual convention in Tulane Hall, in this city, for some days past. Several of the pulpits of the city were occupied by its members last Sabbath. At Carondelet Street Church, at the night service, Gen. R. Brinkerhoff delivered a very entertaining and instructive address concerning the work and the purposes of the association.

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On last Monday the New Orleans Preachers' Meeting was honored with the presence of the following brethren: Rev. J. W. Robinson, a superannuated member of the St. Louis Conference; Rev. R. C. Buckner, agent of the Texas Baptist Orphans' Home, and president of the Texas Baptist Convention; Rev. Dr. Locke, president of the Ohio State Reformatory at Mansfield—each of whom made a talk.

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We clip the following from a recent issue of the Daily Clarion-Ledger, Jackson, Miss.:

Rev. J. S. Parker and wife, of this city, left to-day for Caseyville, Lincoln county, where Mr. Parker has been assigned to the pastorate of the Methodist Church. This esteemed couple have resided in Jackson for several years, and their departure is sincerely regretted by a host of friends. Wednesday afternoon the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church gave a delightful farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. Parker. Many members were present, and all wished them success and happiness in their new home.

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We commend the following to the consideration of pastors and presiding elders. What is true in the latitude of St. Louis is true in the latitude of New Orleans. If you want an intelligent, wide-awake membership, alive to every interest of the church, see to it that the ADVOCATE circulates among them.

A presiding elder puts an important fact, which is worthy of consideration and comment, into one of his telling sentences as follows:

"The charges on this district that showed an increase in the circulation of the Central Christian Advocate last year also showed an increase in all the benevolent collections."

This fact might be duplicated many times by the testimony of our best workers. A pastor said not long ago: "I can pick out in my congregation the subscribers to the Central, off-hand, without referring to my list. I recognize them by their increased intelligence, their enlarged liberality, their generous and appreciative spirit. Whenever the paper goes into a home I begin to expect certain results to follow, and among these results one is almost invariable—more liberal giving." Every wide-awake pastor is alert just now to enlarge his list of subscribers to the church papers. The above testimonies ought to furnish them with arguments and motive power in the canvass.

People who make mistakes are those who quarrel with one another before their children, or who allow the latter to grow up in idleness those who talk about their troubles before strangers; the father who tells his children to go the way he does not go himself, and the young woman who does not make a confidant of her mother.—Lutheran Observer.

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"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Mansfield, La., EDITOR.

During a recent visit to Texas Avenue Church, Shreveport, we had the opportunity to attend a business meeting of the League. The president and secretary were at the table—the one nearly seventy, the other not quite seventeen.

It was refreshing to see the older members thus interested, and at work with and for the young people. They seem to pay little attention to the almanac; but, young in spirit and hopeful, they are marching forward together to the music of celestial song.

The League at this church is alive, and under the leadership of their new pastor, Rev. P. O. Lowrey, they propose to do more and better work during the present year that they have ever done in the past.

Recently we were permitted to peruse a copy of the Methodist Episcopal Advocate, the organ of the West Virginia Conference. It has an Epworth League Department, with Rev. Lyman F. Jackson as editor. Bro. Jackson was formerly a member of the Louisiana Conference, and stationed at Alexandria.

It was our privilege to spend Sunday, Jan. 15, with the good people of Minden. Their new pastor, Rev. Courtland Prentiss Smith, who had, a week before, arrived from Laurel, Md., is an active Leaguer. He attended the International Conference at Toronto, and will (D. V.) visit Indianapolis this Summer with the Louisiana Leaguers.

A goodly member of the Leaguers and their friends were present in the afternoon to hear this scribe talk about the aim and work of the Epworth League. We hope they will send delegations and good reports to Crowley and Indianapolis.

Preparations are being made in the Columbus, Winona and Aberdeen districts for District League Conferences some time in the early Spring. The main object is to rally the forces and get ready for the State Conference by May 18.

Joe Ramsey, the blind boy from Tennessee, will attend the State Conference and deliver two addresses. He will also make an itinerary of Mississippi in the interest of the work. The Tupelo League No. 406 observed Epworth League Day, Jan. 8. Bro. Myers, the pastor, made a capital address, and subscriptions were taken for the Era.

Prof. W. A. Hemphill, of Texas, who will have charge of the music at the International Conference at Indianapolis in July, has also signified his willingness to direct the music at the Mississippi League Conference at West Point, provided he can arrange to leave his school at that time.

The Tupelo Leaguers are pleased with their new pastor, Rev. S. B. Myers, who has shown himself to be in hearty sympathy with the young life of his church.

There is no more active a League in the State now than the one at Central Church, Meridian. The benefit of a State League Conference was received there in full measure.

Bro. Burton reports thirty-three orphans now in the Home, and their appeal is one that calls for our tenderest sympathies. Our pledge must be redeemed.

The Starkville League has bought eight or nine sets of the reading course, and, it is needless to add, is in a prosperous condition. We recommend to these Leaguers their new pastor, Rev. R. A. Meek, as one who will materially aid them in their work.

Five Leagues from the Jackson district have paid shares on our special fund, which entitles it to be called the banner district. Four from the Vicksburg, and also four from the Columbus district, have paid, which places these districts second in this important work.

The Macon, Lauderdale and Port Gibson Juniors are the only Juniors that have paid a share on our special fund. We hope the Junior Superintendents will note this, and let the Juniors help in this work.

In recent issues of The Epworth Era were published two poems from the pen of Miss Annie Estelle Boothe, district secretary of the Sardis district. These poems are tender, touching, and beautiful, and it is claimed by the authoress that these and other poems are the result of encouragement and help received at the Sardis District League Conference, held in July last.

The Leagues at Inka, Corinth, Tupelo, West Point, Columbus, Macon, Starkville and Central Church, Meridian, have each bought a missionary library. Doubtless other Leagues in the State have done so; but we have heard only from these.

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Some of our readers would, no doubt, find it to their interest to read the ad. of Civil Service Bureau.

MINISTERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The members of the above association will please take notice that Rev. J. C. Park, Rosedale, Bolivar county, Miss., is now secretary and treasurer.

Though a member of another Conference, I shall still hold my membership with your association, as change of Conference relations does not vitiate membership in the association. In 1893, when you elected me as secretary and treasurer, we had 39 members. I have recently sent Bro. Park the names of 79 brethren who are members in good standing. Bro. A. J. Jones, who went to heaven on the fifteenth of this month, was a member of the association. It will be a privilege and pleasure for me to pay my mortuary fee for the benefit of his faithful family.

Yours affectionately,

THOMAS B. CLIFFORD,
Sec and Treas. from 1893-1898.

Mansfield, La., Jan. 20, 1899.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS."

If my friend, Bro. J. H. Smith, can point out one "ornel" thing that I said in my letter, then I am ready to apologize to him or to any other aggrieved brother. As to defending my assertions, I only need to say that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating." If a brother succeeds along a given line of church work, isn't that defense or proof enough? Far be it from me to offend one of the least of Christ's disciples; I only wanted to show what one brother in particular had done. No, my brother; I do not disparage the work done by the worthy men who are giving their lives to the work of the church; nor do I believe that a brother must succeed in a certain way to succeed at all, but I am glad to know that our preachers are all faithful to their Lord, and that he does honor them.

T. W. LEWIS.

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W. D. BASS.

Corinth, Miss.

NATCHEZ, MISS.

MR. EDITOR: We are in our parsonage home in Natchez. We arrived at 7:40 P. M., Jan. 12. We were kindly received at the train and conveyed to the parsonage, where a number of elect ladies and gentlemen were in waiting to receive and welcome us. Our home is nicely furnished, every want having been anticipated. An elegant reception was given us last evening in the Sunday-school room, where we met many members of our church and of other churches. No one can appreciate our pleasant surroundings in this delightful home and pastorate more than an ex-presiding elder who, for five long years, has been without the kindly attentions of the good men and women of the pastorate. You know Natchez, having once enjoyed a stay of four years among this noble people, and hence know what has fallen to our lot. We shall be glad to have you among us this year.

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MINDEN.

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Of kindness and of good,
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We may all do while here;
For a good deed every day
Makes blessed all the year.

THE WORTH OF LITERARY CULTURE.

In his "Talks on the Study of Literature" (a volume of lectures delivered under the auspices of the Lowell Institute), Prof. Arlo Bates, of the Boston University, finds something new and important to say on such well-worn themes as "The Value of the Classics," "Fiction," and "Poetry." The lectures are chiefly concerned with methods of acquiring a knowledge of the world's best books, traversing much the same ground that most text-books on the subject traverse; but incidentally Mr. Bates gives us instructive comments on contemporary literature and on the value of the art of letters to national development. Beginning with a definition of "literature," which is affirmed to be "genuine emotion, adequately expressed," Professor Bates considers how far the experience of emotion through reading can be profitably substituted for the realities of actual life. To most of us in modern civilization circumstances deny the possibility of experiencing even a small part of all the varied sensations of which we know ourselves capable. Fate condemns us to humdrum existences, which for the wise can only be relieved by finding in art the emotional gratification which is unsatisfied by outward reality.

The lectures on "Methods of Study" and "False Methods" contain many helpful suggestions for the reader who wishes to know and appreciate the works of the writers who have best expressed the wide range of human experience. Some of the defects in what passes for the study of literature—the hurried cramming of innumerable miscellaneous volumes, the perusal of large numbers of books giving petty personal details of the lives of great writers, and close devotion to the history of literature—are condemned as having nothing in common with the real purpose of literary study.

Stress is laid upon the importance of careful training in order to enjoy the books which are really worth attention, for while one may be born with a love of the best in art, the full appreciation of the work of the master-mind comes only with patient effort. The highest function of literature is its appeal to the intellect as a means of touching and arousing the imagination. To read sympathetically, therefore, is as fundamental a condition of good reading as is to read intelligently. The final suggestion as to methods is:

"It may seem that enough has already been required to make reading the most serious of undertakings; yet there is still one requirement more which is of the utmost importance. He is unworthy to share the delights of great work who is not able to respect it; he has no right to meddle with the best of literature who is not prepared to approach it with some reverence. In the greatest books the master-minds of the race have graciously bidden their fellows into their high company. The honor should be treated according to its worth. Irreverence is the deformity of a diseased mind. The man who can not revere what is noble is innately degraded. When writers of genius have given us their best thoughts, their deepest imaginings, their noblest emotions, it is for us to receive them with bared heads. He is greatly to be pitied who, in reading high imaginative work, has never been conscious of a sense of being in a fine and noble presence, of having been admitted into a place which should not be profaned. Only that soul is great which can appreciate greatness. Remember that there is no surer measure of what you are than the extent to which you are able to rise to the heights of supreme books; the extent to which you are able to comprehend, to delight in, and to revere, the masterpieces of literature."—Literary Digest.

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"Time enough" is always little enough, and the time lost in idleness and neglect is not to be made up in frantic haste. Says a judicious writer:

"We can spoil more work, do more damage to all concerned, and create more needless delay, by anxious, unseemly, and precipitate haste than in any other way. Our powers of perception become dimmed, our spiritual discernment becomes less acute, our reason is more sure to be at fault, our memory refuses to fulfill her office, our tempers become unmanageable, our whole nature—physical, mental, and moral—becomes incapacitated for the best quality of work. So much that we have so done would be so much better left undone, and still more will require to be done over again, that we will find that the old motto will repeat itself in our hurried experience, 'The more haste, the less speed.' So there is a profound truth in John Wesley's apparently singular statement, 'I have no time to be in a hurry;' and an older writer than Wesley, conscious of a self-poise of the trusting soul which rests upon a sure foundation, has said: 'Thus saith the Lord God, Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner-stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.' (Isaiah xxviii, 16.)"—The Christian.

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It is true that one must receive the impressions, but he must then or later think of them and get all the lessons out of them they can teach. "Scatteration" is a blood-sucker. Success is attained only by a oneness of purpose that fires the whole being of the youth, and by a concentration of every faculty toward its accomplishment.—Success.

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For standing by your principles.
For stopping your ears to gossip.
For asking pardon when in error.
For being as courteous as a duke.
For the influence of high motives.
For bridling a slanderous tongue.
For being square in business deals.
For sympathizing with the oppressed.
For giving an unfortunate fellow a lift.
For being patient with cranky neighbors.—Arkansas Baptist.

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1. Begin young, by giving whatever he cries for.
2. Tell him he is too much for you; that you can do nothing with him.
3. Have divided counsels as between father and mother.
4. Let him learn (from father's example) to despise his mother.
5. Do not know or care who his companions may be.
6. Let him read whatever he likes.
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It was near Thomastown, Miss., where her parents lived, where she was born, and where her father died. Some years after her father's death her mother married Mr. J. T. Shivers. They then moved to the Delta, and settled on Tchola Lake, where, with her four brothers and one half-brother, she grew up to womanhood.

She was converted and joined the Methodist Church at Silon under the ministry of Rev. W. W. Hoskins, when quite young, and lived a faithful member until death. She was married to Mr. Chas. T. Clark, Feb. 26, 1880, on Walton Bend plantation, in Holmes county. She was a faithful and devoted wife, and the mother of four children—three boys and one little girl. She adorned the doctrine of her Master in all the relations of life; an obedient daughter, a loving sister, a devoted wife, a good and self-sacrificing mother, a true friend, and a consistent member of the church.

She was taken on Dec. 14 (Wednesday) with la grippe and pneumonia, which soon developed into a severe case of hematuria, and she died on the following Sunday at 5 A. M. She soon became conscious that her time had come, and asked those who waited about her bed not to grieve after her. All that could be done by a devoted husband, loving brothers and a faithful doctor availed nothing. Her time had come, and she must go. She committed her children to her mother and their father and to her heavenly Father, and kindly admonished her husband and brothers to be Christians, and then, with a peaceful and triumphant smile, she resigned her spirit to Him who gave it, and passed out and up to be with God. She leaves a mother, husband, three brothers and four children on this side of the narrow sea that divides the heavenly land from ours. May it be their happy lot in the end to pass over and all join in a happy reunion around the great white throne!

The writer had the pleasure of being Mrs. Clark's pastor for four years, and always found her faithful and true. "Sure, when her gentle spirit fled with outstretched arms to realms beyond the azure dome, God's angels said, 'Welcome to heaven, home, sweet home.'"

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Dear ones at home, while we weep she is wrapped in celestial joys in the presence of our God; and while our Father has called her to a sphere of more exalted services and pleasures, she loves you still; and while you long to find her again, she is watching with holy interest over you, and is alluring you, by sweet, mysterious influences, into a participation with her of celestial joys, and ere long you will join her. We should find comfort in the knowledge that our dear one is waiting to spring the pearly gates ajar to let us in.

EMMA R. WITT.

SHEPPARD—WM. ROLAND SHEPPARD was born in Atlanta, Ga., April 11, 1846, and died at his home in Greenwood, La., Dec. 12, 1898. He came to Louisiana in 1869, and settled in Caddo parish, where he was married Nov. 8, 1871, to Miss Mary T. Jones, who died Aug. 28, 1892. Eleven children blessed their union, four of whom awaited him on the other shore.

By those among whom he lived for twenty-eight years he was held in the highest esteem. He was always the preacher's friend. At one time the church at Greenwood went down to almost nothing. During this period he and his good wife held things together, and it was to them the preacher would look for a cordial welcome and a hearty God-speed.

During the last six years of his life he filled the double position of father and mother to seven children, four of whom were very young when his wife died; yet he was faithful in his attendance upon all the services of the sanctuary. If for any reason he was absent from church, he was always careful that his pastor should know the cause.

His death has left a vacancy in the life of this delightful little village which will be sorely felt. Unconsciousness during the last hours of his illness prevented a dying testimony; but those who knew him needed it not to be assured of his eternal safety.

We commend the bereaved children to the God of their parents, and pray that their sore bereavement may be so sanctified to their spiritual good as to result in an unbroken family in the home beyond.

PAUL M. BROWN.

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Grieve not for Lardon, for he is beyond the pale of harm, and he is at home, where he awaits the coming of loved ones left behind. Mourn not, for earth's loss is heaven's gain, and after a season we shall meet the baby boy where there is no more parting and no more death.

MELVILLE DYE.

New Orleans, La.

INABNET—Mrs. ELIZABETH INABNET (nee Bryan) was born in Coosa county, Ala., Oct. 11, 1831, and died at her home near Lapine, La., Jan. 3, 1899. She came to Louisiana with her parents in 1845, and settled with them in Jackson parish, where she was married to Mr. John D. Inabnet, May 23, 1850. Seven children—six boys and one girl—were born of this union. John Inabnet died Nov. 5, 1870, and only two of the children all survive: Jas. A. Inabnet, of Alexander, Texas, and Rev. W. B. Inabnet, of Lapine, La. She was staying with the latter at the time of her death.

Our mother was very dear to us, and we were loath to give her up. Her prayers and good counsel, which had helped to steer our course thus far, will be missed; but we are consoled by the fact that she was a Christian, and ready for the change, having been converted in her thirteenth year. She joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a consistent member until her death. Her home was a home for the preachers, and many a weary pilgrim has she sheltered. She loved her church, and was always at divine services when her health would permit. We mourn for our mother, but she has crossed over the river to wait for us there.

HER SON.

FOSTER—MORRIS LOYD, son of Rev. Wm. M. and Mattie Foster, was born in Chickasaw county, Miss., Aug. 30, 1888. He came with his parents to Texas in November, 1893, and died of pneumonia near Tyler, Texas, Dec. 17, 1898.

Morris was a noble, good boy; said his prayers, read his Bible, and often told what the preacher said in his sermon. Oh, what a blessed thought that Jesus has gone to prepare a place for us, where we shall meet, and our hearts will know sorrow no more! We shall see him again. Happy thought!

HIS PARENTS.

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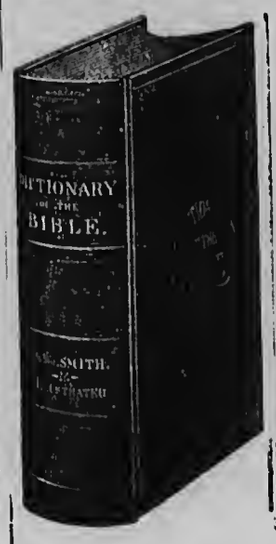

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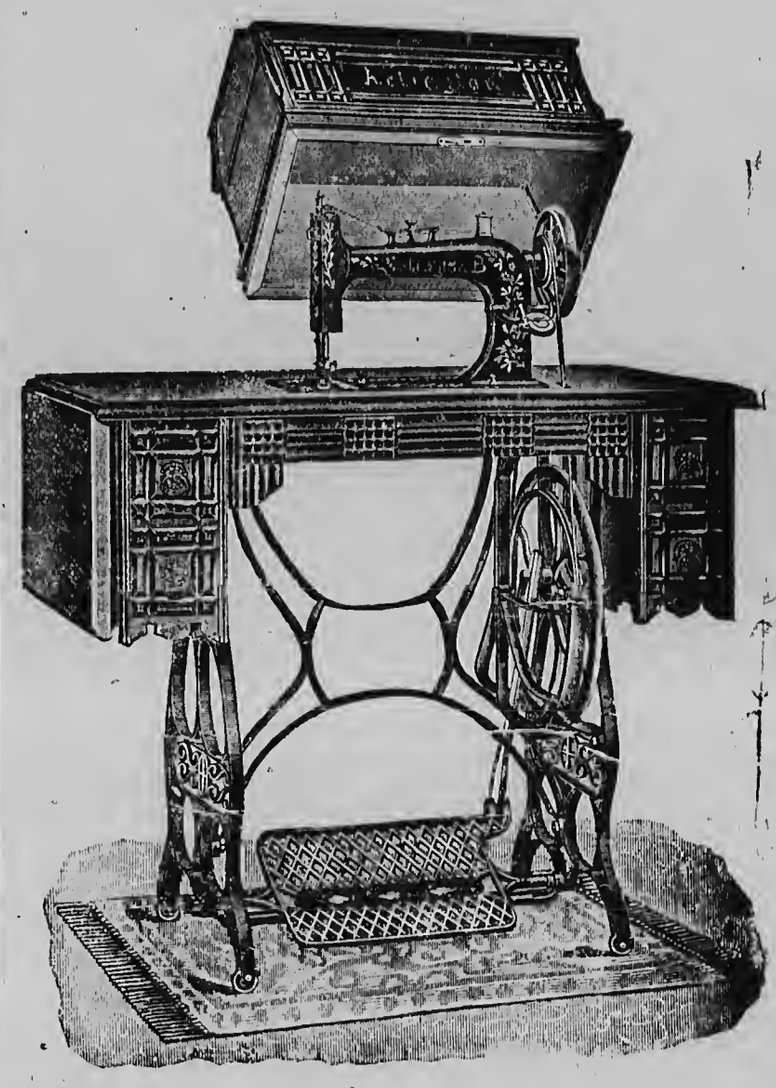

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

By a unanimous vote the Minnesota Senate has declared in favor of the election of United States Senators by the people.

Maryland is to erect a $10,000 monument at Antietam in memory of the soldiers of both the Confederate and Federal Armies.

Indiana expends annually for poor relief through country and township officials about $1,000,000. About one-half this sum is paid for the care of persons in institutions.

Mrs. S. J. Atwood, who runs a labor bureau in Denver, has hired over 40,000 men in the last thirteen years for work on Western railroads. She is said to be the only woman railroad employment agent in the country.

The annual report of the New York State Board of Charities shows that the inmates and other beneficiaries of the institutions and associations of the State number more than 2,500,000 in the aggregate, and that the expense of their maintenance amounts to nearly $232,000,000 annually.

A bill aimed at the Standard Oil Company is pending in the Kansas Legislature. It declares "non-enforceable all evidence of indebtedness given in whole or part for any commodity or commodities produced or manufactured by any trust dealing in or producing petroleum or any of its manufactural products."

Mrs. Frances S. Lee, a member of the Lower House of the Colorado Legislature, presided over the House as acting Speaker the other day. She was called "Mr. Speaker," "Mrs. Speaker," "Mme. Speaker," etc., and if she discovered that the Speaker had less talking to do than anyone else, she manifested no surprise. When it became necessary to call members to order she used the gavel.

Serious consideration will be given by the Cabinet to the critical conditions existing in the Philippines, as recently reported by Major-General Otis. It is claimed that the President is handicapped in dealing with the situation by the inaction of the Senate with respect to the ratification of the treaty of peace. In any event, some of the officials of the administration are convinced that the procrastinating and hesitating policy which the Senate is pursuing will bring about the result which the President is so anxious to avoid, conflict with the insurgents.

The nearer the time for the meeting of the Czar of Russia's disarmament convention approaches the more apparent it becomes that no results are likely to follow from it. It is now admitted, even by the Russian Government, that disarmament, in the sense that military service was to be abolished or the present armies of Europe reduced, was not at any time contemplated. The most that was expected was the stoppage of the further expansion of the armed forces and the adoption of a general agreement to restrict the use of explosives, submarine boats, and the like.

After patiently awaiting her opportunity for more than a decade, Great Britain has at last found a safe excuse for tightening her toils around Egypt. By virtue of a convention, formally signed several days ago at Cairo by representatives of the Egyptian and British Governments, the government and control of the Soudan is formally intrusted entirely to a governor-general selected by Great Britain. Egyptian laws are not to apply to the Soudan provinces, nor will the mixed tribunals which existed in Egypt by international agreement exert any jurisdiction whatever in the reconquered provinces.

By request of the Secretary of the Treasury, the War Department has ordered the American officials in Porto Rico to enforce the Chinese exclusion laws of this country in Porto Rico. Under this regulation, no Chinaman can be admitted to Porto Rico without compliance to the laws of the United States. Chinamen can go back and forward between this country and Porto Rico without restriction. They will not be allowed to go from Cuba to Porto Rico. Treasury officials ascertained that Chinese agents were preparing to flood Porto Rico with Chinamen from other countries, who hoped thereby later to get into the United States.

It is declared that Secretary Alger is to be removed from the War Department. It is also declared that General Miles is to be removed for two reasons. First, that when, as he alleges, he found the beef bad, he did not report to the government; second, that he does not work harmoniously with the administration. If reports are true, this will be the result of the investigation by the War Commission. It will report against the charges that "embalmed" beef was supplied to the soldiers, and that the canned and otherwise prepared meat was bad or poisonous; also that the charges that soldiers did not have proper food are untrue. With General Eagan court-martialed and as gracefully as possible relegated into obscurity, and Alger put out of the War Department, and General Miles removed, the administration will have a chance to return to its more important work of getting its numerous islands upon a business basis. Millions of capital and the representatives of the chief interests of the country are anxious to begin drumming up trade in the new possessions of tropical American.

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Donaldsonville....	12
Rayne Memorial....	19
Lower Coast....	26
Carrollton Avenue....Mar.	5
Carondelet Street....	12
White Castle....	19
Burgundy Street....	26
Covington....Apr.	2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

North Bossier, at ——....Jan.	28, 29
Caddo, at Keatchie....Feb.	4, 5
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane....	11, 12
Logansport, at Logansport....	18, 19
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport....	25, 26
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many....Mar.	4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill....	11, 12
Red River, at ——....	18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs....	25, 26
Coushatta, at ——....Apr.	1, 2
Mansfield....	6
Florine and mission, at ——....	15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle....	22, 23
Pelican, at ——....	29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Girard, at Girard....Jan.	28, 29
Rayville and Delhi....Feb.	4, 5
Vidalia and Glibert....	11, 12
Waterproof....	18, 16
Lake Providence....	25, 26
Bonita....Mar.	3, 4
Floyd....	11, 12
Tallolah....	18, 19
Winnsboro....	25, 26
Harrisonburg....Apr.	1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

District stewards, please meet in Rayville, Friday, Jan. 27, at 1:30 P. M.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Downsville....Jan.	28, 29
Farmerville....	26, 30
Haynesville....Feb.	4, 5
Homer....	5, 6
Bienville....	11, 12
Lanesville....	18, 19
Gibsland....	20
Valley....	25, 26
Minden....Mar.	4, 5
Gansville....	11, 12
Arcadia....	18, 19

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Opelousas....Jan.	26
Prudhomme....	28, 29
Plaquemine Brusle....Feb.	1
Crowley....	4, 5
Indian Bayou....	7
Lake Arthur....	11, 12
Lake Charles....	15
West Lake....	17
Grand Chenlere....	..

Pastors will please inform me where the Conferences are to be held, and when off the main railroad, how to get to them.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Pine Grove, at Pine Grove....Jan.	28, 29
Ponchatoula, at Ponchatoula....	30, 31
Franklinton, at Fisher's....Feb.	2, 3
Amite City, at Amite City....	4, 5
Slaughter, at Elbel....	11, 12
Wilson, at Gayden....	18, 19
Clinton....	16, 10
St. Helena, at Greensburgh....	25, 26
St. Francisville, at Concord....Mar.	4, 5
Jackson....	5, 6

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Natchitoches...Conf., 2 P. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M....Thurs..Jan.	26
Montgomery and Colfax, at Colfax....	28, 29
Ada and Winfield, at W....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M....Tues..	31
Olla and Pollock, at P....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.....Fri..Feb.	3
Columbia....	4, 5
Jena and Jonesville, at W. S. Springs. Conf., 11 A. M.; pr'g, 7:30 P. M..Tues.	7
Spring Creek, at Glenmora....	11, 12
Dry Creek, at D. C....Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M.....Tues..	14

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Courtland, at Courtland....Jan.	28, 29
Batesville and Wesley....	29, 30
Arkabutla....Feb.	4, 5
Nesbit....	7
Pleasant Grove....	11, 12
Longtown....	12, 13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs....	18, 19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet....	19, 20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel....	22
Wall Hill....	25, 26

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Brown's Creek....Jan.	28, 29
Belmont....	27
Guntown....Feb.	4, 5
Ripley circuit....	9
New Albany circuit....	11, 12
Saltillo circuit....	16
Jonesboro circuit....	18, 19
Burnsville and Jacinto....	24

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Quincy circuit....Jan.	28, 29
Montpelier circuit, at Palestine....Feb.	4, 5
Buena Vista circuit....Tues..	7
Houston and Wesley....	11, 12
Shannon circuit....	18, 19
Fulton circuit....	25, 26
Tremont circuit....Tues..	28
Okolona circuit, at Pine Grove....Mar.	4, 5

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tatum, at Friendship....Jan.	28, 29
Toccopola....Feb.	4, 5
Paris, at Prospect....Fri..	16
Banner....	11, 12
Charleston, at Harrison....	18, 19
Chapel Hill....	25, 26
Slate Springs, at Bentley....Tues..	28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel....Wed..Mar.	01
Ellzey, at Old Town....Fri..	3
Pittsboro....	4, 5

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Burnt Hill, at Centre Ridge....Jan.	27
Ackerman, at McCool....	28, 26
Beizeun, at Beizona....Feb.	4, 5
Poplar Creek, at Friendship....	11, 12
Chester, at Chester....	18, 19
Louisville, at Rocky Hill....	25, 26
Salem, at Salem....Mar.	4, 5

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Lagrange, at Lewis Chapel....Jan.	26
Sturges, at Sturges....	28, 29
Columbus circuit, at Mt. Pleasant....Feb.	4, 5
Columbus station....	5, 6
Winstonville, at Mashulaville....	11, 12

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

North Kemper, at Spring Hill....Jan.	28, 29
DeKalb, at DeKalb....	29, 30
Porterville, at Porterville....Feb.	4, 5
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale....	5, 6
Wayne, at Liberty Hill....Fri..	10
Winchester, at Big Rock....	11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna....	12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto....	18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise....	19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel....Fri..	24
Mathorsville, at Poplar Springs....	25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman....	26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel....Mar.	4, 5
Bluesville, at Scooba....	11, 12

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ocean Springs and Scranton, at S....Jan.	28, 29
Biloxi, at Biloxi....	30
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach and Gulf Port, at Bay St. Louis....	31
Pearlington and Logtown, at P....Feb.	4, 5
Gallowny, at McLaurin....	6
Escatawpa, at Zion....	11, 12
Moss Point....	12, 13
Whittington, at Coleville....	15
St. John's, at St. John's....	16
East Covington, at Bethel....	18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg....	21
Hattiesburg....	26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia....Mar.	1
Leaksville, at Leaksville....	5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hattiesburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Forest, at Harperville..Sat. and Sun..Jan.	28, 29
Carthage, at Carthage....Sat..Feb.	4
Walnut Grove, at W. G..Sun. and Mon.	5, 6
Hillsboro, at Oak Grove....Tues..	7
Lake, at High Hill....Sat. and Sun..	11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence..Sat. and Sun....	18, 19
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill....Sat..	25
Newton and H., at Hickory..Sun. and Mon....	26, 27
Chunkay, at Suqualena....Fri..Mar.	3
Vossburg and H., at Heidelburg..Sun. and Mon....	5, 6
Montrose, at Mt. Zion..Sat. and Sun.	11, 12
Shiloh, at John's....Sat. and Sun..	18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur...Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
Neshoba, at Mars Hill..Sat. and Sun..Apr.	1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talil-Chinlok. Mon....	3

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MARRIAGES.

LIGON—NORSWORTHY.—At the parsonage in Natchez, Miss., Jan. 18, 1899, at 11 A. M., by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, Miss Jessie H. Norsworthy and Mr. J. B. Ligon, of Jackson.

LEBLANC—BACOT.—At the residence of the bride's father, near McComb City, Jan. 19, 1899, by Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, Mr. J. C. LeBlanc, of Magnolia, Miss., to Miss A. E. Bacot.

MCCRANNIE—TILLERY.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Ilonia Hill, Miss., Jan. 5, 1899, by Rev. C. C. Griffin, Mr. R. L. McCrannie to Miss Martice Tillery, all of Wilkinson county.

JOHNSON—COBB.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Roraitta, Miss., Jan. 12, 1899, by Rev. C. C. Griffin, Mr. W. F. Johnson to Miss Bathei Cobb.

KELLY—HEALL.—At the residence of the bride's father, Jan. 22, 1899, by Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, Mr. E. C. Kelly to Miss M. L. Beall, both of McComb City, Miss.

ASHBY—INLOW.—At the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Mr. Alf. Hopkins, Jan. 15, 1899, by Rev. C. C. Griffin, Mr. J. D. Ashby to Mrs. Ledia Inlow, all of Wilkinson county.

BUFORD—MCMEANS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Bastrop, La., Jan. 18, 1899, by Rev. Wm. Schuhle, Mr. A. D. Buford to Miss Lola L. McManus.

CLARK—MOORE.—At Binnsville, Miss., Jan. 18, 1899, by Rev. R. E. Rutledge, Mr. J. M. Clark, of Mount Nebo, to Miss Kate Moore, of Binnsville.

CATCHINGS—BOVARD.—At the residence of Mr. J. F. Johnson, Jackson, Miss., Jan. 5, 1899, by Rev. J. G. Galloway, Mr. Frank H. Catchings, of Georgetown, Miss., to Miss Mollie Bovard, of Madison county.

ABNEY—MCERVIN.—At the residence of the bride's father, in McComb City, Miss., Dec. 29, 1898, by Rev. J. M. Merac, Rev. J. T. Abney, of the Mississippi Conference, to Miss Florance McErvin, of McComb City, Miss.

WILLHITE—MOORE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Jan. 5, 1899, by Rev. Rebt. W. Vaughan, Mr. Boyd Willhite to Miss Louana Moore, all of Union parish, La.

DELANEY—HERBERT.—In the Lacasine Church, Calcasieu parish, La., Jan. 11, 1899, by Rev. R. M. Blockar, Mr. Charles DeLaney to Miss Rosa Harbart.

AYCOCK—SIMMONS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. W. Simmons, L. P., Morton, Miss., Dec. 25, 1898, by Rev. W. L. Linfield, Mr. Otbe S. Aycock and Miss Kate Simmons.

HUCKABY—BISHOP.—At the residence of the bride's father, near Morton, Miss., Jan. 8, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Linfield, Mr. George Huckaby and Miss Fannie Bishop.

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MY PSALM.

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

All as God wills, who wisely heeds
To give or to withhold,
And knoweth more of all my needs
Than all my prayers have told!

Enough that blessings undeserved
Have marked my erring track;
That wherescoe'er my feet have swerved,
His chastening turned me back.

That more and more a Providence
Of love is understood,
Making the springs of time and sense
Sweet with eternal good;

That death seems but a covered way
Which opens into light,
Wherein no baffled child can stray
Beyond the Father's sight;

That care and trial seem at last,
Through Memory's sunset air,
Like mountain ranges overpast,
In purple distance fair;

That all the jarring notes of life
Seem blending in a psalm,
And all the angles of its strife
Slow rounding into calm.

And so the shadows fall apart,
And so the west winds play;
And all the windows of the heart
I open to the day.

—Exchange.

Communications.

J. O. KEENER, D. D.

The strongest and sturdiest specimen of massive manhood in the Methodism of Alabama has gone from us, and gone unto God. It is hard to realize it. A few weeks ago he stood before us, the picture of physical strength, and mental and moral might swept full-tided through him and from him. Now no more on the earth shall we behold him. Strange and mysterious are God's dealings, yet he "doeth all things well."

I first met Dr. Keener at Memphis in 1894, and from that time to the present friendship and affection and admiration have increased, until today I feel a sense of personal bereavement in his death that I can not express.

J. O. Keener was a MAN—every inch of him. Upon every question presented to him he had an opinion, firm, fixed, decided—aye, he had convictions, and for them, if needs be, he was ready to die. None of the things he did were done in "a corner." Frank and firm, candid and courageous, and at times caustic, there was never any doubt as to where John Keener stood. He was a hard hitter and a fearless fighter, yet he always faced the foe, and never struck an unmanly blow. If in the heat of discussion he wounded a brother's feelings, he had courage sufficient to instantly apologize, and religion enough to put it out of heart and out of mind. It ended then and there. As a friend, he was always found faithful, and though in body and mind rugged and stalwart as a mountain cedar, yet his heart was tender and true. His religious experience was clear and indisputable. He was not loud in profession, but he loyally lived the life of the Son of God among men. He dreaded seeming the thing that he was not. He would be real and not profess too much. This trait ran all through his life, and it was well. "A good man is holier, as a great man is greater, than he thinks himself to be." His development showed more of fruit than foliage. He grew as he well wrought the work God gave him to do. In all that work there was a moral weight, a spiritual force, and a clear definiteness of character that carried all before it. His life was not rooted in any mere earthly ambition, or self-centered effort to "make his way in the world," but it was rooted in the grace that "wrought the work of God" in his heart. As a preacher, Keener was always clear and forcing, strong, and yet persuading at times he was overpowered and saw into the heart of things Saved read out their meaning. minister as seals to his moving and oth gone up before him, will one ar in love here, and man, as a rtake him. As a as a preacher, as a college president, he was a growing man. It was his nature to grow, and he was always natural. His Conference delighted to honor him, and the General Conference heard him gladly, but his holy humility kept pace with his high honors. All of his accumulating influence was laid on God's altar. "To spend and be spent" for God was the ruling passion of his soul. He gave his means, his time, himself (all of himself), a trinue offering "holy and acceptable unto God." In Baltimore, last May, when he made that superb speech on the limitation of the term of presiding elders, many said that he ought to be even more highly honored than he had been, and he is. Heavenly honors are now his—high exaltation and eternal enthronement with "the saints in light." J. O. Keener fully possessed and ever exhibited,

"Honor to Love; Sincerity in Thought:
Delight in Virtue; Joy with Purity:
The fight of faith; the good fight firmly fought,
The purpose honest, and the standard high."

Dr. Keener's reverence and love for and admiration of his distinguished and honored father was a marked feature in his life. Sometimes it appeared to the thoughtless hearer that he was too prone to publicly praise that father; but it should never for a moment be forgotten that filial fondness was fixed in the son's heart in all the firmness and fullness that belonged to his whole-souled nature. He could do nothing by halves. Then, it has been the good fortune of but few sons to have had such a father to love and honor, and it has been granted to but few fathers to give to the church and to the world such a son.

Of Dr. Keener's home life let others, who have been privileged to enter the precincts of that happy home, and have witnessed his thoughtfulness and kindness and tenderness and love, speak. Early in December paralysis placed its stiffening hands upon him. The stroke was sudden. For some days he lingered, cheerful and contented to suffer God's will. Christmas, with its sweet song and story, came. We heard he was better, and how happy were the hopes that were born with the glad tidings! But soon in saddest sorrow we had to push those hopes out of our hearts. The sombre shadows surely settle. The frosty fringe of the cold cloud close hung around his couch. Death's dart struck home, and dire dismay filled full many a loving heart. On the thirty-first of December, 1898, John Orman Keener, with the Winter's winds whispering his requiem, went out with the "old year." Hear him! "What is that light I see?" Blessed brother, it's the day-dawn of the "new year" on the hill-tops of glory. We are in the darkness, thou art in the light. Good-night, my friend. God give us a glad good morning "some sweet day."

W. O. WAGGENER.

LaFayette, Ala., Jan. 6, 1899.

TRIBUTE OF THE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY FACULTY TO PRESIDENT J. O. KEENER.

John Orman Keener, A. M., D. D., president of the Southern University, died Dec. 31, 1898.

We, the faculty, his co-workers, deem it highly proper that we give some expression, though feeble it may be, of the deep sense of loss that we feel and that this institution sustains in the untimely death of our honored president. Although we can not understand the strange providence which has called him from his great work among us, yet by faith we acknowledge the wisdom and love of our Father in a dispensation which, from every human standpoint, seems so fatal to the great interests which he represented.

We would place upon permanent record the ineatimable service which he has rendered this institution in extending and making more thorough its course of study, in strengthening and enforcing its discipline, in systematizing and establishing its financial status, in improving and beautifying the grounds and buildings, and in holding up in his life and practice the highest type of Christian manhood.

It is with feelings of inexpressible sorrow and bereavement that we record here our sad farewell. We shall miss his manly and heroic form, his genial face and cheery words, his wise counsel and strong guiding hand. His beautiful ideals, memorialized in shining and skillfully wrought timbers that meet our eyes everywhere, are but faint expressions of the still more beautiful and lasting work which he has wrought for time and eternity in the lives of those entrusted to him as the higher and nobler architects of human character.

We offer our sympathy to his sorrowing loved ones, and would soften their grief by reminding them of the all-pervading and ever-present influence of his precious life and memory, a heritage rich with blessings to all who would share the glories of his immortality.

F. M. PETERSON,
D. P. CHRISTENBERRY,
Committee.

Correspondence.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

MR. EDITOR: When a man gets the grip, or the grip gets a grip on him, it does not easily let loose, but often continues for weeks to make him feel uncomfortable, weak, and good for nothing. It brings out, probably as clearly as any experience I ever had, the pertinence of the query, "Why should the spirit of mortal be proud?" And who knows but the epidemic now raging here and elsewhere is an instrument used in the hand of Providence to teach men to be humble?

I take recess every week immediately on the arrival of the ADVOCATE, laying aside everything, and mentally transporting myself through its columns to the Southland, to meet old friends and visit familiar places. The two dearest spots on earth to me are in your territory. One is Jackson, La., where two of the happiest years of my life were spent; the other—well, never mind! I wonder if men ever forget their college days! I wonder how many in after life regret the boyish folly and pranks and fun, and then, upon reconsideration, conclude that there is enough of the serious and solemn and care-wearing when college days are over, and 'twere just as well they let overflow their surplus fun before the time when the penalty for it was greater than a reprimand or demerit!

If it should be my lot—my undesired lot—to be relieved of my harness by any other hand than that of death; if there be any days between my laboring and my going—days of waiting, of reminiscence and anticipation—I want those days to be spent in Dixie. From there I want to start on my last journey, for I think heaven must be nearer to Dixie than to other parts of earth, and the journey will be sooner ended.

I am glad to see the success with which Dr. Cooper is meeting at Centenary; but he ought to have even more. He ought to have every Methodist boy in Louisiana, and every other boy whose parents want to make a Christian gentleman and scholar of the highest type of him. Other colleges in Louisiana may be good. I don't know anything about them, but I know what Centenary is.

The reports of the Louisiana and Mississippi Conferences were interesting reading to me. I thought I had arrangements perfected to migrate South last Fall, but Bishop Candler took matters into his own hands and sent me to Mt. Auburn Church, St. Louis. I have a most delightful charge in the western portion of the city, away from the smoke and mirch of the noise. Seventy-five per cent. of the membership are young people who are devoted to their church. The building is a very pretty brick, and, together with the large pipe organ and comfortable fixtures, is valued at $17,000. Plans for buying or building a six-room parsonage are on foot.

Our new Wagoner Place Church, which cost $25,000, was cleared of debt last month, and will be dedicated on the twenty-ninth by Bishop Candler. The dedicatory services were preceded by a week's preaching by some of the city pastors, and will be followed by protracted services.

Our church here in Southern Methodism's largest city is keeping pace, I think, with the rest of the church. We have started at least one new church each year for several years. There is now under consideration the establishment of an Institutional Church—in fact, our good ladies have already begun some departments of it.

Bro. W. H. LaPrade, Jr., who succeeded Bro. W. H. Lewis at Immanuel Church, is held in high esteem by his people, and is having a good year. Dr. Patillo, who succeeded our own Dr. Werlein at Lafayette Park Church, had two additions last week, which made me envy him. They were Bro. and Sister Sloan, from the Shreveport Church, who are now St. Louisans.

Our Preachers' Meeting last week was honored with the presence of Dr. John F. Goucher, of the Woman's College of Baltimore, who made us a splendid talk.

The two leading topics of conversation in the city now are the "Lexow" Committee from the State Senate, who are investigating charges of corruption in the city government, and the World's Fair to be held here in 1903, commemorating the Louisiana purchase. Of course, it's going to be the biggest thing of the kind ever held, and you will want to come. That will be my fourth year (maybe!) at Mt. Auburn, and you are cordially invited to make that new parsonage, of which I wrote, your headquarters. That makes a very good sentence with which to end, I think; so, wishing you and the ADVOCATE continued success, I am,

Sincerely yours,
HAMPTON R. SINGLETON.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 28, 1899.

LET US GO FORWARD.

Dear Brethren of the North Mississippi Conference, Preachers and Laymen: Our church, through her General Conference, has called her members to a forward movement in the field of education. What Methodism has done in this field in the past century and a half makes a glorious record of self-sacrifice, persistence, and scholastic achievement. The spirit of devotion here marks a Christian heroism scarcely at all surpassed. The treasure thus gained is a precious heritage, which the church will use under the new arrangement of established organization. What has been done to put our educational forces into organized system is so eminently proper and needed that we may not halt now to parley with difficulties, discouragements, and oppositions. Forward to victory ought to be the voice of every member of the church. The plan adopted by the General Board under the new law, both in the system of correlated schools, and in the methods of establishing and operating them, will insure success if our people actively and heartily co-operate. A supreme opportunity has come to us in this great movement of the church, and lays upon us responsibilities which we can not escape.

The first practical step taken in the new movement is the raising of the Twentieth Century Fund—a million and a half dollars; one dollar for each Southern Methodist in the world; a thank-offering to God for his signal blessings of providence and grace to our church in the nineteenth century, laid on the altar of Christian education. Can we make a less contribution to this cause of our Lord, and go unblamed out of this century into the next, or out of this world into the eternal one?

A million and a half! What is that compared with the actual needs of our schools? Vanderbilt University alone needs for her legitimate work more than this whole sum. The colleges need larger equipment and endowment, not alone those in which young men are graduated, but also those for our young women. A million and a half is a small fraction of the need, and should be in hand for service by sunrise on the morning of Jan. 1, 1901. Let us not fail.

If Southern Methodism is to keep her place in ministering the gospel to a hungry world, she must bring out of all treasures the adequate supply. In addition to the necessity and the obligation resting upon us in behalf of this century fund, we may be stimulated in the great work by examples in other departments of Methodism. The Wesleyan branch in England, with less than half the members we have, will raise $5,000,000. Our Northern sister, with something over double our membership, will lay twenty million on the Lord's altar. Half of this will go to help the schools.

The Secretary of Education, Dr. J. D. Hammond, has sent out an excellent plan for putting every charge to systematic work in this great enterprise. Let us respond promptly with all energy and heartiness, abating nothing on any other claim. This is a thank-offering—the note with which we greet the twentieth century.

W. T. J. SULLIVAN.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

MR. EDITOR: I have just read the note published in the ADVOCATE, of this week (Jan. 26), from Bro. W. S. Lagrone, and venture a word concerning the subject-matter of his inquiry.

1. Our Conference took no action in reference to the specific appropriation of its part of the Twentieth Century Fund. That will be done at the next or the following session, when the money comes in hand.

2. Meantime contributors may designate, I presume, under ¶ 412, Art. VIII., page 167, of the Discipline, to what school they wish their money to go.

3. Only it seems that this condition should rule in the distribution of money, to-wit: that the beneficiary school shall fall legitimately under the scheme of correlation and arrangement provided for in ¶ 416, page 170, Discipline.

Of course, this scheme includes schools for both sexes, and each Conference may have one school for each sex, or two or more Conferences can combine on one, or make the school co-educational.

The secretary, Dr. J. D. Hammond, has sent out blanks for lists of members in each pastoral charge, and therewith two leaflets giving explanations and directions. With these in hand we need not hesitate to enter with vigor and consistency on the great work before us.

The Conference Board, through its Executive Committee, is taking action to render to the preachers the best aid practicable.

W. T. J. SULLIVAN.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The last General Conference having changed the order and added to the business of the Quarterly Conference, it is necessary for every pastoral charge to begin this Conference year with a new Quarterly Conference Record adapted to the Disciplinary changes. It costs only $1 postpaid, and is provided for a quadrennium. Pastors should attend to this at once. Those of Grenada district can be supplied by their presiding elder, who has a lot on hand. Others may order from their colporter.

It has been customary for some years past to hold in several of the districts annually a Preachers' Meeting. These meetings have been profitable, and should be continued; but they might hereafter be substituted by or combined with the Missionary Institute, which each presiding elder is duty bound to hold in his district. (See Discipline 1898, par. 356.)

The following is our aim in Sunday-school work for this year: 1. A Sunday-school in every congregation; 2. A qualified superintendent in every school; 3. A trained teacher in every class; 4. An adequate supply of literature and a circulating library in every school; 5. The Holy Ghost using all for the salvation of the pupils and the glory of God. For these ends let all labor and pray.

The Epworth League and Sunday-school at Columbus, and the Epworth League at Starkville, have each recently ordered through their colporter a good lot of books. Let others act accordingly.

Rev. J. S. Oakley, by reason of personal affliction, is unable to meet his appointments. We hope that this will be of short duration, and that he will soon be able to resume his district work.

Columbiana Church, Yalobusha charge, was accidentally burned recently. Rebuilding is already being planned.

This writer is sick in bed, but he hopes to be able to be up and out again ere long.

G. W. BACHMAN.
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Winona, Miss., Jan. 27, 1899.
(Dictated.)

NOTICE.

The District Conference for the Holly Springs district will convene at Pontotoc, April 27, at 9 A. M. The Conference sermon will be preached at 11 A. M. by R. M. Davis.

The District Sunday-school Conference will convene on the twenty-ninth, at 9 A. M. Subjects to be discussed: How to Succeed as Sunday-school Superintendent—R. M. Davis and A. W. Langley. A Successful Teacher—Prof. R. V. Fletcher. Music in the Sunday-school—Dr. J. W. Price. How to Teach the Sunday-school Lessons—J. A. Poe. The Bible in the Sunday-school—R. E. Duke. How to Secure Attendance—E. C. Sullivan and W. G. Burks. How to Work the Missionary Society in the Sunday-school—J. W. Ramsey. The Importance of Promptness—Jas. Porter and J. R. Wilson.

The above-named parties will introduce their subjects, after which all Sunday-school workers are invited to take a part.

Examining Committees: On Applications for License to Preach—R. M. Davis and R. E. Duke. For Admission into Traveling Connection—Dr. J. W. Price and Jas. Porter. For Elder's Orders—M. D. Fly, M. H. Honnoli, and J. A. Poe. For Deacon's Orders—A. W. Langley, D. L. Cogdell, and J. W. Ramsey.

J. W. HONNOLI.

Holly Springs, Miss., Jan. 30, 1899.

"TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND ROLL BOOKS."

A month ago Dr. Hammond and I sent roll books to the preachers of the North Mississippi Conference. To-day I have a card from a pastor saying the book sent him has not been received. Another has been forwarded to him. If "there are others," and they will drop me a postal card, the deficiency will be supplied at once.

J. R. BINGHAM, Sec.

Carrollton, Miss., Jan. 30, 1899.

The first true sign of spiritual life, prayer, is also the means of maintaining it. Man can as well live physically without breathing, as spiritually without praying. "Let me breathe," says a man gasping, "or else I die." "Let me pray," says the Christian, "else I die."—Guthrie.

MOMENT BY MOMENT.

Dying with Jesus, his death reckoned mine;
Living with Jesus, a new life divine;
Looking to Jesus till glory doth shine,
Moment by moment, O Lord, I am Thine.

Never a trial that he is not there,
Never a burden that he doth not bear,
Never a sorrow that he doth not share,
Moment by moment, I'm under his care.

Never a heartache, and never a groan;
Never a tear-drop, and never a moan,
Never a danger, but there on the throne,
Moment by moment, he thinks of his own.

Never a weakness that he doth not feel,
Never a sickness that he can not heal;
Moment by moment in woe or in weal,
Jesus, my Savior, abide with me still!

—Selected.

Correspondence.

AN URGENT APPEAL TO THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

For the following good reasons every preacher and loyal layman ought to work faithfully together to raise the entire assessment for foreign missions within the next six or eight weeks:

1. Our missionaries need their salaries to be paid in the beginning of the year more than the pastors, as they are among strangers and heathens, while the pastors are among friends.

2. Our missionaries' support for this year comes from the funds raised this year.

3. It will save thousands of dollars in interest on borrowed money to raise and send in our assessments early in the year.

4. Experience and observation show that those who always try faithfully in the beginning of the year invariably pay in full on this and all the assessments.

5. Experience and observation show that the people are as able and more ready to pay to these claims in the beginning of the year than any other time.

6. Procrastination is not only the thief of time, but also of opportunities and the missionary treasury.

7. It takes a good year's work to collect the Lord's money from some of his servants.

8. The secretaries of the Board of Missions are embarrassed more in the beginning of the year for lack of funds.

9. To give liberally and early is to give cheerfully, and our Master loves a cheerful giver.

10. God is pleased with righteous rivalry. Let every pastor, charge and district strive to excel.

I am anxious to make a first-class report the first quarter of the places and amounts reporting.

J. H. SHUMAKER,
Treas. Conf. Board.

Iuka, Miss.

Selections.

THE IDEAL GOSPEL MINISTER.

BY REV. A. J. MERCHANT, D. D.

1. His bearing is dignified. Springing from dignity of soul, it is real, not assumed. Buffoonery and charlatanism he does not exhibit. The tricks of a mountebank are not compatible with his sacred calling. With gravity, not gloominess, his behavior is marked by a seriousness becoming his mission. With a happy mien, not lightness, his very countenance bespeaks a joyous soul. He rejoices with those who rejoice, and weeps with those who weep. At home, among the people, and in the pulpit, he bears himself as a messenger from heaven. He has true dignity of soul and true dignity of manner.

2. Another characteristic of the ideal gospel minister is naturalness. Affectation is carefully guarded against. Monotonousness, stiffness, formality, awkwardness, bashfulness, are not exhibited in his manner. The subject-matter of his discourse is clear in his mind, so that he expresses it without embarrassment. His own soul is stirred with emotions, inspired by his subject, and his audience catches the inspiration. He yields to no fear of criticism. Vastly higher motive power controls his soul. His self-possession is complete. Conscious of reserve force, he is ready for any emergency. Straightjacketed declamation is an abomination to him. His style is colloquial, fervent, elevated, vehement, as occasion demands and his own heart's experiences suggest. His gestures are not studied and mechanical. They are as spontaneous as the thoughts and emotions of his soul. Thought, voice, emotion and gesture flow on in one harmonious stream, carrying the truth to the minds and hearts of his hearers. A pure heart, a pure life, a pure mind, earnest study, much prayer, reliance upon divine help in preaching, a longing to save souls, are found in the basis of the ideal gospel minister's naturalness.

3. Earnestness is an element in the personality of the ideal gospel minister. The interests involved, eternal destinies at stake, souls to be lost forever, unless won to Christ, these realized by him, he is inspired with an earnestness alone peculiar to him. His warmth is an intense white heat. His love for souls is a consuming passion. Whether in the mild, pathetic tones of pitying persuasion, or in the clear expression of truth, or in the warning voice of danger near; whether at Sinai or at the cross, whether at the riven tomb or on the mount of ascension, whether at the resurrection morn or amid the scenes of the judgment day—all believe him to be in earnest, because he makes them feel that he is himself deeply moved. An intensely earnest preacher, he is surrounded by a people like himself. Success crowns his labors. The unsaved throng to his ministry; "the common people hear him gladly."

"He preaches as never sure to preach again,
And as a dying man to dying men."

4. The ideal gospel minister has crucified all timidity and disinclination to do the work of a pastor. He counts it an essential part of his work to "instruct the people from house to house." So fully is he consecrated to the work of saving souls that this part of his service is a joy and a delight. Nothing short of providential hindrance prevents his regular day-by-day pastoral labor. Neither inclement skies nor unpleasant walks interrupt his course. Whatever a business man would brave for business ends, he braves, and more, to be found faithful in his Master's business. He is a good pastor. He is not simply social among his people. "A hail fellow well met" he never is. But he is social, he is cordial, he is friendly. His pastoral calls do not pass in commonplace chit-chat. He is the religious guide and counselor of the people committed to his care. His speech, then, savors of heaven.

5. The children, "the lambs of the flock," receive special regard and care. He makes them feel that in him they have a true friend. He is able to call them by their names. At their homes, on the street, at the Sabbath-school, before and after the church service, he recognizes them. Thus he wins the way to their hearts. Having their hearts, he easily leads them. Both in the Sabbath-school and in the church services he "teaches them the way of eternal life."

6. He visits those who need his visits, and, first of all, those who need them most. Chief among these are the poor and unfortunate of his flock. These, so generally neglected by the rich and prosperous, are the objects of his tenderest solicitude. They know him to be sincere in all his attentions. By his wise counsels they are led to lives of frugality and religion. The insignia of wealth and fortune do not tempt his feet from the doors of the poor. He remembers that now, as in the days of his Master, the true token of the Messiahship and of the Messiah's ambassador is, "To the poor the gospel is preached."

"He is a faithful pastor to the poor;
He thinks not of himself: his Master's words,
'Feed, feed my sheep,' are ever at his heart.
The cross of Christ is aye before his eyes."

7. Another class needing his kindly care, and who receive from him evidence of his interest in their welfare, are the wanderers from the fold. These lie "near his heart." He rests not till he returns, bearing on his shoulders "the sheep which was lost."

8. The sick and bereaved find in him a sympathizing friend; one who brings to them the consolations which are in Christ Jesus. When their hearts are opened by affliction, he is ready to implant therein the seeds of divine truth.

9. The indifferent, the careless, the abandoned, those who seldom or never attend the services of the sanctuary, hear his knock at their doors. His pastorate embraces all the people. From among these he gathers many into the church who become useful members and ornaments to the cause of Christ.

HELP YOUR PASTOR.

A minister who is worthy of the name can stand an empty purse better than an empty pew or an empty prayer meeting. It is a disgrace to a church that failure to pay an honest salary would straiten a pastor's purse; but the spiritual emptiness affects his heart the most keenly. Perhaps your pastor is wondering what has become of you on the evenings of devotional meetings. The better man or woman you are, the more you are missed; the worse you are, the more you need to go. It may be that your pastor is disheartened by the emptiness of your pew on the Sabbath. He has carefully prepared a discourse for your benefit; you have lost it; both he and you suffer from that absence. For one, I am ready to confess that I have never made any converts to the truth in an empty pew, and never have delivered a sermon loud enough to awaken a parishioner who was dozing at home or had strolled off to some other church. If a good reason keeps you at home, try to send a substitute; invite some friend who seldom hears the gospel to go and occupy your seat; your minister gets a hearer, and that hearer may get what will save his soul. Church members sometimes complain that their minister does not "draw" a larger congregation; yet they do nothing to draw outsiders to the house of God by a cordial invitation to come. Help your pastor to fill the house.—Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

UNITED STATES MARINE HOSPITAL SERVICE.

[It is a conceded fact that yellow fever existed last year in many localities where its presence was never officially declared. It would be wise, therefore, for every family in which any fever existed last year to follow the suggestions made in the following official notice, which was issued some time since.—EDITOR.]

First—The greatest danger of recurrence of disease lies in the houses, and especially in the bedding, clothing, bureaus, trunks, boxes, etc.

Second—Hence the utmost importance for people in whose houses fever of any kind has occurred to apply most rigorously, in spirit and in letter, the following recommendations:

Third—All bedding, upholstered furniture, and especially packed clothing, should be taken out of doors and spread in the sun and wind.

Fourth—This should be done in bright, clear, cold weather.

Fifth—A single airing is not generally sufficient.

Sixth—The house should at the same time be thrown open as far as possible.

Seventh—It is better to be without fires, but it is better to have fires and keep the house open than be without fires and shut up the house.

Eighth—When practicable, leave bedding, etc., out during cold nights, but this is not essential.

Ninth—Pay special attention to clothing, bedding, etc., packed away in trunks and boxes.

Tenth—The armoirs, bureaus, boxes, trunks, etc., should be opened, and contents spread out as above indicated.

Eleventh—This should all be done six or seven times, in succession, if possible.

Twelfth—The yards, alleys, etc., must be kept thoroughly clean and drained.

EDMOND SOUCHON, M. D.,
President Louisiana State Board of Health.
H. R. CARTER,
Surgeon U. S. M. H. Service.

RULES FOR THE JOURNEY OF LIFE.

The following rules, from the papers of Dr. West, according to his memorandum, are thrown together as general waymarks in the journey of life.

Never to ridicule sacred things, or what others may esteem as much, however absurd they appear to be.

Never to show levity when people are engaged at worship.

Never to resent a supposed injury till I know the views and motives of the author of it. Not any occasion to relate it.

Always to take the part of an absent person, who is censured in company, so far as truth and propriety will allow.

Never to think the worse of another on account of his differing from me in political and religious opinions.

Not to affect to be witty, or jest so as to wound the feelings of another.

To say as little as possible of myself and those who are near me.

To aim at cheerfulness without levity.

Never to court the favor of the rich by flattering either their vanities or their vices.

To speak with calmness and deliberation on all occasions, especially in circumstances which tend to irritate.

Frequently to review my conduct and note my feelings.—Christian Standard.

EXTENDED INFLUENCE.

Here is a true story, very encouraging to all who believe in spreading good books:

A Puritan minister named Sibbs wrote a booklet called "The Bruised Reed." A copy of this was given by a humble layman to a little boy at whose father's house he had been entertained over night. That boy was Richard Baxter, and the book was the means of his conversion. Baxter wrote his "Call to the Unconverted," and among the multitude led to Christ by it was Philip Doddridge. Doddridge wrote "The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul," and "the time would fail to tell" its blessed influence. By it Wilberforce was converted, and of his life and labors volumes could be written. Wilberforce wrote his "Practical View of Christianity," and this led not only Doctor Chalmers into the truth, but also Leigh Richmond to Christ. Richmond wrote "The Dairyman's Daughter," which has been published in a hundred languages, and many million copies have been sold.—Selected.

Life to him (Phillips Brooks) was one great unity. He did not separate the religious from the secular life. He did not sharply distinguish between religious duties and the duties of common life. The obedience called for in the university, or in the professions, the institutions and vocations of life, was a religious principle as much as prayer or worship. He knew only one distinction—between good and bad, right and wrong. Life was the good and the right; all that ministered to these was religious and sacred wherever it might be found, in art or literature, philosophy or science. Whatever increased vitality was of divine origin. It was not things in themselves that were worldly or injurious, but the spirit or temper with which the world and the things that are in the world were followed. Worldliness was simply the absence of the love of God. He who loved God possessed the world in its fullness, and his life became ever more rich and full. Thus, as far as it was in his power, Phillips Brooks was a man of the world, because he was first a man of God. He gave us, therefore, in himself the type of modern sainthood. It is consecration, not renunciation, which makes the highest character.—Alexander V. G. Allen, D. D.

The Christian Life.

TWO VIEWS.

What have you done to-day? I asked a rope-maker. "Oh, sir, ten hours of hard work, just twisting tow, my fingers sore, my lungs choked with dust. I did not come to the prayer meeting last night, I was too tired; I went to sleep when I was trying to say my prayers. I sometimes think if it were not for Mary, I would end it all—nothing but work, work, work. I am so tired, and I only make enough to keep body and soul together." This is one side. See the other. A ship with eleven hundred souls on board is being driven upon the shore—a land of crags, like giant teeth, stretching up sheer and sharp. One anchor after another is dropped, each checking the speed of the vessel's drift. The last anchor is down. Will it hold? Yes, the ship is saved! Go tell the rope-maker not to think of the toil and the dust and the monotony, but of the eleven hundred men and women saved. These things are written in the Lamb's Book of Life—the ring of every hammer, the click of every needle, the whir of every loom. They who truly wait upon the Lord shall hear his angels strengthening them as they strengthened Christ, with songs of peace and good-will to men.—Rev. Dr. W. Burnett Wright.

Men who love right and righteousness do not find it difficult to serve the Lord," although there may be many obstacles and difficulties in the path that they travel.—Exchange.

"This one thing I do," said the most marvelous Man of history. He had a mark. He aimed at it. He hit it. Nothing could move him from his purpose. But this oneness of purpose came from his entire and personal consecration to the cause which filled and thrilled his whole being. Mr. Moody reiterates the idea when he says: "The first thing a man must do if he desires to be used in the Lord's work is to make an unconditional surrender of himself to God. He must consecrate and then concentrate. A man who does not put his whole life into one channel does not count for much, and the man who only goes into work with half a heart does not amount to much. We are living in an intense age, and if a man is to succeed, he must set himself apart for the work and throw all his energy into it."—Religious Telescope.

You often see beautiful fruit displayed behind a plate-glass window or in some shop, and the hungry little boys look and long for it, but they can not reach it. If you were to tell one of them who has never seen glass to take some, he might attempt it; but he finds something invisible between him and that fruit. Just so many Christians can see that God's gifts are beautiful, but they can not take, because the self-life comes in between, even though they can not see it. What glorious blessings we should have if we were only willing to give up the self-life and take what God has prepared for us—not only righteousness, not only peace, but the joy of the Holy Ghost.—Rev. Andrew Murray.

Some would have us think that fewer eyes are looking upward in reverent gratitude than in other days. But, however this may be, I feel sure that more eyes are looking around in loving desire to help the needy than at any previous epoch. And the happiest thought of all is that these eyes are young, observant and unwearied. To endeavor along Christian lines to increase the sum of human happiness seems to me to be not only the greatest, but the most evangelical, thing in the world. To begin to do is an end of controversy. The severed body of Christ comes back to unity the moment it ceases to preach and begins to practice.—Frances E. Willard.

It may be that God need to give you plentiful chance to work for him. Your days went singing by, each winged with some enthusiastic duty for the Master whom you loved. . . . You can be idle for him, if so he wills, with the same joy with which you once labored for him. The sick-bed or the prison is as welcome as the harvest-field or the battle-field, when once your soul has come to value as the end of life the privilege of seeking and finding him.—Phillips Brooks.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. M. L. White, Carthage, Miss., Jan. 24, 1899: "I was appointed to Carthage circuit at the last Conference, held at Hattiesburg. We left the parsonage at Decatur on Jan. 11 to go a distance of 38 miles. We got within 5 miles of Carthage by two o'clock on Jan. 12; stopped with Uncle John Langstone, a Primitive Baptist preacher, until the evening of Jan. 14, when wagons from Carthage came for us, Pearl river being so swollen that we could not cross; hence our delay. We arrived at the parsonage late Saturday evening. We found a number of the good men and women awaiting us at the parsonage. They gave us a royal welcome, and left many tokens of love and friendship. A preacher feels more like serving people who treat him as these have treated us. Preached here last Sunday to large congregations. Meeting was quite good and spiritual, a number of people committing themselves to more faithfulness. We are expecting many good things of the Lord this year."

Rev. R. T. Nolen, P. C., Cumberland, Miss.: "At the last session of the North Mississippi Conference, I was assigned to Cumberland circuit, Durant district. I arrived here at Cumberland, Dec. 23, and my family Jan. 3. Several of the good brethren in and near Cumberland met us at Mabeu Station with conveyances, and brought us up to Cumberland, where a good dinner was awaiting our arrival. Two of the brethren assisted us in setting up our stove and bedsteads, and that night a good, warm supper was sent in to us, and we have been receiving tokens of our appreciation ever since; and the night of the twenty-third instant we gladly received a pounding of canned goods, sugar, coffee, soda, starch, soap, shoes, and other valuables, that we appreciate very much. We are praying and trusting in God for great blessings. Up to the twenty-fourth we have made 62 pastoral visits and traveled 187 miles. We are building a new church at Cumberland that Bro. Cogdell began last Summer. We expect to have it ready by the time of our second Quarterly Conference. We invite you to be with us."

Rev. J. M. Huggin, Big Creek, Miss., Jan. 24, 1899: "I wish to acknowledge through the ADVOCATE the obligations I am under to friends for liberal assistance rendered me and my family in our recent misfortune. We are indebted to the following brethren for contributions in cash: Rowan Thayer, Esq., Greenwood; Rev. — Lallance, San Marcial, New Mexico; J. P. Featherstun, Senatobia; Rev. J. C. Mimms, Shelby; J. R. Bingham, Carrollton; C. P. Huggin, Gaffney, S. C.; and one brother who does not wish his name published in this connection. The following charges have sent me financial contributions through pastors or others: Carrollton, Minter City, Corinth, Senatobia, Black Hawk, Wall Hill, Arkabutla. Boxes of clothing, etc., have been sent, one from each of the following places: Slate Springs, Gunnison, Greenwood, Senatobia, Sardis, Black Hawk. May our Lord's richest blessings rest upon the brethren and friends who have been so very kind to us! I would say to the readers of the ADVOCATE that we are comfortable again; so others need not send us contributions. If I have omitted any place or friend in this communication, will the brethren please notify me? I lost some of the letters, and write from memory."

Rev. J. W. McGee, Rolleville, Miss., Jan. 19, 1899: "I want you to send me several copies of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE. I am going to do all I can for you this year in getting subscribers. I must confess I did very little along that line last year, but we have all got to learn. I returned from Conference, and found a great many of the 'saints' glad to see me, and they gave me a hearty welcome. There was a goodly number of the worldlings that received me heartily also. Bro. Jack and Sister Sallie Harbin, of Sandy Bayou, gave us a good pounding of fresh meats, such as ham sausage, spare-ribs, back-bones, butter, eggs, etc. Sister Terrel brought us most delicious fruits. Then comes Bro. Roe Hanna, of Lehrton, with a load of corn and a nice, fat hog. Bro. B. F. Watts, of Lehrton, has just brought us a load of corn. So you see the dear people do not intend that we shall starve. The weather is so very inclement, and the roads so muddy, that our congregations are very small. Our beloved presiding elder, Bro. Dorman, has enlarged our work. We will, by the grace of God, shell the woods at Morehead on the second Sunday of each month, beginning with February. The Rev. D. M. Miller, who withdrew from our church last Summer, and is not a member of any church at this time, leaves in a few days with his family for the Woodland School, east of Winona. He goes there for the benefit of the school. He has a large family of children. We welcome Bro. W. F. Wilson back to our midst. He is a loyal Methodist, and we are sure it won't be long ere he will have the Sunday-school in fine shape. Doctor, we expect to do a great work here this year. We want your prayers and, if possible, your presence also at some time during the year. Doctor, I turned over a new leaf this year. I am going to pray more, work harder, and not lend my horse to anybody except to presiding elders, Rev. Editors, and Bishops. Bro. Jno. B. Whitten, who lives on Quiver, had the misfortune to lose his only son, Fred, last week by drowning. It was a sad blow to the family. We will miss him so much. He was a good boy, and we had the pleasure of taking him into the church a few Sundays ago, Uncle Summer during our meeting. May God's comforting angel to spread his wings over that sad home. May the bereaved ones so live that they may meet their loved one in the beautiful city of God! God bless you, Doctor, in your noble work."

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Rev. John W. Ramsey, Pontotoc, Miss., Jan. 23, 1899: "During the Summer of 1897, while engaged in revival work, my voice gave way, and I have since been hindered in my work by a serious throat trouble—relaxation of the vocal cords. I was not able to hold my own meetings the past Summer, and so am under obligations to several brethren who so kindly came to my aid. I was also prevented, by sickness in my family, of attending the last session of Conference. Wife was, at the time, down with the typhoid fever, from which she suffered for eight weeks, and is only just now getting strong again. The Lord has been with us through all our trials. By the appointment of the Bishop, I have been returned to this charge, and, all things considered, we trust we have started off well, and are hopeful of the future. My first Quarterly Conference is just over. Our faithful young presiding elder, full of love for men, zealous and earnest in all his labors for the kingdom of the great Head of the church, was on hand. He made a lasting impression on the hearts of all who heard him preach. The influence of his Christian spirit found its way also into the homes of our people. May God bless him wherever he goes! This charge has begun well in support of the pastor, paying more the first quarter of this year than the first quarter of last year. Pray for us, that God may bless us abundantly."

Mrs. D. P. Bradford, Meridian, Miss., Jan. 21, 1899: "On Wednesday, the eleventh instant, after bidding adieu to our Newton friends, we left on the noon train for our new work, 'East End,' Meridian. On our arrival we were met at the train by three of the brethren, one of whom accompanied us to the parsonage, which is, by the way, one of the nicest, prettiest, and most comfortable in this part of the Conference, and reflects credit on our church. Here we found quite a number of good ladies, who gave us such a cordial Christian welcome as to make us feel that we were in the midst of an appreciative people, and that the lines had fallen to us in pleasant places. After a short time pleasantly spent, they retired, giving us full possession; not, however, before delicately suggesting that we would find dinner on the table, which we did—a delightful one, and in such abundance as to lessen the labor of cooking for several meals. Our first Sabbath was bright and pleasant; congregation large and attentive. After preaching, Mr. Bradford made a proposition to those who would promise hearty co-operation in the 'Master's work.' The response was enough to inspire any preacher. The evening service was conducted by our presiding elder, Dr. Andrews, who preached a fine sermon, after which an opportunity was extended to those who desired the prayers of the church, and a goodly number came forward. Our Board of Stewards are godly men, who propose to do their work as the Discipline directs. We are expecting a good year."

Rev. H. W. Newman, P. C., Mooringsport, La., Jan. 23, 1899: "Five weeks ago to-day Bishop Morrison read this scribe out for Mooringsport circuit. We arrived here Dec. 28 in due and ancient form. We found a nice, comfortable parsonage, furnished from the front room to the kitchen. The larder contained provisions for several days. (Thanks to my worthy predecessor and wife.) We have not received my pennddings, but there have been eatables sent in that would bespeak an hospitable people. This is my eighth appointment from the hands of our Bishops. For seven years I have labored in the East Texas Conference. It was there I began my ministry, and it has been seven happy and profitable years. There are many ties of friendship that we had formed among the brethren in the Conference and the people we were sent to serve. During the recent session of the Conference at Mansfield at first we felt a little lonely, but soon the warm handshake and hearty welcome from many that we became acquainted with made us feel that we were among friends—yea, brethren. We are glad to be with you, we hope that our acquaintance may ripen into warm and lasting friendship. I am assured that I shall be well pleased and greatly benefited by my association among the brethren of the Louisiana Conference. Mooringsport circuit consists of four appointments, viz.: Mooringsport, Zion, Blanchard, Myrtis, and Mt. Pleasant. The first three are on the K. C., M. & O. R.; the fourth is in the country. We have made one round, and have only preached to two congregations. The weather being cold, and there being no stoves in the churches, it was inexpedient to hold service. There are about one hundred members in the charge, mostly females. We have only learned of two male members that will pray when called on. There are no Sunday-schools, no prayer meetings, and, as far as I have been able to learn, no family altars. In fact, the signs of disintegration are evident on every side. Some may say, Has not the circuit built a nice parsonage? We have a nice parsonage; but if I have been correctly informed, neither preacher nor the circuit are due much credit. The material and means for the parsonage were contributed from outside sources, through the influence of one of our official members. This is a source of disappointment to this scribe, inasmuch as we had looked upon the building of the parsonage as evidence of interest in general advancement of the church. There has been but one protracted meeting on the circuit since 1896. This was due to circumstances over which the pastors had no control. We are praying for a mighty awakening and rising among the 'bones of the house of Israel.' We are endeavoring to profit by the sermon Bishop Morrison preached at Mansfield. We are already awake to our need, and we desire to become so earnest that our bones will seem to be on fire for the salvation of our people. We shall work to increase the circulation of the ADVOCATE. May the blessings of God be upon all departments of the church, and may all the institutions partake of the wave of prosperity that is rolling over our land!

TRIP TO RALEIGH.

Having been appointed by Bishop Galloway to Raleigh circuit for the present Conference year, I hastened back to my former place of abode—Philadelphia, Miss.—adjusted my affairs, and on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 10, I started in my buggy to Raleigh—a distance of about 70 miles. But owing to quite a hard rain the night before, I had not gone two miles before I encountered a swollen stream, so overflowing its banks that the water run into my buggy box. And some six or seven miles farther I came to another creek, which would have been frightful had I not crossed it previously and became acquainted with it. For three or four hundred yards the road was covered with water. I drove, with valises on the buggy seat, to prevent submersion in case of plunging into a wash-out, though, fortunately for me, I found none.

Night found me near Union, Newton county, stopping over with Bro. Hagan, whose house is always open for the Lord's prophets, and whose most estimable wife knows just how to make a preacher comfortable.

Wednesday morning I traveled onward to Decatur, where nine years ago I assisted Bro. J. S. Parker in a protracted meeting in their splendid new church. This was at the time when "come-outism" was most flourishing in these parts. Several of these "come-outers," so-called, on hearing a sermon preached during our protracted meeting, said, "If Methodism teaches sanctification that way, it is good enough for us," and quite a number united with our church. Some of these, however, did not "come out," but were "cast out" of the Missionary Baptist Church at Decatur for professing holiness.

At even-tide I reached Newton, and lodged with Bro. Bleakley, a farmer—one of Newton's best citizens and a Methodist, who, together with his lady "of affairs," cheery girls, and manly boys, made it in more ways than one "good to be there." For they not only refreshed the inner man, but talked and laughed away the ghost of fatigue; but that which I most enjoyed was their willingness to talk of heavenly things, and to note their hungering for perfect holiness of heart.

On Thursday I had gone only a few miles when I encountered what is known as the "prairie mud." Persons not acquainted with it can have but a faint conception of what it is. Through this streak the roads are exceeding bad. From two to two and one half miles per hour is about all a team can make as these roads now are. But, thanks be to our Father above, I came through without breaking harness or buggy, or any bones of mine or those of my horse. Getting through the worst of it, nightfall found me at the gate of Bro. Samuel Weems, the father of Dr. J. M. Weems, of our Conference; Hon. Wm. Weems, ex-member of the Legislature of Mississippi, and Bro. Robt. Weems, whose habitation, together with that of his nice family, is that of the "old folks," taking care of them in their advanced age who are indeed "a father and mother in Israel." The father eighty-five and the mother seventy-five years old, both of whom were regenerated at ten years of age.

It pleased the Lord during the month of September last to give to our elder brother "an experience" in the fullness of his grace never before received and felt by him. He had been taken with a hard chill which lasted three hours or more. The family deeming his case more or less dangerous, hastened for a physician, which caused him to suspect his case to be more serious than he had thought, and the thought came to him, "What if I should die; am I ready?" Then he prayed, "Lord, thy will be done." Then such a halo of heavenly nature flooded his soul, and such divine power accompanied it, that he likens it to a flash of lightning, and the impression as if some one had laid their hands upon him. And for three days and nights his soul was so filled with this heavenly light that he often shouted aloud God's praise, and ever since his heart has been "fixed;" for before he often "vacillated" in his mind, so he says, but not now, glory be to His Name! May our later days be like his!

Friday morning I found myself loath to leave so pleasant surroundings; the "boys" to discuss interests of both Church and State, and the old people to entertain and sometimes startle me with their recollections of the past in the first settling up of this part of the State. Among the many things of note was the finding by them of skeletons of almost incredible length and size in this streak of prairie—one of which was the spinal column of some enormous fish, supposed to have been a whale, measuring approximately 65 feet in length, and each joint of which is 12 or 14 inches in length and 8 or 10 inches in diameter. One joint is now used as a block under one corner of his house. Like bones are found at various places in this streak of prairie.

Taking my leave, I sped onward toward my destination at the rate of two miles an hour, and noon found me pleasantly seated by a good fire at Bro. McKinzie's, whose excellent wife is the daughter of our patriarch Weems, just mentioned. Bro. McKinzie, I am told, has amassed quite a little fortune as a farmer and money-lender, which shows what can be done with mother earth, especially in this land of whales. After dinner, having reached the boundary of this portion of mother earth which sticketh closer than a brother, I increased my speed a little, and the setting sun found me hailing at the home of Bro. F. A. E. Corley, one of my stewards, who in past years filled offices of trust and responsibility in this (Smith) county, but is now retired to private life and settled in as fine a forest of yellow pine as ever grew, and is converting it into lumber.

Saturday morning I began afresh my trip and reached Raleigh at high noon, and to my pleasant surprise found Bro. T. L. Mellen, P. E., holding divine service. While but few of the official members of the circuit were aware of the Quarterly Conference, yet we had fairly a good time. Bro. Mellen preached with zeal and unction; greatly to the delight and edification of all; the stewards reporting $17.30 for the support of the ministry. Though the people are grieved over Bro. Forman's removal, they have given me a cordial reception, and conferred upon me, in connection with our presiding elder, the honor of performing the rite of matrimony between Mr. J. E. Rodgers and Miss Nannie Ward, Sunday night, as the first official act of my pastorate. I think the way is open for me to do the greatest year's work of my ministerial life to date. May the Lord order it so!

J. N. TUCKER.

There are many who would die for Christ, but in these times he calls for men willing to live for him. What is needed to-day is a higher heroism, a nobler, more costly martyrdom—that of the living sacrifice, the sustained resolve, the renewed self-giving, the daily consecration.—Josiah Strong, D. D.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." That is the richest promise in the whole Bible. "The pure in heart." Such a condition is indeed difficult in a world of sin, but it is possible, and it means blessedness here and felicity in the world to come.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1899

"The mills of God grind slowly,
But they grind exceeding small
Though with patience he stands waiting,
With exactness grinds he all."

To believe in the heroic makes heroes.—Disraeli.

A golden character is of more value in God's sight than a mine of gold.—Exchange.

The youth who does not look up, will look down; and the spirit that does not soar, is destined, perhaps, to grovel.—Selected.

Men grumble because God puts thorns on roses. Wouldn't it be better to thank God that he puts roses on thorns?—Exchange.

As for our opportunities, we can make a heroic life out of whatever is set before us to work with or upon.—Anna Robertson Brown.

Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might.—Phillips Brooks.

Time is like a ship which never anchors; while I am on board, I had better do those things that may profit me at my landing, than practice such as shall cause my commitment when I come ashore.—Feltham.

The requests we make of God interpret our character. They show us as we are. God reads our character in our prayers. What we love best, what we covet most, that gives the key to our hearts.—Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.

We make unlovely all our every days by the little soul we put into our efforts, by the way in which duties push us forward, by lack of that electric something which makes all word, all deed, quiver and glow.—J. F. W. Ware.

It is a perilous thing to separate feeling from action, to have learned to feel rightly without acting rightly. Feeling is given to lead to action. If feeling be suffered to awake without passing into duty, the character becomes untrue.—F. W. Robertson.

Why on earth do people think it fine to be idle and useless? Fancy a drone superciliously desiring a working-bee to stand aside, and saying: "Out of the way, you miserable drudge; I never made a drop of honey in all my life."—A. K. H. Boyd.

The grand difficulty is to feel the reality of both worlds, so as to give each its due place in our thoughts and feelings, to keep our mind's eye and our heart's eye ever fixed on the land of promise, without looking away from the road we are to travel toward it.—Augustus Hare.

Duties never conflict. God has but one duty at a time for any child of his to perform. If we are doing the one duty God has for us to do at the present moment, we are doing just right. If we are not doing that one duty, we are at fault, no matter how good or how important the work we are doing. And we need have no question as to what is our duty in God's plan for us.—Selected.

CONTENTMENT.

Ceaseless and anxious longing for what we have not, and probably never can have, is one of the most frequent and prolific sources of unhappiness. Most of us are prone to imagine that what we have not is far better than what is already in our possession; and this notion, long entertained, kindles the fires of discontent. Many are unhappy because they can not live as stylishly and luxuriously as some of their neighbors. Others are wretched through envy of the honors that fall to the lot of a few. All such anxieties are a veritable "thorn in the flesh." "Man never is but always to be blest," sings the poet, and his words apply not only to the poor and the afflicted, but oftentimes to those most favored of fortune.

In almost every community there are chronic grumblers, in whose eyes there is always something wrong with the weather, with their neighbors, with the church, with their food, their business, their physical condition, or their environments. Those who wait to enjoy the blessedness of contentment until they have realized that which they have set their hearts upon will never know its wondrous peace. One man fancies he will be satisfied when he gets into a good business and has a thousand dollars in bank; but if he reaches that point, he is sure to want five or ten thousand more, and so he is still discontented. The man who is bent on gaining a hundred thousand dollars, if successful, is almost certain to long restlessly for still greater possessions, and happiness is still as far off as before. The millionaire is not satisfied until he becomes a multi-millionaire, but again contentment eludes his grasp. And so it goes in all the various walks of life. On every hand men are seeking happiness in mere material things—in wealth, in costly apparel, in sumptuous fare, in shows and entertainments; but, despite all this, satisfaction of soul comes not.

It is hard indeed for men to realize that it is not what they have, but what they are, that makes them happy or miserable. If you were to bestow upon some men every temporal blessing, they would still be unhappy, while there are others who, because of their faith in God, and mastery of self, enjoy the sweetness of contentment amid great poverty and misfortune. Well do the Scriptures say: "Better is a little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith." Ahab, though king over Israel, and the controller of rich revenues, on one occasion fell into the deepest discontent because Naboth refused to sell him his vineyard, and ere long a monstrous crime was the result of his covetousness. Thus how little it takes ofttimes for discontent to feed upon. Dr. Talmage draws a true picture when he says, "Many of those who fare sumptuously every day are waspish, dissatisfied, and foreboding, while many a time in the Summer evening you see a laboring man going home in his shirt-sleeves, with a pail on his arm and a pick-axe over his shoulder, his face bright with smiles, and his heart with hope, and the night of his toil bright with flaming aurora."

Perhaps the most frequent source of discontent is the desire for wealth, which in this country seems to have become an overmastering passion with the vast majority. Multitudes act as if money were the only thing worth striving for. Health, character, self-improvement, and the gift of eternal life—all are sacrificed in the mad rush for wealth. And yet gold is impotent to procure the things upon which happiness most depends; it can not buy character, or love, or true friends, or peace of mind, or the hope of heaven. These can not be measured by monetary standards. How sad it is that so many of those who sacrifice the noble things we have mentioned in the pursuit of wealth fail utterly to gain their heart's desire, and are left penniless, hopeless, and utterly miserable.

The spirit of contentment is not incompatible with earnest striving for fortune and for success in any laudable pursuit. In fact, it is a help thereto, because it involves making the best of things, the banishment of useless anxiety, and the maintenance of self-control. The truly contented man is not unduly disturbed by any of his needs or misfortunes, but calmly pursues his way amid what ever comes, realizing that the Lord is his shepherd, and that what he chooses for us is best. There is profound significance in the saying that "we are to be content with what we have, but not with what we are." If to be content means to be satisfied with what is improvable in our condition or surroundings, if it means complacency as regards our mental and spiritual state, then it is an undesirable and dangerous thing. Contentment, however, does not signify either laziness, or fatalism.

"There is a jewel which no Indian mine can buy,
No cheole art can counterfeit;
It makes men rich in greatest poverty,
Makes water wine, turns wooden cups to gold,
The homely whistle to sweet music strain;
Seldom it comes, to few from heaven sent,
That much in little—all in naught—content."

JUDGE FOOTE DEAD.

Judge H. W. Foote died at his home in Macon, Miss., on Jan. 29, in the eighty-ninth year of his age. He was one of the most prominent and influential citizens of his section of the State. He held at different times many important offices. During the war he was colonel of the First Mississippi Regiment of Cavalry in the Confederate Army. He was on the bench for several years. As an attorney, he had a large and lucrative practice, by means of which he accumulated a considerable fortune. He had been a thoroughly consistent and devoted Methodist since his early manhood. He was superintendent of our Sunday-school in Macon continuously for fifty-six years—a record without a parallel within the range of our observation. After the introduction of lay delegation into our economy he was regularly chosen as a delegate to the various councils of the church until disabled by the infirmities of age. He was a man of most admirable character, and was universally respected wherever he was known. The memory of his life of spotless integrity and devotion to duty is a heritage of priceless value to his family.

HELP NOW.

MR EDITOR: The following is a letter from Bishop Morrison to me:

Rev. B. T. Crews, Arcadia, La.—

DEAR BROTHER: You have received or will receive a communication from the Missionary Secretaries at Nashville, asking for immediate collections and remittance to the Conference Treasurer.

I take the liberty of asking you personally to see that your preachers take this collection at once, if possible. It is imperative that this be done. I wish all the Conferences which I serve to respond promptly, and I trust that your district may be among the first to answer this earnest call.

Most cordially, your brother,
H. C. MORRISON.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 20, 1899.

With the above request of our Bishop before you, and your knowledge of the needs of the Board of Missions, I need not exhort you to take your collections on your next round, knowing you to be true, loyal and faithful to all the interests of the church. I feel sure you will do it, and I trust that there will not be a single exception in the district. To raise this collection now will reduce the amount to be collected in the Fall so much that we can hope to meet all assessments for this year in full. Will not all the official members and others that read this call help their pastors to raise the foreign missionary assessment, so it may reach the Conference treasurer, W. B. Thomson, New Orleans, in time for him to send it to the Treasurer of the General Board before the third day of March? Let the brethren call on me for any assistance I can render in raising this assessment.

Fraternally yours,
B. T. CREWS.

FROM THE MISSION ROOMS.

DEAR DR. HOSS: The following statement has just been handed us by our Treasurer, J. D. Hamilton:

Receipts from April 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898	$191,733 90
Receipts from April 1, 1898, to Jan. 1, 1899	181,692 99
Deficit	$ 10,040 97

It is clear from the comparative view given above that we have to face a considerable falling off in our collections. Various causes have been given by our preachers; such as the demoralizing influence of the war, of yellow fever, and the very low price of cotton. These have all had their effect, and will largely explain the shortage; but the fact remains that we are in danger of a deficit.

We feel ourselves under obligation to give you this information in order that you may understand the exigencies of the situation now, and the difficulties under which we may labor at our annual meeting. In the meantime we will expect your hearty co-operation in the effort we shall put forth to reach our pastors in securing early collections and full returns before the end of our fiscal year, March 31. Above all, let us have your prayers.

Yours respectfully,
WALTER R. LAMBUTH,
J. H. PRITCHETT.

Jan. 10, 1899. —Nashville Advocate.

JIM W. FRANKLIN.

MR. EDITOR: We buried yesterday, at Ft. Jessup, La., Jim W. Franklin, a son of our brother, J. M. Franklin, of Bienville, La., formerly of Ft. Jessup. He was called from his work to his sick boy (having not yet moved his family), but before he reached home his boy had passed away. Let us pray for our dear brother and his bereaved family in this hour of grief. Jim was eighteen years old, and a boy of great promise.

J. S. SANDERS.

Many, La.

CHURCH DESTROYED.

MR. EDITOR: On last Friday our church at Columbiana, on the Valden circuit, was consumed by fire. A total loss; defective flue. We feel ourselves too poor to rebuild, but will make a strong effort. We have taken steps to this end.

Yours truly, J. F. EVANS.

Valden, Miss., Jan. 27, 1899.

NOTICE.

Rev. L. L. Roberts has been appointed preacher in charge at Pineville, Alexandria district, Louisiana Conference, in place of Rev. R. S. Colier, who could not serve the charge. J. A. PARKER, P. E.

Alexandria, La., Jan. 24, 1899.

DON'T.

The following, from the Nashville Advocate, fits our columns exactly. Let all our subscribers "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest."

"Don't get impatient of our urgency for the early payment of all dues to this paper and the prepayment of subscriptions desired to be continued. We want to offend nobody. It is obviously to our interest to conciliate everybody. We have no desire to lose a single subscriber to the Advocate. We have a very strong desire for the addition of many names to its lists. But it takes money and much of it to pay the running expenses of the paper. It takes but a small sum from each individual subscriber to pay for his paper for the year. To send it to all on credit would be a policy against which all sane men would protest, and yet all have equal claim to such indulgence. What for it then, but for all to pay up, and prepay as often as their subscriptions expire. And may all current and renewed subscriptions be continued far into the next century, with large increase to their number as the years go by."

A "BABY EVANGELIST."

New York has been the scene recently of the efforts of a "baby evangelist" named "Lonnie" Dennis. The child is a mulatto, five and a half years old, and he is certainly precocious. His mind seems to be stored with Scripture texts, which he uses with wonderful power. He appears also to possess gifts of oratory, though not unlike such as are often seen in children of even younger age when at play or when imitating others. Since he left his home in Georgia, a few weeks ago, he has addressed more than two hundred thousand people. His foolish parents are proud of his notoriety, and are imperiling the health and intellectual future of the child by encouraging him to preach every night, thus subjecting him to the intense nervous strain which such efforts and the excitement of addressing large audiences necessarily causes. If his parents can not be induced to withdraw him from the platform, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children should take the case in hand and appeal to the courts.—Northwestern Advocate.

It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that the Revised Version of the Bible, though it will never displace the translation made by King James' scholars, is equal in value to the best commentary. In some passages it throws a perfect flood of light upon the meaning of the inspired writers.—Nashville Advocate.

BOLIVAR COUNTY DRY.

Bolivar county has just passed through one of the most earnest fights on the question of "saloon or no saloon" in her history. Every advantage possible was taken by the "saloon men." Election was ordered in the Winter season, when roads were impassable; placed in thirty days after petition was filed, and two of the three commissioners were aggressive "wet" men. Yet the county has gone dry to-day by a "handsome majority."

The preachers of the county—J. W. Dorman, P. E.; W. C. Harris, T. H. Dorsey, J. C. Mimms, L. A. McKeown, J. R. Countiss, J. H. Holder, and J. H. Deavenport—worked unstiringly and wisely, while many noble laymen "laid themselves out" for the homes of the county.

Now the county has had four elections in six years; shouldn't the Legislature extend the time to four or six years? J. C. PARK.

Rosedale, Miss., Jan. 28, 1899.

STATISTICS OF METHODISM FOR 1898.

The Independent prints in the issue of Jan. 5 its annual review of the churches, including the tables showing the present number of members.

Denominations.	Communicants. 1898.
1. Methodist Episcopal	2,705,601
2. Union American M. E.	2,675
3. African M. E.	750,354
4. African Union M. E.	7,000
5. African M. E. Zion	519,631
6. Methodist Protestant	180,911
7. Wesleyan Methodist	10,500
8. M. E., South	1,458,345
9. Congregational Methodist	12,500
10. Congregational Methodist (col).	319
11. New Congregational Methodist.	1,200
12. Zion Union Apostolic	2,346
13. Colored M. E.	199,206
14. Primitive Methodist	6,100
15. Free Methodist	28,134
16. Independent Methodist	2,569
17. Evangelist Missionary	4,900
Total Methodists	5,898,094

The increase in the membership of the seventeen branches of Methodism is given at 162,196

A pleasing episode at the close of the memorial service of the Alabama Conference occurred. A strange young man arose in the back part of the church and asked the privilege of saying a few words with reference to Dr. A. S. Andrews. It was Lieutenant R. P. Hobson. He told us how much Dr. Andrews had helped him when a student in the university, and how he had thought of Dr. Andrews when on the sea, and even when performing the perilous task of sinking the "Merrimac." What a blessing to young men presidents of colleges and their professors may be!—Alabama Christian Advocate.

Edward W. Harden, who went with Admiral Dewey's fleet to the Philippines, and remained there until a month or two ago, when he returned home to make some special reports to the government, will give in the February McClure's an account of Dewey and all his operations in Manila down to the present time. The article will be fully illustrated, mainly from photographs taken during and soon after the battle at Manila by J. T. McCutcheon, who was also with the fleet.

The business of the Publishing House of the M. E. Church, South, for the month of December, 1898, exceeded by $3,000 any former month of its history. Is there a Methodist south of Mason and Dixon's line who does not rejoice over the fact that Methodist literature, which is the best on this planet, is more in demand now than ever before?—Midland Methodist.

Bishop Bowman, of the M. E. Church, and Bishop Hendrix, of the M. E. Church, South, had charge of a union meeting in Grand Avenue Church, Kansas City, on Monday, Jan. 16, in which about a hundred ministers, of both Methodisms, and many laymen, were present, the gathering being called to cultivate fraternal relations.—St. Louis Advocate.

Dr. J. W. Lee and Dr. N. Lincoln (the latter of the Northern wing) will start a Methodist magazine in St. Louis. Men of culture, with money to burn, naturally like to burn it in the ideal way.—The Richmond Advocate.

Dr. Z. A. Parker, president of the North Alabama Conference College for Young Men, has been paralyzed, and the physicians say his case is hopeless.

The postoffice of Rev. H. S. Spraggins has been changed from Tibbee to Mayhew, Miss.

THE STANDARDS.

MR. EDITOR: The article in the ADVOCATE, of week before last, on the Standards, is worth to most Methodist preachers five times the price of the paper for one year. It has settled the question in my mind about the Standards of the M. E. Church, South. The question is not what ought to be our Standards; whether we believe that Wesley's notes and sermons, or anything else, should have been accepted as Standards by our church; but the question is, What has the church endorsed as Standards since our organization as a church? Why do not the brethren write on these things and exchange thoughts on such subjects in our Conference organ? This is what makes a live paper.

J. W. HONNOLL.

Holly Springs, Miss., Jan. 30, 1899.

We entirely agree with Bro. Honnoll in regard to the article of Dr. J. A. Parker. If there is an editor or other magnate about Nashville who thinks himself competent to refute Dr. Parker's position, the columns of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE are open to him.

The chief pang of most trials is not so much the actual suffering itself, as our own spirit of resistance to it.—Jean Nicolas Grou.

NOTES.

Dr. Morgan Calloway, of the faculty of Emory College, died a few days since.

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Rev. G. P. White begins his second year at St. Francisville, La., with favorable prospects.

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Rev. C. F. Emery, Edwards, Miss., writes: "The people here gave us a hearty reception, and the outlook is favorable for a good year's work."

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The pastors and workers of the Mississippi Conference will do well to give attention to a notice in this issue from their Conference Secretary of Education.

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Our church at Newton, Miss., was destroyed a few days since by fire. As usual with Methodist Churches there was no insurance. An effort will be made to rebuild soon.

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Rev. W. M. Williams, Gallman, Miss., writes: "Our first Quarterly Conference at Bethesda, last Sunday, was very pleasant and profitable. We are much pleased with our new presiding elder, Dr. H. W. Featherstun."

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Dr. S. A. Steel's famous lecture, "The Pioneers of Methodism," is published in full in the December issue of The Rambler, which can be had of the author at Nashville, Tenn. This note should have appeared several weeks since, but was inadvertently omitted.

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Many thanks to the brethren who are pushing the claims of the ADVOCATE. It is chiefly through the instrumentality of our pastors and presiding elders that our circulation is to be increased. Yet laymen can render valuable assistance. Several laymen have already lent a helping hand.

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Dr. J. M. Weems, in a letter enclosing money for subscriptions to the ADVOCATE, says: "We received a most cordial welcome to our new home and field of labor, and are hopeful of a good year. Come up and see us, and preach for us. There are not a few here who love to talk of your stay among them."

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From a letter from Rev. R. O. Brown, of the North Mississippi Conference, we quote as follows: "I am well pleased with my new charge. Have had a hearty reception, a vigorous pounding, and a raise in the salary of nearly a hundred dollars; and at the first Quarterly Conference salaries were paid in full and overpaid."

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From a private letter from Rev. T. B. Holloman, presiding elder of the Jackson district, we quote as follows: "The preachers are all at their posts and write hopefully of the work. I find them working for the ADVOCATE under your recent proposition, and have faith to believe that they will greatly increase the number of subscribers on the district." His reception from the family have had a most ple[illegible] ception from the good [illegible] Jackson.

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FROM REV. J. A. PARKER.

Have been about half 'round the district. Everything seems to move off encouragingly. So far the provision for the support of the preachers has been a little more liberal than appears in the last Minutes, though the salary of presiding elder has been cut down to about 12½ per cent. on preachers' allowances, instead of 15 per cent., as heretofore. I am making the first round hurriedly in order to get matters "under way," and receipts scarcely pay traveling expenses, because my want of strength forces me to travel by rail wherever I can. All the preachers are taking hold of their work earnestly. Dr. McVoy is especially active, though the senior among them all. He has received several members since Conference.

J. A. PARKER.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the Ministers' Relief Association of North Mississippi Conference—

The mortuary fee on the death of Bro. A. J. Jones, who was a member of the Association, is now due. As soon as I can get the "postoffice address" of the members, I will give personal notice. The constitution provides that each clerical member shall pay $5 within 60 days, and each lay member $1. A remittance will be acknowledged.

J. C. PARK, Sec and Treas.

Rosedale, Miss.

NOTICE.

To Mississippi Conference Brethren:

The New Century Education is a monthly published by the General Board of Education at Nashville. The first issue is now being mailed. I will have this paper sent during the educational campaign free of charge to all official members and workers whose names come into my possession. Let pastors send me the addresses of their committeemen, stewards, League officers, and others who will read. Send at once if you want their names included in the first list. HENRY G. HAWKINS.

Conf. Sec. Education.

NOTES FROM CORINTH.

I have been here 40 days. Have made 200 visits, and found 150 non-affiliating Methodists. Have a membership of 360. Dr. Sullivan's name is held in high esteem here. Our church-building is too small.

T. W. LEWIS

Jan. 28, 1899.

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SOCRATES died from a cup of poison administered by the hand of a friend. How many in this age have died by poisonous remedies given by friendly hands to combat diseases? It is quite a comfort to know that when giving DICKS' CHILLICIDE there is not a drop of poison in a bottle full of this beneficent remedy.

THE DRUM BEAT

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Mansfield, La., EDITOR.

We ask the Leaguers in Louisiana and Mississippi, as we have asked them often before, to send in notes for this column.

We read some items of interest in the Era, of Jan. 19, from the Arcadia League, by Miss Gussie B. Tooke, the president.

We would be obliged to Miss Gussie if she would send in some League news occasionally to the editor of this department.

The resolutions passed at Meridian, calling for this department, set forth the fact that it was to be a medium of communication for the Leagues in Mississippi and Louisiana.

We happened to see a notice somewhere of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana League Conference. We have been anxiously waiting to hear from them anent the meeting at Crowley.

Will the pastors kindly call attention to this department, set apart for the Leagues of Louisiana and Mississippi? Let each League appoint a correspondent, and we will make these columns interesting and helpful.

The League at Whitecastle, La., is composed as faithful a band of young people as we have found anywhere. Bro. H. L. Baker, the president, is a model young man, true to God, loyal to the church and a great help to the pastor.

It was our privilege recently to attend one of their Sunday evening meetings. It proved to be a genuine experience meeting. What an inspiration in a country where Rum and Romanism run riot to see young men and young women thus stand up for God and for the right.

Bro. C. C. Wier, the pastor of these young people, takes a great interest in them, and has done a work in this difficult field that perhaps few men could have accomplished.

The Mississippians are planning for big things at their coming Conference at West Point. Let not Louisiana be behind. Begin now to plan for Crowley.

BISHOP FITZGERALD "EXHORTS."

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I hope were not so when I was young;
The best of times was then."

There is a good time coming, boys,
And many a one has passed,
For each has had his own good time,
And will have to the last.
Then do thy work while lingers youth,
With freshness on its brow,
But mindful of life's greatest truth,
The best of times is now.

—Author Unknown.

SUCCESS.

Success is not excelling or equaling some one else, but coming up to the level of your best. He who is faithful is also successful. The wife of an Englishman, who, in spite of his blindness, had become eminent as a musician, philanthropist, and mathematician, replying to some complimentary allusions to her husband, said: "He is not more clever than other men; but this he has done: he has made the most of his capacities and opportunities." In that reply she had given a full definition of true success.

This is beautifully illustrated in the allegory of the king's garden. On entering it one morning he found nearly every tree and plant murmuring enviously because it could not do something that some other plant or tree could do. The vine complained because it could not stand alone like the pine; and the pine, because it could not bear fruit like the vine. So it was with one and another, until at length the king saw a heartsease that, almost alone in the general unrest, looked up happy and contented in his face. "How is this?" said the delighted king; "you welcome me with a smile, while all about you are grumbling at their lot?" Heartsease replied: "When you planted me, O king, I knew you wanted a heartsease, and not a pine or a vine, and so I have determined to be the best little heartsease that ever I can."

Though the heartsease can do nothing to affect its growth, we, for whom the allegory was made, can do much for ourselves. "Self-made men" are apt to worship their creator, and to forget that God gives seed and soil, sun and shower, while man's part in self-development is only the cultivation. But others are too apt to forget that without self-culture a man will be only a weed. God takes us into partnership in the making of a man by enabling us to influence heredity, environment, and character. That American boy was not wholly wrong who, being asked, "Who made you?" replied, measuring a baby's size between his hands, "God made me so long, and I growed the rest." Growth depends partly on ourselves, and, therefore, the Bible commands us to "grow." Whether the boy of twelve shall grow to be strong and fair depends largely upon his habits of thought and action, what attitude he takes toward cigarettes and beer, what use he makes of study hours, and, most of all, of leisure hours.—Success.

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Then, again, this makes you less agreeable to others, and what you in an evil hour fancied become realities. Offenses and slights will be given because many will not be so anxious to please you. You know when we have a sore on foot, or hand, or arm, some one all the while jogges us and hurts us right on that sore spot. So exactly if we carry sore feelings, sore spirits and a sore heart into society, some careless one or cruel one will surely manage to hurt us—and sometimes I think on purpose.

Now, if that spirit injures you so much in respect to yourself, and unfits you for a social life, it must be very injurious to your Christian life; for that involves all other of life's relations, and takes more. You can not be a happy, trustful, amiable and congenial Christian when you are fermenting with a sense of injuries received. Hence your influence and power for good are very much weakened. Just read Paul's description of an opposite spirit that should govern a Christian soul: "Love suffereth long and is kind, envieth not, ... is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, ... beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." What a happy person he must be who is governed by such a spirit!—H. O. Rawlands, D. D., in Standard.

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Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.—Richter.

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If you are contracting a cold, you can check its course by inhaling, for ten minutes or longer, steam from a vessel of boiling water. If you have dyspepsia, drink a large quantity of hot water before and after eating. It restores normal circulation in the stomach, and, with proper diet, it will unquestionably in time cure the most stubborn case. Some of these days weak humanity will admit that Nature works best with a corps of natural assistants, and that the only lasting results are to be derived therefrom.—A. E. Shaw.

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PARKISON—GEORGE WASHINGTON PARKISON was born April 28, 1811, in Heygood county, Tenn. He was married to Miss Margaret E. Latta, Jan. 7, 1840. She died Sept. 5, 1845. He was married a second time Feb. 24 1853, to Miss Jane B. Porter. She died Aug. 5, 1893. The time of his conversion is not distinctly known, but he was a converted man and a consistent member of the M. E Church when twenty years of age. In January, 1844, he removed to Panola county, Miss., where he settled and lived on the same spot until he died. He had the implicit confidence of all who knew him. He was ever at the front in every religious movement. He struck the first lick toward building the first Methodist Church ever built in what is now known as Panola county, Miss., of logs, and gave the name of "Hermony." He lived to see this replaced by a handsome chapel. Built his tent with the first testers on Hermony Camp Ground in 1838, and regularly occupied it up to 1891. For thirty years he was a class leader of the old-time species. He was a successful leader in all the social meetings of the church; was able and effectual in prayer, and happy in his talks and exhortations. In 1872 his vision so completely failed him that he could no longer read his Bible in leading his brethren in their devotional services. This difficulty with the increasing infirmities of age gradually retired him from leadership in these services, but he did not cease to be in his place at church until within ten months of his decease, when an accident deprived him of the ability to walk. In his last intelligent conversation, a few days before his death, he spoke calmly of his approaching end. He died Dec. 18, 1898, in his eighty-eighth year. For sixty-eight years his daily life was a power for good among his people. J. D. NEWSOM.
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HINES—LILLIE DORA HINES (nee Sherrard) was born near Longstraw, La., Sept. 26, 1875, and died at her home near Vernon, La., Nov. 18, 1898. She was married to S. W. Hines, Dec. 15, 1895. She was baptized by Rev. J. M. Brown. Ministry. She was converted at Longstraw under the always at his post. S. Collier, in July, 1888. She was a quiet spirit. She was duty—at church, Sunday-school, and prayer meeting; was often called on to lead the singing in grove and prayer meeting. She would read and pray around the family altar. She died of peritonitis; was sick two weeks. She bore her sickness with Christian fortitude. She was in her right mind until one hour before dissolution. Her last words were that she was prepared to go; all that she regretted was leaving her loving husband and her two precious little ones. She requested us to take her children and raise them as we had raised her. She said she had thanked us many times for the religious training we had given her.

A few hours before she died Bro. W. A. Clarke, her pastor, called and prayed with her. Being asked if there was a favorite hymn she would like them to sing, she said, "I think 'I am thine, O Lord,' is pretty," and raising the tune herself, she sang it through in a clear, distinct voice.

Though her sufferings were great to the last, she passed away easy. She lived a Christian every day; always obedient to us, and kind to her brothers and sisters. She never gave us an hour's trouble in her life. She read the Bible every day, and prayed every night, from childhood till her death. Her last request was, "Have my dear little babe baptized." She sleeps in Jesus. HER MOTHER.

AUSTIN—Dr. R. P. AUSTIN was born in Mocksville, N. C., March 4, 1835, and died at his home in Harperville, Dec. 2 1898. The fifth of March, 1868, Dr. Austin was happily married to Miss Susan Diane. To them were born eight children. Five of them still live, with their mother, to mourn the loss sustained in the death of a kind father, a noble husband. Dr. Austin joined the M. E Church, South, in 1872. He was faithful to the hour of his death. I was for two years his pastor. I think he was as true, as faithful as any man I ever served.

Dr. Austin served his people as a statesman, and he was faithful to the trust committed to him. As a physician, he was eminently successful; as a neighbor, he was loved and esteemed by all, as a Mason, he held sacred his obligations; as a Christian, he was cheerful, happy, and hopeful. He said to this scribe a few days before his death, "I can not talk much, but I know that my Redeemer liveth." Looking at his wife and children a few hours before going to his reward, he said, "Glory! glory! glory!" This scribe and Rev. Geo. W. Liddledeaton conducted the funeral. He was buried with Masonic honors. His end was peace. "God bless his family."
W. M. SULLIVAN.

LEWIS—Died on the thirteenth of January, 1899 at Fannin, Miss., HANOLA TILLERY LEWIS, infant son of Rev. H. H Lewis.

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Bro. and Sister Lewis have the deepest sympathy of many sorrowing friends on account of their sad bereavement. One more sweet bud has been plucked from the sorrows of earth to bloom in joy in heaven; one more sweet voice has been hushed on earth only to join the heavenly choirs in singing songs of Jesus and his love; one more earthly tie has been broken, but a new tie has been formed in heaven, and as the bereaved ones look through their tears toward the gates of the celestial city, they can realize that there is one more amid the hosts of earth's redeemed who is watching and waiting for loved ones to come home.

May the loss of this little one be sanctified to the glory of the Father and the eternal welfare of the bereaved ones! is the prayer of
J. W. C.

ROBERTSON—Mrs. PRUDENCE L. ROBERTSON (nee Kemp) was born March 17, 1831, and died at Independence, La., Nov. 17 1898, at 2 o'clock A. M.

Sister Robertson united with the M. E. Church, South, in early childhood. She was always true to her church and to her pastor. She made many friends wherever she went. She was married to Mr. Pearce Robertson, Dec. 16 1875. She had no children born to her, but raised an adopted son, Marshall Killian, whom, with the husband, survive her.

Sister Robertson was a woman of great faith. When she married Bro. Robertson he was unconverted, but through her earnest prayers he was brought into the church and converted. And never was there a husband more devoted to a wife than Bro. Robertson was to her. May God bless him in this time of sorrow, and may he nor Marshall ever forget her counsel! F. N. SWEENEY.

BARNES—SAMUEL M. BARNES was born Jan 25, 1850, married Miss S. A. Bland, June 29, 1871; joined the church about the year 1874, and died at his home near Hurricane Church, Copiah county, Miss., of swamp fever, Nov. 25, 1898.

By the death of Bro. Barnes a good and true man has gone from us. He was a good citizen, a kind friend, a tender, loving father, a devoted and affectionate husband, and a consistent church member. We are sorely bereaved. He did not profess conversion until his last affliction, but we believe he became satisfied, and is now in heaven. God bless his bereaved ones, and help them to meet him where parting will be no more.
His pastor, A. D. MILLER.
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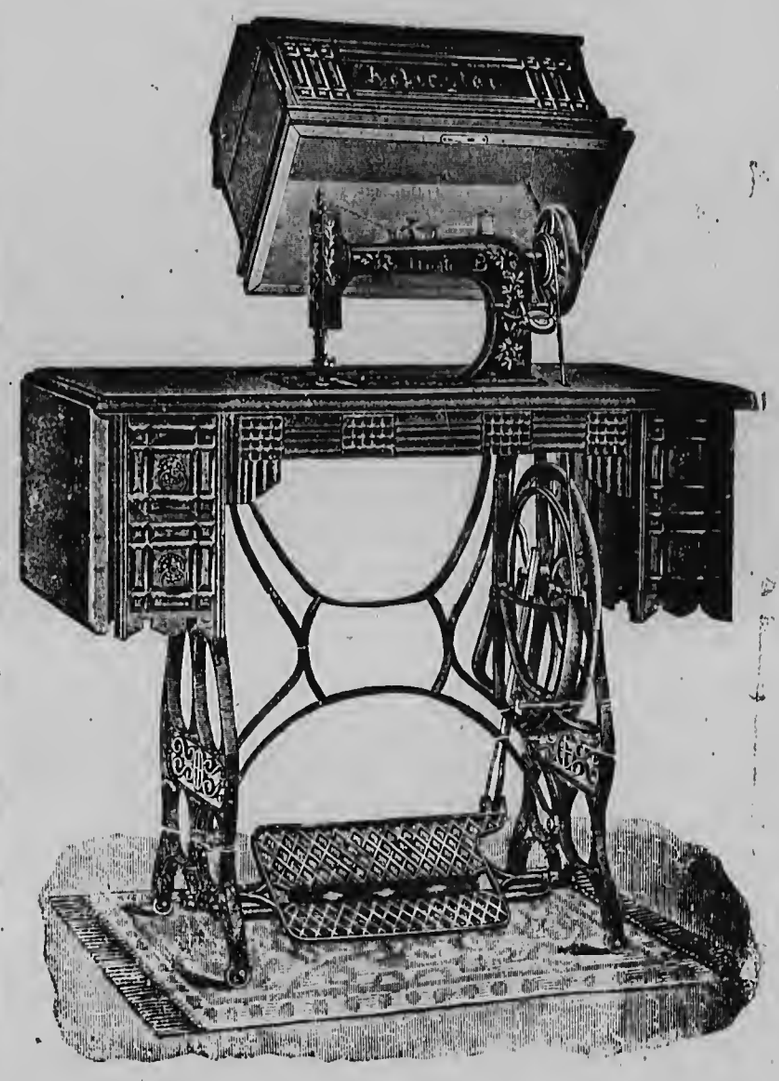

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The semi-centennial of the entrance of Methodism into Europe as an evangelizing agency will be observed next year.

The North Dakota House is another legislative body to adopt resolutions in favor of the election of United States Senators by the people.

The Arkansas House has voted to bar women from positions in the gift of the Legislature. As originally drawn, it also excluded sons of members, but the representatives struck that out.

Opponents of capital punishment in Massachusetts have formed an organization with the avowed purpose to influence the Legislature to repeal the present law for the infliction of the death penalty.

Among the many men of all parties who have approved of the project to erect in Richmond a Confederate Memorial Hall, and many of whom have contributed thereto, are President McKinley and Ex-Presidents Cleveland and Harrison, Secretaries Gage, Alger, Long, Bliss, Smith and Hay, and Ex-Secretaries Sherman, Whitney, Carlisle, Lament and James.

In the Montana Senate a bill has been introduced providing that the $30,000 turned over to the State treasurer by the Investigation Committee, and alleged to be bribe money, be made a fund out of which to build a home in Helena for the Children's Home Society, over the door of which, cut in granite, should be the words: "Dedicated to purity in politics in Montana."

The customs receipts in Cuba for January, including Jan. 27, were $724,000, and Collector Bliss expects them to reach $800,000 at the end of the month. This is at the rate of $1,000,000 a year more than Spain collected annually during the last twelve years of her regime, under a tariff 60 per cent. less. These figures give an iden of the extent of Spanish official peculation.

President McKinley will have in his possession on Thursday the complete report of the War Investigating Commission. The report will comprise about forty thousand words. Attached to it will be an appendix of five hundred printed pages setting forth all of the testimony taken by the commission during its investigation.

Next to the ratification of the treaty and the reorganization of the army, the Nicaragua Canal bill is the most important matter before Congress. A bill to acquire the property of the company that holds the franchise and the work done on said canal, and to provide for its completion under the control and with the money of the United States, recently passed the Senate. To get it through the House is now the problem to be solved.

The very strong sentiment against the annexation of the Philippines which is developing in Congress should encourage our sugar producers to hope that the competition from Cuban and Manila sugar, which they dreaded so much, may not be encountered at all. Whatever may be the ultimate destiny of Cuba and the Philippines, it is evident that a long time must elapse before either country can be admitted as an integral part of the United States.

Senator Frye, chairman of the Committee on Commerce, and Representative Payne, chairman of the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, are preparing to make a hard fight for the passage during the session of the bill to pay navigation bounties to American shipping. The bills reported by the Senate and House Committees are practically identical, and represent the conclusions reached by Commissioner of Navigation Chamberlain and concurred in by most of the shipping interest in this country, as to the best means of building up the American Merchant Marine. The advocates of the measure contend that its enactment and the annual expenditure of from $5,000,000 to $6,000,000 will within twelve or fifteen years bring the merchant service of the United States up to a rank second only to that of Great Britain.

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Gen. Eagan's trial has closed. The verdict of the court is guilty under both charges, and the sentence is dismissal from the United States Army. No recommendations for mercy or executive clemency were made. The court reached a verdict without long deliberation.

According to the present outlook, Feb. 15 will pass without any tribute being paid in Havana to the memory of the "Maine" and its dead. Patriotic American ladies had planned solemn ceremonies in honor of the heroes lying in Cristobal Colon Cemetery, but Commodore Cromwell has negatived those plans, and the ladies feel they have been censured for their act. At a meeting held last week it was reported that Commodore Cromwell had said Admiral Sampson should have full charge of any ceremonies which might be held over the "Maine" graves, and it was impertinent to propose anything previous to his arrival at Havana. Moreover, the admiral is said to have declared the Bishop of Santander had been insulted because the ceremonies had been planned to be held in the cemetery without first consulting him.

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NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

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Donaldsonville	12
Rayne Memorial	19
Lower Coast	26
Carrollton Avonne	Mar. 5
Caronalet Street	12
White Castle	19
Burgundy Street	26
Covington	Apr. 2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Caddo, at Kentobio	Feb. 4, 5
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane	11, 12
Logansport, at Logansport	18, 19
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport	25, 26
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Mar. 4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill	11, 12
Red River, at ——	18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs	25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Mansfield	9
Florine and mission, at ——	15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle	22, 23
Pelican, at ——	29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Rayville and Delhi	Feb 4, 5
Vidalia and Gilbert	11, 12
Waterproof	18, 19
Lake Providence	25, 26
Bonita	Mar. 3, 4
Floyd	11, 12
Tallulah	18, 19
Winnsboro	25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr. 1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Haynesville	Feb. 4, 5
Homer	5, 6
Bienville	11, 12
Lanesville	18, 19
Gibsland	20
Valley	25, 26
Minden	Mar. 4, 5
Gansville	11, 12
Arcadia	18, 19

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Crowley	Feb. 4, 5
Indian Bayou	7
Lake Arthur	11, 12
Lake Charles	15
West Lake	17
Grand Chenieres	..

Pastors will please inform me where the Conferences are to be held, and when off the main railroad, how to get to them.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Franklinton, at Fisher's	Feb. 2, 3
Amite City, at Amite City	4, 5
Slaughter, at Ethel	11, 12
Wilson, at Gayden	18, 19
Clinton	19, 20
St. Helena, at Greensburgh	25, 26
St. Francisville, at Concord	Mar. 4, 5
Jackson	5, 6

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Olla and Pollock, at P.	Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M. Fri. Feb. 3
Columbia	4, 5
Jena and Jenesville, at W. S. Springs.	Conf., 11 A. M.; pr'g, 7:30 P. M. Tues. 7
Spring Creek, at Glenmora	11, 12
Dry Creek, at D. C.	Conf., 11 A. M.; preaching, 7:30 P. M. Tues. 14

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Arkabutla	Feb. 4, 5
Nesbit	7
Pleasant Grove	11, 12
Longtown	12, 13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs	18, 19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet	19, 20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel	22
Wall Hill	25, 26

T. C. WIKA, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Gnatown	Feb. 4, 5
Ripley circuit	9
New Albany circuit	11, 12
Saltillo circuit	16
Jonesboro circuit	18, 19
Burnsville and Jacinto	24

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Montpelier circuit, at Palestine	Feb. 4, 5
Buena Vista circuit	Tues. 7
Houston and Wesley	11, 12
Shannon circuit	18, 19
Fulton circuit	25, 26
Tremont circuit	Tues. 28
Okolona circuit, at Pine Grove	Mar. 4, 5

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Toccopola	Feb. 4, 5
Paris, at Prospect	Fri. 10
Banner	11, 12
Charleston, at Harrison	18, 19
Chapel Hill	25, 26
Slate Springs, at Bentley	Tues. 28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel	Wed. Mar. 1
Elizey, at Old Town	Fri. 3
Pittsboro	4, 5

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Belzona, at Belzoan	Feb. 4, 5
Poplar Creek, at Friendship	11, 12
Chester, at Chester	18, 19
Louisville, at Rocky Hill	25, 29
Salem, at Salem	Mar. 4, 5

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Columbus circuit, at Mt. Pleasant	Feb. 4, 5
Columbus station	5, 6
Winstonville, at Mashulaville	11, 12

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Sidon and Etta Bena	1st " " " " Feb.
West	2nd " " " " "
Carrollton circuit	3rd " " " " "
McNutt	4th " " " " "
Black Hawk	1st " " " " Mar.
Dublin and Webb	2nd " " " " "

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tunica	Feb. 4, 5
Austin	5, 9
Hillhouse	11, 12
Deeson	12, 13
Gunnison	18, 19
Rosedale	19, 20
Bolivar	25, 29
Lehrton	Mar. 4, 5

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Holly Springs cir., at Sylvestria	Feb. 4, 5
Red Banks cir., at Victoria	11, 12
Mt Pleasant cir., at Mt Pleasant	18, 19
Olive Branch, at Miller	25, 26
East Holly Springs, at Harmony	Mar. 4, 5
Ashland, at Union Hill	11, 12
Connersville, at Ebenezer	18, 19

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Portersville, at Portersville	Feb. 4, 5
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale	5, 6
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	Fri. 10
Winchester, at Big Rock	11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna	12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto	18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise	19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel	Fri. 24
Mathorsville, at Poplar Springs	25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman	26, 27
Daloville, at Bethel	Mar. 4, 5
Binnsville, at Scooba	11, 12

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Pearlington and Logtown, at P.	Feb. 4, 5
Gulfcwny, at Molaurin	9
Escatawpa, at Zion	11, 12
Moss Point	12, 13
Whittington, at Colevillo	15
St. John's, at St. John's	16
East Covington, at Bethel	18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	21
Hatchesburg	26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia	Mar. 1
Leaksville, at Leaksville	5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hatticsburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Carthage, at Carthage	Sat. Feb. 4
Walnut Grove, at W. G.	Sun. and Mon. 5, 6
Hillsboro, at Oak Grove	Tues. 7
Lake, at Lawrence	Sat. and Sun. 11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence	Sat. and Sun. 18, 19
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill	Sat. 25
Newton and H., at Hickory	Sun. and Mon 26, 27
Chunkey, at Sunqualena	Sat and Sun. Mar. 4, 5
Montrose, at Mt. Zion	Sat and Sun. 11, 12
Shiloh, at John's	Sat. and Sun. 18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur	Sat. and Sun. 25, 26
Noshoba, at Mars Hill	Sat. and Sun. Apr. 1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talli-Chulok, Mon	3

District stewards will please meet at Newton, Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2 o'clock P. M. The pastors are also invited and expected to be present.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Washington	Feb. 4, 5
Salem	11, 12
Fayette	18, 19
Jefferson Street	24, 26
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Meadville	Mar. 4, 5
Roxie	11, 12
Percy's Creek	18, 19
Woodville	25, 26
Brandywine	Apr. 3, 4

The district stewards will meet at Gloster at 11 A. M., Feb. 8, 1899.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Edwards, at Edwards	Feb. 4, 5
Warren, at Oak Ridge	11, 12
South Warren, at Bovina	18, 19
Mayersville, at Mayersville	25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar. 4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs	11, 12
Satartia, at Bentonia	18, 19
Utica, at Utica	25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr. 1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah	8, 9

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Whitestown, at Whitestown	Feb. 4, 5
McComb City	5, 6
Beauregard, at Beauregard	11, 12
Wesson	12, 13
Bogue Chitto, at Norfield	18, 19
Adams, at Adams	25, 26
Summit, at Summit	26, 27
Westville, at Westville	Mar. 4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Bluffsville	Tues. 7
Providence, at Bahala	11, 12
Tylertown, at Tylertown	18, 19
Pleasant Grove, at Tilton's	Wed. 22
Haxlehurst	25, 26

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Jackson—First Church	11 A. M. Feb. 5
Capitol Street	7 P. M. 5
Tranquil, at Pleasant Hill	11, 12
Yazoo City	7 P. M. 12, 13
Fannin	18, 19
Brandon	7 P. M. 19, 20
Steen's Creek	25, 29
Yazoo circuit, at Flotcher's	Mar. 4, 5
Benton, at Benton	7 P. M. 5, 6
Silver Cr. and B. L.	11, 12
Lake City and Lodi	18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's	25, 26
Camden, at Camden	Apr. 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

RED RIVER.

After a delightful Christmas spent among the kind friends of Patterson, we left the next day for our new home on Red River. While waiting for our boat we spent two very pleasant days in the home of Rev. H. H. Ahrens, who could hardly be blamed if he did not want to go to heaven. It was good to be there and enjoy sweet fellowship in such a lovely circle. May God's richest blessings rest upon them always!

From Wednesday evening until Sunday afternoon we were very pleasantly cared for on the steamer "Valley Queen," whose officers are all gentlemen as well as skillful managers of one of the neatest river craft afloat.

We were met at the landing by my predecessor, Rev. N. S. Cornell, who took us to the parsonage, where we were soon made very comfortable. We found him in the midst of packing, preparatory to his move; yet while the house was somewhat disordered on that account, it was plain to be seen that he was to leave a clean house. We were fortunate to come up on the same boat with our household goods for Sunday, as it was we must of necessity heed the scriptural injunction, "Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house." Adequate provision had been made by the people to meet all our needs for many days, and up to the present hour their care for us continues to abound.

Brother Cornell was much in favor with the people here; whether on his own account or on the account of his two young lady daughters, who are very much treasured in the hearts of the people, I don't know. He would have been gladly welcomed back; and had not the Bishop ruled otherwise, there is no doubt but that he would have returned. I sympathize with him very much, and hope that he has been as well provided for by his predecessor as I have been by mine.

I have now seen most of this field, and while I find that others have labored well and have left names that will be long remembered, yet there is work in abundance for me to do. This is specially true on the east side of the river where the new Red River Valley railway passes through a part of the charge. I am planning, praying and laboring for a profitable year of ingathering and upbuilding on Red River circuit.

WM. G. EVANS.

Bayou La Chute, La., Jan. 24, 1899.

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N. B.

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MARRIAGES.

MOSBY—MILLER.—At the residence of Mr. Jeremiah Miller, near Landerdale, Miss., Jan. 19, 1899, at 8:30 P. M., by Rev. Hervie Mollard, Mr. R. F. Mosby to Miss Blanch A. Miller, all of Landerdale county.

FAGGARD—VAUGHAN.—At the parsonage, Escalawpa, Miss., Tuesday evening, Jan. 17, 1899, by Rev. W. J. Dawson, Mr. W. J. Faggard and Miss M. L. Vaughan.

SUTTLE—NORLIN.—At the Presbyterian Church in Edwards, Miss., Jan. 25, 1899, at 8:30 P. M., by Rev. C. F. Emery, Miss Bessie E. Norlin and Mr. Benjamin F. Suttle, both of Edwards.

POITEVENT—MADDOX.—At the residence of the bride's father, Perthshire, Miss., Dec. 27, 1898, by Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, Mr. T. J. Poitevent, of Shelby, Miss., to Miss Mary Maddox.

BOYLS—LOCKE.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Kilmichael, Miss., Jan. 25, 1899, by Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, Mr. G. W. Boyls, of Maben, Miss., to Miss Annie Locke.

RUSHING—McCLELLAN.—At the residence of the bride's father, Jan. 19, 1899, by Rev. A. W. Langley, Mr. J. S. Rushing and Miss Lou McClellan, all of Lafayette county, Miss.

PERSON—SPENCE.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Jan. 26, 1899, by Rev. A. W. Langley, Mr. R. L. Person, of Mt Pleasant, and Miss Willie L. Spence, of Lafayette county, Miss.

NEWTON—PICKETT.—At the home of the bride, near Midway, Jan. 25, 1899, at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. Jas. M. Martin, Rev. Chas. A. Newton and Miss Ola A. Pickett, both of Richland parish.

SCHROCK—GADDIS.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in the town of Floyd, La., Jan. 25, 1899, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. Jas M. Martin, Mr. George A. Schrock and Miss Willie Gaddis.

McLEOD—SHURLEY.—At the residence of Mr. Ben Curtice, Winston county, Miss., Nov. 16, 1898, by Rev. D. W. Babb, Mr. Robert McLeod, of Wells Point, Texas, to Miss Suda Shurley.

KING—GAGE.—In the Methodist Church at Louisville, Miss., Jan. 4, 1899, by Rev. D. W. Babb, Mr. James S. King to Miss Nannie Gage, all of Louisville.

MIDDLETON—PERRY.—At the beautiful new Methodist Church in Satartia, Miss., Jan. 25, 1899, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. C. C. Evans, Mr. William B. Middleton to Miss Annie Lee Perry, all of Yazoo county, Miss.

COLLINS—LASTRAPES.—At the residence of Judge Irions, Eola, La., Jan. 19, 1899, by Rev. W. T. Woodward, Mr. Wirt Collins to Mrs. Mary King Lastrapes.

WILKS—BENTLEY.—At Opelousas, La., Jan. 25, 1899, by Revs. W. T. Woodward and T. K. Faunt LeRoy, Mr. M. A. Wilks and Miss Amanda Bentley.

PRICE—O'CONNELL.—At the Methodist Church in Gonidsboro, La., on the evening of Jan. 24, 1899, by Rev. C. T. Munholland, Mr. John Belton Price, of New Orleans, to Miss Carter Rosa O'Connell, of Gonidsboro.

ROGERS—WARD.—In the Baptist Church at Raleigh, Miss., Sunday, Jan. 15, 1899, at 6 o'clock P. M., by Rev. J. N. Tucker, assisted by Rev. T. L. Mellen, Mr. J. E. Rogers to Miss Nannie Ward, both of this vicinity.

MOUNGER—FOLKES.—At the residence of the bride, in Warren county, Miss., Jan. 19, 1899, by Rev. H. L. Norton, Rev. Edwin Hartlieb Monager, D. D., of the Mississippi Conference, and Mrs. Sallie Markham Folkes.

POOL—BLAIR.—At Blair's Chapel, Jan. 22, 1899, by Rev. R. E. Ratcliffe, Mr. J. W. Pool to Miss Ada Blair, all of Kemper county, Miss.

GUNTER—WISE.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Bywy, Miss., Sunday, Jan. 22, by Rev. W. L. Anderson, Mr. Jno. S. Gunter, of La Grange, Miss., to Miss Renan L. Wise.

MOAK—TIMBERLAKE.—At the home of the bride, Jan. 25, 1899, by Rev. J. A. Moore, Mr. John M. Moak and Miss Mary Estelle Timberlake, both of Johnston's Station, Miss.

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IMMEASURABLE LOVE.

BY THOMAS C. UPHAM.

Go, count the sands that form the earth,
The drops that make the mighty sea;
Go, count the stars of heavenly birth,
And tell me what their numbers be;
And then shalt know Love's mystery.

No measurement hath yet been found,
No lines or numbers that can keep
The sum of its eternal round,
The plummet of its endless deep,
Or heights to which its glories sweep.

Yes, measure Love, when thou canst tell
The lands where seraphs have not trod,
The heights of heaven, the depths of hell,
And lay thy finite measuring-rod
On the infinitude of God.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

ALABAMA METHODISM IN SANTIAGO.

BY WALTER R. LAMBUTH.

Alabamians in the land of the cocoanut and the pineapple! Our Southern boys from Birmingham, Montgomery, and other towns! What a pleasure it is, after weeks of travel among strangers speaking a strange tongue, to meet one's own countrymen, and hear words and the very tones of voice that are familiar in every Southern household! In Santiago—and, in fact, all over Cuba—it is customary for Americans to accost each other upon the street, and for gentlemen it is the appropriate thing to do, since it is both an act of courtesy and a relief from a sense of remoteness from home which is never entirely absent from one during the earlier months of residence abroad.

We had not been in Santiago two hours before we set out for the camp of the Fifth United States Volunteers, of which Rev. W. K. Simpson is chaplain. We could see from the deck of our steamer "Old Glory" floating in the breeze over the snow-white tents of the regiment pitched upon the high hills two miles from the city, in the direction of old Morro Castle, which is still five miles farther out. Bro. H. W. Baker, of Key West, and I had not waited long in the adjutant's tent before Bro. Simpson walked in with a vigorous stride, which indicated as good health as when we last met at the session of the North Alabama Conference, 1897. A little tanned by a tropical sun and considerable exposure incident to horseback riding to and from the military hospital, but with a gain of fifteen pounds, there was no indication of the ill effects of climate or miasma. He reported the health of the regiment as being good. There were some cases of malaria, dysentery, and typhoid fever, but these were principally due to exposure, or to intemperate eating and drinking. The yellow fever, earlier in the season, was of a mild type, and not so much dreaded as the enteric forms of fever. Indulgence in tropical fruit, bad whisky, carelessness in exposure to the chill of night, will easily account for ninety per cent. of sickness among our troops.

Five minutes' walk brought us to the chaplain's tent, where we had an unexpected treat in meeting his wife (formerly Miss Ransom, of Murfreesboro, Tenn.). Sister Simpson has been here six weeks, having followed her husband via Porto Rico. It does not take much to make a Methodist preacher and his wife contented. A table, a half-dozen chairs—all picked up in town—canvass cots, a goods box or two for book-cases, bureau, etc., and a good stout tent with peace in it and a conscience void of offense. Abraham hardly had more when he started out, and I am sure some of the fathers of Methodism did not have as much, for our brother told me his table was solid mahogany—nearly as cheap in Santiago as pine in Mobile. It is said the butchers frequently make their chopping blocks of it, and even the wharf on which we landed is mahogany. I forgot one thing necessary to happiness—something to eat. But even this essential was not lacking.

The culinary department does not lose all its mystery, even in a camp. We knew something was going on, for our brother had been for some time making Masonic signs to his wife, who suddenly disappeared. Soon the little table just large enough for four was spread by the muchacho—the Cuban boy they had picked up—and we gathered about it to sample an American meal. Few who have not been for two weeks on a diet of rice and sweet oil, garlic and minced liver, varied occasionally by "grumbled eggs" and rancid butter, can appreciate what a luxury that dinner was. What if the chicken soup did come out of a can, and the peas and corn were transported three thousand miles!—the food was from the United States. Then, besides, there was fresh beef, Irish potatoes, and excellent coffee. Sister Simpson knows how to get up a dinner, and dispense Tennessee and Alabama hospitality. But, like all Marthas, she wasn't satisfied. "Oh, if I could only give you some real corn-bread!" We were willing to forego that pleasure, but, for the sake of our fat hostess, who likes a corn-pone for dinner, will not some of my readers take her a sack of corn-meal when they go to Santiago?

Together with our host and hostess we visited San Juan hill this morning, and looked down upon the battle-field where so many of our brave soldiers lost their lives. Standing upon the ruins of the block-house around which the battle raged so fiercely, the city of Santiago lies a mile and a half to the west, distinctly visible, with its scarred and weather-beaten buildings and yellow tile roofs. Prominent among the buildings were the barracks where the heroes of the "Merrimac" were confined. Between the city and the block-house is the gigantic ceiba tree, under which Hobson was exchanged and the terms of capitulation signed. In front, looking towards the east, is the valley, or rather the ravine, on the far side of which the Rough Riders, the Ninth United States Infantry and the New York Seventy-first formed preparatory to action, the latter, excepting two companies, being held in reserve. During the previous night the Rough Riders had crept up the hill, cutting their way through barbed wire fences, and dug shallow rifle pits within easy range of the block-house. They and the Ninth Regulars—negro troops—bore the brunt of the action. The latter pushed up the hill in the face of a terrific fire, singing, "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night." It seems incredible that a body of men could survive such odds, for, in addition to the steep hill and heavy fire from the block-house, they were subjected to an enfilading fire right and left from Spanish redoubts. The result is known. The Spanish fought well, but concluded, and rightly, that it was useless to resist the onslaught of a body of soldiers who charged as though each man thought himself responsible for the success of the American army.

From San Juan hill down to "bloody ford" in the ravine was one mat of tangled grass and barbed wire. A moment's pause by our soldiers, even to use the wire nippers carried in their boots, and the thud of a Mauser bullet would speak of the Spanish sharpshooter and how he got in his work from some royal palm or cocoanut tree. The white head-boards told the rest. They were in the most unexpected places, and on not a few was the single word, "Unknown." Brave fellows! They went down into nameless graves, but not in vain. The fall of Santiago meant the day-spring of Cuban liberty. Shackles stained with the blood of four centuries of oppression were stricken off, and the Pearl of the Antilles caught the first gleam of civil and religious liberty. Can there be any doubt as to the result?

Last night Bro. Baker and I met a little band of thirty in a rented hall, one end of it being a shoe-shop. Twenty of these were women who had come to hear in familiar language the story so old to us, but new to them. Before Santiago fell this company would have been suspects and heretics; fit subjects for the Inquisition and purgatorial fires. Now, with heaving bosoms and tear-bedewed cheeks, they hung upon the speaker's words, which were to them life and hope and immortality.

Bro. H. B. Somellian was sent here in September from Tampa to prospect, but had not funds to open a preaching-place. It was Bro. Simpson who stood by him, pledged out of his own salary the rent of a hall until the Board could take the matter up, and then wrote to Nashville urging us to do something for the people so anxious to hear the gospel. We have consulted over the situation, and have rented a more commodious place centrally located. It will cost $75 per month. Bro. Simpson and wife generously pledged $10 of this, and we see where we can secure $25 more, but there will still be a balance of $40 per month to meet, or, in round numbers, $500 for the year 1899. Is there not in Alabama a Sunday-school, or Epworth League, or church, which will assume this amount? This is an emergency, and must be met as such. When God opens the door the church must enter.

An organ is much needed. Including freight, it will require $125 to lay the instrument down in Santiago. Sister Simpson makes an appeal through me for the Cuban women. Let not this appeal be in vain. Out of your abundance devise liberal things for the poor children of our Father, who, for generations, have been deprived of their heritage.

Santiago de Cuba.

CENTRAL LOUISIANA.

Nothing is more gratifying to a presiding elder than to look over his territory and find "a place for every man, and every man in his place." At present such is the condition of affairs on the Alexandria district.

Beginning at the tub (or radii) of the district, Dr. McVoy is starting out with the energy of a much younger man. He was a "classmate" of this scribe in the Alabama Conference in 1860, and has worked right on through all these years either as pastor or college president. Already his activity in his new charge is bearing fruit. Six or seven new members during the first month is good work. That number he has gathered, and others are being brought in. The odor of an old church certificate attracts him like as the scent of a rat does the terrier. Few escape his efforts.

Neglecting these musty old certificates costs our Zion many members every year. This is the reason for that ominous entry, "Lost sight of," which marks so many of our church registers. All blame for this neglect, however, does not rest upon our pastors. Our members do not look out for newcomers in the community, and learn of their former church relations, in order to report to the pastor. Every pastor should exhort his flock on this question, and close this point of waste.

At Boyce and West Alexandria, Bro. Turner has a big job on his hands in rebuilding the church destroyed by fire just before Conference. He has the matter well in hand, and Messrs. Miller, Sandidge, and B. C. Dean, though not members of our church, are working finely as members of the Building Committee. I commend this enterprise to the brethren outside of Boyce, and hope our friends will "lend a helping hand" to that little burthened flock.

Bro. L. L. Roberts has just reached Pineville. He has the year before him in a large field. He is hopeful, young, and strong, and, no doubt, will make his work to "abide."

At Lecompte and White's Chapel, Bro. W. T. Woodward has his plans for the year, and if he does not do a good work—as he will—he will break a heretofore unbroken record.

Rev. R. Randle, one of the older men of the district, and a well-known member of the Conference, has an exceptionally fine field at Simsport. His labors there will be seconded by as fine a corps of laymen as any preacher need want.

Bunkie and Marksville is, as to the latter place, a new field for our planting, opened up last year by Bro Woodward. Bro. Haney has the sickle there, and his intelligence and energy lead to hopes of great things.

At Melville—Big Cane, Melville, and Rosedale—our young brother, late from the Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge—J. W. Lee—has charge, and a wreck on the Avoyelles railroad was the cause of my getting into one of the most terrific storms I ever witnessed—of the kind. I was due at Simsport on Thursday, and was expected at Melville at noon Friday. Being prevented getting to Simsport, I hurried on to Melville a day in advance of announcement. The good people saw a rising barometer, and arranged for the storm to pass before the "beloved" came within its path; but, as is usual with prognosticators, their calculations miscarried, and soon after the arrival of the presiding elder missile after missile was seen passing through the air, and a second glance assured the observer that a "storm" was on. On it came. The parsonage doors gave way, and soon the whole room was strewn with the debris. Although there were scores of missiles—some weighing more than a hundred pounds—flying right in among the "children of the manse," not one was hurt! Sister Lee and Bessie will not get that "stuff" out of their home for weeks to come. (Put this in small letters.) Several parcels of this "stuff" struck the presiding elder next morning—between the teeth.

At Natchitoches I found Bro Isbell planning largely. If he can have his way, the next pastor there will not have to live in a "hired house." A number of excellent laymen, "zealously affected unto every good work," are at his elbow, and I trust will, before the end of the year, have the initial work of a parsonage completed—if not the parsonage itself.

Bro. Johns, at Montgomery and Colfax, is much among his people, as usual, carrying the gospel from house to house and from shop to shop. Last Sunday morning a granddaughter of the late Philo M. Goodwin applied for membership in his church. He is in favor with his people. This is the only charge so far visited which paid in full the presiding elder's salary for the first quarter. So Bro. Johns has the banner charge.

Twenty years ago I was considered too feeble to do district work, and sent to the pastorate. Now I am older by twenty years, and (let it be hoped) wiser, I am thrust out on one of the most difficult districts in the Conference. And why not? Some one must fill the place, and having been so long favored, I take it as my reasonable lot. I am now more than half over on my first round of appointments, having held as many as seven quarterly meetings in nine days. Where I have been the prospects are, generally, encouraging.

At Washington and Chicot, Bro. Hill had not started out when I was there, having been unable up to that time to secure a horse. He will move up his work when he gets mounted.

May the Lord bless them all!

J. A. PARKER.

AN INCIDENT.

MR. EDITOR: By earnest solicitation of the pastor, Rev. C. C. Wier, I have for the past nine days conducted a series of services at White Castle, La. There were several conversions and accessions, among them being a man who had been a hard drinker; also a lady from a certain Southern city who had not been to church in five years. During the meeting it was my privilege to administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to a goodly number (the pastor not being an elder). In the personnel of the communicants the following churches were represented: Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Episcopal, Campbellite, Lutheran, and Roman Catholic. Some were present during the meeting who had never before attended services in a Protestant Church. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

I am at Centenary for a few days. Three boys have arrived this week, and they will continue to come. The present enrollment is 127. A more enthusiastic and better-pleased lot of boys I have never seen.

Yours in the work,

THOMAS B. CLIFFORD,
Agent for Centenary and Mansfield Colleges.
Jackson, La., Feb. 1, 1899.

Communications.

$161 70 FOR THE "TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND."

Yesterday (Jan. 29) the Methodists of Carrollton, Miss., according to previous purpose and plan, inaugurated the work of raising their quota of the Twentieth Century Fund. Special songs had been selected with care and practiced with diligence, and were admirably rendered by the choir and congregation. The pastor preached a thoughtful and inspiring sermon suitable to the occasion. Papers were passed throughout the congregation, and in just a few minutes seventy-two people gave one hundred sixty-one and 70-100 dollars. The people gave cheerfully, many of them coming through the fast-falling snow to attend the service. This work was easily accomplished, because thorough preparation had been made in advance.

The above amount has been forwarded to our Conference treasurer, and meets Carrollton's part of the fund, one dollar per member, and goes eleven and 70-100 dollars over; but steps are now being taken to reach the other eighty members not present yesterday. Carrollton will send yet more on the one-dollar proposition, and efforts will be made to secure larger gifts from individual members.

I greatly wish I could secure the co-operation of some layman at each church to undertake this work, but I am compelled to ask the pastors to take up this additional duty.

Any pastor who permits a local need, however urgent, to thwart this great connectional movement, will not only do a grievous wrong, but will make a serious mistake—a mistake as great as that made by him who fails to urge the foreign missionary collection, for fear it will decrease his own salary. What we need is to quicken the benevolent impulses of our people. If we can secure intelligent interest in, and liberal contributions to, our connectional enterprises, the reflex influence upon all our local interests will be entirely wholesome. Every pastor and member who, through indifference, fails to aid in this work (of course, none will oppose), will thereby contribute toward the failure of a movement which means well-nigh everything to Methodism. If any pastor has not read the really startling article by Dr. Muckenfuss in the January-February number of The Methodist Review, he should do so at once, and induce members of his church to do likewise. The facts given and arguments deduced make a most powerful appeal to every intelligent Methodist, and should arouse greatest zeal and largest liberality. The issue is upon us, and must be met. The recent General Conference, through its Committee on Education, said: "... There is imperative necessity ... for materially strengthening the educational institutions of our church to meet the requirements of the approaching century. ... It is important that we advance. We have only the alternative to advance or abandon the field? ... To abandon our educational work to immediate collapse or gradual decay would be to prove recreant to our mission, and would tend to the paralysis and disintegration of our hitherto vigorous organization." This is a clarion call in words that breathe and thoughts that burn, and

"May the sparks strike out on those steeples
in their night
Kindle the church into [illegible]"

J. R. BINGHAM, Secretary.

P. S.—The Board of Education, soon to meet in Jackson, may take some action suggesting the disposal of that part of the funds to be used in our Conference. "The Plan" given by the General Conference expressly says: "The balance" (after sending twenty per cent. to General Board) "shall be reported to the Conference at its next session for such application as it may order, provided, that no appropriation shall be made to any institution which is not the exclusive property of the M. E. Church, South." Anything indefinite about that? We have but two such schools—Grenada and Milsaps. We forward the money raised yesterday to our Conference treasurer, being perfectly willing for the next Annual Conference to direct its use. It never occurred to us to withhold contributions till informed how much would go to each. Just as we have forwarded our foreign mission assessment, not knowing how much would go to China, to Japan, to South America, to Mexico, or to Cuba, in which some of us are much interested. Just as we have been paying our assessment for church extension, not knowing nor caring how much would go to Post Oak circuit or to Oxford station. Just as we have been paying our assessment for domestic missions, not knowing nor caring how much would go to Black Jack circuit or to Water Valley.

There is complaint in some quarters of the division of the Conference fund, but we have not thought that justified us in withholding contributions till we knew how much would be paid to each claimant. We were, and are, content to do what we can toward answering the call of the church for money, leaving the disposal thereof to the Boards and the Conference.

Let us put the forty-five thousand dollars into the hands of our Conference treasurer, who will forward twenty per cent. to the treasurer of the General Board, and report the remainder to our Annual Conference. We can trust the Conference to make a proper division of the amount between Grenada and Milsaps.

J. R. BINGHAM.

The Central Christian Advocate, of last week, contains the following paragraph: "A presiding elder whose report is found in this issue puts an important fact, which is worthy of consideration and comment, into one of his telling sentences as follows: 'The charges on this district that showed an increase in the circulation of the Central Christian Advocate last year also showed an increase in all the benevolent collections.' The same result is observable in the circulation of all the church papers. How can it be otherwise? Permanent benevolence must always rest upon intelligence, and Methodist journalism helps our people to be intelligent upon all these important causes.—Central Methodist.

The Methodists of the Tennessee Conference have undertaken to raise $35,000 with which to purchase the property of the Peabody College for Young Ladies, at Nashville, to be converted into an annex to the Vanderbilt for the benefit of girls.—Central Methodist.

FAITH.

O strange infirmity to think
That he will leave my soul to sink
In hopeless darkness and distress,
Who has appeared in times of old,
Who saved me while the billows rolled
And cheered me with His loving grace.

What surer pledge could God bestow
Of help in future scenes of woe,
Than grace and joy already given?
Vile unbelief, that hateful thing,
It makes me sigh when I should sing
Of peace and confidence in heaven.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

MY FIRST TRIP IN 1899.

The first appointment I met after coming to this new field of labor was, so I was told, eight miles away. I started ont Sunday morning bright and early; crossed the bloody river just above the city on a ferry. I proceeded in a good jog of a trot in order to allow for bad roads and to correct any mistake I might make in taking the wrong road. The long rainy season had softened the ground so that, as much space as I had, I hardly had standing-room. The cypress brakes, tupelo gum-brakes and palmetto brakes I passed in succession, but not rapid succession. I saw a new country, sparsely settled, with everything as still as death, save now and then the whistle of the wing of a wild duck, or the swish of the lazy old crane as he went up and down propelled by the hope of finding better fishing-ground. I was thinking upon this broad, fertile delta, and the sermon I wished to preach, and the prospective congregation which was an unknown quantity, and suddenly I came in sight of a scene which changed altogether my meditative cogitations. There before me was a bayou or slough, and for the many resemblances it bears toward a slough good old John Bunyan described, I prefer to call it a slough. There it was yawning in my face; the bridge gone. What shall I do? was the silent, but distinct question I was rapidly putting to myself without an answer. I reined up my horse, whose ears were pointing directly forward, and he was champing his mettled bits in no uncertain way. He seemed to be in the same dilemma I was. We paused and thought awhile. There appeared a way below the bridge through the water and the mud, but they were both deep and forbidding. Others, I noticed, had gone in, but the tracks were not right fresh, and I could not tell whether they went out on the other side or not, and this was the question that bothered me most of all. Well, we couldn't weigh difficulties too long; the morning had almost worn away. We thought of Waterloo and Tours and Valley Forge, and then gave the reluctant steed the word, "Go forward," which he did after we repeated it and emphasized it with a quick succession of thumps in the side with the heel of our No. 10, and a keen cut or two with a switch. In we went, under we went, up we came, forward we pitched, and just two little words express all the balance of the program—"under" and "up;" but to give an adequate idea of all the proceedings, you must put down a good long string of these two words. We soon arose on the opposite bank like the full moon, but in eclipse and nearing the last quarter. As soon as we could replace the blanket, and adjust the saddle, and recover from palpitation of the heart, we onward urged our way, not sorrowing over what had happened as much as rejoicing over what didn't happen. But a little distance, and we fell into a meditative mood again. What a wise and beneficent providence that the mind will turn from darkness to light, and from sorrow to joy! We began again: This is a great country after all. How rich in soil, in fine timber, and all agricultural possibilities! Trackless thousands of acres of land as rich as the proverbial valley of the Nile; but the Nile valley was the cradle and nursery of the human race, and this seems to be the grave. Then we came upon a cross road, or rather where a road made into the one we were traveling, thus making it broader, and in this particular bearing a striking analogy to a broad road we had read about in an old book. This is a malarial country, full of lakes and bayous, ponds and sloughs. Some one says it will take two frogs to live a season here. Another says he has known a whole family of black snakes to become extinct in a season. Every pore of the land seems to be chocked with the fatal miasma struggling to escape till you feel it, we taste it, and almost imagine you can see it, and we look up, and there is a large signboard with this significant inscription, "Coffins and caskets for sale." Coffins from $12 to $10; caskets from $35 to $125. This started a train of thoughts on the brevity and uncertainty of human life. "Be ye also ready." We were warned to be earnest; and, after all, it is not a mere weakness which prompts the minister to speak of death and death-bed scenes with a touching pathos that stirs the emotions of the congregation. Death is the most common thing in the land.

We reached the little chapel on time, feeling mellow and spiritual, and ready to preach an earnest, loving sermon; but, to our astonishment, we were the only soul in sight. We alighted, strolled into the cemetery, looked at the fresh mounds, read the epitaphs on the tombs, counted the graves, took notice that of the goodly number there nearly all of them were children. I could hear the wail of broken-hearted mothers weeping for their children, and refusing to be comforted because they are not. Then the light broke on the desolate scene. The Savior was speaking, 'Of such is the kingdom of heaven." Still we waited, and nobody came. Presently we saw a wagon, old and dilapidated, with wheels full of black mud, moving slowly toward the church. Our thermometer suddenly rose to Summer heat, for we would have somebody to hear our message. I hitched my steed, pulled off my overcoat, and got ready to preach, as I knew we were near the noon hour. Imagine my feelings when that fellow, with a lady sitting by him, and a small boy with his pedal extremities dangling from the open end of the wagon-body, passed by. I thought, "All's well that ends well;" but this is an awful ending! Overcome with dismay and defeat, I mounted my horse and started in a bit of a hurry. I had not proceeded far, however, when I met a man coming in the direction of the little church. I stepped, introduced myself to him as cordially as I could. He grasped me by the hand in a hearty way, and, looking up, benignantly said, "Is this Bro. ———, who is our new preacher here?" I informed him I was. He said, "There are three or four other fellows on behind, and we come to hear you preach." We exchanged words till the other fellows came up, and we turned and went back to the church. There was no Bible, no hymn book, no pulpit, no organ, and no choir; so we had no operatic airs and solos that day. I asked one of the young men to get on my horse, and go to a house close by and get a Bible. He was good-natured, and soon returned, and I knelt as usual to ask God's blessing and the unction of the Holy Spirit upon the preacher and the hearers. As I rose I began one of the good old songs with theology and fire in it, stepped forward to the pulpit (which in this case was a box stood on end), and opened what appeared to be the Bible, and, behold! it proved to be Hitchcock's "Analysis." The sermon I had prepared, and was so anxious to preach, was gone the way of all the earth. I read and contrasted the difference in the estate of the righteous and wicked.

FROM MANILA.

[The following private letter has been placed at our disposal, and we gladly give our readers the benefit of it. The writer is a member of the First Tennessee Regiment, U. S. V. He is a brother of Rev. P. O. Lowrey, of the Louisiana Conference.—EDITOR.]

We have come into the city at last. We had been lying at anchor over a week in Manila Bay waiting for our quarters to be comfortably fixed up. You have no idea what a contrast Spanish ways are to American. You seldom ever see a plebian ever walking here—they all ride, mostly in a two-wheeled vehicle, or "one-horse shay." The royal caste go in a four-wheeled vehicle drawn by two ponies instead of one—ponies just a shade larger than shetlands. The Spanish maids are girls of fabulous beauty—all brunettes and fascinating ways. But it has to be "life for a look," for the American can have no communication whatever with them. They say we are all hobos and shop-keepers, and not gentle folk.

I am sitting now where I can see ships sunk by the Immortal Dewey, and walls crumbled by his penetrating shells—so typical of the monarchy, or oligarchy, which they represent. Of course, the downfall of all such governments is only a question of time. A friend who has been here some time carried me over the city last night, where we saw the Spanish prisoners, to the number of fifteen thousand, quartered mostly in a mammoth cathedral. They are fed by the United States, but have more liberty almost than we do, except they are locked up at night. The officers are out on parole, and, of course, live as citizens.

The first Spanish sentence I learned was: "Liberty is one of the most precious gifts that heaven gave to man. With it can not be compared the treasures which the earth contains, or the sea hides. For liberty, as well as honor, one may and ought to venture life, and, on the contrary, captivity is the greatest evil that can fall upon man." Of course, I got the above out of a book in which I am studying, but it contrasts so with Spanish principle that it hardly seems Spanish. The excessive cruelty practiced by their hostlers here on their brutes is outrageous. When any kind of a vehicle, no matter of what description, starts up hill, the driver goes to pouring on the whip with all his might, and goes up the hill at a long gallop. They do this because their horses are so small they could not get up otherwise. When a street-car starts up, always with three horses, an extra man is needed to run along by the horses and whip as they run. The streets are crowded more with passenger-vehicles than any American city I have ever seen. A stop of five minutes from any cause will make a blockade a hundred yards long. The streets are just wide enough for two to pass on the right coming down and left going up.

Everything here is on the very ancient plan. The city is enclosed by great stone walls containing mammoth stone building, castles and cathedrals that persons could be imprisoned in for years without anyone knowing it.

The Astor Battery, fitted out and equipped by John Jacob Astor, of New York, passed us this morning going for the "Senator," in which they were going home. They were in the highest spirits, and cheering every step. Every band, from either the North or West, plays "Dixie" every time it passes these "hot-headed Southerners." And every time they receive cheers from us.

We are located on a place where they say was to be a great stone castle—a Morro Castle. The ground is paved with stone for several acres, and there are about a thousand stones 6x8 feet, and some ten, lying here ready to be put up; but I can't see how they handle them.

I enclose a New Year's card containing an exact likeness of the vehicles and their propelling power, which brought our army supplies from the lighters on the Pasig river to this camp. Natives and Chinese only use this means of locomotion. We have to boil all the water we drink, and always wear a bandage on our stomach. All well.

Very truly,

FRANK M. LOWREY.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 15, 1898.

Communications.

SELF-EXAMINATION.

II. Cor. xiii, 5.

(A Talk at Prayer Meeting, Minden, La., Jan. 26.)

Our prayer-meeting topic is one of vital interest to every Christian. The duty is imperative. We can but fail in the Christian race if we neglect this command. It is pleasant to imagine ourselves drifting with the gentle zephyrs onward toward heaven—"carried on flowery beds of ease"—but we must lose if we do not make each day of our life an effort at introspection.

The full power of this examination would be better conveyed by the modern meaning of the word "search." It is our duty to examine our souls through and through, that each affection and motive may pass in review before us as a military officer sometimes calls out individual soldiers for close inspection. Affections must be right, for they control the motives, and the motives give meaning to words and actions. Do not satisfy yourself with a hurried examination. Something may be wrong. Find it! Two persons were standing on the shore of a coral reef. One was simply a transient visitor; the other was a diver employed by the East India Company. The visitor took a hurried, cursory examination of the gently splashing sea, the coral formations, and the shells cast by the rolling waves at his feet. He turned to the diver and said, "This must be a perfect place to ply your trade." "No," said the plunger into ocean depths, "the sea is full of dangers, and much that I bring up is simply waste material."

The lesson is plain. Let us not be content with an outside examination and pronounce everything to be good. Let us not cry "Peace!" when there is no true peace, but diligently search for the pearls of truth incarnate in our inner selves, like the diver, who, seeking for sea pearls, holds to the line above him, while he holds the mirror to catch the images of pearls or "crabs"—the one to carefully gather, the other to shun.

Dive into the depths of your inner self with the searchlight of God's Spirit and the mirror of the Word. Catch an image on this pure mirror of incorruptible truth, whatever may be there, that, like the diver, you may cast away "crabs"—anything impure, disobedient, false, ere it can curse you or harm others.

Paul certainly did not mean that we should engage in morbid self-examination. When we look away from Jesus to our own imperfections, and neglect the life-line, we may be lost, or misled by our own morbid self-introspection. Keep your eyes on Jesus, for only in his light can you see both false and true, and discriminate as he would guide you. But I think the safeguard of this passage is the sentence which follows, "Prove your own selves." The word "try" is appropriate here. It carries with it the idea of testing, as the ancient refiner tested silver or gold. Let us take up our own souls and test them; burn them in the pure fires of the Holy Spirit. Oh, may no scar show the tarnish of brass! May the pure gold come out through this radical self-trial! It's drastic, but it's improving!

Perhaps another idea may be held in solution in this passage—the plumb-line test. Hold the gospel plumb-line right up beside your soul! This will satisfy your own queries about yourself, and will give you time for correction. We have read somewhere of a peculiar individual who had a plumb-line at the eastern end of his house to test changes of his house in twenty-four hours. He soon found that it was not then plumb, and never would be, without rebuilding on a more substantial foundation. So good architects and builders made such a dwelling possible as would stand the test of any plumb-line.

Brother, hang up the plumb-line of truth. If your life is "out of plumb," rebuild! Yes, rebuild on the solid foundation, Jesus Christ, whose divine person, as a mighty rock, shall ever abide!

COURTLAND PRENTICE SMITH.

Minden, La.

PROHIBITION POINTS.

The returns in the recent local-option election show 112 majority "against the sale," yet the whisky men thought they were in for a great victory. Things may look wet, but when an intelligent citizen goes into the booth with the power to act for the homes and citizenship of the land, it is hard to check, "For the sale."

The ministry (I might write it, the Methodist ministry) is the establishing and conserving power of prohibition in Mississippi under our local-option policy. This scribe, stationed at the county headquarters (and the home of our attorneys), naturally became secretary in the contest. As such, I copied the electoral poll, maintained a correspondence with all parts of the county, sent out instructions on legal points. Nearly all the letters of inquiry, suggestion and information bear the signature of one of the nine Methodist preachers holding charges in this county. However, many noble laymen of all churches, and courageous countrymen of no church, labored with us. Special mention is due the prominent law firm of Moore & Clark, of this place, who, without any fee or charge, but at a personal expense, represented us in the conflict.

Are the negroes the enemy of prohibition? Let an incident worthy of record answer. In east Bolivar, on the "main line," is a negro town. The municipality is not only under the control of the colored people, but the town is inhabited by negroes alone. Mound Bayou, in the count, shows, "For the sale," 11; "Against the sale," 45. Four to one against the saloon!

The cudgel in the hand of the whisky men was "the curse of the blind tiger." This is the weapon with which the whisky men are waging war against our prohibition policy throughout the State. It becomes the special charge of every citizen of our commonwealth to drive these vile venders of outlawed rum from our State. The blind-tiger man, whether he peddles the poison from his pocket, or hides his stock under the cloak of some other business—club, society, restaurant, or soda fount—by his business classes himself with the train robber and the highwaymen. He is the greatest enemy—the legalized saloon excepted—to our civilization. His future is in the hand of the citizenship of the country. The responsibility for his existence must (largely) lie at the door of the men who killed the legalized saloon at the ballot-box.

Let us organize in every "dry county" in the State a "Law and Order League," whose function it shall be to bring every tiger out of his jungle-home and expose him to the fury of AROUSED courts. An organization of this kind will accomplish its purpose by creating sentiment against the accursed business, by strengthening the force of the courts, by urging the grand jury to a performance of its duty, and by furnishing this body such evidence as will convict the offenders in the courts. If need be, let professional detectives be employed to catch these old, sly professionals, who, if they had applied as much genius and energy to some legitimate trade as they have given to plans for evading the law and covering up their dens of infamous poison, would have been crowned with the glory of a large success. Let Mississippi settle the blind-tiger question, and she stands in the forefront of the sisterhood of States on this question of the rum curse. Are we always to be harassed and disturbed by ever-recurring elections in dry counties? Let the Legislature so amend the law as to change the duration of an established condition from two to six years. Bolivar county has had four elections in the past six years; has gone dry each time. These elections cost several hundred dollars, disturb the public mind, etc. We need a longer period between the same. J. C. PARK.

Rosedale, Miss., Jan. 30, 1899.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS."

I am obliged to Bro. Lewis for his last. He says if I can point out one "cruel" thing he has said, he is ready to apologize. After referring to Bro. Raper's success, he says: "What Bro. Raper has done on this circuit may be done on almost any circuit, if the preacher will put his life into the work." "Some brethren do not succeed because they do not expect to succeed." And after naming some other worthy preachers, he says, "Such as these will succeed anywhere."

Now, Bro. Lewis, is it not real cruel, after a preacher has done his best with a low-pressure, stingy people (for it is financial success you refer to), and gone up to meet the brethren (if, perchance, he is able to get there), where he really expects the strong support of a brotherly sympathy, and then to be thrust at with?—"You did not succeed because you did not expect to; your life was not in the work. There are men who could have succeeded right where you have been, for they will succeed anywhere."

If this is not cruel, I confess I do not know just what would be.

Bro. Lewis says he does not disparage. I suppose he means to say that he does not intend to disparage, for the comparisons or contrasts he makes between preachers will surely injure some in others' appreciation of them, if his statements are accepted.

Bro. Lewis thinks to state his assertions is proof enough; that it needs no defense; that if a man succeeds along a given line of work, that is proof enough. He does not seem to realize the full import of what he has said, or the point in question. What I want him to do is to establish, by some kind of proof, his confident and repeated assertions that some men will succeed anywhere, and that the reason others do not succeed, is, "Their lives are not in the work, and they do not expect to succeed."

I deny these statements, and as assertions from nothing, and as he has the affirmative side of the question, I ask him to prove his assertion. It is yet to be seen whether he will try to defend his assertions.

Do not make any apology to me, Bro. Lewis. Your strictures do not touch me, neither am I afflicted personally, but I am in defense of the noble, self-sacrificing, cross-bearing men who, without comforts or sympathy, are preaching the blessed gospel of our Lord. J. H. SMITH.

The Christian Life.

WINNING SOULS.

A strange reluctance comes over many when they try to talk about the soul and its relations to God. It is felt alike by converted and unconverted persons. Very often the gay girl whose heart is running over with fun and mirth, and whose speech sparkles with wit and humor, has deep in her consciousness the feeling that she is unsatisfied; that she wants something better, purer, and higher. She wishes that the Christian who is talking with her would ask her a question, would give her a hint, would lead the conversation to the subject of personal religion. The other has no thought of the kind. She has even a faint, undefinable dread that any effort on her part would be received coldly or made occasion of ridicule.

There are two ways of defending a castle—one by shutting yourself up in it, and guarding every loop-hole; the other by making it an open center of operations from which all the surrounding country may be subdued. Is not the last the truest safety? Jesus was never guarding himself, but always invading the lives of others with his holiness. There never was such an open life as his; and yet the force with which his character and love flowed out upon the world kept back more strongly than any granite wall of prudent caution could have done the world from pressing in on him. His life was like an open stream, which keeps the sea from flowing up into it by the eager force with which it flows down into the sea. He was so anxious that the world should be saved that therein was his salvation from the world. He labored so to make the world pure that he never even had to try to be pure himself.—Phillips Brooks.

We should studiously cultivate a contented frame of mind. Practice makes perfect here as well as elsewhere. To complain of the weather is to impeach the wisdom and beneficence of God. To rail at human life is to arraign the administration of the Most High. If we do not like our lot, let us make it better. If we can not make it better, let us submit to the inevitable. When we reflect how little we deserve and how much we have, we ought to cease our foolish and wicked repining. The grace which breathed a serene contentment into the heart of Paul can tranquillize our own.—Texas Advocate.

So the opportunity passes. The souls have been within speaking distance, but they have failed to communicate with each other. Each goes on its way. The friend of Christ, who might have won a soul to him, has been silent, afraid, ashamed. What wonder if to that too faithless friend there comes the sad experience that the beloved has withdrawn himself and is gone; that, seeking the Spirit, finds him not, and calling there returns no answer! Can there be perfect serenity and full sense of communion with God to one who refuses or neglects so important a duty?—Margaret E. Sangster.

The people in all lines of duty who do the most work are the calmest, most unhurried people in the community. Duties never wildly chase each other in their lives. One task never turns another out, nor ever compels hurried, and, therefore, imperfect, doing. The calm spirit works methodically, doing one thing at a time and doing it well, and it, therefore, works swiftly, though never appearing to be in haste.—Rev. Dr. R. Miller.

A man often gets what he wants but he seldom finds that it is still what he wants after it is obtained. We should be thankful always that God's choices for us are much better than our choices for ourselves could possibly be.—Selected.

A MISSIONARY'S WIFE

Interesting Letter from India—A Long Summer Season.

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PROGRAM.

FIRST DAY—THURSDAY.

10 A. M.—Opening service by Presiding Elder.

Election of officers.

The Real Object of the League; talk by Rev. E. S. Lewis, and General Discussion.

Sermon by Rev. W. M. McIntosh. Subject: Equipment for Service.

2:00 P. M.—Devotional Services by Rev. J. M. Barnes.

How Can the League Assist the Pastor?

(1) In Looking after Strangers, the Sick and Needy—Miss Mary McCaskel, Miss Ida Edings.

(2) In Increasing Attendance upon Church Services—Miss Fannie Minor, Rev. H. S. Spraggins.

(3) In Revival Work.—Miss Sonzanne Duke, Rev. J. A. Bowen.

Social Life in the League—Mrs. Connie Lloyd, Mr. W. F. Lagrone.

7:00 P. M.—Devotional Services by Rev. E. Johnson.

Address of Welcome—Miss Maria Ames.

Response—Mrs. W. M. McIntosh.

Address by Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY.

Sunrise Prayer Meeting. Conducted by Rev. M. E. Tumlin.

9:00 A. M.—Devotional Services, Rev. J. M. Massey.

The Literary Department of the League—Prof. J. A. Woodward, Mrs. G. A. Mathis.

The Devotional Work of the League—Miss Vic Thompson, Miss Annie Scales.

How Can the League Promote the Cause of Education?—Rev. W. S. Harrison, Hon. J. I. Sturdivant.

Sermon by Rev. J. A. Bowen.

2:00 P. M.—Devotional Services, Rev. S. A. Brown.

Methods of Junior League Work—Rev. P. E. Duncan, Mrs. T. W. Woodward.

The Missionary Work of the League—Miss Vic Thompson, Rev. S. M. Thames.

7:00 P. M.—League Rally.

Devotional Services, Rev. A. P. Sage.

Reports from Leagues.

Address by Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D.

THE DRUM BEAT

of consumption is a hacking cough. It sounds a melancholy dirge in the march to the coffin. How many swell the ranks of this gloomy procession who could have been saved by a timely resort to the King of cures, Mursdev's Balm.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. R. A. Tucker: "The prospects are flattering for a good year on Prairie circuit. The people have accorded me a warm reception. We found, on our arrival at the parsonage, provisions, fuel and corn enough for several weeks. We have received twelve members into the church service Conference by letter and profession of faith. These our royal good people. Pray for us. Success to the ADVOCATE."

Rev. H. W. Ledbetter, Simsboro, La., Jan. 31, 1899: "The Simsboro circuit consists of the Old Vienna circuit, with Simsboro added. The work has been declining for several years till the last three. Within the last three years three new church-houses have gone up. We have a fair prospect for another to be built this year. The antheritics imposed us again on the good people of this circuit. Our reception was much better this year than it was last. The good women of Simsboro recently gave us a pounding; the sisters of all denominations participating. I have not missed an appointment this month. Preached nine times, attended three prayer meetings, visited thirty-nine homes. In many of those homes I have been able to press my Savior's business, but in others I have had to manœuver for an opportune time. When the people have the money I can get a subscriber for the ADVOCATE. I have taken seven new ones this month. I can see a great field of labor before me for the year. I am striving to make good use of my time. The bad weather has been but little in my way. When I can't do one thing, I can do another. I am following Bishop Morrison's advice in sermon-making. Let us labor and pray that the number of subscribers may be procured to place the ADVOCATE at one dollar."

FROM REV. JNO. D. ELLIS.

I reached this work with my family the next week after Conference adjourned. The road was long and muddy and the trip tiresome. On our arrival at the parsonage we were met by Sister Rutledge, an elect Methodist, who carried us to her home, where we found plenty of good things to eat. We are now domiciled at the parsonage, and, with a few additions in way of furniture which will be made, we will be comfortable enough. The people have received us kindly and are constantly remembering us with good things to eat and substantial tokens of appreciation.

A good beginning has been made and the prospects for a successful year's work are most encouraging. However, we are sorrowful over the death of "George," our faithful horse. He departed this life yesterday about 1 o'clock. Just behind the parsonage are some precipitous gullies, fifteen or twenty feet deep. A shower of rain had made the ground slick and George slipped over one of the embankments, falling about fifteen feet before striking, and then rolled twenty-five feet before reaching the bottom. His "frolicking" was the occasion of his death. He lived about an hour after the tragic leap. Were it not that the "spirit of a beast goeth downward," we would expect to meet him in heaven. He was faithful indeed and always carried the pastor in time for his appointments. Circumstances make it necessary to trust the Lord for another one. Pray for us.

Mt. Carmel, Miss., Jan. 30

ETTORA AND MABEN.

We have been kindly received and have been greeted with the largest congregations it has ever been our privilege to expound the Word unto. The multitudes of bright young people would inspire even a dull man.

Our predecessors, Bros. Gibbs and Cogdell, are held in high esteem, and their works do follow them. The large and flourishing Sunday-school attests their wise administration. But these brethren always leave their works in every charge they serve. This preacher has begun where they left off. We have papered two rooms in the parsonage and have put paint where it was needed most. Our desire is to make this the nicest parsonage in the district. We have organized an Epworth League, sold several Bibles, and have put eighteen weekly religious papers in the different homes, and hope to put thrice as many more where they can do the most good.

Bro. Oakley made us only a brief visit. As he was suffering from the effects of a recent fall, he had to return home, leaving two of his quarterly meetings in the hands of Bro. Bachman and myself. Bro. Oakley makes as good a presiding elder as he does secretary of the Conference.

Bro. Bachman is magnifying his office, bearing the best books to the homes of our people. No one mair among us, perhaps, is doing more than he in carrying the light into dark places.

Rev. A. H. Mitchell and Rev. R. T. Nolen, our near neighbors, are proving to be workmen that need not to be ashamed. They are in high favor with the people they are serving so well.

The prospects are bright for abundant harvest in this our new field of labor.

R. H. B. GLADNEY.

MADISON, MISS.

Crystal Springs is a great tomato-growing point; Madison is the great strawberry point. The farmers here raise tomatoes and other fruits and vegetables; but the largest crop, and the one most unfailing in financial return, is the strawberry. Last year was a rather discouraging one to the vegetable growers; but they are not fainthearted, and will try again. Worse than this discouragement was the yellow-fever scourge that beat this way, bringing death to five persons at Madison Station. The Sunday-school here is just being reorganized again, having been closed ever since the epidemic.

There are on this charge four preaching-places besides Madison, viz.: Madisonville, now only a country neighborhood, though once the seat of the chief town of this (Madison) county; Pearl River, which has the largest membership of any church on the charge (a sister of the elder Lambuth, whose body lies in Japan, lives here); Pocahontas, a pleasant village a few miles from Jackson, on the Yazoo railroad branch, and Wesley Chapel. The last-named was a very flourishing church during the time that W. C. Black, B. Carradine, and others served the charge. A. F. Watkins preached his first sermon there on "The Little Maid." But the members have moved away to railroad points, and the signs of the times, as recognized by some that remain, are that it ought to be moved to Ridgland, a village on the railroad just below Madison.

The people of this charge are, in intelligence and refinement, much above the average of villagers and country people. Our first Quarterly Conference will be held to-morrow. Many of the members already know Bro. Holloman, the new presiding elder, and I can say in advance of his coming that they believe he will attend to the duties of his office.

H. G. HAWKINS.

Jan. 27, 1899

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT NOTES.

Rev. H. L. Hughes writes that he has arrived at Dry Creek, and the prospect is good for a successful year's work for the Master.

Rev. W. G. Roberts is in high favor with his flock at Glenmora, and the year will doubtless mark an advance in all lines. He has many good people to co-operate with him.

Rev. A. D. McVoy, at Alexandria, is taking hold with great vigor, and has already won a warm place in the hearts of the kind people there. His sermons have been spoken of as of the highest order. He has gathered up several church letters which had previously been stored in the bottoms of trunks. We hope to see Alexandria "blossom as the rose" this year. Why not?

Rev. R. S. Collier has been relieved owing to ill health of his wife. He will probably take her to Texas, where, under the good treatment of specialists, we hope she will be restored to health. In the meantime Rev. Luther L. Roberts has been appointed to the Pinoville circuit. He is a brother to Rev. W. G. Roberts, of Glenmora. We wish him a good time.

Rev. George D. Anders has arrived at Columbia.

Rev. J. W. Lee has decided to live at Melville, that being more the center of his charge. He was cordially received—yea, even pounded with boxes, barrels, as well as pound packages. There are some good things for some preachers after all.

Bros. Turner, Hill, Haney, Woodward, Randle and Isbell are at their posts respectively and are hard at work. We hope to hear of revivals all around soon.

Our presiding elder, Dr. J. A. Parker, has up to this writing held nine Quarterly Conferences of the first round. He was with us at Colfax, preaching with great acceptability to the people. He expects to secure the services of a Bishop (probably Bishop Key) to hold the District Conference at Lecompte this Summer. Brethren of the district, let us urge our delegates to attend and have an old-time Conference of power.

As for ourself, we arrived at Montgomery on New Year's Eve, by the steamboat "Valley Queen," with all aboard, horse, buggy, wife, children and plunder. Through the kindness of Bro. Lee, our predecessor, and that noble Christian gentleman, Major McCain, the parsonage was ready for us, and everything needed to go to housekeeping. So we took possession. This place and Colfax constitutes the work, with some small places near by. I have been very kindly received, and the presiding elder says our circuit has the banner so far on his round. We hope to be able to hold it.

The work is running smoothly. Nothing has transpired out of the ordinary except the howling of a wolf on a cold night about ten miles above here, near Saline river, as your scribe was returning at a late hour through the pine woods from a wedding. It had the effect of quickening the pace of old "Charles" a little by the cussing of the driver! This is the same horse your scribe began with when he joined the Conference in 1886, and is still able to "get over the ground," especially when the wolves are near.

May the good Lord give us all a good year!

Brethren, pray for us!

H. S. JOHNS.

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Our home is not this mortal clime,
Our life has not its bounds in time.
And death is but a cloud that lies
Between the soul and paradise.
—Exchange.

Distrust thyself ever to the last moment of life.—Selected.

Nature has placed nothing so high that virtue can not reach it.—Rufus.

The finest fruit earth holds up to its maker is a finished man.—Humboldt.

Be loving, and you will never want for love; be humble, and you will never want for guiding.—D. M. Mulock.

Nothing of worth or weight can be achieved with half a mind, with a faint heart, with a lame endeavor.—Barrow.

Are you building for eternity? The master mechanic may want to overlook your work one of these days.—Selected.

Nature has given to men one tongue, but two ears, that we may hear from others twice as much as we speak.—Epictetus.

Never fret about what you can not help, because it will not do you any good; never fret about what you can help, because if you can help it, do so.—Our Little Ones.

Religion can not pass away. Be not disturbed by infidelity. Religion can not pass away. The burning of a little straw may hide the stars, but the stars are there and will reappear.—Thomas Carlyle

One of the greatest blessings that could come to our churches would be the introduction of the rule of giving one-tenth to the cause of God. The tithe would add vastly to the income of all churches and of all denominational societies.—R. S. MacArthur.

The poisonous breath of alcohol passes over the home; it is the passage of death. Alcohol's hellish work goes beyond the drunkard's home. There is physical and moral contagion, other homes are smitten, and alcohol lifts up its sceptre within their enclosure.—Bishop John Ireland.

Overmuch religion is irreligious. Anyone who destroys health by fasting, or neglects home duties for church work, or makes people doubt his soundness of mind because of his wild extravagances in religious manifestations, has too much of wrong religion and too little of righteousness and Christian temperance.—Florida Advocate.

Elijah Brown, I think it is, has given a wonderfully true definition to character. Many people speak of a man's character as being what people say of him, but this writer has expressed it most aptly by saying, "Character is what a man is in the dark." I wish that statement could be impressed upon every young man as he enters life. It is in the lonely night watches that men become defaulters and deceivers; that is truly where the will's consent is obtained. The outward action is only a result of what the man is.—D. L. Moody.

A FORWARD MOVEMENT IN MISSIONS.

More and more it is becoming evident that the church that is not fully awake to the grand importance of helping to evangelize the world, and of enlarging its missionary operations, is doomed to stagnation and decay. Only as we endeavor to Christianize mankind do we show that we have in reality the mind of Christ, who came to save all, whose gospel is meant for all, and who commissions his disciples to go and teach all nations. It is not a work that we can slight with impunity, or that we can neglect without loss. If we, as a church, sow sparingly abroad, we shall reap sparingly at home as well as in the foreign field. If the supreme duty of the individual and of the church is not to assist diligently in the spread of the glorious gospel, then the New Testament is but a myth, and Christianity was meant only for a favored few. If we are not aggressive, enthusiastic and liberal in the work of Christianizing the world according to opportunity and ability, then "sin lieth at the door," for we are disobeying our marching orders, and are criminally deficient in love to those for whom Christ died. "As the Father hath sent me, so send I you," said Christ to the twelve, and his words apply with equal force to the church and to believers in all ages.

It is tremendously true that "the more gospel you export, the more you have for home consumption." Over and over again it has been demonstrated that "a Christianity which is not aggressive is regressive. A reclining church soon becomes a declining church."

It would be folly to assert that Southern Methodism is doing all she can do and all she ought to do for the evangelization of the heathen abroad and the semi-Christian at our doors. If but a third, or even a fourth, of our membership realized the degradation and dire need of the Christless millions, and felt the thrill of Christ's constraining love as those among us who are fully consecrated feel it, our missionary collections would be doubled and, perhaps, quadrupled.

Along with the territorial expansion of our country and our governmental guardianship over a number of fair and fertile islands come new political responsibilities and splendid commercial opportunities. But greater than all these are the obligations to and the opportunities for religious work in Cuba and other isles. Never before in the history of Christianity has there been such a providential occasion for a forward movement in missions as now opens up before the churches of Christendom, especially the Protestant denominations of America. Unless there is expansion of effort and of liberality on our part to meet the Macedonian calls that are coming to us from Cuba and other regions, we shall not be guiltless in the sight of God or man. We can not afford, for the sake of humanity or for the sake of our own welfare, to be indifferent to the changed conditions in heathen lands and to the "open doors" that everywhere invite us. Methodism must go forward and help to take those new lands for Christ, or be untrue to her past history.

Says the Rev. H. B. Somoillan, writing to the Review of Missions from Santiago de Cuba, where he has recently gone: "The people are hungry for the gospel, and I don't see how we can afford to let them starve. Oh, if we could only build a church in this city! The lot can be bought in a central location for about $2,000, and a comfortable and neat brick church would not cost more than $5,000. Why can't our grand church erect the first Protestant Church edifice on the Island of Cuba? Ten thousand dollars would build the church and support a missionary two years."

Chaplain R. N. Price, D. D., of the Holston Conference, who is now at Trinidad, Cuba, in an interesting letter to the Nashville Advocate a short time ago, wrote: "There is an open door here now for the Protestant Churches of America. Oppression and starvation have weakened the ties that bind native Cubans to the Papacy. Church and State will be divorced here, and Catholicism will be thrown upon its merits. The American churches, all of them, should send missionaries here at once. The gentleman who owns the house where the regimental officers mess is anxious to give land for a Protestant Church. He says he is a Catholic, but he wishes to be a Protestant. He was some years in America, and he likes our sort of religion. He says: 'In America it is God; in Cuba it is money.'" Nowhere are American missionaries surer of a hearty welcome and of opportunities for immediate service than in Cuba.

In Brazil, Mexico, and China, as well as in Cuba, the times are ripe for a forward movement in missionary enterprise. As the editor of the Central Methodist well says of China: "She is passing through the most eventful crisis of her history, and there are millions of Chinese who are ready to shake off the old fetters of an effete conservatism, and accept the freedom offered by a new and better civilization. They realize that Western civilization is Christian. Missionaries in that country say that thousands are inquiring about the Bible, and that there is a great demand for Western books. The missionary is regarded as the exponent of learning as well as of religion, and he has access to the people as never before. There are openings for hundreds of laborers in that field 'white to the harvest.'" To disregard such unparalleled opportunities is to disregard the voice of God. Let every Methodist pray with heart and hand and purse, "Thy kingdom come."

THE CANTEEN ABOLISHED.

During the discussion of the Army Reorganization Bill in Congress, a few days since, the following amendment was offered by Mr. Johnson, of North Dakota:

That no officer or private soldiers shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks as a bartender or otherwise in any post, exchange or canteen, nor shall any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States.

The amendment was agreed to without division. The chairman's announcement of its adoption was the signal for an outburst of applause.

This is a triumph for the right which will cause universal rejoicing among the friends of temperance. That this amendment should have been adopted without division, and that its adoption should have been greeted with a storm of applause from the galleries, is evidence of a growth of public sentiment in the right direction.

ANOTHER BATTLE.

As will be seen in our news column, there has been a battle of considerable dimensions between our forces and the Philippine insurgents. As was to be expected, the American army was victorious. Whether the insurgents will now capitulate, or whether an attempt will be made to carry on the war, is not yet known. The duty of the United States is plain. The Peace Treaty having been ratified, our government owes it to herself and to the civilized world to suppress the rebellion and establish order. The final disposition of the islands is a question for future consideration.

MISSIONARIES POISONED.

A Chinese cook recently poisoned our Chinese missionaries, Dr. J. B. Fearn and his wife, and a number of other persons, by putting arsenic in a can of baking powder. All parties who partook of the poison were made exceedingly sick, so that they expected to die, but all have recovered. A full account of the atrocious affair will appear in our next issue, the article having arrived too late for this issue. But for an attack of fever which delayed him, Bishop Wilson would have been with Dr. Fearn at that very time, and as he has passed the meridian of life, the poison in his case might have proved fatal.

WISDOM TRIUMPHS.

During the consideration of the Army Reorganization Bill, Mr. Cummings, of New York, offered an amendment prohibiting the use of troops to suppress riots in any State except upon application from the governor of the State. The amendment was defeated by a large majority. This was a triumph for the right. The people of every State should be protected from riotous mobs, and no semi-anarchist in a gubernatorial chair should be allowed to deprive them of that protection.

The M. E. Church has opened a Publishing House in Tokyo, Japan.

A QUESTIONABLE METHOD OF JOURNALISM.

The St. Louis Advocate is behind the times. Usually it keeps up with the procession, but it has fallen to the rear once in its life. It is evidently not aware of the fact that the writer of these lines was taken out of the pastorate of First Church, in this city, some months ago and placed in the editorial chair of the Texas Christian Advocate. As a result of this stupid ignorance, Dr. Palmore has addressed to us a circular marked "Personal and Confidential," which he has likewise sent, no doubt, to many other Texas preachers, in which he discloses a scheme for placing his paper in as many of the homes of our Texas people as possible. His purpose is to use the accredited agents of the Texas Advocate in his attempt to accomplish this result. In this confidential circular, he says:

"By the inclosed prospectus you will see our desire and hope to place a live church paper in every Methodist home. If you will co-operate with us we will make you the following offer, which is strictly confidential and limited to this last year of the century—1899.

"If you will canvass your flock and field thoroughly, for every new subscriber you get to the St. Louis Advocate at the regular cash price of $2 a year, we will give you one-half, or one dollar each. In no case must the subscriber be allowed to think the paper can be had at less than the regular price, except in clubs of six for $9."

There is a good deal more said in this circular about this scheme, but the above is enough to show its inwardness. Dr. Palmore starts out with the assumption that we are not in possession of "a live church paper" in Texas, and expresses a desire to supply the felt want among our people. Then he wants this plan to be worked in the strictest confidence. It must not be made public, and his reason for wanting to keep the thing private is not hard to divine. Having gone this far, his next step is to mislead the unwary subscriber. "In no case must the subscriber be allowed to think the paper can be had at less than its regular price," notwithstanding the fact that only one dollar is to go into the coffers of the St. Louis Advocate. This is virtually publishing the paper at one dollar a year—though "in no case must the subscriber" be let into this little secret. Now, for the past few months the St. Louis Advocate has been burning its cheeks with tears of deepest grief over the insincerity of a few other church officials; and for that and other reasons it is the last paper in which we had any right to expect anything but transparency in its dealings with the editorial brotherhood. Yet here is this champion of unvarnished sincerity, away down here in the Lone Star State, secretly trying to win over to its support, by confidentially offering them one dollar for each new subscriber sent in, the very men who are pledged by Conference action to the support of the Texas Christian Advocate! Now, we have not been in journalism very long, but if this is one of the tricks that we have to learn in order to make our career a success, we beg to be excused! Our "vocation" is of such a nature that our "avocation" will not permit that sort of sharp practice. So we now wish to inform Dr. Palmore that we are not in the pastorate, and it is not safe to put confidential literature into our hands when said literature contains a scheme to supplant the Texas Christian Advocate. We want to further inform him that it is the common impression that Texas has "a live church paper," as little as he is aware of that fact. And, in consolation, we want to add that Texas preachers can not be bought up by him to become his agents in circulating his paper in territory that belongs to their Conference organ. They are men of principle, and they can not be reached by that sort of inducement. If he wants that sort of work performed, let him go to work and hire some agents belonging to his own territory and send them openly down here to canvass for his paper, and we will then know exactly how to deal with his methods. Until he does something of that sort and ceases to do that which is indicated in his "personal and confidential" circular, his prating about the sincerity of other people will by-and-by make us just a little weary.—Texas Advocate, of Feb 2.

[The circular referred to has been sent to preachers in our patronizing territory, many of whom (to quote from a leader in one of our Conferences) "regard it as an impertinence that deserves public rebuke." For months Dr. Palmore has been severe in condemnation of Barbee & Smith, insisting that they should be removed from office, and even claiming that a cell in the penitentiary would be their proper place. Let it be noted that the charge against Barbee & Smith was deception. Well, granting the fact of deception, if it was a crime to deceive the U. S. Senate, is it any the less a crime to deceive thousands of unsuspecting Methodist people? No one has ever claimed that Barbee & Smith received personally one dollar of the War Claim money, or that they ever expected to do so. But Dr. Palmore deliberately asks preachers scattered over a number of States to unite with him in deceiving the people for his own benefit. We are anxious to see the Doctor's next philippic against Barbee & Smith, his next eulogy upon Nathaniel-like transparency of character and life. Shall we see it in next week? or shall we have to wait until a few moons have waxed and waned?]

HAS DENIED THE FAITH.

On April 2, 1739, John Wesley preached for the first time in England in the open air. About a month later (May 12th) the foundation was laid for his first "preaching-house." A month later (June) the corner-stone of Kingswood School was laid. Here are evangelism, organization, and education—the three great instrumentalities of Methodism for that time, this time, and all time. He who neglects evangelism, calling sinners to repentance, has denied the faith. He who neglects church organization and church building consents that the noblest things shall be wasted and weakened. He who neglects education adopts a policy which, if followed by all, would identify Methodism with ignorance and incompetency, and thus destroy it.—Bishop Candler, in Epworth Era.

THE URGENT NEED OF METHODISM.

The urgent need of Methodism to-day is not a million guineas, although I believe we shall get them; not a million new converts, we are not ready for them; but that we ourselves, and especially our ministers and lay officers, shall give ourselves afresh and more absolutely than ever to the service of God. We must return to first principles; we must recall our original vocation, which is to spread scriptural holiness throughout the world. I have had a growing conviction of this sort for the last ten years.—Hugh Price Hughes.

The officers of the American Sabbath Union, of New York city, who sent a letter to Gov. Roosevelt, soliciting his good offices in defense of the American Sabbath, have received this reply: "Permit me to express my hearty thanks for your petition, and to say that I think you can count on me in every struggle for morality and decency."—Central Methodist.

NOTES.

Dr. M. B. Chapman has resigned the editorship of the Central Methodist.

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Rev. J. B. Kent, of the Louisiana Conference, has been quite ill, but is now convalescent.

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Bishop Galloway has returned from Texas, but will soon begin an educational campaign in Virginia.

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On account of his wife's health, Rev. R. S. Collier, of the Louisiana Conference, will make his home for a time in San Antonio, Texas.

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Rev. J. S. Oakley is improving in health; but will not be ready for work for two or three weeks. His appointments are being filled by Rev. N. G. Augustus.

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From a private letter from Rev. C. C. Wier, White Castle, La., we quote as follows: "Bro. Clifford was here for a week, and he did some very faithful preaching, resulting in the confirmation of believers, the reclamation of backsliders and the conversion of sinners."

The Magnolia Gazette speaks of a sermon preached by Dr. W. B. Murrah in the Presbyterian Church at Jackson, Miss., as exceedingly "eloquent, edifying and comforting."

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Rev. B. H. Rawls, writing from Tylertown, Miss., under date of Feb. 3, 1899, says: "I have organized an excellent Epworth League since I returned from Conference in this place. Prospects good for a successful year."

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Prof. Weber, of Millsaps College, has issued an appeal to the teachers and pupils of Mississippi for a fund to erect a memorial to the memory of the Mississippi poet, Irwin Russell. The form and site of the memorial are yet undetermined.

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Rev. D. L. Cogdell, writing from Mt. Pleasant, Miss., says that the people have given him a most cordial reception. He has already put some important repairs upon the parsonage and expects soon to repaint both the parsonage and the church.

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A newspaper in English is now published in Havana, with G. E. Bryson, formerly of the New York Journal, as editor and publisher; and, marvelous to tell, it is said to be doing well financially. Brother Jonathan is an energetic, enterprising individual.

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Rev. W. J. Dawson, writing from Escatawpa, Miss., says that he has been very kindly received, and that he is pleased with the prospect for the year. He thinks the ADVOCATE improves with the years, and he expects to send in many new subscriptions.

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Rev. H. H. Ahrens made a visit recently to Jackson, La., in the interest of the State Epworth League. He gives a glowing account of Centenary College. The pupils are studious and orderly in a remarkable degree. The attendance is about 130 and is constantly increasing.

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From a letter from Rev. W. B. Van Valkenburgh, of the Louisiana Conference, we quote as follows: "Our new work moves hopefully forward. The Winfield people, after twenty years of service, have decided to repair and reseat their church. If any friends wish to help us out, any such favors will be appreciated and acknowledged."

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The Board of Education of the M. E. Church, South, has started a monthly paper, entitled "New Century Education," the first issue of which appeared Feb. 1. It is edited by Dr. Hammond, our Secretary of Education. It has a field all its own, and we predict that it will be vastly serviceable to the great educational movement inaugurated by the last General Conference. The subscription price is only ten cents per annum.

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On the evening of the first, at the Methodist Church at Hattiesburg, Miss., Mr. Seth Lamar Heidelburg, a prosperous merchant of Hattiesburg, was married to Miss Mattie Hawkins, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Gabriel Hawkins, of the Mississippi Conference. The happy pair left the same evening for Chattanooga and Nashville, whence they will also visit the bride's brother, Rev. Ira L. Hawkins, at Decatur, Ala. We extend hearty congratulations.

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Under the aggressive leadership of Rev. G. P. White, the Methodists of St. Francisville, La., are struggling to complete their parsonage and to build a house of worship. Our membership there, however, is small, and its resources are meagre, so that the burden resting upon them is really beyond their strength. Those whom the Lord has prospered, and who wish to honor him with their substance, can do so by rendering aid to this praiseworthy enterprise.

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Under the laws of Louisiana, as recently interpreted by the Supreme Court, all church property, except houses of worship, is subject to taxation. This includes parsonages, schools, colleges, etc. The ADVOCATE building belongs to the same category, and as the taxes must be paid for four years past, the entire income from rentals for the current year will go for taxes, thus depriving the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of any revenue from that source.

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We invite the attention of our readers to the ad. of Frantz Bros. & Co., Jewelers. This firm has been in business in this city for a number of years, and has justly earned a reputation second to none for integrity, a fair-dealing and up-to-date business methods. Having had personal dealings with them, we take pleasure in commending them to the public.

A VISIT TO WATER VALLEY.

I have just returned from a visit to our Orphans' Home at Water Valley, Miss., where I carried two little orphan girls, Lulu and Christine Boren. This home is so much more than I expected to find that no words can express my appreciation of it. It is a home indeed—a home in the fine sense of what the word "home" signifies. How I wish every Methodist in the State would visit this Home!

Bro. M L. Burton, that unique man of God, met and conveyed us from depot, one mile away, to the Home, situated upon the brow of a beautiful little hill east of the railroad. He took pleasure in conducting us all through the different departments, everything as neat as the neatest of neatness. Bro. Burton, no doubt, is the right man in the right place, and will do a work here that Heaven will smile upon.

I also met that grand man of God, Rev. H. C. Morehead, presiding elder of Grenada district. Bro. Morehead is a pleasant and sweet-spirited man. No wonder the church thrives in that district under the supervision of such a man as he. I also met the good and noble pastor of Main Street Church, Rev. H. P. Gibbs, who is doing faithful work there. I also met and dined with the great, the immortal Rev. W. S. Lagrone, pastor of Wood Street Church. Bro. Lagrone was my pastor in my boyhood, twenty-five long years ago, and he can truly be called one of the true heroes of North Mississippi Methodism, serving the church as pastor and presiding elder. A nobler heart never throbed in a breast than that of William S. Lagrone, whose hair is beginning to grey, but he has lost none of that natural power that has characterized him all these years.

I came home, thanking God in my heart for such grand men of his who have and will continue to hold the church up until all the great battles have been fought with them and the last victory has been won, then lay down their arms on earth and receive a crown in heaven.

W. R. WILLIAMS.

Jan. 31, 1899.

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HONORABLE MENTION.

Harriston, Miss., deserves honorable mention. In spite of her sore affliction by yellow fever, she not only paid all her church dues last year, but has already paid one-fourth of an increased assessment for this year. No place in the district is [illegible] more in proportion to ability.

They will hold a memorial service next Sunday in commemoration of all who died of yellow fever there last year.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

CHANGE TAKES PLACE.

Roseland, La., Jan. 30, 1899.—M. E. McCoy, of this place, says his mother was obliged to use a cane in walking, on account of rheumatism, but, since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, she is cured, and can go anywhere without a cane.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

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The probable date for Crowley will be May 11.

Let the Louisiana Leaguers look that way, and pray and work for a great gathering.

Let not Louisiana be behind in the training of her young soldiers for active service.

A young lady—a member of the Whitecastle, La., League—who was converted in a recent meeting was baptized last Sunday evening at the regular devotional meeting of the Chapter, just before the preaching service.

It was our pleasure to meet recently Bro. H. H. Ahrens, State president of the Louisiana Leagues. Bro. Ahrens represents the Southern Pacific railroad, and is doing everything in his power to stir up an interest in the Crowley meeting.

The citizens of Crowley propose to do big things for the Leaguers. They are asking for a good programme, and are willing to "foot all bills" the committee may deem proper for them to settle.

We appreciate an invitation to attend the Arcadia District Epworth League Conference, to be held at Arcadia, La., March 22, 23, 24.

The Columbus District Epworth League Conference meets at Starkville, Miss., Feb. 23 24.

Brother pastor, will you not help this editor? Send in a postal-card report of the state of your League. If no news, ask a question; if too hard for this scribe, he will readily acknowledge his inability.

Our people at Whitecastle, La., have no church-building of their own, but they have a good League, and take ten copies of the Epworth Era.

Be careful what you read, and do not believe everything you do read. Some time ago a Philadelphia paper stated that President McKinley drank champagne at a banquet. A gentleman who was present read the announcement and denied it. The paper in question then acknowledged that the item was copied from a New York paper.

If the New York man had been interviewed, I suppose he would have said that he also copied from some other paper. And thus the name of a good man is often used in connection with some inconsistency for which he is not responsible.

"He who steals my purse steals trash,
But he who robs me of my good name
Takes from me that which enriches him not,
But makes me poor indeed."

We hope the Leaguers of Louisiana and Mississippi observed the "day of prayer for colleges." Dr. J. M. Buckley, in the New York Christian Advocate, of Jan. 26, refers to the above in an editorial headed, "Pray for the Coming Centers of Influence."

Let every Christian man and woman who may read these lines pray for the men and women who now have charge of the young men and women of our Methodism in the Christian colleges under our fostering care.

Let every League chapter resolve itself into a "college agent" to canvass in the immediate neighborhood for boys and girls for our own church schools. Eternity alone can record the results.

The Epworth League Union is postponed, and will be held at Dryades Street M. E. Church, South, Tuesday, Feb. 21

NOTICE.

To the Members of the Louisiana Conference:

Since some of the brethren have written to me with reference to the Sunday-school Fund, desiring aid, I take this way of answering their letters:

Bro. J. I. Hoffpauir was elected the president at the last Annual Conference, and all applications for aid for schools, for Children's Day programs, for song books, Bibles, etc., should be sent to him at his postoffice, Greensburg, La. Respectfully,

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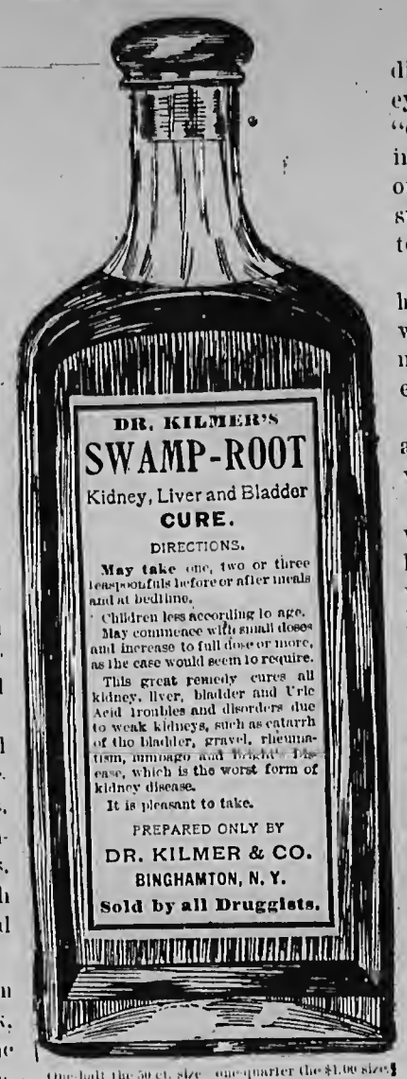
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Home Circle.

WOMAN'S SPHERE.

BY KATE J. FIELD.

They talk about a "woman's sphere"—
As though it had a limit!
There's not a place in earth or heaven,
There's not a task to mankind given,
There's not a blessing or a woe,
There's not a whispered "yes" or "no,"
There's not a life, a death, a birth,
There's not a feather's weight of worth,
Without a woman in it.

WOMAN AND THE HOME.

Here is a greeting for those at home—the home which many of us possess, some of us have missed, but for which each of us longs. The wretch who makes the doorstep his bed does not desire it more than many a luxurious wanderer in foreign lands, whose very prosperity, it may be, has divorced him from the place he called by that dear name. The child who strays from the familiar doorsteps till he finds it again; the man who leaves it feels himself a suppliant to Fate till he can once more speak the word "my home"; and to the woman it is a concomitant of life. Deprived of it, she misses her best happiness and her finest digestion. Even her beauty suffers, and it is true (is it not?) that part of a woman's loveliness lies in her environment, and that in her chosen and fit surroundings she has a charm which is lacking when she is otherwhere. Home is, moreover, her field of achievement; her position around the [illegible] she properly tests her strength and her abilities, as men test themselves in business or in battle. However brilliantly she may succeed elsewhere and in other things, if she does not succeed at home, she is, in a sense, a failure, nor will her heart let her deny this fact, however passionately she may protest against it.

True, many women are deprived of a home through no fault of their own. Such may lament their deprivation, but they have nothing for which to blame themselves, and many of them, it would seem, from the atmosphere they create wherever they are, keep a home in their hearts. They have no roof of their own to which they may bid their friends welcome, yet their smile is a hospitality and their sympathy a sort of benediction. Home is, after all, a condition of mind, and so it may be logical, though the conclusion was reached circuitously, to reiterate that the woman who does not succeed at home is, in a sense, a failure, however distinguished she may become.

The time has passed, to be sure, when a woman must needs have a home and a husband in order to hold the respect and admiration of her friends; she can now live her own life in any honorable fashion she chooses, and will be granted more or less ungrudgingly all she can win for herself in the way of place, honor, and emolument. But the time will never pass when home will not be her best seat of endeavor, or when she will cease to be most gratefully regarded there.

The sweetest part of all this is, that the happiness which men and children derive from the home is exceeded by the joy the woman has in conferring it. She feels, with a delicacy and delight beyond theirs, the full spiritual significance of the word "home," though it is undeniable that she sometimes devotes herself to those immediately belonging to it, to the exclusion of others near at hand who perish for lack of its hospitality.—Self-Culture.

THE PACE THAT KILLS.

In looking up a word in the dictionary several days ago my eyes fell on the definition of "emulation"—"the act of attempting to equal or excel in qualities or actions; rivalry; desire of superiority, attended with effort to attain it."

Only the evening before we had been talking about a little woman who was once pretty, but now has a harassed and anxious expression of countenance.

"What is the matter with her?" asked one. It was a physician who answered:

"She has no disease. She is wearing herself to death by emulation of other people. The strain will kill her if she keeps it up. Nobody in this world can stay first."

His words and the dictionary definition set me to thinking. Are not many women killing themselves by this same process? And how drearily unprofitable it all is, when one considers the truth of the physician's statement that "nobody in this world can stay first"!

Nobody! For, strive as we may, there is always some one with a little more money, a handsomer house, more influence, or perhaps more brains. There is merit in the desire to make the best of ourselves and of the talents given us. There is no credit due her who, because of "a desire for superiority" over another, wears herself out in attempting to do that which she can not perform. Is this not one reason for the nervous, anxious look on the faces of our American women? They strive to dress as well as neighbors with double their income; they give entertainments that empty the never-too-full purse, and they buy furniture for which they can only pay by rigid self-denial.

Were we only content as women to do just that which we can easily afford, how much more peaceful our lives would be, how much better our children, how much more care-free and youthful our men—these American husbands, the best in the world, who can not bear to have their wives long for things that by an additional strain they might give them. And would not our lives be longer in the land?—Harper's Bazar.

JOB EARNED HIS TITLE BY GREAT SUFFERING. Had he flourished in these days, his recourse for consolation would not have been the company of three nagging friends, but a bottle of DICKS' MUL-EN-OL, which has a wonderful power to dissipate the inflammation, cool the feverishness, and completely cure boils and carbuncles.

FAMILIARITY WITH THE BIBLE.

The late Dr. S. F. Smith, at one time in his early life professor in Colby University, showed himself equal to the occasion. The president of the college was accustomed to conduct each morning the chapel worship, but being ill for several days, he requested Dr. Smith to lead the service. The students, not knowing his great memory for exact biblical history, thought they would have a little fun at the expense of the youthful professor, and spirited the Bible away from the chapel pulpit. Dr. Smith took in the situation, and losing no time in looking for the hidden book, repeated from memory an entire chapter. The next day, the Bible still not appearing, the doctor repeated another chapter from memory. On the third morning, there being no Bible on the desk, he repeated a longer chapter, without apparently noticing the absence of the book. On the fourth morning, the Bible still in its hiding place, the professor thought he would be even with the boys, and repeated entirely from memory seventy-one verses from one of the longest chapters in the Gospel of Luke. He spoke with great deliberation, taking very much more time than was usually allotted to Bible-reading. The students found that Dr. Smith was too much for them, and suspended further operations. Not a word was said, but the Bible reappeared next day on the desk.—The Evangelist.

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THE ART OF NOT HEARING.

The art of not hearing should be learned by all. There are so many things which it is painful to hear, very many which, if heard, will disturb the temper, corrupt simplicity and modesty, detract from contentment and happiness. If a man falls into a violent passion and calls all manner of names, at the first words we should shut our ears and hear no more. If in a quiet voyage of life we find ourselves caught in one of those domestic whirlwinds of scolding, we should shut our ears as a sailor would furl his sail, and, making all tight, scud before the gale. If a hot, restless man begins to inflame our feelings, we should consider what mischief the fiery sparks may do in our magazine below, where our temper is kept, and instantly close the door. If all the petty things said of a man by heedless and ill-natured idlers were brought home to him, he would become a mere walking pincushion stuck full of sharp remarks. If we would be happy, when among good men we should open our ears; when among bad men, shut them. It is not worth while to hear what our neighbors say about our children, what our rivals say about our business, our dress, or our affairs.—New York Ledger.

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Again, it was but a little while ago a lady was speaking of the gentle manner and unusual ability in entertaining shown by a young gentleman who had recently come into the community.

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According to the New York World, the six richest women in the world with the amounts of their fortunes are: Isidera Consino, $200,000,000; Hetty Green, $50,000,000; Baroness Burdett-Coutts, $20,000,000; Mme. Barrios, $15,000,000; Mary Garrett, $10,000,000, and Mrs. Woleska, $10,000,000.

"Let your aim be high. Let some great object fire your whole being. Our country holds out a thousand situations which you might fill honorably. Seek to be such that the present generation and all posterity will hold you in the sweetest remembrance."

Hygiene.

HEADACHE POWDERS CONDEMNED.

A word of warning has been issued with regard to the indiscriminate use of headache powders, to which so many people fly for relief during the dog days. In his quarterly report on the health of the Borough of Chorley, Lancashire, Dr. J. A. Harris, the medical officer for the district, calls attention to the sale and purchase of these remedies. He states that under his direction the county police obtained six or seven samples from different shops in the town, and had them submitted to analysis. In every case the quantity of the active ingredients was found to be in excess of the maximum dose of the drug allowed in the British Pharmacopœia. The subject was brought up and discussed at the recent British Medical Congress at Edinburgh, and there was a general consensus of opinion that these drugs required to be handled with the greatest possible care, and that a slight error of judgment with regard to a dose might be followed by disastrous results.—London News.

Sick headache is often caused by eating too much and too rich food, and too little exercise. Substitute a simple, plain meal and a dessert of fruit for so much meat and so many rich dishes, followed by rich pastries and puddings, gravies, and cake, and earn what you eat "by the sweat of the brow," and you will have less headaches and other disorders. Nature abhors lazy folks, and still more, laziness accompanied by gormandizing. They whose work is sedentary do not require so much food as hod-carriers, and they can not digest such rich food.—Selected.

The King of Greece has an odd way of spending some of the Summer months. He turns farmer, and works as hard as though he were a land laborer. He can plow a field, cut and bind corn; in short, keep a farm going from start to finish, as though it were his livelihood.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

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OBITUARIES.

WILSON—BRYANT and WALTER WILSON, aged twenty-six and twenty-eight years.

Bryant and Walter, the only two brothers in a family of seven children, were called from labor to reward in November, 1898, near the same time; Walter on the eleventh, and Bryant on the nineteenth, following. Being raised to love the Lord, they made the good choice early in life, and had for several years been members of the Methodist Church. They were noble young men, such as any parents should be proud of. Bryant, the older, had been in Texas for several years, engaged in the mercantile business; but for some time has been suffering with pulmonary consumption. He spent a part of 1898 in traveling for his health. Realizing in the Fall that his end was near he returned home that he might spend his last days with the family. Walter had been faithfully waiting at the bed-side of his sick brother when, with but slight notice, he was seized with a severe chill, and for a few days suffered most intensely, but bore it patiently. On Friday night, just before he died, while passing through the valley of the shadow of death, not alone, but led by the angel of light, he was heard to say, "The way is clear."

O may I triumph so
When all my warfare's passed,
And dying, find my latest foe
Beneath my feet at last!"

He was interred at Bethel Church on the thirteenth. Bryant, who survived his brother only a few days, passed away on the nineteenth, and was buried beside his brother on the twentieth, at which time the writer preached the funeral of both.

May the angel that bore them away comfort the sorrowing family until some sweet day in that bright city above, they meet their loved ones and make an unbroken family in the kingdom of heaven! J. J. GARNER, Pastor.

SMALLWOOD—JOHN A. SMALLWOOD, one of the best men I ever knew, died in great peace at his home in New Albany, Miss., Dec. 12 1898. The following day we held his funeral service, and buried him at Ebenezer Church, near Cotton Plant. He had lived forty-two years; had been married twenty years to a day. His very excellent wife and promising children deeply mourn his "untimely death." In the business circle he was wise, prudent, industrious, kindly firm, and the servant of integrity. He was a model merchant, a success in the lumber business, and the capital president of the bank in his growing town. He commanded the respect and the implicit confidence of all who knew him. He despised petty niggardly ways and acts. "Live the truth in all things" was his purpose. Indomitable energy was one of his chief characteristics. Idleness is a sin that found no lurking place about him. The doctrines of the Methodist Church were wholly and heartily endorsed by him, and he liberally supported her institutions. When seventeen years of age he earnestly knocked at her door for membership, willingly took her vows, and continued a very useful member until called higher.

Our increasing, developing church at New Albany has lost an active, influential, fruitful worker in every department—a really good steward. We treasure his memory as an affable Christian gentleman, a warm friend, thoughtful husband, affectionately concerned father, and a man who builds up the country. God graciously bless his precious memory to loved ones and friends. May his noble example be emulated by many! Oh, how he will be missed! The richest mercy of God rest upon and abide with the sweet home he made and left. J. M. WYATT.

Aberdeen, Miss.

SMITH—CLARK LANGFORD SMITH, son of J. D. Smith, of Tryus, Miss., was born June 7, 1881, and died of pneumonia Jan. 18, 1899. He was always a good boy, in the general sense; and, besides, about four years ago he was converted and joined the church. He was a pious and faithful member. His was a very triumphant death. He was conscious of the end, and bade those present an affectionate goodby. He was named for Rev. D. C. Langford, who baptized him in his infancy. May God's grace comfort the sorrowing ones!

C. MCDONALD.

Tryus, Miss.

KEENE—MRS. STEELE KEENE (nee Smith) was born March 18, 1851; joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of fifteen; lived a happy, consistent Christian nearly thirty years, and died Jan 25, 1899.

It has not been our lot to witness a sadder scene than was the funeral service held at Pisgah Church, where Sister Keene had lived and was buried. The unusually large concourse of mourners bore living testimony, with dampened eye and bleeding heart, to the high esteem in which she was held by her numerous relatives and friends. Such tribute as was paid her is worth living and dying to receive.

Her only expressed regret, when the subject of death was mentioned, was of so sorely grieving her family. She met the end bravely, saying she was safe and ready.

To the dear ones who mourn her loss we recommend the abiding grace divine, so truly embraced by her, your sure and only strength in these surging hours. And though your loving hands could not slake the burning thirst or cool the parching fever, yet now she awaits your coming inside the pearly gate beside the ever-flowing river of life that proceedeth from the throne. She can not come to you, but you can go to her. HER PASTOR.

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FORD—CARL FORD was born June 2, 1885, in Homer, La., and died Oct. 13, 1898.

It was the pleasure of the writer to be associated with Carl in the relation of teacher to pupil. It was never our pleasure, our experience, to teach a pupil of greater promise. His powers, for his age, were wonderful, and had he lived, must, in the years to come, have become a useful servant to his community.

For one so young his Christian experience was beautiful indeed. He joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of ten years. He lived up to his privileges as a servant of Christ, and in time must have become a great power for good. To ponder over the Word of God was his delight, and especially did he love the study of Revelations.

But it was in his home that his life shone brightest. He was a comfort and cheer to his parents and relatives. Ever thoughtful of others, he never failed to do a kind turn, to relieve "mama" of an unnecessary step, or to run an errand for "papa." His place can not be filled, and ever after there must be a void; but he has gone to a brighter reward, to "the house" not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. LONAM S. JOHNSTON.

BRACEY—MRS. JOSIE JOHNSON BRACEY, wife of Mr. Joe M. Bracey, and daughter of Dr. Harvey and Mrs. Margaret Johnson, was born at Raymond, Miss., the ninth day of May, 1861, and died in Little Rock, Ark., the ninth day of January, 1899. She moved with the family to Arkansas in 1886, where she has since resided. She was very intelligent, genial and good, and made many friends. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life. She grew to be a strong Christian character. She manifested great patience, fortitude and resignation through a long sickness, and in great peace passed to her reward, leaving a devoted husband, three loving children, a mother, sisters and brothers to join her in the sweet by-and-by. May the Divine Comforter sustain and keep them to the end!

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Little Rock, Ark.

BARNES—MRS. MISSOURI KIRK BARNES, wife of P. L. Barnes, died at Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 2, 1899, aged fifty-four years. She was born in Hardeman county, Tenn., and was converted at the age of thirteen.

It was the privilege of the writer to be with her a few hours before her death. Her face was radiant as she told me she was peacefully trusting in Him who had conquered death and the grave. She told her sister a short while before passing away that she saw Jesus so bright and beautiful, and expressed surprise that she could not see him, too. She said that he had washed her in his blood, and that she was so happy. She left a blessing for her husband and children and sister, praying that they all might meet in heaven, and with this grand testimony to the comforting and sustaining power of the Savior as her soul was on the eve of its departure from earthly scenes, she sweetly fell on sleep. C. F. ENERY.

PAQUINETT—The subject of this notice, B. H. PAQUINETT, was born in Wilkinson county, Miss., July 4 1829; married Feb. 13 1873, and died at Natchez, Miss., Jan. 8, 1899.

Early in life he joined the Methodist Church at Bethel Church, in the above-named county. The last years of his life were days of suffering, which confined him to his bed, and, doubtless, prepared him fully for the "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

T. H. H.

JETER—On the ninth of October, 1898, the spirit of Bro. W. H. JETER left us. In early life he resided in Franklin county, but after the war of secession he moved to the city of Natchez and engaged in the boarding-house business. In 1851 he was married to Miss Anna J. Cobb. Of him it may be written that he "served his day and generation, and fell on sleep." T. B. H.

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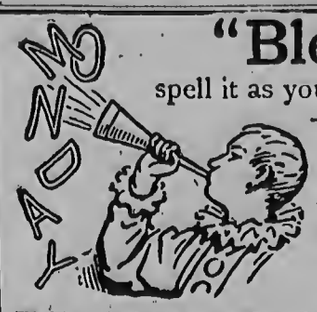

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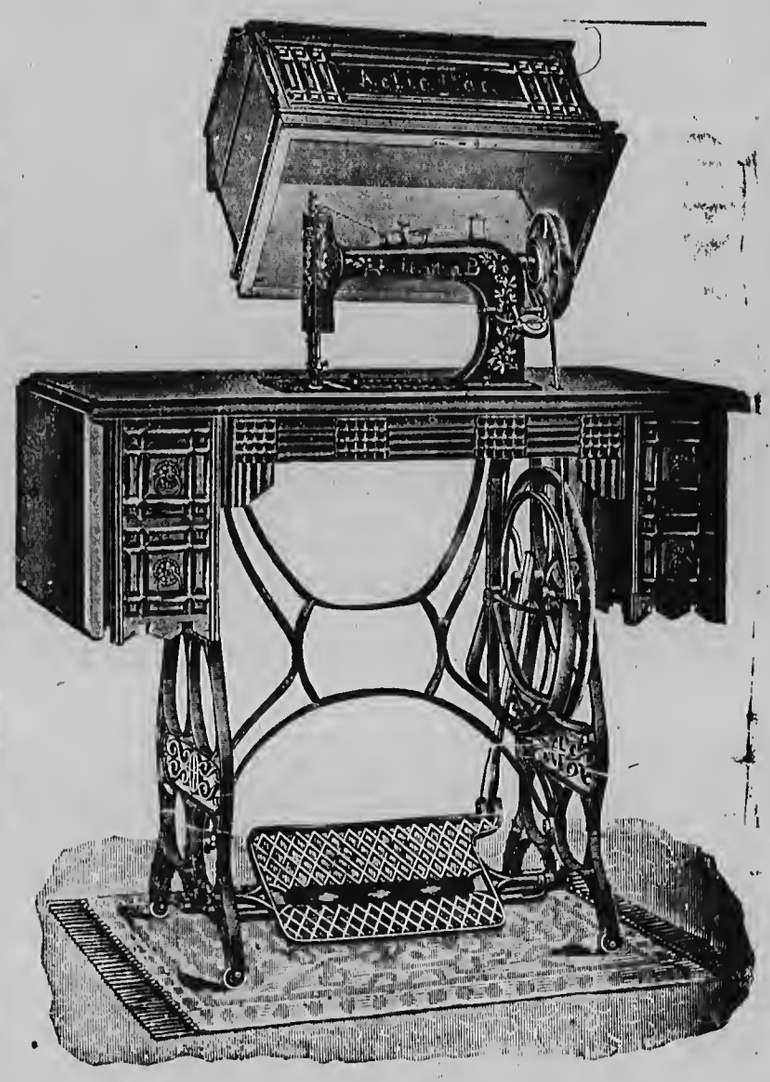

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The several committees engaged in creating a State Fair to be held in this city next Spring have been working with commendable energy and intelligence, and have accomplished a very great deal.

A Chicago tailor the other day sent out a thousand checks, each drawn for two cents, as an advertisement. But the collector of internal revenue has decided that he will have to put a 2-cent stamp on each of them.

The Czar, who recently gave 500,000 rubles (about $250,000) from his private purse for the relief of the peasantry who are suffering from famine, has now given 1,000,000 rubles ($500,000) more for the same purpose.

Lieutenant Governor Crane, of Massachusetts, has become interested in the work of the Boston "slum missions," and the other night, accompanied by Ex-Mayor Curtis and a superintendent of police, he made a complete tour of the poorest quarters of the Hub.

A movement has been inaugurated looking to the securing from Congress of an appropriation for the construction of a postoffice building in this city. The local postmaster and his assistant are active workers in this movement, and the Board of Trade has also promised its co-operation.

The Peace Treaty was ratified on Feb. 6. One more vote than was needed was cast in its favor. Senators McEnery and McLaurin joined the majority at the last moment, when the Treaty seemed defeated. Senator Jones, of Nevada, also voted for ratification. Secretary Hay will notify Spain of the action of the Senate.

Rear Admiral Dewey has notified the Navy Department that he has seized another schooner loaded with arms and ammunition intended for Aguinaldo and his followers. Information in the possession of the authorities is to the effect that the German consul at Hong Kong was concerned in the sale of the arms to the Filipinos, and this fact may account for their action in keeping the matter a secret.

Instructions have been sent to Major-General Otis directing him to follow up his victory over the insurgents and to crush the power of Aguinaldo in the Philippines. This was the decision reached at an important Cabinet meeting held at the White House, which was attended by the President, Secretary Hay, Secretary Alger, Attorney-General Griggs and Adjutant-General Corbin.

A bill is to be introduced in the New York Legislature to create a censor of public amusements and exhibitions. Senator Grady, who will introduce the bill, declares that too many of the theatrical performances in New York City are degrading and immoral, and ought to be prevented. He proposes that the censor shall, eight days before any new performance is given, receive a copy of the play or a description of the proposed entertainment, and can then permit or forbid the performance.

Secretary Alger has cabled to Major-General Brooke directing him to communicate with the commanding officers of the Cuban departments and inform the War Department of the number of troops which can be spared from the island after next month. This action is preliminary to the inauguration by the administration of its proposed policy to leave the island practically in the hands of the Cubans. Before adopting it, however, the President wishes to ascertain the views of General Brooke and his subordinate commanders, who, being on the ground, will be able to report the conditions existing in their respective departments, and whether in their opinion it would be advisable to reduce the force of United States troops.

Defeated in a desperate effort to break through the American lines and enter the city of Manila, the insurgent forces, after fourteen hours of continuous fighting, have been driven from the villages of Santa Anna, Paco and Santa Mesa. They have been compelled to retreat to a position quite a distance further out in the suburbs than the one they held before attacking the city. Although it has been impossible thus far to accurately estimate the number of Americans who fell, it is believed that few of our men were killed and upward of fifty have been wounded. The losses of the insurgents are heavy, the American troops having gone into the engagement with great enthusiasm and determination.

Careful estimates place the Filipino losses up to date at 2000 dead, 3500 wounded and 5000 taken prisoners.

Several of the vessels in Admiral Dewey's squadron participated in the fight, firing on the natives in Malate and Coloacan, and succeeded in driving them inland from both those places.

This engagement was brought about by three native scouts, who, advancing close to the American lines near Santa Mesa, made a feint to go through. One of the natives was killed and another wounded. This affair was followed at nine o'clock by a general attack on the American outposts. The insurgents advanced all along the line from Coloncau to Santa Mesa.

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Rayne Memorial	19
Lower Coast	26
Carrollton Avenue	Mar. 5
Carondelet Street	12
White Castle	19
Burgundy Street	26
Covington	Apr. 2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Grand Cane, at Grand Cane	Feb. 11, 12
Logansport, at Logansport	18, 19
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport	25, 26
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Mar. 4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill	11, 12
Red River, at ——	18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs	25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Mansfield	9
Florine and mission, at ——	15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle	22, 23
Pelican, at ——	29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Vidalia and Gilbert	Feb 11, 12
Waterproof	18, 19
Lake Providence	25, 26
Bonita	Mar. 3, 4
Floyd	11, 12
Tallulah	18, 19
Winnsboro	25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr. 1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Bienville	Feb. 11, 12
Lansewille	18, 19
Gibsland	20
Valley	25, 26
Minden	Mar. 4, 5
Gunnville	11, 12
Arcadia	18, 19

B. T. CARNES, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Lake Arthur	Feb. 11, 12
Lake Charles	15
West Lake	17
Grand Chenier	..

Pastors will please inform me where the Conferences are to be held, and when off the main railroad, how to get to them.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Slaughter, at Ethel	Feb. 11, 12
Wilson, at Gayden	18, 19
Clinton	19, 20
St. Helena, at Greenaburgh	25, 26
St. Francisville, at Concord	Mar. 4, 5
Jackson	5, 6

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Brooksville	Feb. 18, 19
Macon station	25, 26
Shuqualak	Mar. 4, 5
Hebron	11, 12
Crawford	18, 19
West Point	25, 26
Tibbee	Apr. 1, 2
Cedar Bluff	8, 9
Starkville circuit	15, 16
Starkville station	22, 23
Lagrange	29, 30
Sturgis	May 6, 7
Columbus circuit	13, 14
Columbus station	20, 21
Winstonville	27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Pleasant Grove	Feb. 11, 12
Longtown	12, 13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs	18, 19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet	19, 20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel	22
Wall Hill	25, 26

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ripley circuit	Feb. 9
New Albany circuit	11, 12
Saltillo circuit	16
Jonesboro circuit	18, 19
Burnsville and Jacinto	24

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Houston and Wesley	Feb. 11, 12
Shannon circuit	18, 19
Fulton circuit	25, 26
Tremont circuit	Tues. 28
Okolona circuit, at Pine Grove	Mar. 4, 5

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Paris, at Prospect	Fri.. Feb. 10
Banner	11, 12
Charleston, at Harrison	18, 19
Chapel Hill	25, 26
Slate Springs, at Bentley	Tues.. 28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel	Wed.. Mar. 1
Ellzey, at Old Town	Fri.. 3
Pittsboro	4, 5

H. C. MOAKHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Poplar Creek, at Friendship	Feb. 11, 12
Chester, at Chester	18, 19
Louisville, at Rocky Hill	25, 26
Salem, at Salem	Mar. 4, 5

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Red Banks cir., at Victoria	Feb 11, 12
Mt Pleasant cir., at Mt Pleasant	18, 19
Olive Branch, at Miller	25, 26
East Holly Springs, at Harmony	Mar. 4, 5
Ashland, at Union Hill	11, 12
Connersville, at Ebenezer	18, 19

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Winchester, at Big Rock	11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna	12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto	18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise	19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel	Fri.. 24
Marthersville, at Poplar Springs	25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman	26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel	Mar. 4, 5
Binnsville, at Scooba	11, 12

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Galloway, at McLaurin	Feb. 9
Escatawpa, at Zion	11, 12
Moss Point	12, 13
Whittington, at Coleville	15
St. John's, at St. John's	16
East Covington, at Bethel	18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	21
Hattiesburg	26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia	Mar. 1
Leaksville, at Leaksville	5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hattiesburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Lake, at Lawronco	Sat. and Sun.. Feb. 11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence	Sat. and Sun.. 18, 19
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill	Sat.. 25
Newton and B., at Hickory	Sun. and Mon 26, 27
Chunkey, at Suqualena	Sat and Sun. Mar. 4, 5
Montrose, at Mt. Zion	Sat. and Sun. 11, 12
Shiloh, at John's	Sat. and Sun.. 18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur	Sat. and Sun.. 25, 26
Neshoba, at Murs Hill	Sat. and Sun.. Apr. 1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talli Chulok Mon	3

District stewards will please meet at Newton, Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2 o'clock P. M. The pastors are also invited and expected to be present.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Salem	Feb. 11, 12
Fayette	18, 19
Jefferson Street	24, 26
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Meadville	Mar. 4, 5
Roxie	11, 12
Percy's Creek	18, 19
Woodville	25, 26
Brandywine	Apr. 1, 2

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Warren, at Oak Ridge	Feb. 11, 12
South Warren, at Bovina	18, 19
Mayersville, at Mayersville	25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar. 4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs	11, 12
Sharrila, at Bentonia	18, 19
Utica, at Utica	25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr. 1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah	8, 9

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tranquil, at Pleasant Hill	Feb. 11, 12
Yazoo City	7 P. M.. 12, 13
Faunln	18, 19
Brandon	7 P. M.. 19, 20
Siren's Creek	25, 26
Yazoo circuit, at Fletcher's	Mar. 4, 5
Benton, at Benton	7 P. M.. 5, 6
Silver Cr. and B. L.	11, 12
Lake City and Lodi	18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's	25, 26
Camden, at Camden	Apr. 1, 2

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MARRIAGES.

LABORD—WHATLEY.—At the Methodist parsonage, Bayou Chicot, La., Jan. 12, 1899, by Rev. W. H. Hill, Mr. George Labord to Miss Tompie Whatley.

CAUSEY—MURRAY.—At the residence of the bride's parents in St. Landry parish, La., Jan. 12, 1899, by Rev. W. H. Hill, Mr. Wm. Causey to Miss Jo Eva Murray.

RASBERY—BASS.—At the Methodist parsonage, Bayou Chicot, La., Jan 19, 1899, by Rev. W. H. Hill, Mr. D Thurston Rasbery to Miss Katie Bass.

MOSLEY—SULIVAN.—At the residence of Mr. Hardy Green, Kentchie, La., Jan. 12, 1899, by Rev. J. O. Bennett, Mr. W. R. Mosley to Miss Dasie E. Sulivan.

FARMER—HAMILTON.—At the residence of Mr. J. M. Dunn, in Greenwood, La., Jan. 25, 1899, by Rev. J. O. Bennett Mr. J. H. Farmer to Miss M. B. Hamilton.

ABNEY—PITTMAN.—At Cedar Grove Church, Jan. 15, 1899, at 6:30 P. M., by Rev. Ira B. Robertson, Mr. Paul Abney, of Jasper county, to Miss Alma Pittman, of Smith county, Miss.

GAMMAGE—COMBS.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in Silverrenna, by Rev. Ira B. Robertson, Mr. John Gammage, of Jasper county, to Miss Nora Combs, of Smith county, Miss.

TOCKET—SMITH.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Geo A. Smith, near Chester, Choctaw county, Miss., Feb. 1, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Anderson, Mr. Oscar Lee Tocket and Miss Ella Smith.

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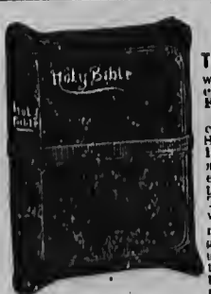

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THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE SPANISH WAR.

BY REV. J. A PARKER, D D.

It is not often that the officials of the Romish Church speak out in plain words, and tell the world in plain, undiplomatic language what they have done, and what they purpose doing in the future; yet, according to the Times-Democrat, of Feb. 8, 1899, Cardinal Gibbons, "the primacy of honor of the Catholic Church in the United States," has crawled out of his Jesuit shell and spoken to the people in unmistakable terms.

The attitude of the Catholic Church anent America's new possessions is no longer a matter of doubt. "The primacy of honor" of that church in the United States has set all speculation at rest.

There are a number of admissions by this primate of honor—the real head of the Catholic Church in the United States—which, to most Americans, will bring a blush, and among them at least one which should make every liberty-loving citizen of a free country blush in very shame.

Take this for an example: "During the Cuban war . . . vast sums of money were, in this way, loaned the Spanish crown which have not been refunded."

How does this strike the reader at the dawn of the twentieth century? An organization claiming ecclesiasticism in a most superlative sense receives money of which the people whom it claims to serve have been ruthlessly and wrecklessly robbed, and "loans" that money to a nation for the purpose of enabling it to continue its robbery of those people, and to strengthen the fetters of a most abject and degrading slavery—slavery under two masters: one over the conscience, and one over the bodies of the victim!

"VAST SUMS OF MONEY"

loaned by the Catholic Church to Spain for the purpose of keeping Cuba and Porto Rico in bondage to the Spanish crown and the Catholic Church!

These "vast sums of money loaned the Spanish crown have not been refunded," and in view of the utter bankruptcy of Spain, it is a question as to where this money is to come from.

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or Spain must, one or the other, refund these "vast sums of money." Cardinal Gibbons said to the Times-Democrat reporter: "The collection of this debt due the church has become a serious matter, and the passiveness on the part of the Spaniards, or their inability to make payment, has given the Bishops food for serious thought."

This is the plan outlined by the cardinal after "serious thought." It will "be necessary to convene the representatives of the United States and Spanish Governments and of the church, and in this way define the debt and devise the means of payment."

"From which of the two governments the money will come," says the reporter, "the cardinal could not say; but as the debt is of Spain's making, Spain will be looked to for payment."

Here is a little of the usual Jesuitical diplomacy. The cardinal evidently looks to Spain as the principal in the loan of "vast sums of money," and to

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"From which of the two governments" this money is ultimately to come "the cardinal could not say."

If the Catholic Church does not foster a design to bring about some complications by which the United States is to refund to the church "these vast sums of money," why does the cardinal not know "which of the two governments" is to pay this money? Spain could not pay it if she would, and likely will not if she can.

"The representatives of the United States," as such, have not, and can not have, any interest in this business.

In this interview Cardinal Gibbons says, "The church, even though possessing much valuable property, the gifts of the State and the bequests of private individuals, now feels the need of ready money greatly." It is worth while to inquire into these "gifts of the State," and ascertain when "these gifts of the State" were made.

It is currently reported, and generally believed, that the foulest theft of Spain—the greatest robbery of the Cubans—was in the gift of State property to the church

AFTER SPAIN SAW HER POWER BROKEN

in Cuba and Porto Rico. Will the same condition of things be found in the Philippines?

It may be possible, in the light of what Cardinal Gibbons has revealed of the purpose of the Catholic Church to demand "vast sums of money"

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to account for the co-operation of Spanish subjects and foreign potentates ("in their private relations") with natives of the Philippines during an armistice with Spain.

It is everywhere known that the sympathies of the Pope of Rome have all along been for his Spanish subjects, and against his insular subjects. It is further well known that while almost all Catholic countries (professedly neutral) were technically abstaining from interference during the progress of the war, the press of those Catholic countries were, in every way at their command, by misrepresentations of the American side, and exaggerations of the Spanish side especially, aiding and abetting the Spanish side.

Moreover, all know that from the "Maine incident" to the signing of the protocol the Pope was constantly seeking to intermeddle in the great question at issue between Spain and the United States. That his interest was partial, and not prompted by a sense of "godly fear," is perfectly clear in the light of his conduct. He "blessed the arms of Spain," which were crushing more than a million of Catholics in Cuba, leaving them to their fate more horrid than the fire and fagots of the sixteenth century. Not only this. The church of which he is the acknowledged head "loaned vast sums of money" to Spain—money, every dollar of which he could have controlled otherwise—for the purpose of defending revenues to the church obtained through Spanish authority by the wreckless slaughter of tens of thousands of his poor and helpless subjects, who, under the unendurable weight of their infelicitous and bonds, were crying for freedom. The cry of these poor victims of papal and regal oppression reached the ears of the liberty-loving sons of America, who, like a convoy of heaven-sent rescuers, hastened to the scene of suffering to cut the slavish fetters which bound the oppressed.

Now that these fetters are broken and the borrowing task-master is crushed, he whose "vast sums of money" were turned against the conqueror, and on account of which the struggle was prolonged and made more terrible, turns now to the victor against whom all these "vast sums" were piled up, and, with a complacency more than satanic, asks that he whose ruin was intended by the "loan of these vast sums of money" be so good as to pay the money back. Was ever folly so foolish, or cheek so cheeky?

It is hard to believe a man of Cardinal Gibbons' gifts of mind would attempt to ask the

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for money loaned Spain for purposes of oppression of a people, in order that the church might retain its grasp on money extorted from the oppressed. Yet, what means the ominous words, "Convene the representatives of the United States and the Spanish Governments and of the church, and in this way define the debt and devise the means of payment"?

Cardinal Gibbons has been long enough in the United States to have learned that the United States paid all its debts to the church by a universal grant of religious liberty in 1776. This government was not a party to the Catholic loan to the Spanish crown, and will not be a party to its payment. More, it is the moral and political duty of the United States to see to it that State property in Cuba, alienated by Spain to the Catholic Church after September, 1895—the date mentioned in the Paris treaty—be returned to the State. Gen. Wood, Governor of Santiago, has been quoted as saying the governor's mansion in that province would be returned to the State. So should the cemetery at Havana, and all other crown property now claimed by the Catholic Church, not only in Cuba, but everywhere where the United States has jurisdiction.

Correspondence.

CHANGSHU.

(From our own correspondent.)

A POISONING CASE.

Some days ago a lost cheque for two hundred dollars was found in one of the streets of our city. The finder brought it to the two personal teachers of Dr. Fearn and Mr. Pilley, who, after some persuasion, were induced to act with the man in trying to extort money from the writer of the cheque. The means used being the magistrate's card, with a written request that a consultation be held at the house of the foreigner, and a verbal request of the same nature delivered in the name of the foreigner; the inference being that the magistrate and the foreigners were acting together in trying to extort money from the owner of the cheque. The man refused several invitations to meet this appointment, and finally the matter was brought to the notice of the foreigners, who at once put things straight. Dr. Fearn's teacher was kept under suspended judgment for a day or two, but Mr. Pilley's teacher and the cook—who was also implicated—were dismissed at once. The cook had been in our employ for nearly two years, and a more capable and faithful servant would be hard to find. As the weather was bad and his wife sick, we, with method in our madness, suggested that he remain a day or two longer, hoping that the new cook would arrive before he left; but, for some reason, even pecuniary inducement failed, and he left, after offering to make up sufficient bread to last a day or two, which kind offer we refused. Mr. Pilley, with the new cook, was expected back from Shanghai on Saturday afternoon. Immediately after breakfast on Saturday morning both Dr. and Mrs. Fearn were taken violently ill with nausea and vomiting. Just after breakfast Mr. T. A. Hearn arrived from Soochow. A Chinese dinner was necessarily put before him, since the cooks pro tem. were too ill to officiate. We supposed malaria was manifesting itself in the form of dumb chills. The night brought neither any abatement in the really alarming symptoms, nor Mr. Pilley and the cook, so the pantry and Mr. Hearn's lunch basket furnished a light tea. All day Sunday we continued to have what we supposed to be chills. Occasionally one would have the courage to attempt a little cooking, though we found it necessary to retire between the rolling-out and cutting-out of the biscuit to indulge in a chill—it was esthetic! By Sunday night we decided that it was not malaria, but something more serious—possibly the water was bad; but self-denial in this only caused an accentuation of our misery. Monday morning at daylight Mr. Pilley arrived with the cook, and immediately after breakfast Mr. Hearn left for Soochow. In less than an hour Mr. Pilley began to suffer with us. The new cook ate a biscuit, and nearly vomited himself into another world. Monday night we had the most delicious muffins for tea, but as we were too ill to eat them, and they were too nice to throw away, we gave them to the servants. That night every Chinese in the place joined the ranks of the nauseated, and the sound of retching was heard in the land. One peculiar feature of our condition was the seeming endlessness of time. Days dragged themselves into years and the nights became ages—ages of terrible suffering, of nausea, griping, abdominal pains, and a horrible, burning, unquenchless thirst. So intense was this suffering that life seemed almost unendurable. In desperation we arose in the night and drank our fill of what we supposed to be a deadly poison—water—but, strange to say, we felt no worse. Tuesday morning the muffins for breakfast were most appetizing, but we were too sick to do more than taste them. We gave the rest to the servants, who thought them so nice that they sent some over to the native preacher's children, and soon we heard that the entire family, including the Bible woman, had joined our forces. Then we descended to the kitchen and fell upon the baking-powder tin. The color of the powder we found to be a faint orange, and the mystery of our illness was explained. At first we thought it had been mixed with bi-chromate of potash. We knew this drug could be procured here, as it is used in photography, which is quite a fad in our city just now. As an antidote we drank vinegar, as one would drink water, but with no relief. Further investigation proved the poison to be bi-sulphide of arsenic. Suspicion at once fell upon the teachers and the cook. We went to the magistrate, who sent runners to Soochow to capture the cook. In the search for the teacher, who was still in Changshu, we went to several places. He was finally caught, and on good bail was allowed to stay at the house of a friend. Great excitement prevailed among the Chinese, and everyone had some remedy to suggest. One friend even brought a prescription calling for lamb's blood, snail shells, etc., and insisted on our taking it at once. Green pea is supposed to be a specific in arsenic poison. We called boats to go to Soochow, and then were afraid to go lest we might die en route. Though we were alive, the awful possibilities of the future stood out before us in appalling array.

THE TRIAL.

After some delay the cook arrived from Soochow, and the trial began. He at first persisted that he knew nothing whatever about the case, and even held out against the application of a hundred or so blows upon the face, and several hundreds on the bare buttocks. The magistrate, having obtained sufficient evidence as to the man's guilt, applied the third degree of punishment—i. e., the plaited rattan lash. After three hundred lashes across his bare back the man begged to be allowed to confess. Confession is essential before one can be condemned by a Chinese court, no matter how strong the evidence may be against him. The ex-cook acknowledged that he alone put the arsenic in the baking powder, and that he did it to injure his successor, hoping that we would engage him again, and he would demand higher wages. He procured the poison from a barber shop. Arsenic is not allowed to be sold to anyone. Barbers only are allowed to keep it to disinfect the head of any customer who may need such treatment. The case being a new one to our magistrate, and of such a serious nature, he felt compelled to refer it to the Soochow prefect, who, no doubt, will pass it on to the provincial judge.

The Chinese all say it is sure to cost the man his head. While we feel that such an act upon the part of a cook, in foreign employ, effects every foreigner in China, yet we could not feel justified in allowing the man to be beheaded, or strangled, without entering a protest; hence we wrote a petition asking that he be not killed, but imprisoned for life, thus being put beyond the power of doing anyone any harm, but having time to repent.

Though the Chinese way of obtaining evidence is not in accordance with ours, it is quite as effective. At no time was the punishment so severe as to force from the man a false confession of guilt. As we saw the case, we felt constrained to say that it was the only way to deal with the case in hand. The magistrate was most obliging, and did his utmost to get at the truth.

The wide distribution of this poison was really wonderful. While four only were supposed to eat from our table, by a strange coincidence the number was swelled to at least twenty-two. After Mr. Hearn reached Soochow, unfortunately, a sudden call to Shanghai caused his cook to repack the lunch he had brought from Changshu. Strangely enough, he did not eat the poisoned biscuits himself, but before leaving the launch he distributed them among the Chinese passengers, entirely unaware of the fact that he was thus distributing deadly poison among innocent men. The result we do not know.

P. S.—We are all entirely recovered, and feel ourselves once more.

Yours truly, J. B. FEARN.

Dec. 22, 1898.

(From the North China Daily News, Shanghai.)

SOUTH CAROLINA LETTER.

I have just received the Minutes of the one hundred and thirteenth session of our Annual Conference. The session was held in Greenwood—a very flourishing town in the upper part of the State. Rev. Marion Dargan was our host, and a right fine one was he, too. He entertained us so well that the Bishop made him a presiding elder. He is one of our progressive young men, and I predict for him a successful administration in the eldership.

Bishop Duncan was the president. This was the second time in succession he has presided over us, and the third time altogether. The Bishop grows upon us every time. He uses the blister sometimes, but you know this is the only remedy sometimes. I have been studying the Bishop for some years, having known him while at college, and have watched his course since he was made Bishop. He has a perfect contempt for all forms of sham and hypocrisy, whether in the church or out of it. He often lets this contempt pour forth in torrents of sarcasm and biting ridicule. In this he is often misunderstood. He preaches a plain, straight, and practical gospel, which always does good. In coming years his faithful work in South Carolina will be appreciated.

The appointments, as a general thing, gave satisfaction. Three new presiding elders were made. Dr. A. J. Stokes, who had been on the Black Horse in previous years, was re mounted, and is my elder. He has paid us his first visit, and made many friends among my people. We found him pleasant in the social circle as well as eloquent in the pulpit. As stated above, Rev. Marion Dargan was elevated to the eldership. He was sent to the Florence district, and has gone to work in such a way as to demonstrate the wisdom of the appointment. Rev. H. B. Browne was the third to experience the stroke. He was a very systematic pastor, and, no doubt, will keep everything in fine shape on a district. Of course, the brethren who were expecting to get in, and did not, were sadly disappointed; but hope, the anchor of the soul, is cast within the desired haven, and they confidently expect to reach the happy place some time.

We had several connectional brethren with us. Dr. Barbee represented the Publishing House, and preached an able sermon before the Conference. Dr. D. Bone paid us his first visit. Some of us, like the brother over in Georgia, expected the Doctor to come to us with the sun in one pocket and the moon in the other, and to play marbles with the stars; but he was arrayed in earthly apparel, and dealt in mundane matters, and captured everybody. Of course, he is a poet, and talks poetry sometimes, as it is so natural, it is not objectionable at all. South Carolina will always be glad to see him and hear him. Dr. Pritchett and Dr. Whitsett ably represented their respective interests. We had the pleasure of a visit from Dr. Coke Smith, of Virginia, and Drs. Kilgo and Cheatham, of North Carolina, all of whom once belonged to us, and belong to us still, for we have only loaned them for awhile.

Our financial reports were not up to the usual standard—a fact which was greatly regretted by all. But the fact that has given us more concern than any other was the small increase in membership. Who can tell us what is wrong? May the good Lord help us to prostrate ourselves in the dust, and strive to find the cause of our failure, and, having found it, may he give us grace to remove it! Let everyone who reads this paragraph pray for South Carolina Methodism, and ask God to give us a greater victory in the year 1899.

WATSON B. DUNCAN.

St. George, S. C.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

To the Methodist People in the North Mississippi Conference—Greeting:

Your Executive Board of Education respectfully submits to you the following conclusions reached at its recent meeting:

1. We urge that, as a matter of duty and as a thank-offering to God, every member of the church make what he shall say is a liberal gift to the Twentieth Century Education Fund. By industry and self-denial this can be done.

2. The essential factor in plans for raising this fund is the earnest co-operation of the itinerant preachers. Each one must awaken, instruct, and lead his own people.

3. The work of enlisting interest in the great cause, explaining methods and objects, and opening the claims of duty, should begin at once. The roll-books and leaflets sent out by the General Secretary will be of prime service. Especially should the leaflet entitled, "Twentieth Century Education Fund," be scattered abroad by the thousands. The wise and active pastor will bring all sources of help into his service. He should engage freely competent laymen to assist in the work. We shall find the New Century Education—a monthly edited by the General Secretary—to be as useful in this field as the Era is to the League.

4. Special education rally days, rightly used, will greatly aid in forwarding our work. The Conference secretary, Bro. J. R. Bingham, will arrange a programme suitable for local meetings of this kind. He will also act in concert with the presiding elders and other brethren in supplying suitable speakers for the meetings. He should be furnished with the names of those who will agree to speak, with postoffice, etc., and let him be head of a Bureau of Supply and Information. We shall multiply effectiveness by system.

5. The presiding elder can lead the work in his own district. Let him plan with pastors for special meetings, and secure good speakers—laymen as far as practicable.

6. The Conference alone can say to what school its part of the fund shall go. But a contributor can give direction to his own money.

7. Our work is to proceed under the law contained in Chapter XII, pages 165-170 of the Discipline; hence in accordance with the acts of the General Board and the conclusions of the commission. Keeping ourselves informed of these, we shall avoid misunderstandings and needless discussions.

Let us now have one thing to do—to raise $1,500,000 as a thank offering to God, to be laid on the altar of our church for the use of the "new century education."

W. T. J. SULLIVAN,
Chair'n for the Exec. Board.

Kosciusko, Miss., Feb. 7, 1899.

WILLING.

It may not be on the mountain's height,
Or over the stormy sea;
It may not be at the battle's front
My Lord will have need of me,
But if by a still, small voice he calls
To paths that I do not know,
I'll answer, dear Lord, with my hand in thine,
I'll go where you want me to go

Perhaps to day there are loving words
Which Jesus will have me speak;
There may be now in the paths of sin
Some wanderer whom I should seek
O Savior, if thou wilt be my guide,
Though dark and rugged the way,
My voice shall echo thy message sweet,
I'll say what you want me to say.

There's surely somewhere a lowly place
In earth's harvest field so wide;
Where I may labor through life's short day
For Jesus, the crucified.
So trusting my all to thy tender care,
And knowing thou lovest me,
I'll do thy will with a heart sincere,
I'll be what you want me to be.

—Exchange.

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AN APPEAL.

BY BISHOP CHARLES B GALLOWAY,
President of the Board of Education

As president of the Board of Education of the M. E. Church, South, I make special and earnest appeal in behalf of the Twentieth Century Education Fund, for which the General Conference gave authority and made provision. The close of an eventful century and the hopeful morning of a new furnish a happy opportunity for our great Methodism to make a monumental thank-offering to God. Mighty things have been wrought during the past one hundred years under a favoring and guiding Providence that call for public and grateful recognition. The wilderness and the solitary place have been glad, while the desert has been made to rejoice and blossom as the rose. The little company has become a great army. The cloud, no larger than a man's hand, has overcast the heavens, and rained its life-giving blessings upon the whole land. We have seen "the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God." Surely we have occasion for profound and unceasing gratitude.

And then we are facing a mighty future. A new century of marvelous opportunity is ready to dawn. Its imperative demands call for deeper consecration and better equipment for service. To secure such preparation is the divine significance of this timely movement. As to its broad scope and the high purpose which inspired it, the reader is referred to the admirable report adopted by the General Conference and published in all our connectional journals That report wisely suggests that "preparation for our work in the twentieth century should begin with a great reenforcement of our educational strongholds, literary and theological." Too much emphasis can not be placed upon this statesmanlike and apostolic suggestion. We can not do the work of the twentieth century with the crude implements and inadequate equipment of the nineteenth. These were sufficient for the exigencies of the past, but can not cope with the emergencies and tremendous responsibilities of the future.

During the session of the first Ecumenical Methodist Conference, which met in City Road Chapel in 1881, the London Times paid generous tribute to the rapid and splendid progress of Methodism, but raised a question as to its "staying power." In my judgment, the only successful answer to that solemn question of a friendly critic is to be found in Methodism's well-organized and thoroughly-equipped institutions of Christian learning. If it is to live and grow as a distinct and mighty ecclesiastical and spiritual organization in the world; if it is not to pass on as a simple, revival influence affecting the life of other great churches, the conserving and reproducing forces of education must receive intelligent and increased attention. The aggressive power of Methodism is in a divinely called and Spirit-baptized itinerant ministry. Its "staying power" is in the Christian schools, where youth is carefully and religiously fitted both for life and eternal life.

The material strengthening of our educational institutions is an immediate and imperative need. I do not believe the General Conference overstated the serious fact in saying that "in all cases it is important that we advance; in some we have only the alternative to advance or abandon the field altogether."

It is proposed, therefore, to raise $1,500,000 for the educational work of the church Of this amount seventy-five per cent. will be retained in the several Annual Conferences for such application as they may order; and the balance, after deducting expenses of the canvass, shall be devoted to the endowment of the theological department of Vanderbilt University.

Plans for a thorough canvass of the entire church will be perfected as soon as possible by the General Board of Education; but if the movement in its successful issue is to be any approximate expression of the church's gratitude to God and any adequate preparation for the exacting duties and awful responsibilities of the portentous future, the whole connection must rally to its support. For such sympathy and help I make earnest entreaty.

The co-operation of all Conference Boards of Education is invited. The Annual Conferences, with remarkable unanimity, and not a few with marked cordiality, have indorsed this "forward movement" in Christian education. They expect their pastors and local Boards to carry out this heartily expressed approval of the Twentieth Century Fund. Early and thorough organization is advised. Sow down the Conferences with literature, and see to it that sermons and addresses on Christian education are delivered in every church.

Some, notably the Louisville Conference Board, have already taken action, voluntarily assuming even more than their proportion of the proposed $1,500,000 This evidences intelligent and conscientious interest that must command the largest success. We only need concerted and well-directed effort to make this movement the grandest epoch in Southern Methodism.

Much depends upon the Conference Secretary of Education. He should magnify his office by an active, aggressive leadership and a comprehensive grasp of the mighty work to be accomplished.

Able men, thoroughly furnished for such high service, will be secured to aid in the canvass as the needs of different sections seem to require. To some honored brethren who have already agreed to engage in this work of love I am most grateful.

But upon the pastors rest most heavily the success of this movement. What they ordain will surely come to pass. If active and urgent, their people will freely give; if unappreciative and inattentive, their pastoral charges will make meager or no reports. The preacher in our Methodism is the key to every situation, the determining factor in every equation, the condition of every success or failure. My earnest appeal, therefore, is to the noble men who stand next the people, and to whom they look for instruction and leadership. If their hearts are thoroughly enlisted in this magnificent movement, we may at once rejoice in a victory already assured. I would solicit every pastor to at once begin to lay plans for a systematic canvass of his charge, with the purpose of securing at least an average of one dollar per member as a special thank-offering for Christian education. Of course, some wealthy churches will increase this amount a hundredfold and more.

To pastors, presiding elders, teachers, editors, connectional officers and lay members I appeal for hearty and continued co-operation. And out of this widespread educational quickening I pray there may come through out the connection a great spiritual awakening, that will demonstrate, as in the early days, the converting and sanctifying power of a God "mighty to save." Thus will the movement in behalf of the Twentieth Century Fund result in a better and larger spiritual equipment with which to meet twentieth century opportunities and responsibilities.

FROM OUR BISHOPS.

To the Ministers and Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South—

DEAR BRETHREN: The General Conference, at its late session in Baltimore, Md., by a unanimous vote passed resolutions in favor of raising a Twentieth Century Educational Fund to commemorate the signal blessings of God upon our church during the past one hundred years. The minimum amount suggested as an appropriate thank-offering on the morning of the new century is $1,500,000. This surely is a modest sum to be given by a million and a half Southern Methodists. We desire, as your chief pastors, to earnestly commend this most important and timely movement. It is eminently fitting that we should celebrate the birth of a new century of opportunity by generous offerings to the great educational work of our church. The General Board of Education is perfecting plans for a thorough canvass of the connection in this interest. We would affectionately urge you to cordially co-operate with these efforts, and thereby make sure the largest success of this noble enterprise. The General Conference has placed this matter before the church as of chief est concern. It is suggested, therefore, that local or other connectional enterprises should not be allowed to give this Twentieth Century Fund a secondary or unimportant place. In addition to the regular tithes we bring to the church, let this be a special and liberal thank-offering. By a reconsecration of ourselves, soul, body, and substance, to the Lord, we may make this connectional movement monumental, and provide ampler equipment for nobler work during the next century of wider opportunity and greater responsibility.

(Signed) John C. Keener, John C. Granbery, Robert K. Hargrove, William W. Duncan, Charles B. Galloway, Eugene R Hendrix, Joseph S Key, Oscar P. Fitzgerald, Warren A. Candler, Henry C. Morrison.

(Owing to the absence of Bishop Wilson from the country, his signature could not be procured.)

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM MONTANA.

Our pastor, Rev. R. B. Swift, has just closed a meeting which began on the first day of the new year. He was ably assisted by our presiding elder, Rev. S B. Tabor, and by an ex-pastor, Rev. I. R. Hubbs. Bro. Tabor did most of the preaching, and God honored the faithful earnestness with which he delivered the message of love. He was with us during the entire meeting with the exception of three days, during which he held a quarterly meeting on an adjoining circuit. That seems a new departure (does it not?) for a busy presiding elder to stop long enough to hold revival services for almost three weeks. About thirty accessions to our own and to the other churches, several conversions, the church members quickened to aroused energy, a Junior Epworth League organized, and a prayer meeting started, are among the visible results of the work. But the deep hold that Bro. Tabor and his excellent wife have taken upon the hearts of the people by exemplifying the gospel of love has stirred the souls to deeper depths than ever before. God send us more such men!

The work here is materially hindered by the cosmopolitan element of the citizens. Coming from almost all parts of the known world, and having no community of interest, they are indifferent to anything which can not be made subservient to their own ends and aims. And the chief desideratum seems to be wealth in some form. And then the natural advantages here are so great, notwithstanding an occasional blizzard, that it is difficult to realize from a human point of view that there is anything beyond.

We have representatives from almost every denomination, and while the spirit of their faith is in many cases lost sight of, they hold to the letter of their law as a safeguard against all innovations. One of our Bishops is credited with saying that persons coming to this valley were apt to leave their religion on the eastern side of the Rocky Mountains, and whether it was a prophecy or an already noted fact, circumstances certainly bear evidence to its veracity.

So, Mr. Editor, if you know of any whole-souled preacher whose religion can bear transplanting, and who wants to prove the depth of his devotion to our Divine Master by forsaking all to follow him into the "regions beyond," our presiding elder will give him welcome and work in some of the "waste places." The need here is great. Our few preachers are nobly trying to hold our own in spite of all discouragements, and God is blessing their labors.

Bro. Tabor is this year breaking fallow ground, and has a preacher ready to take charge. A junior preacher is badly needed on this circuit.

"All for Christ."

LUCY A. FLOWERS.

Victor, Mon., Jan. 31, 1899.

CARROLLTON—FIRST.

To-day Carrollton station, with 152 members, sends on the 'New Century Education" claim, $161.70. This places Carrollton at the front page and top line on the ledger, with a surplus to her credit, and yet she isn't done. A note accompanying draft says, "This amount was paid by 72 members, and we are after the other 80."

The opportunity for good and great advances in Christian education in North Mississippi has come. Millsaps and Grenada Colleges—now strong, thriving, and aggressive—were never in so good condition to harvest the product of a great educational campaign as now. The advertisement of these institutions, the creation of a Christian-education conviction, the means that this fund will bring to these institutions, will make the day-break of the new century a dawn of cloudless glory.

In this great enterprise the Lord is leading. Everything is conspiring to give success. The tide of interest is rising. Let us swell the tide with the strong wind of agitation.

Surely every preacher in the Conference (the ministry is the conserving force in Christian education) will follow earnestly and persistently the plans inaugurated by the General and Conference Boards. Select the best time, make the best arrangement, present the best appeal. This is educational year. "Lay yourself out" for Christian education.

J. C. PARK,
Treasurer Conference Board of Education, North Mississippi Conference.

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Dear Sisters of the North Mississippi Conference:

After the perusal of one of Sister Trueheart's interesting letters to a member of our Board, in reference to the recent and very profitable meeting of "Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of Canada and the United States" (which has already been published in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE), I notice from it: 'The Board assembled to consider the needs of Cuba. A well-qualified missionary was wanted to take charge. The Board recommended Miss Carson, who had served acceptably for some years in Durango, to be transferred. As soon as the change can be made, she will proceed to Cuba. A most lamentable fact she calls our attention to is: "The treasurer's report shows the December quarter $4,000 less than the third quarter last year. What of the last quarter? The work will suffer if it does not come up better than last year's, because of this lack in December." Next letter comes to me is a request from a member of the Woman's Board to make an appeal to you in behalf of our beloved work.

We are aware our Board felt the need of going to Cuba with the gospel at once. Does this not mean more money needed and more workers? Could we afford to neglect this urgent call? Could we lose this opportunity for serving God's most needy children? While the Home Mission Society goes to Havana and we to Santiago, both are limited in means; yet there is still "room for many more." We begin work with a better class of Cubans who are anxious to learn English.

Sisters, our serious attention is called to another startling fact. We of the North Mississippi Conference (I am told) will have to raise $2,552.90 by the first of March to equal the amount sent Mrs. McTyeire last year. Only think of our Contingent Fund not having met the demands for two quarters past, and "only two more meetings," says one of the Board, and also suggests "it would be wise to urge the societies (if agreeable to those in authority) to hold the March meeting before making reports; then, if all reports could be sent off by the eleventh of March, we could, by hard work, get them in on time." Admitting there has been many hindrances, they should but spur us to greater energy, but not to be discouraged. We can not afford to fail, for our failure may mean the closing of some school, the retarding of some work planned, the loss of immortal souls that might have been reached. God forbid! And may the Holy Spirit quicken hearts (and open purses), that we may not sleep over these golden opportunities, but sound the tocsin loud, long, and clear, and all work hard, especially each district secretary try to obtain a general response before the close of our fiscal year 1898.

Should we not feel greatly encouraged when we read of "Mexico stretching her hand to Cuba," which is a sure indication of real fruitage from woman's seed sowing, and is the manifestation of a desire to share the gospel with those who have it not; hence it is cause for rejoicing when we see this desire on the part of our Mexican converts. See what examples we have from Mexico: Ignacio Escalante, P. C., writes from Allende his church members had decided to give their Christmas collections ($36, Mexican) to help send the gospel to Cuba, which exhibits a Christian desire to help their fellow-man. Another instance among many, many others for gratitude and encouragement is recent news from our faithful "M. L. Paine Bible woman's" seed sowing (when duty to her afflicted husband called her away from her appointed work in Saltillo, Mexico). She was by no means idle, but often, although far away, about her "Master's work," whose untiring efforts were rewarded by many conversions, the organization of two Sunday-schools, and a hundred, or more, tracts given away. She has returned, and ere this is again at her beloved employment. May she win many precious souls for her hire, and long live a bright and shining monument erected to the sacred memory of our departed M. L. Paine!

MRS. J. L. L.

Muldon, Miss., Feb. 2, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

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NOTICE.

The seventh Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society, Louisiana Conference, will be held in Alexandria, March 2-5, inclusive, 1899. Auxiliaries are urged to elect their delegates at once, and notify Mrs. L B Baynard, Alexandria. Rev. J. L. Pierce, D. D., of Monroe, will preach the convention sermon. We hope to secure special railroad rates. MRS. F. A. LYONS, Pres.
MRS. F. E. RUSS, Conf. Sec.

WOMAN'S WORK IN HOME MISSIONS.

A STONG POINT.

A strong point in the economy of the Woman's Home Mission Societies is the fact that much of its work is done by direct personal effort. It is not merely the giving of money to carry forward a good work, the actual doing of which is committed to other hands, but it is going about with our eyes open to the needs of those about us, and each individual finding her own peculiar work which it seems the Lord laid out for her doing. The field is all about us. With our own hands we may till it; in our own persons realize the results. The difficulties in the way of other departments of church work do not apply to that of home missions, and if everyone consistently supported their theories by their practice, there would be a large increase in the working force of these Societies, and a wonderful impetus given to their labors.

The Christian Life.

WORK AND WORRY.

Where work wears out one, worry wears out thousands. There is less happiness among the great than among the humble, among the rich than among the poor. "But if these limitations could only be removed!" "If I did not have to work so hard!" "If I could be my best self!" "If I could have that for which I know I am fitted!" Ah! greatness of gift always implies greatness of responsibility. If one limitation goes, another comes; that which seems to give freedom only increases slavery. Almost all men, like birds, beat themselves against their cages, longing to get into some different world, to soar beneath some more splendid skies, ignorant of the abysses in that larger world and of the storms which sweep those skies. Of the Master it was said, "Who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross." The cross preceded the joy, as the mountain climb is before the vision of the earth and sky. The Stoic said, "The way to be happy is to cease to desire or aspire;" in other words, deny yourself. Christ's message is: "The way to be happy is the way of the cross. Sacrifice yourself. Make all you possibly can; give every faculty its fullest development; be as beautiful, as cultured, as wise as circumstances will permit, not that you may be happy, but that you may use powers, faculties, gifts, as I have used mine—for humanity. In that way, and that alone, lies happiness."
—Amory H. Bradford, D. D.

THE OPEN BIBLE.

So far as, and so long as, England remains true to that simple, unadulterated Word of God which has been purchased for us by the misery of exiles and the blood of martyrs; so far and so long as she stands fast in the freedom wherewith God has made her free, and is not again entangled with the yoke of bondage; so far and so long as she refuses to be either driven into indifference by disgust or seduced into delusion by false religion, so far and so long will she maintain the honor of this great people. All else—call itself by what sounding name it will—will prove to be but booming brass and tinkling cymbal. Let England cling to her open Bible; let her learn from it the broad truths of primitive Christianity, and be faithful to them; let her teach it to her children, and her children to their children, and their children to generations yet unborn, and then no wind that blows, no storm that beats, will shake her invincible foundations, for she will be founded upon a rock! But let her apostatize from its pure lessons into humanity invented falsities, and I would not give fifty years' purchase either for her greatness or for the stability of her church.—Dean Farrar.

SHADOWS OF LIFE.

What He does we know not now, but we shall know hereafter. I remember on a glorious day of all but cloudless sunshine, passing in view of a well-known line of bare and majestic downs, then basking in the full beams of noon. But on one face of the hill rested a mass of deep and gloomy shadow. On searching for its cause, I at length discovered one little speck of cloud, bright as light, floating in the clear blue above. This it was which cast on the hill-side that ample track of gloom. And what I saw was an image of Christian sorrow. Dark and obscenes often as it is, and unaccountably as it passes over our earthly path, in heaven its tokens shall be found, and it shall be known to have been but a shadow of this brightness whose name is Love.—Alford.

In the dim hours of sorrow and bereavement, when we hear "Time flowing through the middle of the night;" in the hour when we hear far off the monotonous footfall of approaching death; what is it that calms and comforts and soothes us then? Is it any discovery of science? Is it any scheme of philosophy? Is it anything that orator has uttered or poet sung? Nay; when the melody of lyric songs has lost its charms, and the music of memory and her siren daughters has been brought low, we still listen—when we can listen to nothing else—to the beatitudes which Christ spoke to the multitudes as they sat listening among the mountain lilies, or to those last words, more precious than archangels' utterances, which on the same night that he was betrayed he spake to his beloved ones, when the traitor had gone, and it was night.—Canon Farrar.

What should be the nature, character and extent of our Sabbath reading, is a question often asked and differently answered. As put to us, our general reply is, read only that which honors God, improves the mind, stirs pious emotion, advances Christian work, and promotes the soul's well-being. This rule, rightly interpreted and applied, will give due variety, while proving sufficiently exclusive and inclusive. This remands purely secular reading to the week day. The dailies, weeklies, monthlies, and other publications that deal with State, social and business interests, can await Monday's consideration.—Presbyterian.

Christians should live in the world, but not be filled with it. A ship lives in water; but if the water gets into the ship, she goes to the bottom. So Christians may live in the world; but if the world gets into them, they sink.—D. L. Moody.

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STEERING OR DRIFTING?

BY DELLA P.

Tossing on life's turbid river,
O'er foaming torrents deep and wide,
Are you steering bravely onward,
Or drifting idly with the tide?

When by fierce winds you are driven,
When stormy waves in anger rise,
And Hope's star is dim and distant
In the dark and frowning skies;

When "tempest-tossed and afflicted,"
And the way proves rough and dark;
When your path is paved with perils,
And chilling mists enshroud your bark;

Have you Jesus as your pilot,
Your frail and wavering craft to guide,
Steering clear of rocks and whirlpools,
Or drift you hopeless with the tide?

With Jesus for your trusted pilot,
You may brave the tempest's shock;
You will safely pass the maelstrom,
Never drift upon the rock.

When friends forsake, reproach, or leave you
And their loving counsel is denied;
When you miss the loving handclasp
As the olden paths divide;

The earthly friendships fade and fail.
And in sorrow oft your spirit grieves,
There is no other friend like Jesus;
He never fails, forsakes, deceives.

The love of Jesus gilds life's pathway.
Beaming brightly o'er the main;
He stills the waves that bear you shoreward,
Where you'll never drift again.

Resting now within the harbor,
O'er the calm, bright waters glide;
Drop the anchor, home at last;
No more drifting with the tide!

Feb. 3, 1899.

MEMOIR OF MRS. M. L. PEARCE.

Mrs. Maria L. Pearce, widow of Rev. Levi Pearce, died at the home of her daughter, Miss A. M. C. Pearce, at Millwood, Jackson, La., Jan. 2, 1899, in the eighty-third year of her age. She was born in Kentucky in 1816, and was married in 1836 to Rev. Levi Pearce, who was for many years a leading member of the Mississippi Conference. She became the mother of six children, four of whom survive her.

After a laborious and useful itinerant life in Mississippi, Bro. Pearce and his family removed to British Honduras, at the close of the Civil War, founding there a new home and enduring the hardships and privations of a frontier life, under which her courage and fortitude were a perpetual stimulus to the family. Gentle and attractive in manner, modest and diffident in spirit, she was a model of devotion to her duties as a home-maker. Industrious, almost to a fault, she never tired in providing for the welfare of her family and friends. She was ever characterized by a martyr-like devotion to duty, and was ready to do, to suffer or to die, if need be, in the cause of right. For twenty years she was an invalid, suffering with unmurmuring patience and resignation the will of her heavenly Father. Her faith in God was firm and comforting. When the end came she was ready to depart and be with Christ.

Such a mother was a blessing and an honor to her children and grandchildren, and they should treasure her name and her memory as an invaluable inheritance. She died in the full assurance of faith, and her end was peace.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

THE DRUM BEAT

of consumption is a hacking cough. It sounds a melancholy dirge in the march to the coffin. How many swell the ranks of this gloomy procession who could have been saved by a timely resort to the King of cures, Marsden's Balm.

REV. MARTIN GROSS.

Rev. Martin Gross was born near Norfork, Va., April 27, 1811. He was the youngest of ten children, and survived them all. When about two years old he came with his parents to the State of Tennessee, where he grew to manhood. In the year 1836 he was married to Miss Jane A. Emmerson, with whom he lived happily until death separated them. He embraced religion in early childhood, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1841 he moved to North Mississippi, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was licensed to preach in 1842 at Carolina Church (now in the bounds of the Nettleton circuit), and from that time until his earthly pilgrimage closed he went in and out before the people in the capacity of an humble, useful local preacher. For more than half a century his usefulness was felt for good to the church and community. While he was not a great preacher, yet he was a good man, a practical observer of the needs of the church, and those who were in a lost state he longed to bring to Christ. This was more fully realized just after the war between the States, when the people, being much confused and demoralized, he came to them as a messenger of peace, and preached to them Jesus, and prayed with and for them, and they found solace in God. In his humble sphere he did a good work, and now rests from his labors.

Bro. and Sister Gross never had any children, and he leaves behind him only his aged wife for awhile; they will soon meet again where parting is not known. He died at his adopted daughter's, Mrs. Catheart, Oct. 18, 1898, in the eighty-seventh year of his age.

H. M. YOUNG.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. J. H. Foreman, Rose Hill, Miss., Feb. 4, 1899: "At the last Annual Conference we were assigned to Rose Hill charge, Forest district. We left our old home, Raleigh, Smith county, on the fourteenth of January. The people at Rose Hill expected us Wednesday evening, but, on account of high water, we were delayed. We arrived here by 1 P. M. on Thursday, the sixteenth. We had a most royal reception. Quite a number of men and women had preceded us, and prepared a real nice dinner and good warm fires. After dinner was served we were seated by a good warm fire, and after a social chat we all bowed together in prayer. The Lord was pleased to meet with us, and we were made to rejoice. Such a cordial Christian reception makes us feel that we are in the midst of an appreciative people, and that the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. Never before have we been more kindly welcomed to our work. We began this year's work under favorable circumstances. We anticipate a good year in many respects. The people seem to be willing to do something. This is only as it should be. We must all do something this year. Almost every day since we arrived here has brought tokens of kindness and appreciation from our neighbors, not only by members of our church, but from all. May the Lord abundantly bless everyone who participated in these acts of kindness, and may God give us grace and strength to minister to them in spiritual things as they have to us in temporal things!"

Rev. Martin Hebert, P. C., North Bossier circuit, Jan. 31, 1899: "Our first Quarterly Conference for this coming year was held at Collinsburg Church on the twenty-eighth instant. Our presiding elder, Bro. J. T. Sawyer, was with us, and preached to the delight and edification of all who heard him, except, perhaps, a few hardened sinners and backslidden, sin-loving church members. Bro. Sawyer preaches a searching gospel, and makes no compromise with sin and worldliness. We believe the district will prosper under his presidency. My move to North Bossier was a surprise to both me and my people, but, remembering that God often moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform, I said, Amen! and began to get ready for traveling. The distance was long, and the way to me unknown, but for several reasons I decided to come through on horse-back. I had a very pleasant and unpleasant trip; was very nearly two weeks on the road. I have many reasons to be grateful for kindnesses shown me by good people all along the way. I found a great many 'Shunamitish' women on my journey. Had a great many interesting experiences, which I shall not undertake to tell, for it would take up too much space. On our arrival here we found some very good, kind-hearted people anxiously awaiting us, and we have had a very good beginning. We have some good religious people here, but as at many other places, the nominal church member is in the majority. We make our home at Plain Dealing, where we have a neat little parsonage. We are praying for and expecting great things from God this year. May God bless the ADVOCATE and its many readers!"

VOSSBURG, MISS.

We left Forest, Jan. 13, at 11 A. M.; reached Vossburg at 3 P. M. We were met at the depot by Bros. M. H. Turner and E. W. Stafford with good buggies, sufficient to take us all to the parsonage. There we found some other brethren, quite a number of the good women of the town, with a nice supper composed of just such things as a wearied family would enjoy; more fried chicken than I have seen at one time for quite a while; a nice lot of provisions in the store-room; some good wood in the yard. It was not charged up as quarterage.

I think the present arrangement of consolidating the two works will work well. The people received us kindly, and have been very mindful of our needs since we came among them. The parsonage is large and comfortable; everything convenient. I have tried to improve every parsonage I have lived in; hardly know how to begin here. I think if some preachers would look at Bro. Downer, and then come here and see what work he did, they would keep the parsonages in better condition. I have secured one subscriber for the ADVOCATE; have the promise of some more. Pray for us, that we may do a good year's work.

Bro. J. M. Carley is here, and taking well with the people. I think he will, under the blessing of God, do a fine work in this charge as assistant pastor.

Our first Quarterly Conference is a thing of the past. Our new presiding elder was with us. He is a model presiding officer. He preached two strong sermons. My people were delighted. "It was good to be there." His whole being is in the work. I am sure, with the co-operation of his preachers, he will be a blessing to the district. God bless the ADVOCATE and its editor.

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NOBLY DONE.

Genuine self-forgetfulness in a generous action is always admirable. An anecdote of such a deed, unique in its way, has recently been told. A gentleman whose veracity can not be impeached relates the incident. Nearly all Australian snakes are venomous. Some authorities even go so far as to declare there are no non-venomous snakes in the great island.

A young lady of high social position whose home is at Brisbane was walking in the garden one day, when she saw a laborer employed on her father's grounds just ahead of her. When within a few feet of the man she was horrified to see a small, but exceedingly venomous snake dart its ugly length from a bush which the fellow was passing, and fix its fangs in his bare arm.

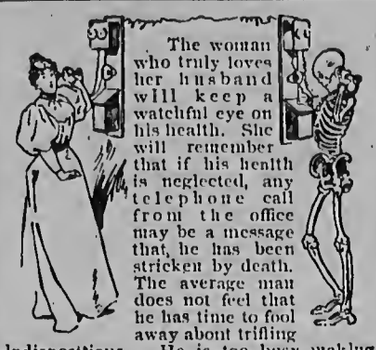
The young lady uttered a cry of alarm, ran forward and hit the reptile a stunning blow with her parasol handle, and then, without a moment's delay, produced her penknife, opened it, and cut a cross on the arm through the wound made by the snake's fangs. She next applied her lips to the wound, and sucked out the poison.

The man was but a laborer, and his arm was not overclean, but the noble young woman did not stop to think of that. She knew what to do, and without squeamishness she did it, and saved the man's life.

"The heroine of this incident is now my wife," concluded the narrator, "and it was the story of her bravery which first attracted my attention to her."

A fair and accurate revelation and gauge of a man's character are sometimes afforded by his demeanor under fire. If, when accused, he flares up violently, calls upon the Almighty to witness that he is innocent, and denounces the accusations as infernal and malicious, he may, nevertheless, still be guiltless of the offense alleged, but he shows a lack of self-control which is at least unfortunate. If, when he is assailed, he replies by abusive epithets, he instantly loses ground, for himself and his cause, with disinterested people who are watching the course of events to discover the truth. One ought to have sense enough to see that abuse is the coarse weapon of folly, which wisdom disdains to touch. A man engaged in a conflict which has to do with his good name, his political fortunes, his property, or other of his interests, gains much if he masters his personal resentment, keeps his temper and his tongue in check, uses no reviling terms or offensive names, no matter how much he may be vilified, appeals to the facts in the case, and lets the truth speak for him. Among the crowning words of praise which glorify the character and conduct of our Lord is this, "When he was reviled, he reviled not again."—Exchange.

Faith is love amid conflict and clouds. It is love when the voice of the commander is lost amid the war of elements and clash of arms, firm at his post. It is love pursuing duty's path amid cloud and tempest, without moon or stars. It is love constant at the helm in darkest night, when no beacon is seen to guide his bark. It is being singular for Christ's sake, when devotion is costly and zeal occasions great reproach.—Rev. C. J. F. Musgrove, D. D.



The woman who truly loves her husband will keep a watchful eye on his health. She will remember that if his health is neglected, any telephone call from the office may be a message that he has been stricken by death. The average man does not feel that he has time to fool away about trifling indispositions. He is too busy making money. He says he leaves sickness to the women folks.

That is the way men commit suicide—tens of thousands of them. A woman can stand between this danger and her husband if she will. A little watchfulness—a suggestion now and then and a little of a good general remedy always at hand may save her husband's life. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a remarkable remedy for hard working men and women. In a certain sense, it is a cure-all, for the reason that it goes down to bed-rock and cures the disorders that are responsible for the majority of serious illnesses. It strengthens the stomach, and makes the appetite keen and hearty. It invigorates the liver. It aids the natural processes of secretion and excretion. It makes the assimilation of the food perfect. It purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements that build new and healthy flesh tissue. It tones the nerves. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It cures 98 per cent. of all cases of laryngial, bronchial, throat and kindred affections, which, if neglected, lead up to consumption. It is also an unfailing remedy for all nervous disorders. An honest dealer will not urge a substitute.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16 1899.

Reader, attend whether thy soul
Soars fancy's flights beyond the pole,
Or darkly grubs this earthly hole,
In low pursuit;
Know prudent cautious self control
Is wisdom's root.
—Burns.

It is no use running; to set out be times is the main point.—L. Foulaice.

Work without love is like a clock without hands. You may put it in a golden case and set it in diamonds; it will not be worth anything.—Exchange.

Thousands of men and women in the front ranks in business and society are content to be in the rear rank in Christian service.—Philadelphia Methodist

All the possible charities of life ought to be cultivated, and when we can neither be brethren nor friends, let us be kind neighbors and pleasant acquaintances.—Burke.

Giving is not the throwing away of that which we never miss, but it is the consecrating to noble uses that which is very dear to us, that which has cost us much.—Rev. Junkin Lloyd Jones.

Who can not but see, oftentimes, how strangely the threads of our destiny run? Out it is only for a moment the favorable instant is presented. We miss it, and months and years are lost.—Exchange.

No one ever increased in happiness, or goodness, or usefulness, because he discarded the Bible; but many have been happier, better and more useful because of the influence of the Bible upon their lives.—Selected.

Man is a perambulating menagerie. Stir up the animals within, and you will find the mule with its stubbornness, the tiger with its ferocity, the peacock with its pride, the pig with its selfishness, and a long line of others, smaller, but just as mean.—Endeavorer.

Our longings are the prophecies of our destinies. Life never fulfils all the expectations of youth. The future never pays all that the present promises. Nature holds back part of our wages, lest we quit work. The prophecy that we shall be immortal is written upon our desires and longings.—Selected.

We drive men from Christ's door many a time by our sorry entertainment. The church is not spiritualized enough to entertain the world. We have no spiritual courtesies. We cultivate our faith and proclaim our hope, but forget that a greater than these is charity.—Professor Drummond, in "The Ideal Life."

Many a man stands high in the church who is despised by his employees; many a man is great in the estimation of those who know him slightly, but exceedingly small in the estimation of those who know him intimately; many a student has stood high in his class in college, but low in the scale of morals; many a man is going up in his business or profession who is going down in his standard of conduct; is going up in his reputation, but down in his real life.—Selected.

PERPETUAL CONSECRATION.

Membership in the kingdom of heaven is possible only to him who dedicates himself without reserve to the service of God, and through faith accepts the offered pardon. God demands a whole-souled devotion, and is satisfied with nothing less than this. "Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he can not be my disciple." "No man can serve two masters." "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth."

To be a Christian, then, means to be Christ-controlled, Christ-lighted, Christ-filled, Christ-thrilled. No man can be truly in Christ who does not make Christ supreme. It is through the gateway of full consecration that any of us can come to know Jesus as a personal Savior.

Both experience and the Word of God justify the conclusion that none are ever born into the kingdom of heaven without forsaking every known sin, and turning to him with full purpose of heart. Just as the human body can not become charged with electricity without being completely insulated from surrounding objects, so the soul can not become charged with divine grace so as to be made new, unless there is complete isolation from sin. Not until we become dead to every sin—so far, at least, as the will is concerned—can we be made alive unto God. As the Rev. F. B Meyer forcefully says: "The act of consecration is cancelled by one reserve. To give ninety-nine parts and withhold the hundredth undoes the whole transaction, because in that one piece of reserve the whole of the self-life intrenches itself, defying Him." The man who clings to one sinful indulgence, being faithful in all else, may be near the kingdom, but is still outside of its protecting walls. He is almost, but not quite, a Christian. As some one has said, 'This is not a kingdom of perfect men, but of men who hate sin and seek to have done with it forever."

It is not enough to know that in the glad hour of conversion our all was dedicated to God. Our consecration must continually be in the present tense, else we shall again come into bondage to the tempter. It is an attitude of soul that ought perpetually to be maintained, and if departed from for a single hour, ought immediately to be resumed with penitence and prayer for forgiveness. No man can long remain in a justified state who indulges in conscious sin, or neglects a plain duty. Constant submission is the price of constant peace with God. 'If ye continue in my words," says the Master, "then ye are my disciples." Bishop Fitzgerald rightly says: "The perfect consecration is a consecration perpetually renewed. The perfect love is a stream fed forever through faith that lives and works."

The Christian soldier is never to put off his armor, never to take a furlough. The moment he does so he takes himself out of the hands of God, and endangers his reward. It is a deplorable fact that most believers are willing enough to be fully consecrated part of the time, or partly consecrated all the time. But how few are willing to be wholly the Lord's all the days of their lives!

Such alone, however, are the true children of the kingdom, for our Lord demands no less of us along the heavenward way than he does in the hour when he graciously pardons us and renews us in the divine image. The conditions of discipleship are as immutable as the divine nature itself. The moment we take back part of the offering, or refuse to admit Christ into every chamber of the heart, that moment we forfeit his favor, and come into condemnation. Such an attitude is the beginning of apostasy, and, if persisted in, leads to spiritual darkness and shipwreck. Unless there is full consecration at every stage of Christian experience, sin lieth at the door, and the witness of the Spirit will, ere long, be lost.

The self-surrender of yesterday, or of last year, is not sufficient for to day, since the flight of time oft brings before us duties, difficulties and allurements not included in and covered by our former act of consecration. Readiness to do God's will yesterday, alas! does not always mean readiness to do so to-day. Enlarged opportunities, enlarged knowledge, enlarged wealth, enlarged temptations, necessitate enlarged consecration. The man whose business has prospered, whose influence has widened, must do more for God than at first, or decrease in spirituality. Says Meyer: "As the light grows, we shall become increasingly aware of new departments of our heart and life that were not consciously included in our first act of surrender. But as they come into view, we must hand them also into the governorship of our King."

A RECORD-BREAKER.

The cold spell of the last few days has broken all previous records in this city. On Sunday morning the thermometer stood at fourteen degrees above zero. On Monday morning it was at 5 above zero. We are not reporting for the Weather Bureau, but simply stating what we saw with our own eyes. According to published statements, the lowest previous record was 15 degrees, and that was many years ago. Our city, however, is not singular in this respect. Throughout the entire country the Winter has been one of unprecedented severity. Travel and commerce have been obstructed, and there has been great suffering among the poor. We firmly believe every yellow fever germ in the United States has been exterminated. If Uncle Sam will keep out Cuban germs, there will be no fever in this country in '99

NEW BOOKS.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STUDIES; OR, EXPOSITORY AND HOMILETICAL NOTES ON THE INTERNATIONAL LESSONS FOR 1899. By E. E. Hoss, D. D., LL. D., editor Christian Advocate, Nashville, Tenn. With maps and numerous illustrations. 432 pages. Cloth. Price, 50 cents. Southern Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.

After a somewhat careful examination of this volume, we unhesitatingly pronounce it one of the best Sunday-school "lesson helps" we have seen. While not so complete in some particulars as some other volumes of this kind, incidents and literary illustrations being rather a few in number, it is a scholarly, suggestive, and highly instructive commentary, and ought to be in the hands of every Southern Methodist pastor and Sunday-school teacher. It bears the marks of careful preparation and wide research, and we feel sure that all who are fortunate enough to secure a copy will find it both interesting and helpful. For giving a connected view of the truths and points of each lesson, and as a running commentary thereon, this volume is unexcelled. We are glad to note that each succeeding year Dr. Hoss's 'Lesson Notes" are coming more and more into favor, as they well deserve. In view of the low price of this volume—only fifty cents—in connection with its unquestionable excellence, it ought to have a large and ready sale. The price is certainly within the reach of all who need such a book. It is by no means too late in the year to send for a copy.

MODERN REVIVALISM. By Rev Henry Trawick. 16 mo. 125 pages. Cloth. Price, 75 cents. Southern Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.

The above is the title of a very entertaining, thoughtful, and thought-provoking treatise on a subject of vital importance to the church, and of deep and eager interest to every true minister of the gospel. Methodism was born in a revival; she has set the religious world on fire with revival power, and has ever been a promoter of Holy-Ghost revivals. Hence any book that helps to make her sons and daughters more wise and efficient in the God-given work of winning souls to Christ is to be gladly welcomed. Of late there has been much talk of a decline in revival power among Methodist itinerants, and various reasons are being assigned therefor.

The author is not a novice or a mere theorist in the matter discussed, but is himself a highly successful pastor, who has had considerable experience in holding revival meetings, the volume at hand being the outcome of his investigations and efforts in this direction. He has strong and clear-cut convictions as to the best methods to be used in revival work, and expresses them in forceful and elegant English. He makes it clear that if pastors wish to succeed as they ought, they must depend less upon outside help in their meetings, and rely more upon themselves and the help of the Holy Spirit. The chapter on 'Going Down to Egypt for Help" is especially striking, and lays bare one of the secrets of the spiritual weakness of many churches and pastors, as far as revivals are concerned. While the truths of the gospel ever remain the same, the methods of presenting them and of reaching men should change with the times. Hence the need, as the author shows, of a wise adaptability in revival work, as well as in other directions. While some may not agree with the author in all he says, they can but admire his candor, earnestness, and evident gentleness of spirit.

The book contains much that is instructive as well as stimulating, and is written in a very attractive style. Every preacher would do well to get a copy, and many laymen would greatly enjoy reading it.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

The Executive Committees of the Mississippi and North Mississippi Conference Boards of Education met in joint session in Jackson, Miss., Feb. 9, 1899. Rev. A. F. Watkins was elected chairman, and T. Y. Ramsey secretary; A. F. Watkins, H. M. Ellis, R. W. Millsaps representing Mississippi Conference; J. H. Mitchell, T. Y. Ramsey, North Mississippi Conference.

Bishop Chas. B. Galloway, Revs. B. F. Lewis, J. W. Chambers, president of Whitworth Female College, Brookhaven, Miss.; W. B Murrah, D. D., president of Millsaps College; T. B Holloman, presiding elder of Jackson district; H. G. Hawkins, Mississippi Conference Secretary of Education; J. R. Bingham, Secretary of Education of North Mississippi Conference, were present and participated in the discussions of the meeting.

On motion, it was resolved that one man be selected as manager of the canvass for the "Twentieth Century Fund" for both Conferences. J. R. Bingham, of Carrollton, Miss., was unanimously chosen. On motion, it was resolved that the apportionment made by the General Board of Education be accepted as the minimum amount to be raised by the two Conferences in Mississippi.

The following "plan of campaign" was adopted:

1st. Each pastor is requested to take the roll-book and make a complete roll of the membership of each church in his charge with a view to securing a contribution from each member.

2nd. The roll-books are to be returned to J. R Bingham and H. G. Hawkins at the next session of their respective Conferences.

3 d. All funds collected are to be forwarded to Rev. J. C. Park, of Rosedale, Miss., and R. W. Millsaps, of Jackson, Miss., treasurers of the Boards of Education of the Conferences to which they belong.

4 h. Each presiding elder is requested to arrange for a special educational meeting at their District Conferences. Speakers may be secured by correspondence with J. R. Bingham.

5th. Each pastor is requested to preach a sermon on Christian education at every preaching-place in the bounds of his charge, beginning with the first Sunday in March, at which time he shall lay before his congregation the entire plan and object of this great movement.

6 h. The first Sunday in May shall be set apart as the Twentieth Century Fund Educational Day, and at that time, or such other time as may be selected, shall hold educational mass meeting at each church in his charge, when contributions and subscriptions shall be taken.

7th. J. R Bingham, general manager of the canvass, is authorized to provide for special educational mass meetings at such central places as he may deem best. After an enthusiastic and harmonious meeting the committee adjourned.

T. Y. RAMSEY, Secretary.

Men sometimes protest against paying large sums for a few hours service from physicians or lawyers or trained mechanics, losing sight of the fact that the charge is not for the actual work done, but for the years of study and labor which made it possible to accomplish in a short time such results. The day is not for the brief, the prescription or the hour's work, but for the knowledge that lies behind these, knowledge which has been acquired by toil and self-sacrifice. It is well to remember that it is not the actual time spent in working, but the "knowing how" for which the public willingly pays, and young men can afford to spend time and money in obtaining a good business, mechanical or professional education. —Central Methodist.

A WONDER AT HARVARD.

The next catalogue of Harvard University will contain something quite new. For the first time in the history of that ancient institution of learning a woman's name will be found in the list of the officers of the University. Mrs. M. Fleming has been appointed curator of astronomical photographs, and this makes her an officer. She has earned distinction as one of the ablest and most successful observers of the new astronomy. In the detection of new stars, in the discovery of a law concerning variable stars, and in the carefulness with which she has preserved the fragile and delicate manuscripts of glass, written by the pale light of the stars, she is fairly entitled to the office conferred upon her.—Zion's Herald.

One hundred and fifty churches in Pittsburg, representing twelve denominations, have associated themselves in a federation for united aggressive work among the foreign population and non-church-goers. Two hundred clergymen took part in a "quiet day," held November 15, 1898, preparatory to beginning the Winter's work.—Central Methodist.

Prof. Upham, in his "Mental Philosophy," lays it down as a well proven theory that no mental principle in the Bible will, on a fair interpretation, be found to be at variance with the common experience of mankind. More and more this truth is established.—Epworth Era.

The name of Rev. Jno. D. Hammond, D. D., at present Secretary of Education of the M. E Church, South, has been mentioned in connection with the presidency of the University of Georgia. He is a graduate of that institution.—Wesleyan Advocate.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

The second term of the session, 1898-'99, will begin Monday, Feb. 27. For detailed information address

W. B. MURRAH, Pres.
Jackson, Miss.

QUERY.

Is it legal for a Board of circuit or station stewards to assess for their pastor's salary a certain per cent. of all moneys collected for ministerial support instead of determining the amount necessary in dollars and cents?

INQUIRER.

A Christian young man in the United States Army at Manila writes to Dr. Hykes that the people are anxious to receive the Bible. Some Bible distributors went up to the terminus of the railroad with about one thousand Gospels, and after distributing about half of them from the car window on the way up, they attempted to pass the remainder out to people on the streets; but a crowd collected, and they were forced to go into a Chinese shop and bar the door and pass the books out through an iron-barred window. Books are not plentiful in the provincial dialects, and such as are obtainable are quite expensive; so the people were quite anxious to get books at reasonable price. The Gospels referred to were in the Pangasinan dialect, and some 2 000 copies were disposed of in a few days.

NOTES.

Dr. Hoss, of the Nashville Advocate, is regaling his readers with some delightful letters anent his recent trip to Cuba.

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Dr. J. T. Sawyer is in the city, supervising the publication of the Conference Minutes. He is in good health and spirits, and anticipates a prosperous year in his district.

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Rev. I. T. Reames begins the new year at Lafayette, La., with encouraging prospects. Despite bad weather, congregations are good, and the people interested in the church.

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Rev. S. H. Werlein is spending a few days in the city visiting relatives. He preached at Rayne Memorial Church last Sabbath to the delight and edification of his numerous friends.

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Rev. J. W. Chambers and his wife have been in the city a few days, the guests of Hon. F. A. Daniels. Bro Chambers preached an edifying sermon on Sunday night to Bro. Wynn's congregation at Algiers.

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From a correspondent in New York City we learn that Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, the world famous Salvation Army orator and worker, will deliver several addresses in New Orleans in March or April. She will go from here to California.

We hope none of our subscribers will fail to read the appeal of Bishop Galloway, and also that of the college of Bishops, anent the Twentieth Century Educational Fund. We shall have something to say on this subject in the near future.

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Sunday night, the twelfth, in one of the apartments of the editor's residence in the Crescent City, water in a pitcher froze to a thickness of six inches. We would be almost afraid to publish this statement but for the fact that it can be verified by unimpeachable testimony.

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The New York Advocate reports that the Hanson Place Methodist Church in Greater New York "received on Sunday, Feb. 5, 120 candidates for church membership." It also reports a revival at Nostrand Avenue, in the same city, which resulted in about 200 professions of conversion.

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From a private letter from Rev. J. A. Bowen, sending new subscriptions to the ADVOCATE, we quote as follows: "The Lord is blessing us here in all departments of church work. We have had fifty-three accessions to the church since Conference, and more to follow." This is certainly a most gratifying showing.

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From a private letter from Rev. P. D Hardin, of the Mississippi Conference, we quote as follows: "We have begun our second year on Shiloh circuit with every prospect of a successful year. The people are very mindful of our welfare. They have endeared themselves to us by many tokens of their appreciation."

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We are indebted to our friend, Dr. J. B Fearn, for a copy of the Minutes of the Thirteenth Annual Session of the China Mission Conference, held at Shanghai, Oct. 20-25; Bishop A. W. Wilson presiding. It is a neatly-gotten-up octavo pamphlet of eighty-six pages, containing apparently a complete history of the proceedings.

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We are indebted to some unknown friend for a copy of the Minutes of the Fifth Annual Session of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Mississippi Conference, held at Meridian, Nov. 26 29, '98—a neat pamphlet of twenty pages from the press of the Commercial Printing Co., Meridian. It contains the official reports and other matter properly belonging to such a publication.

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The severe weather has hindered the canvass for the ADVOCATE as well as all other church operations. Nevertheless, a number of brethren have managed to see their people and procure subscriptions. With the return of good weather the canvass will be pushed with vigor. So the brethren say. Many, many thanks to these brethren for their interest in the ADVOCATE.

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By courtesy of some unknown friend, we are in receipt of a copy of the Minutes of the Seventh Annual Session of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the North Mississippi Conference, held at Cleveland, Miss., Nov. 19-22, '98, a sixteen-page pamphlet bearing the imprint, "D. C. Ferris, Printer, Macon, Miss." Those desiring information concerning the operations of the society will find it here in compact form.

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Rayne Memorial Church, in this city, has taken steps to buy or build a parsonage. All the necessary committees have been appointed, and have gone to work. Considerable interest in the movement has been developed, and it is contemplated that before the close of the year the popular and progressive pastor, Dr. W. H LaPrade, will be occupying an ecclesiastical domicile instead of "his own hired house."

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The Rev. Henry Varley, of London, now in this country, having been holding meetings in New York and the East for several months, has kindly consented to come to New Orleans. Mr. Varley will open services Sunday, the nineteenth instant, with three services that day in different churches. Notice of the place will be given in the daily papers. There will be a Bible reading every afternoon and preaching each night as may be appointed. The Holy Spirit has greatly blessed his labors everywhere. We hope and pray that this will be the case in this city.

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Mansfield, La., EDITOR.

From a private letter recently received from Rev. Jno. W. Bell, Houston, Miss., we learn that the League work is flonrishing on his charge.

He reports one new League organized, and more interest manifested in this department of church work than for many years past. They have recently formed a club, and sent in a goodly number of subscriptions for the Era. Good!

Miss Gussie Tooke writes from Arcadia, La., that they have one of the best Leagues in the State, with every department working well.

We gladly give space to the following paragraphs furnished by our fair friend, whose name is thereto attached:

The Arcadia District Epworth League Conference convenes at Arcadia, La., on March 22, 23, and 24, 1899. The Executive Committee are now preparing the program for the occasion, and they expect to do all in their power to make the meeting both interesting and beneficial. We extend a cordial invitation to all Leaguers. Come, and you will receive a hearty welcome.

On the twenty-sixth of January our pastor, Bro. Davies, organized a Junior League with twenty-four charter members. They are doing splendid work under the management of some of the Senior Leaguers. The little ones seem very enthusiastic over their work.

Our Missionary Study Class, under the able direction of Mrs. M. R Gladney, is doing good work. The subject for our next lesson is, "China." We hope to take up the Epworth League reading-course before long, beginning with "Dawn on the Hills of Fang."

Our Sunday afternoon prayer meeting is both well attended and spiritual, and I feel that it is accomplishing a great deal of good. Have never had so much interest manifested before since our organization. I find that the plan of having one good leader, and two or three sub-leaders, composed of the timid members, works well. In that way you can use every Leagner, and make them feel that they have something to do. Success to all the Leagues.

GUSSIE B. TOOKE, Pres.

We have just received an encouraging and helpful letter from Mrs. L. Meekins, of the Tchonpitonlas Mission, New Orleans. We will take the liberty of publishing it in full in our next issue.

Rev. R. A Meek, of Starkville, Miss., has been appointed president of the State Conference in place of Rev. J. A Randolph, who, as chaplain of the "Third Mississippi," has gone to Cuba.

The Mississippi Epworth Leagues will please read and regard the following financial report and exhortation of the corresponding secretary and treasurer:

SPECIAL FUND OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE

Already reported, Nov. 26, 1898	$312 00
Collected since that time, from	
Iuka League	10 60
J. E Hall	1 00
Port Gibson F College League	10 00
Port Gibson Jr. League	10 00
Hickory League	10 00
Brookhaven College League	10 00
Jackson, Capitol St., League	14 25
Hermanville League	10 00
Phoenix League	6 00
Montrose League	10 00
Lake League	10 00
Macon Sr. League	5 00
Meridian, West End League	10 00
Vicksburg, Crawford League	10 00
Tupelo League	10 00
Tupisaw League	4 00
Meridian, Central Ch. League	20 00
Total	$160 25
DISBURSEMENTS	
Postage	$ 2 00
To Foreign Mission Board	79 13
To Water Valley Orphans' Home	79 12
Total	$160 25
	312 00
Total already accounted for up to date	$472 25

It is only about three and a half months now to the time of our State Conference at West Point, and, as yet, not one-half of this pledge has been redeemed. I earnestly request that the pastors, district secretaries, League presidents and Missionary Committees take up this matter with renewed determination to succeed. Bro. Burton reports thirty-three children in the Home, and truly their plea will touch all hearts. I trust that the ministers will call the attention of their Leagners to the recent report of the Treasurer of our Mission Board, and urge the great necessity of promptly redeeming this pledge.

VIC. THOMPSON, Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., Jan. 30, 1899.

TO W. F. M. S. OF NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SISTERS: In view of the great emergency that is upon us in raising our funds and closing up the work of the year that ends with March 1, '99, it is suggested that auxiliary treasurers be allowed until the end of the first week in March to make their final report to the Conference treasurer. Dues and contingent fees for the new year must not be included in this report. The extension of time is granted simply that our treasurers may have better opportunity for securing pledges and other funds for the year that is drawing to a close.

As an aid to this, all members of the W. F. M. S of the North Mississippi Conference are asked to observe March 1 as a day of prayer and fasting for our work, and to spend the three remaining days of the week in special efforts for the securing of money for the cause. Let each auxiliary, whose funds are not entirely secured by that time, select a committee of its most interested and faithful workers who shall use diligent means for the securing of the same. Let the selection of this committee and its work be the object of earnest prayer during the day of fasting and prayer.

Sisters, the need of the hour is very great. Unless you come up boldly and valiantly to the Lord's help his cause will suffer, and this failure on our part will be felt to the uttermost parts of the earth. Let it not be said to the shame of the women of North Mississippi that they failed to do their full part in advancing the kingdom of their Lord, or that they selfishly withheld from him their most precious gifts. Let us remember his great love wherewith he hath loved us, and pay our vows unto the Lord. MRS G. H. LIPSCOMB, President.

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NOTICE.

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IF I COULD BE A BOY AGAIN.

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If I were a boy, with my present knowledge of the end, or the state of present progress toward the end, with my memory of the past and my man's view of a boy's life—what would I do?

First, I should have an early conversation with my parents. I should bring my later wisdom to bear on them. I am older now than my father was when I was a boy, and I might give a word of advice even to him.

If I were a boy, I should want a thorough discipline, early begun and never relaxed, on the great doctrine of will-force as the secret of character. Faith in God is, I know, the foundation. But it must be a true fear and not a wretched terror; the fear which is a reverent and holy love for a loving king, who is a father, and who is gentle as a mother, and who loathes selfishness, falsehood and meanness. If I were a boy, I should want my teacher to put weight of responsibility upon me; to make me know and feel that God furnishes the material and the conditions, but that I must do the work of building my character; to fill me with the thought that I am not a "thing," a stick, a stone, a lump of clay or putty, but a "person," a "power," a "cause," a "creator," and that what I am in the long run, in the final outcome, I am to make myself.

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If I were a boy with my man's wisdom, I should eat wholesome food and no other. I should chew it well and never "bolt it down." I should eat at regular hours. I should never touch tobacco, chewing-gum or patent medicines; never once go to bed without cleaning my teeth; never let a year go by without a dentist's inspection and treatment; never sit up late at night unless a great emergency demanded it; never linger one moment in bed when the time came for getting up; never fail to rub every part of my body every morning with a wet towel, and then with a dry one; and never drink more than three or four tablespoonfuls of ice-water at one time. But all this takes will-power. Yes, but that is all it does take.

I should never speak a word to anyone who might be worried about it, and only kind words of others, even of enemies, in their absence. I should put no unclean thoughts, pictures, sights or stories in my memory and imagination. I should want to be able to say, like Dr. George H. Whitney, "I have never pronounced a word which I ought not to speak in the presence of the purest woman in the world." I should treat little folks kindly, and not tease them; show respect to servants, and be kind to the unfortunate.

I should play and romp, sing and shout, climb trees, explore caves, swim rivers, and be able to do in reason all the manly things that belong to manly sports; love and study nature; travel as widely and observe as wisely as I could; study with a will when the time came for study; read the best books; try to speak accurately and pronounce distinctly; go to college and go through college, even if I expected to be a clerk, a farmer, or a mechanic; try to be a practical, every-day Christian; help every good cause; "use the world and not abuse it;" treat older men and women as fathers and mothers, the young as brethren and sisters in all purity.

Thus I should try to be a Christian gentleman, wholesome, sensible, cheerful, independent, courteous; a boy with a will; a boy without cant or cowardice; a man's will and wisdom in me, and God's grace, beauty, and blessing abiding with me.—Success.

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She sees it all, and thinks more of it than does anyone else, and he need never fear that his thoughtfulness is thrown away. Perhaps, occasionally, such conduct may, to a certain extent, go unnoticed by some other women, but by his mother, never.

In the same way one's conduct to one's sister is a test of good breeding. Sisters are not mothers, by any means; but still they demand courtesy from their brothers. Perhaps a sister can be pretty hard to get on with at times, but, nevertheless, she is a woman, and she can do certain things without any fear of retaliation, because the nobility of the man in the boy is bound to respect the woman in his sister.

Let her tease and tantalize, but remember the best way to cure her is to treat her so like a lady who could never descend to such methods that she will soon be forced to stop, in order to live up to the character you have given her. Mothers come first, therefore, over all the world, and sisters next. Treat them as carefully as you do anything else in your life, and with even more care, and then we can discuss the rest of womankind.—Harper's Round Table.

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"Yes, mother," said Willie.

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OBITUARIES.

KEARNEY—JOHN KITCHEN KEARNEY was born March 2, 1823, and died at his home in Canton, Miss., Dec. 18 1898 He beloved wife (nee Mis. Henrietta Pikes), with whom he had lived a life of perfect congeniality and affection for over forty-eight years, preceded him to heaven only a few months. Since her departure he seemed not to care to live. She who added the most sacred and comforting charm to his life had gone before, and his thoughts seemed to be rather upon following her than to be occupied with the affairs of this world. His home has always been in Madison county, where he was as well known, perhaps, as anyone who had ever lived in the county. Whoever was thrown with him, even temporarily, rarely ever forgot him. His joyous, kindly, companionable manners won upon everyone, and made his association to live in the memory, and his friendly, unpretentious bearing drew all to him He had a tender, sympathetic heart, loved everybody, and everybody loved him.

His educational advantages were very good. In early life he had access to the best country schools, and for five years he pursued his studies at Centenary College of Louisiana. In 1850 he graduated at this institution to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His life, except the latter years in Canton, was spent almost altogether upon the plantation. His house was a fine type of an old-time Southern home. There not only was genuine hospitality dispensed and his guests entertained sumptuously, but his sunny soul made the cares of life to vanish, and kept the bright side of things ever before the mind.

His natural instincts were all opposed to war, and he did not volunteer at the beginning of the conflict between the States, but when he saw that the struggle was to be protracted, and that his country needed his services, he volunteered as a private in Ward's Battery, organized in Canton. He was soon promoted to be lieutenant. His record in the army, as in all of his undertakings, was noted for faithfulness and integrity. He was so severely wounded at the battle of Cold Harbor, Va., that his leg had to be amputated. Although his whole after life was spent under this disability, yet he so fully accepted the orderings of Providence that it seemed not in the least degree to affect his genial, hopeful nature.

He became converted as a Christian and joined the M. E. Church, South, at a revival service held near his home by Rev. H. H. Montgomery. He ever remained a loyal Methodist, often serving his church in an official capacity.

He suffered greatly for two months during his final illness, but his patience never wavered, nor did a murmur escape his lips. Tender, skillful hands administered to his wants. His loving niece, Miss Belle Kearney, to whom he was devotedly attached, said to him during his illness, "Uncle Kinch, you are not afraid to go?" "Not at all," he confidently replied. "Do you feel perfectly at rest with God?" "Perfectly," he answered unhesitatingly. His faithful pastor, the Rev. T. L. Mellen, leaned over his bed and repeated a number of texts and appropriate passages from the Scriptures. Finally he began with, "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." He caught up the quotation, adding, "for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Looking up at Bro. Mellen, he said: "Every hour in the day I go over that passage again and again, 'Though I walk through the valley,'" repeating the entire passage. Thus, surrounded by his loved ones, and upheld by the comforts of religion, he passed peacefully and hopefully away. C. G. ANDREWS.

BURTON—Mrs. TERESA ANN BURTON (nee Thorell), wife of Capt. W. Burton, died at her home in Melville, La., Jan. 27, 1899, aged eighty-eight years one month and two days. The deceased was born in Wilkinson county, Miss., near Woodville, Dec. 25, 1810, and was married to Capt. W. Burton, May 31, 1827, which union was blessed with six children, only one of whom now remains—Mrs. Ann E. Hartman, of Felicity Street Church, New Orleans. In 1857 she united with the M. E. Church, South, at Churchville, La., and has since lived a most consistent and beautiful Christian life.

In these long years of service in her church and to her Redeemer, such was her devotion that many are the lives that have been blessed and brightened by her example and influence. Oh, how she was loved by everyone in the large list of her acquaintances! And there are many hearts besides the loved ones of home whose hearts are saddened in her demise. In her last illness her suffering was great, but her submission was perfect and her consecration beautiful. Willing to suffer, ready to go, death had no terror for her. Her aged companion, Capt. Walthall Burton, now in his ninety-second year; a daughter, five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, remain to weep over their irreparable loss. May the Lord comfort and strengthen them in their deep sorrow! J. W. LEE.

Melville, La.

RISHER—J. C. RISHER, Jr., a young man of promise, has died. He is gone to try the realities of a world unknown to us As he looked into the faces of his father, mother, and other loved ones, he forgot his own agony, and said, "This is a beautiful morning." Another home made lonely. He seemed to see the broken home circle as it would look when he was gone. And so it might have been said of one sweet home that nestled in the forest near Hopewell Methodist Church, in Jasper county, Miss., on the twenty-eighth of January, 1899 He was born Aug. 26, 1880, and died Jan. 28, 1899

When Johnnie did lay himself down to die, fully conscious of his approaching dissolution, he feared no evil, for he had remembered his Creator in the days of his youth, and dedicated himself to his service. To him there was no shadow of turning, for he had set his face as a flint to serve the Lord. He had mapped out his life-work to give all within the scope of his influence an uplift. As he lived, so he died—full of faith and trust in his Savior. To the earnest inquiry of his father as to his spiritual condition, whether there was anything that obscured the light from his soul, he replied: "No, father; I am all right. I have made ready for the hour when it comes. Don't trouble yourself about that; all is bright." In all of his sickness he was never known to murmur or complain.

Johnnie is gone, but the world is made better by his having lived in it, and his influence will never die. The mourners go about the house made desolate. The pitcher is broken at the fountain, the wheel at the cistern; but when the day breaks and shadows flee away, then shall we see again our loved ones that have gone on before. J. H. FOREMAN, P. C.

Rose Hill, Miss.

ROUSSEAU—Mrs. EUGENIA ROUSSEAU, wife of W. N. Rousseau, was born April 2, 1854, and died at Stoneville, Washington county, Miss., Feb. 1, 1899

She had not been in robust health for a long time, but last Sunday she seemed especially well and cheerful, singing as she went about the house. Sunday night she was taken with a chill, which developed into the direful grippe. After a brief illness she quietly passed away on Wednesday morning. Mrs. Rousseau professed religion and joined the Missionary Baptist Church at Mound Bluff, in Madison county, Miss., in 1874 from which place she never moved her membership. Not living near a church of her own denomination, she still took an interest in things religious, and lived a consistent Christian life. She was a good neighbor, unassuming, and possessed the beautiful virtue of modesty, which is a "crown" to any woman. She left a husband, three daughters, and a son, to grieve for "wife and mother." We sympathize with them, and pray that God will make this a "blessed" sorrow to draw them nearer to him "who doeth all things well." A FRIEND.

THOMAS Died Jan. 15, 1899, at the home of her parents, at Allentown, La., MITTIE INEZ, infant daughter of C. H. and Mrs. Mittie Thomas, aged five months and thirteen days.

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How sweet to know that God has prepared such a place for us! A sweet, precious one from us is gone; a voice that was loved is still in death; a place is vacant in the home which never can be filled. H. J. BOLTZ

HILBERT—Resolutions adopted by the Methodist Sunday-school at McComb City, Miss., concerning the death of THOMAS HILBERT, who was a member of the same:

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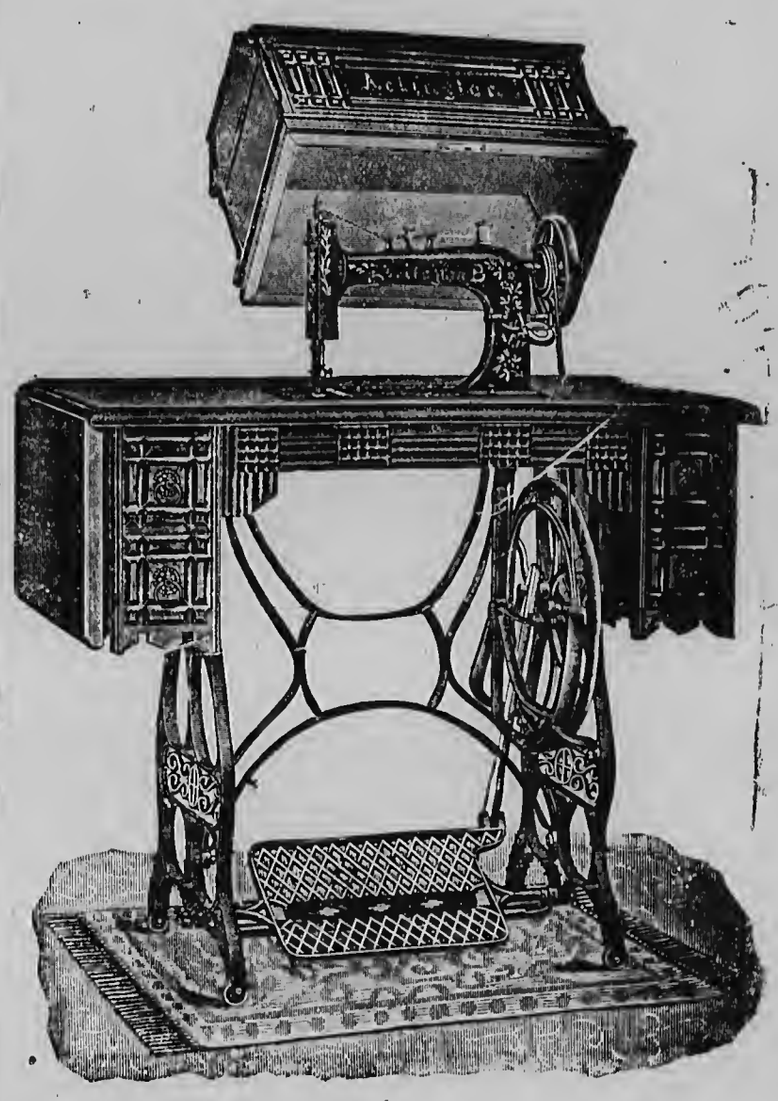

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Mississippi Sound is frozen a [illegible]nt n[illegible] Biloxi.

The Texas State Penitentiary at Austin was burned Monday.

A stringent anti-gambling law has been enacted by the Idaho Legislature, to replace a law which had become a dead letter.

Dr. Wyman, Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service, says that the cold wave is a blessing in disguise to the South, eradicating the last vestige of the yellow fever.

Andrew Carnegie has offered the city of Atlanta $100,000 for a free public library, the conditions being that the city furnish the site and devote $5000 per year to the maintenance of the institution.

Now that the Treaty of Peace has been ratified the Senate will be at liberty to take up the army bill, if it is so disposed, and it will have to do so very soon if the measure is to be passed by the present Congress, as only three more weeks of the official existence of that body remain.

The friction and opposition engendered by the consideration of the Peace Treaty in the Senate promise to prove the undoing of the army and navy personnel bills. The administration is extremely anxious to pass the army bill, and threatens that, if the measure is rejected, a special session will be called to consider a similar bill.

The unprecedented weather which has been experienced during the past few days, in addition to the great amount of suffering and inconvenience it has imposed upon the people of this section, who are entirely unaccustomed to weather so severe, will, without doubt, inflict considerable damage in the way of injury to the crops.

Last week was a fatal one to the Filipinos. They opened fire on the American lines Saturday night. In seven days they have lost thousands in killed, not to mention the wounded and prisoners, and their lines have been broken and pushed back for miles. They fight bravely, but with poor judgment, and, fortunately for the Americans, they are poor marksmen.

Six important expositions are now in sight. The first is the Industrial Exhibition to be held in Philadelphia next Fall in connection with the commercial museum. The Paris Exposition comes next year, along with one in Glasgow, one in Detroit in honor of the second centennial of the settlement of that city, and one in Buffalo to be called the Pan-American Exposition. In 1903 St. Louis will hold one of the greatest international expositions in history to celebrate the purchase of Louisiana.

The anticipated cold wave has reached extreme Northern Florida, and on Sunday covered the entire Southern country, except Southern Florida. On the gulf coast the temperature ranged from eight to eighteen degrees below the freezing point. On Sunday the minimum at Mobile was twelve degrees; at New Orleans, fourteen; at Atlanta, eight, and at Vicksburg, one below zero. All previous records for the second decade of February were broken from the lower Missouri and middle Mississippi valleys southward to the gulf. Temperatures of zero or below occurred in Southern Texas, Southern Mississippi and Northwestern Alabama.

Notwithstanding the energetic manner in which the campaign against the Filipinos has been prosecuted since the commencement of the fighting on Saturday night last, it has become evident that the insurgents are determined not to yield readily. The fact that they have been worsted with comparative ease around Manila does not argue an early cessation of hostilities, because, as the American forces are compelled to pursue the enemy further into the interior, the number of men that will be needed to guard the line of communication will materially cut down the strength General Otis will be able to hurl against the islanders.

The War Department, after long and careful work, has made up what it believes to be a full and complete list of the dead of the Cuban and Porto Rican campaigns, who are still interred in Cuba. An appropriation has been made to have these bodies removed to the United States, and the "Roumanian," with a large force of undertakers, has started for Porto Rico to begin this work. The War Department so far has received applications from friends and relatives of about 300 dead who wish to take charge personally of the bodies for private burial. The quartermaster-general's office would like to receive the names and address of any other persons who are authorized to take charge of bodies on their arrival in the United States. Where such requests are received the bodies on their arrival in New York will be shipped direct to the address indicated and turned over to friends, the whole expense of the transportation being borne by the government. Bodies not claimed by relatives will be given honorable military interment at Arlington.

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NOTICE.

To the Pastors of the Jackson District, Mississippi Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: Some days ago Dr. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education, sent to me Roll Books for the "TWENTIETH CENTURY Educational Fund," which I remailed to the pastors of the district by next mail. If any have not received one of these books, they will please inform me at once, that they may be prepared to begin the canvass at once.

Please allow me to call attention to the article by Bro. Bingham, in the ADVOCATE of this date (Feb. 9), and also to the action of the joint session of the Committees of the Mississippi and the North Mississippi Conferences, concerning this great interest, which will be published in the columns of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE at an early day. While the amount called for looks large in addition to the claims already upon us, there is no reason why the Jackson district can not make this reach the amount expected at her hands. While one dollar per member is the minimum, there are many who, we believe, will give greater amounts. With system and application the work can be accomplished with honor to ourselves and the glory of God.

Brethren, let us all pull together for this one end. Fraternally,

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 9, 1899.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Boyce and West Alexandria, at Boyce	Mar. 4, 5
Alexandria station ....7:30 p. m..	8
Lecompte and White Chapel, at W. C. Conference, 11 a. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	11, 12
Chicot and Washington, at C.... Conference, 11 a. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	15
Bunkie and Marksville, at Evergreen	18, 19
Simmsport, at ——	25, 26
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at R	April 1, 2
Natchitoches and Regan's, at R.....	8, 9
Jena and Jonesville, at ——	15, 16
Montgomery and Colfax, at M.....	22, 23
Olla and Pollock, at Olla	29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at —— Conference 11 a m Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	May 3
Columbia, at Bouff River.....	6, 7
Dry Creek, at ——.....	13, 14
Spring Creek, at ——. Conference, 11 a. m Preaching, 7:30 p. m.....	17
Pineville, at ——.....	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Lecompte, May 24-28.

As far as practicable, the collections for foreign missions will be brought up by the preachers. Let there be a pull for this collection.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Brooksville.....	Feb. 18, 19
Macon station.....	25, 26
Shuqualak.....	Mar. 4, 5
Hebron.....	11, 12
Crawford	18, 19
West Point.....	25, 26
Tibbee.....	Apr. 1, 2
Cedar Bluff.....	8, 9
Starkville circuit.....	15, 16
Starkville station.....	22, 23
Lagrange.....	29, 30
Sturges.....	May 6, 7
Columbus circuit.....	13, 14
Columbus station	20, 21
Winstonville.....	27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Pleasant Grove.....	Feb. 11, 12
Longtown.....	12, 13
Orwood mission, at Cold Springs.....	18, 19
Eureka, at Mt. Olivet.....	19, 20
Pleasant Hill, at Baker's Chapel.....	22
Wall Hill.....	25, 26

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ripley circuit.....	Feb. 9
New Albany circuit	11, 12
Saltillo circuit	16
Jonesboro circuit.....	18, 19
Burnsville and Jacinto.....	24

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Houston and Wesley.....	Feb. 11, 12
Shannon circuit.....	18, 19
Fulton circuit	25, 26
Tremont circuit..... Tues..	28
Okolona circuit, at Pine Grove.....	Mar. 4, 5

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Paris, at Prospect.....	Fri.. Feb. 10
Bunker.....	11, 12
Charleston, at Harrison.....	18, 19
Chapel Hill.....	25, 26
Slate Springs, at Bentley..... Tues..	28
Atlanta, at Rhodes Chapel.....	Wed.. Mar. 1
Elizey, at Old Town.....	Fri.. 3
Pittsboro.....	4, 5

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

West.....	2nd " " " " Feb.
Carrollton circuit.....	3rd " " " " "
McNutt.....	4th " " " " "
Black Hawk.....	1st " " " " Mar.
Dublin and Webb.....	2nd " " " " "

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Hillhouse.....	Feb. 11, 12
Deeson.....	12, 13
Gunnison.....	18, 19
Rosedale.....	19, 20
Bolivar.....	25, 26
Lebrtea.....	Mar. 4, 5

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MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Wayne, at Liberty Hill.....	Fri.. Feb 10
Winchester, at Big Rock.....	11, 12
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna.....	12, 13
Pachuta, at DeSoto.....	18, 19
Enterprise, at Enterprise.....	19, 20
Middleton, at Mt. Carmel.....	Fri.. 24
Mathersville, at Poplar Springs.....	25, 26
Shubuta, at Quitman.....	26, 27
Daleville, at Bethel.....	Mar. 4, 5
Binnsville, at Scooba.....	11, 12

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Galloway, at McLaurin.....	Feb. 9
Escatawpa, at Zion	11, 12
Moss Point.....	12, 13
Whittington, at Coleville.....	15
St. John's, at St. John's.....	16
East Covington, at Bethel.....	18, 19
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg.....	21
Hattiesburg.....	26, 27
Columbia, at Columbia.....	Mar. 1
Leaksville, at Leaksville.....	5, 6

District stewards will meet at Hattiesburg, Feb. 24, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Lake, at Lawrence....Sat. and Sun..	Feb. 11, 12
Clarksburg, at New Providence..Sat. and Sun.....	18, 19
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill.....Sat..	25
Newton and H., at Hickory..Sun. and Mon.....	26, 27
Chunkey, at Suqunena..Sat. and Sun.	Mar. 4, 5
Montrose, at Mt. Zion..Sat. and Sun.	11, 12
Shiloh, at John's.....Sat. and Sun..	18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur...Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
Neshoba, at Mars Hill.Sat. and Sun..	Apr. 1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talli-Chulek. Mon.....	3

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Salem.....	Feb. 11, 12
Fayette.....	18, 19
Jefferson Street.....	24, 26
Wesley Chapel.....	25, 26
Meadville.....	Mar. 4, 5
Roxie.....	11, 12
Percy's Creek.....	18, 19
Woodville.....	25, 26
Brandywine.....	Apr. 1, 2

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Beauregard, at Beauregard.....	Feb 11, 12
Wesson.....	12, 13
Bogue Chitto, at Norfield.....	18, 19
Adams, at Adams.....	25, 26
Summit, at Summit.....	26, 27
Westville, at Westville.....	Mar. 4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Bluntsville..... Tues..	7
Providence, at Bahala.....	11, 12
Tylertown, at Tylertown.....	18, 19
Pleasant Grove, at Tilton's....Wed..	22
Huzleburst.....	25, 26

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tranquil, at Pleasant Hill.....	Feb. 11, 12
Yazoo City.....7 P. M..	12, 13
Fannin.....	18, 19
Brandon .....7 P. M..	19, 20
Steen's Creek.....	25, 26
Yazoo circuit, at Fletcher's.....	Mar. 4, 5
Canton, at Benton.....7 P. M..	5, 6
Silver Cr. and B. L.....	11, 12
Lake City and Ludi.....	18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's.....	25, 26
Camden, at Camden.....	Apr. 1, 2

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NOTICE.

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DEAR SISTERS: By the time this notice reaches you the last quarter of our fiscal year will be gone. I beg each of you to be prompt in sending your report. The General Treasurer (Mrs. Kirkland) must have my report by the fifteenth of March, and it takes some time to get up this work; so I trust, my dear sisters, that each of you will exert yourself to have your report in my hands by the first week in March. Let us be faithful and true to the trust reposed in us.

Yours in the love of Christ,

MRS. WALTER TROTTER,
Conf. Treas.

Winona, Miss., Feb. 11, 1899.

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MARRIAGES.

WHITEHEAD-STAPLES.—Near Zachary, La., Feb. 1, 1899, by Rev. Thos. J. Upton, Mr. Wm. E. Whitehead and Miss Mollie Staples, both of East Baton Rouge parish, La.

LE ROSEN-HOPKINS.—At the Methodist Church in Lafayette, La., Feb. 9, 1899, by Rev. I. T. Reames, Mr. W. A. Le Rosen to Miss Susie Hopkins, both of Lafayette parish.

PRICE-SLAYTON.—At the home of the bride's parents in Fayette, Miss., Dec. 4, 1898, by Rev. B. S. Rayner, Mr. Will Price, of Texas, to Miss Emma Slayton.

DENT-MONTGOMERY.—On Jan. 19, 1899, by Rev. B. S. Rayner, Mr. Frank M. Dent to Miss Rosa Ollie Montgomery, all of Jefferson county, Miss.

GRANGER-LIDDELL.—In Ebenezer Church, Jefferson county, Miss., Jan. 22, 1899, by Rev. B. S. Rayner, Mr. Geo. G. Granger to Miss Addie L. Liddell.

HUFF-CROPPER.—At the residence of the bride's father, Capt. N. Cropper, Jan. 26, 1899, by Rev. John W. Crisler, Mr. W. Garrett Huff and Miss Sadie E. Cropper, all of Wilkinson county, Miss.

WILLIAMS-COOPER.—At the residence of Mr. Alva Cooper, brother of the bride, in Forest, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Linfield, Mr. G. Will Williams, of Morton, and Miss Della V. Cooper, of Pulaski.

CASSEDY-CAMERON.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Frank Cameron, in Bogue Chitto, Miss., on Wednesday evening, Feb. 1, 1899, by Rev. V. V. Boone, Mr. James W. Cassedy, of Summit, and Miss Ethel Cameron, of Bogue Chitto.

BAHIN-SALMON.—In the Methodist Church, Natchez, Miss., on Feb. 9, 1899, at 7 P. M., by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, Mr. Frank L. Bahin to Miss Daisy Salmon.

COWART-MOFFETT.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Bushy, Miss., Dec. 21, 1898, by Rev. J. L. Jordan, Mr. Edward T. Cowart and Miss Eliza R. Moffett.

MCCRARY-MALLETTE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Mallette, Miss., Jan. 29, 1899, by Rev. J. L. Jordan, Mr. Wilber L. McCrary and Miss Laura A. Mallette.

PARKER-CARTER.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Americus, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. J. L. Jordan, Mr. James R. Parker and Miss Ella Carter.

NESMITH-ALLEN.—At Sarepta Church, Hermanville circuit, Mississippi Conference, Jan. 26 1899, by Rev. A. H. Miller, Mr E. F. Nesmith and Miss Bertha Allen, all of Claiborne county, Miss.

BUTLER-LAWSON.—At the hotel in Spring Hill, La., Feb. 5, 1899, by Rev. H. Armstrong, Mr. Thos. Butler and Miss Mattie Lawson.

HAWTHORNE-CHESHIRE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Spring Hill, La., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. H. Armstrong, Mr. Frank Hawthorne and Miss Mattie Cheshire.

JONES-FERRILL.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Escatawpa, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. W. J. Dawson, Mr. Wm. W. Jones and Miss Winnie J. Ferrill.

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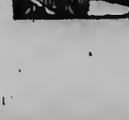

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LOST HOURS.

BY R. T. W. DUKE.

Their advent is as silent as their going.
They have no voice nor utter any speech,
No whispered murmur passes each to each.
As on the bosom of the years' stream flowing.
They pass beyond recall, beyond our knowing,
Farther than sight can pierce or thought can reach,
Nor shall we ever hear them on Time's beach,
No matter how the winds of life are blowing.

They hide their time, they wait the awful warning
Of that dread day, when hearts and graves unsealing,
The trumpet's note shall call the sea and sod,
To yield their secrets to the sun's revealing:
What voices then shall thrill the judgment morning,
As our lost hours shall cry aloud to God!

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

MUD-BOUND.

MR. EDITOR: The first Sunday after Conference found me at Morton, whither I had gone the day before to meet my first appointment on the first round of Quarterly Conferences. Bro. Linfield met me at the train Saturday night, and piloted me through the mud to the home of Bro. Howard, where I was very kindly and comfortably cared for during my stay in Morton, except that the pleasure of breaking bread with Capt. Taylor and family Sunday was granted me. The recent arrival of Hilliard Barrow Linfield prevented my being entertained in the parsonage. Two sermons were preached on Sunday. Circumstances forced me to leave the Conference in the hands of the preacher in charge, who was equal to the occasion.

We—the "better half," and one of the daughters, and the "larger half"—reached Forest a little before noon, and were met by Bro. W. M. Sullivan, who was waiting till his successor in the pastorate, Bro. Scarborough, should come to take charge of the new parsonage. Bro. Sullivan escorted us to the district parsonage (which is completely eclipsed by the pastor's home), and, finding that the pantry was empty, went at once on a foraging expedition out in town. Pretty soon some supplies came from Bro. Barbee's store. Bro. H. H. Watts sent up our trunks free of charge, and when the boxes of books and household goods came he more than doubled the first gracious deed. And similar favors have been conferred since that time. A well-filled waiter from the Womack House was not lightly appreciated.

Friday "our beloved presiding elder" started for Raleigh. He had been told of the prairie mud and the rough roads, but when he got into the mud he found that "the half had not been told." For three and a half miles—which seemed three times farther—Maud and Mack (alias Selim) plunged and pulled. For once in his life the "beloved" found it was not safe to "keep in the middle of the road," but to go with the multitude of wagon tracks in or out of the road, as the case might be. When the summit of what is variously known as Moore's Hill, or Gray's Hill, was reached, he thought the end of his troubles had come. He felt jubilant. But just as the foot of the hill was reached on the farther side the prairie mud was reached again (though some had been brought over the hill on the buggy and on "the beloved's" clothes). The fact is, that that mud has sticking qualities which are to be commended to the average church member. It does not want to let go. It has crept far up one side of Gray's Hill, and clings close to the foot of the hill on that other side. And so the ponies plowed and plunged, and the buggy followed, now on the causeway and now off. "The beloved" began to think he had missed the Raleigh road, and was going back to Forest. But inquiry made at the first house where inquiry was possible brought forth the answer, "I've never been to Roliy, but that's the way they all goes." Two miles of prairie? It seemed five times two! Then the road through the piney woods! Up hill and down, in the ruts and out, in the mud-holes and in the swamps, on and on, and still on! But the road to Raleigh has an end, and on that occasion it ended at the hotel, for the preacher in charge had not yet reached his headquarters, and nobody on Raleigh circuit had gotten his or her ADVOCATE with the announcement of the "first round." (There is a suspicion in the minds of some that not many copies of the ADVOCATE are taken in the bounds of Raleigh circuit.) Bro. Bowling and Bro. Cront, stewards, soon put in their appearance, and made themselves known to the new presiding elder. The tidings spread, and the next morning quite a little congregation met and attentively listened to the preaching of "the Word." After the benediction the new preacher entered the church, much surprised to find that the new presiding elder had gotten to Raleigh ahead of him. Another sermon at night was followed by the Quarterly Conference, only one church being represented. Sunday, at 11 A. M., a sermon and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 3 P. M., a love-feast, at which only a very few spoke; 6 P. M., a wedding ceremony, when the officiating clergyman began to marry the wrong couple, and at 6.30 P. M. "a brand-new sermon, on a brand-new text, by a brand-new preacher, to a brand-new congregation"—and so the day passed.

An early start next morning was vouchsafed, and the ponies traveled nicely. They had been on that road before, when Bro. W. W. Simmons held the reins over them and guided the interests of our Methodism in the Forest district. And the ponies' heads were toward Forest. Four miles from Raleigh a little creek was out of its banks just far enough to send a bucket full or two of water into the buggy as the fore-wheels went down into the depths. Some miles farther on, and the ponies took the right-hand road instead of the left, and after some miles of travel the prairies were again confronted. And such prairies! No tarrying at Homewood. On through the village and on through the mud! Up hill, down hill! On the causeway, off the causeway! A limb caught the buggy-top and wrenched it, with some little damage. A stump caught and bent one of the steps, but at last the ponies and buggy were on the long stretch of causeway leading into Forest. Those who have traveled it have not forgotten it. It reminds one of John G. Saxe's poem, but one will change a word in quoting a couplet as applicable to this road:

"Bless me this ain't pleasant,
A riding on the rail."

Home Monday, off again Saturday morning early to travel over fifteen miles of the same road traversed the preceding week! Slowly, but steadily, the ponies pushed on. A stump broke the previously uninjured step. The ponies were turned just a little to the right to dodge some other stumps. The wheels gathered mud. On the down-grade, and with Moore's or Gray's Hill in full view, the buggy stopped—stalled by the weight of the accumulated mud on the wheels. The ponies pulled. C-r-a-c-k! went the double-tree into three pieces. The ponies were startled as the single-trees hit their legs, but stopped at once at a word of command. Out in the mud "the beloved" had to get. The ponies were led to the road-side and tied. And back through mud went the presiding elder, who was due at Garque Chapel at eleven o'clock that day. He was wearily toiling on and trying to do work he had never done before when, greatly to his relief, Bro. Moore came riding along, and, with the spirit of the Good Samaritan, was soon off his horse, with his coat off him, and at work like an expert. Soon reinforcements arrived in the person of Bro. Sim. R. Holmes and son, and Bro. — Robertson—all going to town on business, but were willing to help "the beloved" out of trouble. Bro. Robertson rode back home after ax and anger and rope. The double-tree spliced securely, and most of the mud forced off the wheels, the ponies were ordered "Up!" and they obeyed, but, crack! as short as a pistol shot, and one single-tree broke half in two! More work, more time. Patiently the brethren worked on. "The beloved" helped as best he could, but soon found himself stuck fast in the mud! Laying hold of a wheel, he pulled first one foot and then the other out, but his rubbers were planted deep in the mud! They were not sown in hope. They will not come up. No body need expect to reap a rubber harvest there. A temporary single tree improvised, Bro. Robertson took the reins, and Bro. Moore and the presiding elder laid hold of the hind wheels, and the buggy was soon out of the mud, and the ponies standing safely with it on the bridge. Thanks to the brethren, and thanks to the young lady school teacher from Madison county who sat so patiently on her horse through all the weary time! God bless them all!

On to Garque Chapel! How "the beloved's" eye watched the ropes and straps, and the improvised double and single-tree! How carefully he drove, and slowly, too! At 2 P. M. the chapel was reached. Bro. Langford had preached the morning sermon, and dinner had been eaten; but thoughtful sisters had saved some dinner for the late presiding elder. Nobody blamed him for the delay when they saw the buggy looking like it had been to an Irish wake, and the presiding elder's clothes looking as if he had been wallowed in the mire. Soon the official brethren were called together in Quarterly Conference. Business proceeded smoothly till Question 6 was called, and the preacher and the stewards retired for consultation and agreement. Their consultation was animated and protracted. The presiding elder talked to the officials and others remaining inside of the church. Then Bro. R. A. Sibley led in prayer. It was soon found out that the protracted discussion was not because one of the stewards wanted to take $50 more for his church to pay, and so encourage others to do likewise in order to pay the preacher a good salary. An agreement was effected after all had come in. Here Bro. Lane, a local preacher, who is a brother to Ed. and Arminius Lane, of Copiah county, was met, and the new elder did not feel quite such a stranger as he might otherwise have felt. Bro. Elmore Holloman's home and heart were wide open, and so with Bro. Lane, and so with Bro. S. D. Miller (brother to A. D. Miller, of our Conference). But "the beloved" went home with Bro. Holloman, and was so kindly treated. Sunday quite a congregation gathered in spite of the cold weather, and no stove in the church. The preacher had liberty, and the people heard the Word gladly. The sacramental service was a precious season.

Monday morning Bro. Holloman, assisted just a little bit by the beneficiary, made a new double and single-tree, by the aid of which, and by the help of our heavenly Father, the trip home was safely made.

Southward hitherto; northward the next trip; Harperville the destination. Prairie mud and Talla Bogue swamp almost insurmountable obstacles. Bro. Scarborough spied out the land, and the stranger followed the pointing of his finger. It was after the usual hour for preaching, but a congregation was waiting in the college chapel. They listened with attention, and some with moistened eyes. Quarterly Conference in the afternoon. No representative from Forest, Homewood, or Pulaski. Nevertheless, it was a pleasant occasion. Another sermon at night. Another Sunday morning, followed by the Lord's Supper. A short sermon in the afternoon at the young men's prayer meeting, and a longer one at night. The new presiding elder was the guest of Prof. G. W. Huddleston, whose wife is a daughter of Dr. J. H. Brunner, of Hiwassee, Tenn. Bread was broken with Prof. Woodley, and also with Bro. Thompson, who hails from Madison county. We need a house of worship in Harperville. We have used the college chapel by the courtesy of the faculty and of the trustees, and we appreciate their kindness, but we can not do the work which ought to be done unless we set up housekeeping for ourselves. The college is doing well.

A central object in Harperville is an old flour mill, where, years ago, wheat was ground and flour was bolted. Now it is used as a saw-mill, a cotton gin, and a grist mill, or, at least, has been so used. Close by it lies what is left of the locomotive which plunged into Chunkey river thirty-five or six years ago with a train-load of Confederate soldiers. It was hauled a long ways from the scene of disaster.

The return from Harperville on Monday was through the rain as well as the mud. The travelers were told that the road by Hillsboro was better than the telephone road. And it was—mainly; but Bustin's lane, and the hill at the end toward Forest, more than offset any gain by the change, except Bro. S. had the pleasure of seeing a sister who lives in Hillsboro.

More rain, a freeze, a thaw, a snow; more rain, more water, and more mud, conduced to keep the presiding elder at home, and to write to the preachers at Carthage and Walnut Grove to hold their own Quarterly Conferences, and they and the laymen all said, "The new presiding elder has sense!" Not only was the three miles of prairie and the two miles of Talla Bogue swamp in the way, but also the five miles of Tuscalometa swamp (which Bro. Ben Jones never "expected to cross again unless the last judgment should be held on the north side of it!") and the miles of Pearl river swamp, to say nothing of other miles of mud and mire and ruts and washes. Some time a visit will be made to each place and sermons be preached. The Hillsboro Quarterly Conference was postponed to March 8.

Last Saturday and Sunday the Quarterly Conference was at Lawrence, on the Lake circuit. But about this I will write some other time. Only let it be added that Sunday was cold, and Monday was the coldest day recorded in the history of Mississippi.

T. L. MELLEN.

Forest, Miss., Feb. 14, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The weather has been awfully cold up here in the hills of Tippah county, Miss. The mercury has touched zero twice this Winter. The ground has been a solid sheet of ice, sleet and snow for four and five days at a time. When I get out my feet have a tendency to slip from under me and to fly up in the air where my head ought to be. This sudden changing of ends is hard on my head and back. I am not as nimble at sixty as I was at sixteen. I will be sixty when this appears in print, if it appears at all. My wife got out of doors once and got afraid to risk her feet, and so she got down on all fours and crawled back to her room. I do not see as much poetry in the "beautiful snow" as I used to see forty-five and fifty years ago. The snow has changed, or I have. It is not beautiful now, not a bit of it. I am sorry when it comes and glad when it is gone.

I am profoundly sorry for presiding elders and circuit riders this bad weather. They have a hard time of it. My presiding elder was to have been here to-day to go four miles south to a quarterly meeting on the Ripley circuit. He was called to Jackson, Miss., and wrote me to go. I got a horse to go, but the horse, like myself, could not keep his feet under him on these long steep hills, so I did not go. It was a risk of life and limb. I am glad I am not presiding elder now. If I were, I'd feel compelled to go, if I had to go on foot. As I grow older I grow more timid about some things. High water and high places look more dangerous than they need to do. I am "afraid of that which is high." I do not like to go high above the ground nor far below the surface of it. I sit here by the fire and read and write and suffer for and with my presiding elder who is making long rides over these hills and through this ice and snow. So far as I know by experience or have seen by observation, the presiding eldership is the hardest corner in our Methodism. I have not been a Bishop, nor a book agent, nor an editor. All honor and good pay to the brave, self-sacrificing men in the presiding eldership. They richly deserve all the honor and every cent of the money they get. It is a little strange that there is the most contention about the hardest corner in our church. All who want that corner are welcome to it so far as I am concerned.

I am specially sorry for the three new presiding elders in our Conference. For some years each of them has been in a nice, cozy station, in good, warm parsonages, by good fires, and in good churches, and now they have to get up and pull out over the ice and snow, wet or dry, cold or hot. If they were rough fellows and used to it, it would not matter so much. As it is, their present life is in perfect contrast with the past life. However, they are brave, true men, and they go at it with a good will. The constant change of houses and rooms is a sore trial to a thin man in cold weather—comfortable one night and cold the next. A good bed and a warm room is a great luxury in a cold snap like this. My heart goes out in thankfulness to God for his goodness to me every night when I lie down on a comfortable bed at home. I used to sit and shiver in houses where the family were comfortable and warm. They were accustomed to it and I was not. They were fat and I was thin; they were strong and I was nervous; their digestion was good and mine was not. I believe in self-denial, but it is so much easier to practice it on some one else. Many men practice most of their self-denial on their wives. It is an admirable trait in other people.

We had a good, warm dinner today. It made me feel good, so I must go this afternoon and take a sack of flour to a poor family that has none. The man is out of work and out of money, and his wife and children are hungry. My barrel is full, and I will feel better if I know they are well fed. I can not enjoy what I have as long as I know they suffer. My food will not taste good to me. This is hard weather on the poor. They are thinly clad and short of wood and coal, and they are poorly fed. They are pinched in good weather and doubly pinched in weather like this. I will double my own comfort by making them more comfortable. My body is warm in this comfortable room, and I can make my heart warm by warming them up. True, this man is not provident in good weather, when work is plentiful and wages good; but this reflection does not feed or warm his helpless wife and children during a cold snap like this. Yes, I know the man drinks, but his wife and children do not. They suffer by his sin. They ought to have some comfort by somebody's grace. I am ashamed of him, but I pity them. Their present need calls for immediate help. The case is past reasoning now. It demands help. Fine philosophy will not feed the hungry. Some one said: "Gilderoy, your wood is going; you can track him in the snow and catch him." No, I won't do that. I have a good pile of it. Wood is very scarce and the teams can't go now. I'm sorry he stole it. I would have given it to him. The weather is bitter cold, and, perhaps, my wood has warmed some little children. Let it go. It won't do to be too strict and exacting of the needy and suffering during cruel, cold weather like this. I must go with that flour; so good-bye.

GILDEROY.

FOREST DISTRICT.

To the Traveling and Local Preachers in the Bounds of the Forest District—

DEAR BRETHREN: Our Missionary Institute will embrace the fifth Sunday in April, and will be held in Forest. Program will be made out and published later.

Our District Conference will embrace the fifth Sunday in July. The Preachers' Institute will be held in connection with the District Conference as heretofore.

To prepare for our Missionary Institute, I would advise the brethren to purchase "Foreign Missions after a Century," by Dr. James Dennis ($1 50) and Bishop Galloway's "Evidential Value of Foreign Missions" ($1 00), both to be had at the Nashville Publishing House.

Yours faithfully,

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

Forest, Feb 13, 1899

Communications.

THE REVIEW OF MISSIONS.

The February number of our Review of Missions will compare favorably with any of the popular monthly magazines of to-day. There are six full-page photogravures, taken in Cuba, each telling its sad story of want and woe, illustrating the first article, which is a splendid description of the tragedy of life in the camps of the reconcentrados, written by Dr. W. R. Lambuth from the scene of action. One can not read this appeal in behalf of these wretched people without being convicted of the fact that the church should follow up the work done by the State by giving them heavenly bread and spiritual freedom.

The symposium on "The Awakening of China" is instructive and inspiring. "The Doom of National Monasticism," by Robt. E. Speer, is a prophecy that the day of China's redemption draweth near.

A well-prepared paper, full of original thought, on the "Present State of Thought in Japan," shows Japan in transition, and deserves attention from all Christian scholars.

An interesting and thrilling sketch from the pen of Sherwood Eddy, entitled "A Brahmin Girl," will prove helpful to young Christians.

The department, "Our Mission Fields," is full of carefully gleaned notes from the world's field, and furnishes valuable suggestions and illustrations which will aid in the preparation of missionary sermons and addresses.

Every preacher and member of our church should read the first editorial, and prayerfully ponder the startling facts revealed. Our fathers prayed, "Lord, open the doors!" The Lord has wonderfully answered their prayers. Shall we not enter the doors so widely opened by his hand?

The regular subscription price of this high-class missionary magazine is one dollar, but during the Fall the price was reduced to twenty-five cents for a limited time. As a result the subscription list has run up from four thousand to ten thousand in this short time. The time-limit of this unprecedented offer has been extended to March 31. Let us take advantage of this rare opportunity to secure fifty pages of the best reading matter in the world, twelve times a year, for the small sum of twenty-five cents. Can we not run up the list to fifteen thousand by April 1?

GEORGE D. PARKER.

A THANKSGIVING.

BY D. W. WOODS '98

Father, I thank thee for my life
For daily strength my work to do;
For food and clothing and a home,
And old loves every morning new.

I thank thee for my steadfast friends,
Faithful to me through good and ill.
For all the cheer and sympathy
That constant flow my cup to fill.

I thank thee that I still can see
The sky, the clouds, the fields and trees,
The shining river and the hills,
And know that thou, too, lovest these.

I thank thee for the strength of right
That triumphs over daring wrong;
For love that leavens human kind;
For hope so cheerful, faith so strong.

Father, my grateful song I breathe
Across the boundless, kindly sky;
I know that somewhere thou dost hear
And bless thy child, for such am I.

—New York Observer.

Communications.

PRAYING FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Service in a Methodist Church is seldom closed without special mention in prayer of the Holy Spirit, petitioning for his presence or guidance, and a common form of expression is, "Give us the Holy Spirit." In such prayers there is no intentional irreverence or insincerity, but it is doubtful whether the petitioners appreciate the force of the language used. Few (laymen) who pray in public are entirely free from a degree of self-consciousness, timidity, or embarrassment, and for this reason are almost certain to fall into the use of set phrases or forms of prayer which are in current use. In this way prayers for the presence of the Holy Spirit may sometimes be made in a purely formal way. This may not be wrong, but it seems a rather serious thing. Holy ground should be approached with godly fear, and sacred names uttered with solemn reverence. The following personal experience related by an earnest Christian illustrates the point in question:

"On one occasion I was engaged most earnestly in prayer. For some time previous I had been praying for the full baptism with the Spirit, and such was the burden of my prayer at that time. The spirit of prayer was given to me, the gates of heaven seemed open, and the ear of the Father inclined to listen. I was almost carried out of myself, and my heart, rejoicing, said, 'Surely the set time is come.' Never before or since have I seemed so near a great spiritual blessing. At that most solemn moment there flashed across my consciousness this question: 'If the Spirit comes now in all his fullness, will you confess it at once to —— (a relative who would not sympathize)? Will you bear the criticism?' I did not mean to hesitate, to be afraid, to shrink, but instinctively my soul drew back. Instantly the Spirit left. In a moment I was ready to weep, and said, 'Yes, Lord, anything,' but it was too late. I had been tried and found wanting. The Lord had showed me that I did not really want the Spirit. Like the disciples of old, I wanted to share his glory and power, but not to be baptized with his baptism. Since that time I have felt as never before what a serious and sacred thing is, or should be, prayer for the presence of the Spirit."

Sacred history does not warrant the belief that baptism with the Holy Ghost will be given without producing marked effects or provoking adverse criticism. When prayer is made for the outpouring of the Spirit the Lord's question should be remembered, "Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

AN INVESTMENT IN BRAINS.

A self-made man is prone to worship his maker. This may be evidence of the remains of inbred conceit, which we leave to the microscopic research of these spectacular anthropoids who hold down the truth in theology. The eagle-eyed critic always misses a finish, a polish, an exactness in these self-made men which is the regnant note in the thoroughly cultivated mind. How much more they might have achieved through the economy of time, a thrifter direction of aim, the avoidance of errors, by having been placed under tutelage of sympathetic, judicious instructors during the formative period of mental life, may be surmised. Yet self-made men are appreciating, as never before, the solid value of a college training as a preparation for the grim struggle in the arena of life; as the strong young men of today battle with the modern antagonists to success and prosperity. Seeing others not so richly endowed by nature with gifts and graces as they have been, they are acting nobly on the Pauline principle in matters of education: 'We, then, that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves." So, out of the strength of purse, they are unselfishly bearing the infirmities of these boys who thirst for knowledge, but are not able to pay the price of even one drink at Pierian fountains. All honor to these men who, feeling the loss they have incurred in being denied the opportunities of a collegiate training, are helping others attain unto it.

Men are looking for investments that give safe, paying returns. If they want to put their investment where cotton worms, fire, flood and panic can not destroy, let them pick out a promising lad and put money into his brains, not into his pockets. Then he has resources within himself that are indestructible as long as life endures. No one can defraud him out of a good education, or beg, borrow, or steal it away from him. The father need only leave his boy a good education laid up in his head, and a good example and influence as a father among men, and that boy receives the best heritage a father can bequeath to a son.

One of the inducements held out to men to join a certain assessment order is that, when they die, a beautiful marble shaft will be placed over their osseous remains. This monumental idea has had much to do with the rapid growth of the order. Men like to leave something behind them that will mark them out from the unknown and unnoticed crowds rushing on to oblivion. A living monument, capable of voicing your praises after death doth your body destroy, is better than a cold, silent shaft, mute concerning the eloquence of your deeds. You may send such a one to Centenary, and when he comes forth, he will be a "polished shaft," warm with life, instinct with gratitude, and children's children may reverence the memory of your benevolence.

How may a man better multiply his influence for good than to take that deserving boy, put him in Centenary, and watch those masterbuilders fashion the crude material into a soul-temple "polished after the similitude of a palace." A boy is like a gold mine—you never know how it will pan out until you have worked it well. Invest in one of these unexplored gold mines; you may strike a vein of the pure stuff, and strike it rich.

HARRY W. RICKEY.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

This is a branch of our Methodism that is sadly neglected by our people. Less than forty per cent. of our church members attend the Sunday-school. This is a school where all classes—the young and the old, the rich and the poor, those in the church as well as those out of the church—meet together to study God's Holy Word.

A great deal depends upon the superintendent as well as upon the people. In order that his labors may be attended with success, he must have their co-operation. We are all of one body and one spirit. When Nehemiah repaired the walls of Jerusalem, two things were distinctly evident: First, Nehemiah was a man of prayer; second, he had the diligent co-operation of the people—"the people had a mind to work." Joash repaired the temple because he had a mind to do so.

The Sunday-school is just what the superintendent, with the aid of the people, chooses to make it, and it will prosper and do good just in accordance with their united efforts. No more can a superintendent run a Sunday-school without the help of the people than a railroad engineer can run a locomotive without fuel. Yet many of our people believe that such a thing can be done, or, at least, they act upon such a principle.

If the Sunday-school is worth anything, it is worth a great deal. It is not often that the names of those who are regular attendants of the Sabbath-school are found on the roll of the inmates of our State prisons. The Sunday-school, then, is a safe place for our young people; yet many of our people seem to regard it as of very little importance. They seem to forget their church vows, and pay no attention to the divine exhortation, "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together." Then there are quite a number of the family of Methodists who have fallen a victim to a disease which we will call "worldly-mindedness;" though "inertia" might be more proper. This disease is somewhat contagious. Its victims rise early every day, and toil diligently through the week, but when Sunday comes they suddenly become "indisposed." They stay at home from the prayer meeting, the Sabbath-school, and very often from preaching. We do not condemn their diligence in looking after the affairs of this life, for that is commendable; but if they would only put forth one-half the diligence in search of the "true riches" as they do in seeking after the things of this world, what peace and gladness would be theirs!

The righteous instruction afforded by the Sunday-school has led many a soul out of darkness into the glorious light of truth. When these opportunities are so abundant, why should we be so careless as to forget the duties we owe to ourselves, to one another, and to our Maker, when, by coming up to the help of the Lord against the mighty, we may be able "to save a soul from death, and thus hide a multitude of sins"?

GEO. W. HIVELEY.

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Correspondence.

A HOME MISSION MOVEMENT.

Not long since, in passing through the town of St. Francisville, La., I was hospitably entertained at the home of Rev. G. P. White. I was impressed, first, by the spirit of the man. Kind, genial, and courteous, he is doing a work for the Master in that thriving town that should command the aid and attention of the entire Louisiana Conference. He was literally breaking ground for a new church and parsonage by removing the crest of a too lofty bluff, and bring it down to the level of ordinary things about him. I feel sure Bro. White will also bring his teaching to a level of the understanding of all.

Land is valuable in this Capernaum, for I was reliably informed that a building lot was worth from three to five hundred dollars. The zeal, faith and earnestness which undertakes such enterprises as this will succeed. I never knew it to fail; on the contrary, have seen it crowned with glorious results that seemed miraculous.

I write this brief notice of the movement to call the attention of our people to a worthy and richly deserving enterprise.

While greater currents are sweeping through the church, and twin voices calling loudly for means to forward the missionary and educational work, let us not forget the faithful preacher, who, responsive to the command of his Lord and the call of the church, is fulfilling his commission. Living in a rented house, with a small membership for a constituency, and only a meagre pittance from the Domestic Mission Board, he challenges the faith of those among us who have homes and congregations. He and his noble wife must have the assistance needed, or we are untrue to our profession.

S. J. DAVIES.

Arcadia, La., Feb. 10, 1899.

DR. R. S. TRIPPETT.

MR. EDITOR: I send you an extract from a letter from Rev. Dr. R. S. Trippett, a superannuate of the Louisiana Conference, resident in England. JOHN T. SAWYER.

"I have been confined to my room with a severe attack of sciatica. I am a little better now, and I take this opportunity of acknowledging your continued kindness and that of the Bishop and members of the Louisiana Annual Conference. I received the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE with the appointments of the preachers. What changes have taken place in ten years! How few of those remain who were in the Conference when I left! New men come in and enter into the labors of those who have gone before. It appears to me that they do not appreciate the labors, trials and sacrifices of the older brethren as they ought to do. Young men, comparatively, are placed on stations, and the veterans have to give way, and many of them are placed on hard and laborious circuits or districts, which the young men, in their strength and manhood, ought to fill. I trust you will have a good time on the Shreveport district. I used to have many kind friends at Shreveport and different points on the district. Many of them have reached the other glorious shore, and others are still on the way, and I hope to clasp hands with them again in the 'sweet bye-and-bye.' I have had you and the dear brethren of the Louisiana Conference upon my heart every day. I pray for you all continually, that God may bless and prosper you all in the great work of winning souls for Christ. I ever call to mind the sweet fellowship, the refreshing, the heavenly showers of divine grace, which I enjoyed with you in days and years past and gone. And I shall have cause to praise my God forever that I was permitted to be a co-worker with you and the brethren of the Louisiana Conference."

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Mrs. McQueen, Meridian, Central Church: "I write to tell you that the W. C. T. U. and W. F. M. S. gave Dr and Mrs. Featherstun a farewell reception at my house Tuesday afternoon (Jan. 10). Dr. Weems and Dr. Andrews were with us. A goodly number called, but many were kept away on account of rain. Dainty refreshments were served in a tastefully decorated dining-room. Misses Verna Casteli, Mary Green, Ray Cook and Willie May Grace, of the Y. P.'s Society, Central Church, were the tea girls. Many regrets were expressed, and many were the tears shed that would come in spite of all effort to keep them back. But we know that all those who most regretted the departure of our dear pastor will hold up the hands of our new pastor, and make his ministry among us successful."

Extracts from a most interesting letter, Miss S. Smylie: "Our untiring corresponding secretary began a tour of visiting in behalf of the work immediately after our annual meeting. In a recent letter she said: 'My visit to the Conference at Hattiesburg was exceedingly pleasant. The ministers were so nice and thoughtful of the representation of the W. F. M. S. that the report was made on Saturday night at the missionary anniversary meeting. I got a goodly number of subscribers to our W. M. Advocate and Little Worker. . . .

"I met with the W. F. M. Society after Conference, and they promised to be more active in the work. I have great hopes of that society, as there are many bright, intelligent women who belong to it.

"From Hattiesburg I went to Lumberton, and I do not think any Conference officer was ever more cordially welcomed than your corresponding secretary, both by pastor and people. Bro. Huntley said everything to encourage me, and did everything to help to organize, and on Sunday afternoon we organized a good society, of which I hope that we may reap a great harvest.

"From Lumberton I went to Ellisville, and spent two very pleasant days. Bro. Harmon had made an appointment for me to meet the ladies on Friday afternoon, and everything was arranged for organization there.

"Our missionary work in that part of the State is not as well understood as in other parts, and I fear that our Conference meetings not being held where these people can get the advantages of them has been the cause of the lack of interest. But I feel that there will now be a greater interest in the work.

"A letter from Mrs. Trueheart says that Dr. Lambuth advises our Board to enter Cuba at once; that a house has been secured at Santiago, and that very early in the year she hopes to have a missionary in that field."

Will the home workers quicken their steps so as to keep pace with the rapidly growing work in the field? The standard of our motto is high, "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God," but the command, "Go," implies the ability, and the accompanying "Lo! I am with you," nerves us to enter the open doors, which we dare not refuse to enter.

Mrs. Trueheart, in the Review of Missions: "There are five other cities quite as needy and quite as ready for us as this (Santiago), but when the necessary funds are not in hand we are compelled to move slowly. Much has been done for Cubans who have landed on our shores, but the welcome accorded and the help tendered are not sufficient. They have not come seeking our Christ; they have come for protection, for our civilization, our trade, and, while many of them learn of Christ, they do not return to Cuba to proclaim the truth—at least, only a small per cent. of them. We must take the gospel to them, make Christian homes among them, show them how to live honest, happy lives without Virgin intercession or priestly intervention; teach them how to approach the Divine and receive from him.

"The standard of the cross must be set up in every land. We can not excuse ourselves. God has put upon us the responsibility of going or sending, and no time should be wasted. . . . 'The higher life begins for us when we renounce our own will to bow before a divine law,' so said George Eliot, who never uttered a more profound truth; a truth realized by every devoted servant of God.

"The reports of the China Jubilee Conference are inspiring. . . .

"Korea is eager for the gospel, and many are accepting its provisions as well as their long-darkened minds will permit.

"Mexico is coming into the light, and before the new century makes its advent I hope the worship of Mary and the domination of priestcraft will be things of the past.

"Brazil is turning toward a more spiritual worship and a purer morality. If the coming years bring a more liberal people into service, the work of evangelizing the world will be accomplished speedily.

"The 'Dora Rankin Memorial,' 30 cents, including postage. 'Dawn on the Hills of Y'ang,' 25 cents, including postage. These two books should be in every auxiliary." Send to Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, Nashville, Tenn.

MRS. E. D. JONES.

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By referring to the report of Committee on Extension of Work—in Minutes of Home Mission Conference, 1898—it will be seen the aid of presiding elders is especially invoked in organizing Home Mission Societies in their districts. So far—in at least four districts—not a woman has yet consented to act as district secretary. Of course—in all of these districts—there are, perhaps, a number of women willing and capable; but the answer to scores of letters has been always the same: "So much to do; pray have me excused." Will each presiding elder aid us in finding at least one capable, consecrated woman to fill the office of district secretary of home mission work in his district, if still not supplied? The Vicksburg district has accomplished more, perhaps, than all the rest of the Mississippi Conference, because the Vicksburg district secretary has been longer at work, and the district is better organized. A. P.

The Christian Life.

SAINTLY FACES.

Sometimes, in passing through a crowd, we see a face that attracts us by its sweetness of expression. Perhaps it is an old face, crowned with a glory of hoary hairs; yet love, joy and peace shine out of every dot and wrinkle in it. Sometimes it is a young face that beams with health and purity and beauty. But whether old or young, when we see that unmistakable soul-light in a face, we know that the heart behind it is pure, the life is good, and that the body thus illuminated is the temple of the Holy Spirit. To keep the mind occupied with good, pure, useful, beautiful and divine thoughts precludes the possibility of thinking about, and thus being tempted by, things sinful, low, or gross. It is because Paul knew this that he says so earnestly: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are of good report, think on these things." In the well formed habit of thinking pure thoughts lies the secret of being pure in heart, and in the daily and nightly meditation in the law of the Lord is a safeguard against many of the sins which defile the carnal heart, and debase and blacken the countenance.—Scottish Reformer.

HAPPINESS AND GREATNESS.

It is of no use for a person who is not habitually happy to count himself either very good or very great; for his gloom convicts him as lacking in faith and hope and love. And most surely no one amounts to much who does not excel in all three of these things. They are fundamental to high character. Little goodness without much love, and he in whom love abounds will certainly be glad, for in making others happy he can not fail to be happy himself. Little goodness if faith be small, for faith puts us in touch with God, who is the sole source of virtue, and a vigorous faith scatters the clouds, making sunshine in the soul. The man whose hope is scanty, who looks on the dark side of things and takes sad views, will, of course, be sad, and must, to some degree, be bad, for he disregards the commandment of God, who says, "Rejoice." And as to true greatness, Christ settles that, and rules out the unhappy by putting the crown on those who serve. They who are occupied in genuine ministration to the needs of others have so little time or disposition to think of self that it is impossible for them to be unhappy.—Zion's Herald.

Love is always building up. It puts some line of beauty on every life it touches. It gives new hope to discouraged ones, new strength to those who are weak, new joys to those who are sorrowing, thus enabling them to go on in life's ways when, without the cheer, they must have sunk down in their disheartenment. It helps the despairing to rise and start again. It makes life seem more worth while to everyone into whose eyes it looks. Its words are benedictions. Its every breath is full of inspiration. It does good, and never evil, all its days. It is like God, whose name is love. It carries in its influence a perpetual revealing of God. It goes through the world like an angel of joy and peace, singing into human hearts the song of heaven, scattering everywhere good seeds which shall yield a harvest of righteousness.—Westminster Teacher.

If you wish to discover the source of a man's strength, you must trace his life, with its environment of words and works, beyond busy cities and mountainous plains, to some secluded and unpretending spot amid the everlasting hills. The strength which comes from the secret place of God will be the inspiration of everything which he thinks and does, and everything which he hopes and suffers. No doubt, as years come and go, his life will re-inforce itself from every quarter, and will cut its channel through many rocky obstacles; but every great life is at the beginning a jet from the heart of things, and on to the eternal sea will carry the flavor of that first freshness.—Rev. John Watson, D. D.

A beautiful anecdote is told of the student history of Thomas a Kempis, which illustrates his elevated piety. His preceptor asked a class of which he was a member, "What passage of Scripture conveys the sweetest description of heaven?" One answered, "There shall be no more sorrow there." Another, "There shall be no more death." Another, "They shall see His face." But Thomas a Kempis, who was the youngest of all, said, "And His servants shall serve Him."—Exchange.

We are all too apt to separate the gospel from our work-day doings. We push its happening back to far-off and long ago. So the truth becomes unreal. We need to know that our saints did not live in painted glass, robed in old gold and crimson, with halos about their heads. We need to know that life did not move to the organ's solemn roll, speaking a tongue remote and calm, and exquisitely quaint.—Selected.

Fidelity in trifles and an earnest seeking to please God in little matters is a test of real devotion and love. Let your aim be to please our dear Lord perfectly in little things, and to attain a spirit of child-like simplicity and dependence.—Jean Nicholas Gron.

A MINISTER'S STATEMENT

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INDIAN MISSION.

I once more call the attention of the friends of the Indian Mission to the fact that we still owe Jim Johnston, our Choctaw preacher, about $10. I have $3 in hand, leaving a balance of about $7 to raise. Three brethren at Conference promised $1 each. If that was paid, would leave only about $4.

Now, will the brethren not send amounts promised, and will not others send enough to finish up? Please send as the preacher needs it, and we want to raise $75 or $100 to pay our Choctaw preachers for preaching and interpreting for our missionary to the Indians for 1899.

Brethren and sisters, friends of the Indian Mission and of Christ, our Savior, will you not help? Will you not help to raise this poor, benighted people up from heathen darkness into the light and liberty of the gospel? Do not allow me to write again. Send the amount necessary at once to supply the want for the entire year. God will bless you in doing your duty.

Your brother in Christ and for the salvation of all men, A. D. MILLER.

Bermanville, Miss., Feb. 9, 1899.

THE DRUM BEAT

of consumption is a hacking cough. It sounds a melancholy dirge in the march to the coffin. How many swell the ranks of this gloomy procession who could have been saved by a timely resort to the King of cures, Marsden's Balm.

PROGRAMME.

There will be regular services by the pastor, Bro. K. A. Jones, in Okolona, Sunday, March 26, preparatory to doing much work during the week for the town and the Aberdeen district in the spirit and power of Christ.

Preaching Monday, 7:30 P. M.; subject, "The Relation of House or Home to the Church of God."

Preaching Tuesday, 7:30 P. M., by Bro. B. F. Phillips; subject, "The Secret of Success upon the Part of the Preachers and Laymen."

Preaching Wednesday, 7:30 P. M., by Bro. K. M. Harrison; subject, "Gift, Office and Proper Use of the Holy Spirit."

Thursday, 8:30 A. M., we shall begin to discuss freely for instruction and inspiration the following topics:

"The Preacher Is the Leader; How Shall He Be Prepared?"—K. M. Harrison and R. A. Tucker.

"The Relation of Christian Education to Missions"—W. W. Woollard and J. C. Lowe.

"The Duties of the Stewards to the Pastor"—W. A. Bowlin and G. S. Sanders.

"The Best Methods for Revival Work"—K. A. Jones and L. W. Hollinsworth.

"My Obligations Growing Out of the Great Commission"—B. S. Myers and E. P. Craddock.

"What Is the Most Effective Way of Creating a Greater Missionary Spirit—One Worth One Hundred Cents on the Dollar?"—J. W. Bell and J. W. Raper.

"The Co-operation That Should Be Between the Pastor and Official Laity"—J. W. Anderson, H. M. Young, and J. T. Derritt.

"The Benefits Derived unto All the Interests of the Church by Pastoral Visiting According to the Discipline"—B. F. Phillips and M. L. Ward.

We hope and expect that every preacher will be on time to say something worthy of his desires and ambition, and to hear as a learner and A. M.

We cordially invite all laymen who can to be with us.

Friday, 8:30 A. M., we shall open the Epworth League District Conference. We have an excellent program, which will be forwarded to you at an early date. We truly ask a large attendance at these meetings. Come, dear brethren and friends, with proper preparation and "prayer in the Holy Ghost," that we together may appreciate more fully the mind of the Master concerning this great country committed to our stewardship.

Nothing could be more absurd or unreasonable than for a man to try to live a Christian life and keep it a secret. "Ye are the light of the world," says Christ. If we have no light to help others to heaven, then we have no real Christianity, because if we have a light, that light must shine out upon others. If we are Christians, the world will know it.—Rev. C. O. Harvey.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. B. H. Sheppard, Lisbon and Summerfield charge, Feb. 6, 1899: "At our Conference at Mansfield I was returned to this work, which is my third year here. We have a good work here, a good and loyal people, good church houses, good Sabbath-schools and prayer meetings, and large congregations; and, so you see, something to inspire us to work. Our people have been financially depressed for two years on account of the drouth, but last year we had a good crop, and so now we have a living, and are looking forward with hope. We are trying, with some success, to increase the circulation of the ADVOCATE. Have sent in eleven names lately. With the ADVOCATE in every home, success would be assured, and loyalty a fixed thing in our church. We are working and praying to make this a great year in the history of this work."

M'COMB CITY STATION.

We reached this place on time after Conference. Several of the brethren and friends met us at the train with a carriage, and accompanied us to the parsonage, where we were met by a number of ladies, who had a nice supper in readiness for us. After supper we held prayer with them, and then we were left in possession. We found the larder well stocked with such things as are necessary to the life of the body. Even the wood yard had not been forgotten. As soon as possible I began visiting the people, and although we have spent only four Sabbaths in this place, yet I am thankful to God that I am able to announce that we have had fifty-three accessions since we have taken charge of this church. It does me much good to say that we have a religious choir. Each member is not only a member of our church, but each one is regenerated. I believe the credit belongs to Bro. Morse in ridding the choir of all the unconverted. He, Bro. Nicholson and Bro. Burton did good work here during their pastorate here. The ADVOCATE is much neglected, we are sorry to say, but we purpose doing what we can for it at once.

Our first Quarterly Conference has been held, and I am glad to announce that we are much pleased with our new presiding elder, Dr. H. Walter Featherstun. He presided over and conducted our Conference in a manner creditable to any brother of long experience in such a business. He inquired rigidly into the various interests of our church.

Be it sufficient to say that we are well pleased, and that we are exceedingly thankful that we have work enough to keep us busy all the time. The brethren will please to pray daily for my family and myself to become much wiser, holier, healthier, and much more useful.

ISAAC L. PEEBLES.

LAFAYETTE, LA.

In answering the forty sixth Annual Conference question, Bishop Morrisen announced that my field of labor for another year was Lafayette, that being my fourth appointment to this place. Some of the brethren afterwards said to me, "He sent you back to do your work over." Be this as it may, the good people here have given us as many evidences of kindly feeling and brotherly love the fourth "coming to them" as the first. Yea, even more. This is a source of great encouragement to me. To feel welcome is to feel as a minister should when he reaches his new field of labor, or one to which he has been newly appointed. Since Conference we have had about six bright, beautiful Sabbaths in succession, but the last two were gloomy indeed. The congregations on these two were not as large as usual.

Our new presiding elder has made us two visits—one to preside over the district stewards' meeting, the other to hold my first Quarterly Conference, which met on the twenty-fourth of January. For the very short quarter I had a short report, but of sufficient length in some respects to encourage both pastor and people. My stewards had made the assessment for the pastor's support, which was perfectly satisfactory to the preacher. Judging from the amount of quarterage reported at the first Quarterly Conference, and by the figures for the past three years, I am confident of a liberal support for the year 1899.

Several of my members have been sick with the "grippe," and some of them have not yet been released, though they are recovering, and will soon resume their places of labor in the Sunday-school and church. With new church and parsonage buildings, and both free from debt, why should not this be the most prosperous year in the history of this organization? Let us greatly desire, expect and labor for it.

May God bless our efforts to build up his kingdom in this part of his moral heritage, and may he abundantly bless your labors in promoting the interests of his eternal kingdom! "Pray for us."

I. T. REAMES.

FROM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TO YAZOO CITY.

At the last session of the Mississippi Conference I was removed from Crystal Springs and placed in Yazoo City. Seventeen years ago I was first appointed to Crystal Springs, and remained there four years. It was one of the most pleasant and successful pastorates I ever had. Two years ago I was appointed to that charge again, and received about the warmest welcome back to my old congregation I had ever enjoyed. I went to work desiring and expecting to spend another four years among them, but at the end of the second year I was removed. For some reasons I would have chosen to remain among those good people had it been left to me to decide, but I am thoroughly loyal to the system of my church, and so, without a word, proceeded to remove to Yazoo City.

Thirty-four years ago I first came to Yazoo City as pastor. I was then young, in my twenty-fourth year, and, of course, inexperienced; but I remained here two years, and did the best work I could do under the circumstances. The times were full of trouble and excitement, but we had a congregation of good people here, and they were faithful to their church and pastor. What changes since then! Yazoo City then had, perhaps, 2,000; now, perhaps, 6,000 inhabitants. Many improvements have been made in the appearance and sanitary condition of the town, as well as in its business and in its material wealth, and also in its educational facilities and church accommodations. Our church, though now much stronger, numerically and financially, than it was then, has not kept up with the growth of the town. If it had, it would now be, perhaps, the strongest church in the State.

Arriving in Yazoo City on the morning of Jan. 13, we were met at the depot by one of the stewards, who sent us up to the parsonage in carriages, where we found a bevy of ladies to welcome us to our new home, with fires in the grates and a hot breakfast on the table. God bless the dear women of our church! How could this itinerant system ever be managed with any satisfaction without them? And, lo! some who arranged the parsonage for us thirty-four years ago, when we first began housekeeping, are here now to receive us again. But the places of others are vacant. Many precious saints have gone up to God from Yazoo City since then. Others have gone to other fields of service. Among this number I remember Mrs. Kidd, now the wife of Bishop Key, living at Sherman, Texas. Part of the time of my former pastorate here she was the superintendent of my Sunday-school, and a more efficient superintendent I never had. She now presides over one of the largest schools for girls in the South, and blesses the home of one of our chief pastors.

It is due my predecessors to say that I find the church here in a good spiritual condition. If there are any factions, I have not found them; and, be it known, I am not hunting for them. The best way to create factions is to assume that they exist, and go to searching for them. You will then at least imagine you have found them, and, in all probability, by the aid of Satan, you will soon produce them. Then the most ungracious thing you can do is to charge your predecessor with having created them. This church seems to me to be united, well organized, and spiritual. And it is due this church to say they have only good things to report of their former pastors. In nearly every place you will find some who will entertain the new preacher with criticisms on the old one. I am glad to say this is not the case here, and to their praise be it said. And now for the best work of my life. If God will give me health and strength, it shall all be devoted to his service in this inviting field. W. B. LEWIS.

How the angels of God must shrink back when they come in contact with men's moral deformities! Hypocrisy, deceit, vanity, slander, ambition, lust; these are the common sins of our common humanity, to be got rid of only as we feel the influences of the Holy Spirit moving with sweet and sacred compulsion upon our own.

To be the mother of many children is ranked among nature's chief blessings but when the cares of the busy housewife are added to the trials of frequent motherhood, it is too great a burden for a woman who is not in prime health and condition. Every woman who is called upon to bear the ordeal of bringing many children into the world needs the support and reinforcement of that wonderful strength promoting "Favorite Prescription" originated by Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., and one of the most eminent of living specialists in treating the ailments of women.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

Love thyself last. The world shall be made better
By thee if this brief motto forms thy creed.
Go follow it in spirit and in letter.
This is the true religion which we need.

If yon can not be a golden pippin, don't, for spite, tnrn crab-apple.—Exchange.

It has ever been tho man with an idea that has changed the face of the world.—Exchango.

To let revenge die in the action is high, to let it die in tho thonght is snpreme.—W. B Spear.

Gnard your weak point. Be lord over yonrself. No chain is stronger than its weakest link.—Selected.

Method is like packing things in a box; a good packer will get in half as mnch again as a bad one.—Cecil.

The greatest need of our government is a fuller application of the principles of righteousness to public affairs.—Standard.

It is much more important to be ready for Christ's coming at any moment than to know just when he will come again.—Standard.

Any man can sing by day; but only he whose heart has been tuned by the gracious hand of Jehovah can sing in the darkness.—William M. Taylor.

Action repeated becomes habit. Habit long continned becomes second natnre. We are to-day what we were accnstomed to do yesterday and the day before.—Lyman Abbott, D. D.

It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitnde to live after onr own; bnt the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitnde.—Emerson.

Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply nnveil them to the eyes of men. Silently and imperceptibly, as we wake or sleep, we grow and wax strong, we grow and wax weak, and at last some crisis shows ns what we have become.—Canon Westcott.

Keep faith with thy fairest ideal nnto the perfect day. Thou canst not know how many sonls stand in the ray that passes throngh thee, waiting, hnngering, thirsting, groping, for that next step which thy lamp alone can reveal nnto them.—Trinities and Sanctities.

God keeps a school for his children here on earth, and one of his best teachers is named disappointment. He is a rough teacher; severe in tone and harsh in his handling, sometimes, bnt his tnition is worth all it costs. Many of our best lessons through life have been taught us by that same stern old schoolmaster, disappointment.—Theodore L. Cuyler.

We may bewilder onr brains with speculations about the relation between God's sovereignty and man's freedom, bnt, when it comes to practical work, we have to put out the best and most that is in us to prevent God's will from being thwarted by rebellious men, and to insnre its being carried into effect throngh onr efforts.—Alexander Maclaren.

THE EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

It speaks volnmes for the progressiveness and vigor of Methodism that the leading branches thereof are a nnit in having nndertaken to greet the dawn of the now century with a liberal thank-offering for edncational and philanthropic pnrposes. The pathway of Methodism, with her precions doctrines of a fnll, free and conscions salvation, her matchless itinerant system, and her emphasis of heartfelt religior, has indeed been radiant with the light of snblime achievement; but her glorions mission to the world is not yet accomplished; her lofty destiny has not yet been fnlly realized. While we, her sons, look back with landable pride to a history resplendent with beneficent achievement, we can not repress the conviction that the past is bnt the harbinger of a brighter, nobler fnture, and that with the sweep of the centnries we mnst press forward to a larger and more intelligent nsefulness.

Southern Methodists have come to realize that the perpetnity of the church, as well as the greater efficiency thereof, imperatively demands the better equipment and correlation of onr edncational institntions, in connection with the work of soul-saving. Accordingly, onr last General Conference wisely made provision for celebrating the opening of the twentieth centnry by raising the snm of $1,500,000 for the enlargement and strengthening of onr edncational work; and its admirable plans and snggestions should meet with the heartiest response from every qnarter. As a church, we are committed, heart and soul, to the work of Christian education. Hence, all talk of retrenchment at this point, or of leaving the field to State schools, is the sheerest nonsense. The beneficent results attending the work of denominational schools are too manifest and far-reaching to be sneered at even by the most ardent advocates of State education. But if we are to continne in this work of higher edncation, there is the most nrgent need of the "re-enforcement of onr edncational strongholds." We can not go back. To stand still means that we shall be left behind. We mnst go forward, or fail to meet the momentous opportnnities and responsibilities now upon ns. Unless we keep pace with the educational movements of the times, we can not hope to retain that firm hold npon the public which has hitherto rendered ns so influential as a denomination. Vital religion mnst go hand in hand with intelligence, or else degenerate into narrowness, bigotry, and weakness. Well does Bishop Galloway say in his recent appeal: "If Methodism is to live and grow as a distinct and mighty ecclesiastical and spiritnal organization, if it is not to pass on as a simple revival influence affecting the life of other churches, the conserving and reproducing forces of education mnst receive intelligent and increased attention."

While we have a goodly nnmber of schools and colleges nnder onr control and espionage, nearly all of them are greatly hampered by lack of fnnds; some of them shamefully so. Hence the faculties in many of them are mnch too small, and the equipment in the way of apparatus, libraries, etc., entirely inadequate to secnre the best results. In spite of snch disadvantages, onr church schools have done a noble work; bnt it is high time for ns to set about improving onr methods and onr machinery.

"Scatteration," or the over-multiplication of schools nndertaking to do the same class of work, has been one of onr mistakes heretofore. Now, it is proposed to correlate and concentrate. The recommendation of the Educational Commission that the Annual Conference, or Conferences, in each State nnite on not more than two colleges—one for boys and one for girls—if carried ont, will result in a reduction of the nnmber of onr colleges and in an increase in the nnmber of academies. Seventy-five per cent. of the "Educational Fnnd" to be raised by each Conference is to be nsed in endowing and equipping the college, or colleges, within its bounds which the Conference Board of Education shall designate. Thus, by endowing and thoronghly equipping one, or more, schools in each State, our leaders hope to greatly increase improved edncational advantages, and at the same time decrease the cost of getting an education.

For this most praiseworthy undertaking Southern Methodism asks the modest sum of only $1,500,000, whereas the Wesleyan Methodists, with a membership of only 772,000, propose to raise a "Twentieth Centnry Fnnd" of $5,000,000, and the Northern Methodists, with a membership of not qnite donble onr own, have nndertaken to raise a thank-offering of $20,000,000. We shonld not be content with a dollar less than the snm asked for. This snm wonld not be too mnch to apply to the endowment of one college or university.

In several of onr Conferences, notably the Lonisville and the Virginia, an anspicions beginning has already been made, and the canvass is being vigorously pnshed. It is time for ns in this section to be np and doing, or we shall march at the rear of the procession. No pastor or officer in the church can afford to be apathetic toward this movement. The success thereof is absolntely dependent npon the vigorous co-operation of onr pastors and onr leading laymen. Wherever the people are being thoronghly informed on the snbject, gratifying enthnsiasm and liberality are being manifested. It is nnwise, however, to begin taking this collection nntil the light has been trnned on, and deep interest has been aronsed. There mnst be thorough organization and preparation, diligent instrnction, and general, as well as generous, co-operation, if we expect to reach the mark we have set. It will take "a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether," to succeed. Let every man do his part, and do it at once. Gratitnde to God for his signal blessings ought to inspire ns to do onr best.

NEW BOARD OF EXPERTS.

The State Board of Health at its meeting Wednesday elected a Board of Experts, the personnel of which can not fail to command the full respect and confidence of the community, being composed of Dr. Joseph Holt, ex-president of the State Board of Health; Dr. T. S. Kennedy, ex-president of the Board of State Medical Examiners; Dr. Ernest S. Lewis, professor of general and clinical obstetrics and diseases of women and children in the Tulane Medical College; Dr. F. Loeber, house snrgeon of the Tonro Infirmary; Dr. Rudolph Matas, professor of general and clinical snrgery in the Tulane Medical College, head of the snrgical department and a man of international reputation; Dr. F. W. Parham, ex-house snrgeon of the Charity Hospital, and Dr. L. F. Salomon.

These gentlemen, who were elected to serve in the extremely responsible and onerous positions of experts, are gentlemen whose eminence in their profession, and whose special knowledge of yellow fever, gained by long years of experience, will be an absolnte gnarantee to the people of New Orleans, to the State of Lonisiana and to all the adjacent States that every case of fever, whether snspicions or gennine yellow fever, will be immediately reported to the Board of Health.

It will be observed that the gentlemen elected are, almost without exception, physicians who made reports of fever cases that came under their observation dnring last Summer and Fall, and who were adversely, and in some cases severely, criticised for such action by those who were either convinced that the physicians were wrong in their diagnoses or who qnestioned the advisability of reporting what they believed to be a mild form of yellow fever.

The election, therefore, of those physicians who, even nnder the stress of great pnblic excitement, and even of severe and nnmerited denunciation, dared to perform their whole dnty under the law, is at once the greatest compliment that conld be paid them and the best gnarantee that could possibly be offered to the people of all the Southern States that the truth, the whole truth, and nothing bnt the tnith will be told in regard to cases of yellow fever in New Orleans.—Times-Democrat.

The above, from the Times-Democrat of the seventeenth, describes the situation exactly as it is. No State in the Union can produce a more competent Board of yellow fever experts than that named above. Moreover, they are men who will "tell the trnth, the whole truth, and nothing bnt the trnth," nnder all circumstances. The public may, therefore, rest assnred that due notice will be given if a single case of yellow fever shonld make its appearance in this city. We will take this occasion to remark, however, that the danger-point now is not New Orleans, but Havana. The cold weather has undonbtedly exterminated every fever germ in the United States. But on account of the increased amonnt of travel between this country and Cnba, there is very great danger of the introdnction of fever from there to any of our seaports nnless the most rigid qnarantine regnlations prevail. The United States government owes it to her citizens to protect them from this peril.

A RIGHTEOUS DECISION.

By a recent decision of the Supreme Court of Lonisiana hnlidozers are held peonniarlly responsible for the results of their high-handed doings in driving off laborers, etc. The effects of this decision will be far-reaching and condncive to the pnblic weal.

CORRECTIONS.

In our editorial, of last week, on "Consecration," we quoted the passage of Scriptnre, "We lie and do not the truth." Our types were wicked enough to insert the word "tell" before "the." In onr notice of Dr. Hoss's book, the nnmber of pages is given as 432, instead of 132.

A NEW BOOK.

THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS. By Rev. John Fearnley. 52 pages. Bound in leatherette, gilt top. Price, 35 cents. New York: James Pott & Co., publishers, Fourth avenue and 22nd street.

This is an attractive and striking booklet that, in the opening paragraphs, describes in a graphic way the manner and results of the Apostle Paul's conversion, and then proceeds to show that the same characteristics that marked Paul's service of Christ mnst reappear in the life of every trne disciple. Paul's life, with its missionary jonrneys, its connUess hardships and perils, its loss of all things for the gospel's sake, "is a pictnre, on a large scale, and in vivid colors," as the anthor points ont, "of the only life worth living." Under the four heads of "the Vision that beckons, the Voice that calls, the Presence that strengthens, and the Power that lives," the essential featnres of a gennine Christian experience are set forth in a simple, bnt forcefnl and pleasing way. We agree with another reviewer in saying that this volnme "sparkles with good things," and those who read it can hardly help being nplifted thereby. It is not controversial or sectarian, and is, therefore, well snited for circnlation among the general pnblic. It answers admirably as a small gift book, and will be found on sale by Hansell & Bro., 714 Canal street, New Orleans.

A PASTORAL EXPERIMENT.

It is an amazing thing that some pastors find it possible to get along in their work without the aid of a church paper. A minister within the last five years went to one of the large churches of the West and found it with a membership of five hnndred, and yet without a dozen copies of any church paper in Methodism taken in the whole nnmber. He was grieved, hnmiliated, alarmed. He had been accnstomed to ntilize religions journalism as one of the elements of his nsefnlness, and he hardly nnderstood at first how it was possible to carry on even temporarily the work of a great church organization without the assistance to which he had become accustomed. He found npon inqniry that previous pastors had not made much effort to secnre snbscriptions to our periodicals, and that the people, therefore, were really ignorant of Methodistic plans, nsages and economy. He set ont at once to remedy the defect he found in the charge, concinding that it was impossible for him to get along without the aid which the church paper in the home affords every pastor. In his efforts to secnre snbscribers he took his church record, went over it, name by name, and singled ont fifty families, who, he found, were not taking any church paper. He sent a specimen copy of the Central Christian Advocate to each one of these homes, accompanying it with a personal letter in which he indicated his conviction that every Methodist ought to have the paper, and in which he ontlined his estimate of the value of the Central as a help to religious life in the family. He followed np this effort by personal appeals, by talks in the prayer meetings and by announcements in the pulpit. One-third of those to whom the letters were sent, with specimens accompanying, immediately snbscribed, and others followed shortly afterward. In a charge where five persons took the Central there are now sixty snbscribers, all because one pastor took the case in hand and worked it np. What was done in that charge can be done in others. —Central Advocate.

We commend the above to the pastors in our patronizing Conferences.

HELP FOR CUBA.

We gratefully acknowledge the responses to the appeals which have been made in behalf of Cnba. God is stirring the hearts of our people. A layman in Mississippi offers to support a missionary for five years at $800 a year. A pastor in Georgia pledges his church to $600 for another missionary, over and above the regular collections. The Epworth Leagues in that State pledge to raise $1,000 a year for three years, to be applied in the same way. These are in addition to $800 snbscribed by the Florida and South Georgia Conferences, respectively, in response to Bishop Candler's earnest presentation of the needs of our Cnban Mission. Smaller amonnts—snch as $10 from a brother Epworth Leagner of Selma, Cal., and $5.10 from the League at Pilot Grove, Mo.—are indicative of the same earnest pnrpose to extend the kingdom.

An offer of another sort comes from the president of a female college in the far South. Our brother, an educator of ability and of experience, for the love he bears to Christ and out of an unselfish desire for the uplifting of Cuba, is ready, at the call of the church, to transfer his family and school plant to the island.—Review of Missions, for February.

TO THE POINT.

MR. EDITOR: A certain preacher's salary was cut, and the colored people heard of it, one of whom said to his steward: "I hear they have cut the white preacher's salary. Why can't we cut our preacher's salary?" "What," said the steward, "you talking about cutting the preacher's salary, and you did not pay a cent last year to feed him? And then I happened to know that you were drinking liquor at Christmas." "Well," said the non-paying Methodist, "I believe I'll jine the Baptists anyhow." Said the steward: "The Baptists say they don't want our no-account members; that if we won't have them, they are not fit to be in their church."

I wonder how many of the white folks who wanted the preacher's salary cut paid him nothing last year, and how many of them were guilty of drinking liquor at Christmas times?

My name I sign "1899."—Wesleyan Advocate.

Upon no question since the Dred Scott decision have the people expressed themselves with such positiveness as against the canteen. The storm against this odious phase of the liquor traffic, which imperils the safety of the nation in time of war, is rapidly rising; and if senators sustain this traffic in the army the storm will break with irresistible fury. They should think seriously before they assume the responsibility of continuing the canteen. That institution is doomed and it "must go." —Northwestern Advocate.

Dentists in Germany are using false teeth made of paper instead of porcelain or mineral composition. These paper teeth are said to be very satisfactory, as they do not break or chip, are not sensitive to heat or cold, or to the action of the moisture of the mouth, and are very cheap.—Popular Science News.

The longer I live, the more deeply am I convinced that that which makes the difference between one man and another, between the weak and powerful, the great and insignificant, is energy, invincible determination, a purpose once formed, and then death or victory.—Fowell Buxton.

Some ministers dare stand in their pulpits and preach as follows: "You must repent, as it were, and be converted, in a measure, or you will be damned to a certain extent."—Evangelical Messenger.

No ship would leave one of the world's harbors without faith; no bank door would open to-morrow. Faith is the very foundation of civilization, the one constant principle; it holds planets, earth and stars, and without this faith we can not walk with Christ.—Rev. David Jones, D. D.

Bishop Candler will try to put fifteen men in the mission fields of Cuba and Puerto Rico at once. The outlook there is bright with promise. Let the church and the League support the Bishop in making so rich a Christmas present to these islands.—Epworth Era.

NOTES.

Rev. W. H. LaPrade, Jr., of the St. Louis Conference, has been in the city on a visit to his parents.

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Rev. B. F. Phillips, of the North Mississippi Conference, has been unwell for several weeks, but is now convalescent.

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Rev. P. R Knickerbocker filled the pulpit of Dryades Street Church, last Sabbath, to the delight and edification of the congregation.

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An able and interesting sermon was preached at Felicity Street Church, last Sabbath, by Rev. I. M. Yonan, a Persian missionary.

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On Monday night, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, in this city, Chaplain Jones, of the U. S. warship "Chicago," delivered a lecture on "The Battle of Santiago Harbor."

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Rev. M. F. Johnson, of the Louisiana Conference, shed the light of his countenance into the ADVOCATE office last week, as did also Rev. D. F. Turner.

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Dr. I. W. Cooper, president of Centenary College, will preach at Carondelet Street Church, next Sabbath, at 11 o'clock A. M. At night he will preach at Algiers.

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Rev. G. S. Sanders, of the North Mississippi Conference, built two churches in '98, and expects to build another in '99. If he keeps this up, he will soon be called Nehemiah.

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In keeping with his previous record, Rev. H. P. Crowe, of the North Mississippi Conference, is doing aggressive work at Arcola and Hollandale, and the Lord is blessing his labors.

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Rev. T. J. Upton would like to have an answer to his question in last week's ADVOCATE. We hope some of our ecclesiastical lawyers will throw light on the problem at once.

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Mrs. Hochendale has been appointed in place of Mrs. L. B Baynard as chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the meeting of the Home Mission Society, to be held at Alexandria, La., March 2-5.

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Rev. F. B. Ormond, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "My people have received me kindly, and we have made a good beginning on Winchester charge. The prospects indicate a prosperous year."

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Rev. Jas. Porter, Olive Branch, Miss., Feb. 18, 1899, writes: "We buried Sister Bott yesterday, wife of Rev. W. W. Bott, a local preacher of this circuit. She died in peace. May the Lord comfort her husband in his lonely home!"

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Rev. Henry Varley, the distinguished evangelist, began his meeting last Sabbath. He preached in the morning at the First Baptist Church, in the afternoon at the Y. M. C. A., and at night at the Coliseum Place Baptist Church.

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We are in receipt of a copy of the "Millsaps Collegian," a monthly magazine issued by the students of Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss. It is a well-edited and neatly-printed periodical, and is an excellent mirror of the work, spirit, and happenings at the institution mentioned. Some of the articles it contains would do credit to older heads. We suggest to the friends of the institution that they encourage the young men in this worthy enterprise by subscribing for their journal. The subscription price is $1 per year. All remittances should be sent to Mr. E. H. Galloway, Jackson, Miss.

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The permanent address of the editor of this department will hereafter be—Jackson, Louisiana.

All correspondents will please note the foregoing and govern themselves accordingly.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Epworth League Conference, on the fifth instant, at Tupelo, Miss., the date for the State Conference was changed from May 18 to June 22.

Mississippi Leaguers will please take notice and remember the new date is June 22 The place is West Point, Miss.

The change was made because of conflicting dates anent school exercises, etc. We hope the present date will be convenient for all, and that the Mississippi Leaguers and their friends will visit West Point en masse in June.

We are now able to state that the Louisiana League Conference will be held (D. V.) at Crowley, La., April 20 23.

It is hoped and expected that every pastor and Leaguer and would-be Leaguer will find their way to Crowley, April 20 23.

The people of this enterprising town on the gulf will throw wide open their hearts and homes and extend a hearty welcome.

This meeting means more enthusiasm for missionary activity, educational enterprise—and a quickening of the spiritual life of all who attend.

The Epworth Mission Sunday-school, which is conducted and supported entirely by the Epworth Leagues of New Orleans, is still doing fine work at 2509 Tulane Ave. The steady increase of scholars demands more teachers.

A very interesting class in the study of the Acts of the Apostles is taught each week at Rayne Memorial Church by Prof. Thos. Carter.

The class at Carrollton Avenue has just finished a year's course in the study of the Gospel according to St. John. They will take up another course next week.

Epworth League Day (Jan. 15) was observed by several of the New Orleans Leagues.

We have received a copy of the Epworth Union Reporter, the organ of the Epworth League Union of Meridian, Miss. It is edited by W. D. Hawkins, the president of the Union, and is to be a medium of communication between the four Epworth Leagues of the city.

We take the liberty of publishing the following letter recently received from a friend in New Orleans, and trust all the Leaguers will read and profit thereby:

DEAR BRO. CLIFFORD: I always read your department with interest, and feel, as you say, that we should rally to your help in giving and exchanging words of cheer, of help—tidings from the workers in different parts of the field. As Bishop Hendrix (I think it is) says: "It is a blessed opportunity for our young people—'opportunity to increase their power and strength for service in the kingdom.'" Oh, may all those dear young Christians be "all for Christ" this year! May they all understand the definition of true discipleship, and then follow Jesus! May all strive to imitate the life of the Savior, and do more for the "suffering, sinning" mass of our brothers and sisters! Do something that will mean sacrifice, self-denial; lift burdens, brighten some poor, darkened home; lead souls to Christ. He is calling loud and long for these lives—these dear young people, blessed with wealth, talent, time. I long, I pray that, with this, another year begun, there is a deeper consecration, a resolve, a desire for more service, sacrifice and souls; for the Christ like, in helping the bodies and souls of these for whom he died; these aching ones in the streets, in the miserable homes, in the hospitals, in the prisons. There is such a need of real work. We must not follow afar. He has trod the way with groans and sobs and tears for us—for lost humanity. There is so much need of personal work. May we all live close to him, spend more time in prayer, and work each day as if that day were the last, and lead many souls to Christ!

Your sister and co-worker in Christ, MRS L. MEEKINS,
Tchoupitoulas Mission, New Orleans.

ORPHANS' HOME DAY.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow us to call the attention of the preachers and people of the North Mississippi Conference to a resolution passed by the last session, whereby the first Sunday in March is to be observed as "Orphans' Home Day." We hope this will be carried out in every congregation, and that at least one service will be held in the interest of the Home by preaching a sermon or other appropriate services. Remember the Home and its inmates in prayers and offerings.

My brethren, Methodism has no more worthy or important interest in the State than this. There is no better evidence of our fidelity to our blessed Lord and his teachings than this Home for the helpless, homeless orphans. It is an institution of which we are not to be ashamed in any company. Let those who think we are running a poor-house come and see it, and be convinced that we have in the highest and best sense a Christian home for these children—a home where the very best attention is given to their bodies, minds, and souls.

Under the management of Rev. M. L. Burton and his most excellent wife, the Home, in all its departments, is a gratifying success. We now have a property with buildings and furnishings worth $14 000. There is not one dollar of indebtedness against it. It has been open about one year, and we have fifty as healthy, well-favored, bright, and happy children as you will find in any orthodox home in Mississippi.

I want to thank Dr. Parker for his notice of Cardinal Gibbons in this week's ADVOCATE. Send him to Cuba, and let him write up the abominations of Catholicism in that country. Just what she has done for these islands she will do for us. This is America's opportunity to teach Catholicism a short, but important lesson. It will have to be done, and will cost us less now than ever again. Yes! Let the committees meet, and let Spain and the church agree to the amount; then add to this the debt they owe to Cuba, and let America demand that the church pay the last farthing. W. S. LACRONE.

Water Valley, Miss. Feb. 15 1899.

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PROHIBITION.

The Wilson Quarterly Conference, in session convened, requests the presiding elder, Rev. R. W. Tucker, to request the following-named gentlemen to convene in Clinton, La., on Tuesday, Feb. 28, looking to the interests of prohibition. All good citizens are invited to co-operate.

A. J. Hawsey, W. A. Moody, J. L. C. Jameson, A. E. Miller, F. H. Holder, T. G. Roberts, A. R. Holcombe, M. D.; W. R. McKowen, Zach. Lea, W. W. Worthy, J. G. Carney, J. A. Stott, O. E. Townsend, W. C. Hatcher, W. L. Haney, B. F. Hornsby, G. W. White, John Hodges, J. A. White, Sen.; D. W. McLean, J. S. Smith, W. E Woodward, I. D. Wall, Esq; W. Q. Ratcliff, E. Adler.

D. W. MCLEAN, Sec.

WOMAN'S WORK IN HOME MISSIONS.

TAKE CARE OF THE PARSONAGES.

A great deal has been said of the duty of providing good homes for our preachers, and not a word too much has been said, but there are always two sides to a question. If it is the duty of the people to furnish these homes, it is no less a duty for those who live in them to take proper care of what has been provided for them. It is often true that the church does not do all it should in these matters; but, on the other hand, it happens sometimes that a small church, through real self-denial, builds and furnishes a home for its preacher. Frequently its comforts are purchased at the cost of many little discomforts to those who supply them. If these things are not properly cared for and passed on to the next pastor, the church must again make the effort to do what is needed, or, failing, be censured for indifference to his needs. All these things should be taken into consideration in the use of parsonage property, and it should be held as a trust for the church to be passed on to the next who comes. Should not a committee be appointed to inspect and report annually to the society the condition of parsonages provided?

DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP CURES croup and whooping cough. It is a family necessity, and should always be kept on hand.

BOONEVILLE, MISS.

MR. EDITOR: After two days of sunshine and partial relief from intense cold, it is snowing again. In common with other places, the towns in this section have been short of fuel. In a few instances there has been much suffering.

The preachers of the district are doing their best under the adverse circumstances. They constitute a noble band of good and true men. "Gilderoy" has captured the people of Ripley and New Albany. They say they have the greatest preacher in the Conference; and a great preacher he is. Bro. J. M. Bradley is in full favor at Booneville, and deservedly so. Bro. T. W. Lewis is doing fine work at Corinth. The town has twenty manufacturing enterprises and is attracting a large population, and he is on the alert for every Methodist that comes. His roll and congregations are increasing all the time. Bro. Shumaker begins his third year auspiciously, looking faithfully after all interests of the church. W. F. Rogers enters his third year on the Iuka circuit, and his people say lots of good things about him. B. F. Fullilove started well on the Kossuth circuit, and the future promises good results from his labors. W. A. Clark begins his fourth year on Booneville circuit. He is prompt, methodical and efficient. D. C. Foust enters his second year on Guntown and Baldwyn charge. His people love him and say kind words about his preaching and pastoral work. W. R. Williams is very busy on the Marietta circuit, planning for new church buildings and expecting a revival at every church. F. A. Whitson has impressed most favorably the people on the New Albany circuit. They like him as a man and a preacher. All the other preachers in the district are a choice number of local preachers, and among them is H. C. Parrott, for nearly twenty years a member of the Conference. They have all taken hold in earnest, endeavoring to do the work of a true minister of Christ. Come over and help me. I need you in the heavy work that falls to my lot as presiding elder of a large district. T. Y. RAMSEY.

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POLITENESS AND GOOD-BREEDING.

"Politeness" and "good-breeding" are too often and quite erroneously considered synonyms. Politeness takes its rise from the soul, and from education and examples. Gentility, or good-breeding, is acquired by habit and especially by imitation.

One can be very polite, while failing to observe some of the laws of the code of good-breeding; and one can know and apply all these laws, without being at all polite. It is hardly necessary to point out how superior is politeness to good-breeding, while adding that their union is preferable to their separation.

One can observe very exactly the prescriptions of gentility, send or return cards when circumstances require; pay visits after proper intervals; salute with grace; fail in no duty of society, so-called; in a word, be irreproachable in every conventional duty, and nevertheless not be polite in the true sense of the word. The rules of good breeding constitute a sort of dictionary, whose text one can know or consult, but which does not teach politeness.

The natures which are born with this necessity of politeness are polite, not because the world expects a formal politeness, but because they would suffer if they did not avoid every cause of paining others.

To act always with a politeness which extends below the surface, and thrusts its roots into the heart, and makes part of the feelings, one must determine not to refer everything to himself, not to accept the goodness of others without rendering an equivalent; he must not consider that all things in society exist merely to secure his own personal advantage. We must, to speak it plainly, penetrate to the thought that this egotism is a bad sentiment when it seeks to satisfy self at the expense of others.

It is mortifying enough to be obliged to declare that everywhere among certain classes of the young people of both sexes, confusion exists between good-breeding and politeness. One will salute correctly, and the young misses will make a courtesy, because they have had a dancing master. Of politeness—that politeness which makes certain little sacrifices—I fear they care little. To be seated in an armchair, and to give it up to an aged lady, or to refrain from laughing at anything ridiculous in persons about them, would, in their view, be needless.

Let me add that the responsibility for these serious faults, which only come from dryness of the heart, is not to be entirely imputed to minors themselves. The parents of young girls and young gentlemen heap upon them cares, attentions and consideration, even; but, for fear of crossing them, they have not provoked in them a feeling of responsiveness. To exact anything from these adored creatures—that would be monstrous! No; they must enjoy themselves; let us not impose on them the least sacrifice for others.

Happily, there are exceptions. There are mothers who have known how to infuse into their children generous sentiments, manifesting themselves by a constant and universal politeness.

Recently, a very short-sighted lady, going out from a concert-hall, found herself at the top of a flight of several stone steps, and lacking a railing as well as illumination. She said to her companion, who was in no condition to guide her: "I am certain, as I do not see the steps, to fall from the top of this flight."

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Mark that both these young gentlemen were unknown to her; that they had no present nor remote interest in becoming the guides of one who was and would remain a stranger to them. Here is an example which, better than all reflections, indicates distinctly the difference I have undertaken to establish between good-breeding and politeness. Good-breeding in no way demanded this aid; it was politeness, a beautiful and good politeness, which prompted the desire to assist her. Very deeply moved by the spontaneous act, so rarely exhibited, the lady thus assisted was tempted to say to those young people: "Felicitate for me your mothers; they have brought you up well." But she refrained, through discretion. —Emmeline Raymond, in Success.

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A little later I was calling on some friends and I noticed the same thing. Each member of the family would interrupt the others, and the interruption was considered quite as a matter of course. Then I understood the situation better, and put the blame just where it belonged—on the lack of home training. If the mother grows careless, and allows her children to contract the habit of interrupting one another constantly, she must not be surprised if this habit is carried beyond the home circle, and her children show in society the result of her indulgence or thoughtlessness.

The habit is one of the most unpleasant that can be contracted, and the fact that it is such a common one does not make it one bit the better or the more excusable. It is a habit that grows on one unconsciously, if one does not keep close watch. It should be the care of the mother in the home to teach her children respect for one another, and insist upon that courtesy of treatment which she expects them to give to strangers. Unless politeness is a habit, it will never be a grace. It must be ingrained, and the teaching can not be begun too early.

I wish my girls would keep a little watch upon themselves to see whether they have fallen into this pernicious habit, and if they have, just set to work to break themselves of it at once. It may seem a little thing, but it is one of the indications of fine breeding to treat everyone with the respect due to him as an individual.—Golden Rule.

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He is an exceptional and rarely fortunate young man who has not some habits of deportment which mar his character and influence. It is expected of the wife that she will correct and eradicate these. Unless the husband have an incurable, coarse nature, she is justly held responsible for the polish and neatness of his manners, as much as for the purity of his linen, when he appears in church or society. And, if the wife have unpleasant imperfections of manner or conduct, it always reflects upon the husband. This shows that, by common consent, the family is regarded as a training-school in which the husband and wife, as well as the children, are learners. Such being the case, each should submit to the necessary discipline with pleasure.

But if the habit of cutting and sarcastic words prevails, it will break up that school, and neither can be of any benefit to the other. There is injury as well as unhappiness of very serious character resulting from a sharp tongue in the family. And the sharp tongue may not—usually, at first, does not—represent the real sentiments of the heart, but the bitterness is not long in finding its way to the heart, and there it is liable to remain—not always active, but always ready and always suspected.

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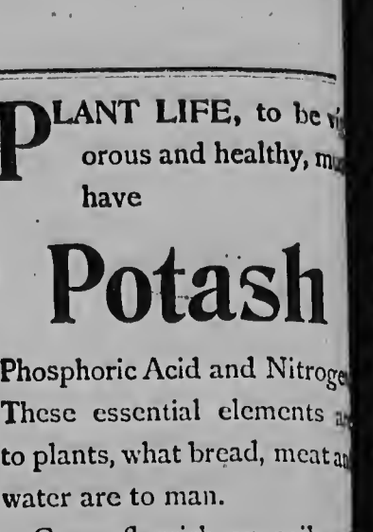

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He was married Nov. 22, 1865, to Miss Margaret F. Campbell, who became to him a loving wife, a true helpmeet, and a devoted companion to his life's latest day.

In 1867 he settled in Avoyelles parish, La., and engaged successfully in farming. By energy, thrift and economy he secured a competency for his growing family. About five years ago he moved to LaFayette parish, and made his home a few miles from the town of LaFayette.

His last illness was such from the first as to alarm the fears of his family. Most of his children were away from home, but, being summoned to his bedside, came in time to receive a father's affectionate recognition. Rev. C. C. Wier was at Mansfield attending the Louisiana Conference; Mrs. Frank Bonner, a daughter, D. D. Smart Wier and Miss Mattie Wier were in Houston, Texas; Robert W. was at White Castle, La. These, with the two younger sons, Earl and Thomas Percy, with their mother, were present to bestow their loving and tender ministries in his last hours. While of late years he did not retain his membership with the church, yet one who knew him well last fall that he has ever led a godly life; that he died very bravely, and seemed perfectly ready.

A devoted husband and an affectionate father, he did much and provided well for his family, giving the advantages of education to his children, and leaving a home and many memories for his bereaved companion. A writer, giving a short sketch of his life in the Times-Democrat, says: "His was a fitting close to a life well spent; a life characterized throughout by a faithful performance of the duties of the father and husband, and by an unswerving devotion to his country. . . . Brave, honest, and charitable, he was likewise by his neighbors, by whom his death was sincerely regretted."

His son, Rev. C. C. Wier, writing to me of the sore bereavement of the family, manifests the spirit of submission to the will of our heavenly Father. "The heart bows very low," he says, "but we can then hear the dear Lord very sweetly say, whispering words of love and comfort." May God, of his tender compassion, minister the consolations of the gospel to every member of the stricken family, and dissipate the shadows from their sorrowing hearts!

T. C. WIER.

MAY—Mrs. THOMAS J. MAY, after four long years of illness, with frequent periods of most intense suffering, entered into rest Dec. 1, 1898. Sister May was born in Davis county, Ky., Feb. 2, 1827. She married Thomas J. May, March 15, 1845, and moved to this city in the Spring of 1846. In 1847, under the ministry of Rev. L. A. Reed, Sister May joined the Methodist Church. Without interruption she has been a faithful and devoted member of the church ever since. Four children survive her: Gen. Eugene May, Mrs. Susie M. Munholland, and Miss Orrie May, residing in New Orleans, and Mrs. E. M. Rogers, of Hopkinsville, Ky. The long-continued illness, with its intense suffering, at times transformed death into a sweet release to Sister May. She was ready to welcome the Bridegroom at the midnight hour, but days of suffering came and went, and though the prayer, "Lord Jesus, come quickly," often, no doubt, arose to her lips, yet he delayed his coming, and kept her here to receive the beautiful ministrations of love from her devoted children. There was also that beautiful life, day by day, of uncomplaining suffering; the very chamber of pain filled with cheerfulness by the sufferer herself. Three sons had already preceded her to the other world. Without complaint she suffered these long, weary months, always greeting her friends as they called with cheerfulness, no repining or rebellion of heart but full of faith in all the long days and longer nights. If any are made perfect through suffering that is physical, surely our subject was thus prepared for welcoming her Lord. She was a devoted mother, and has left her Christian stamp upon her children. They can recall her strong faith, her truly Christian walk before them in all her life; the continued walk as a devout member of the church in the presence of Him who is invisible, yet controlling her life continually.

While pastor, there was none who was a more appreciative listener and more faithful in all her church duties than our departed friend; always giving a glad welcome to our visits, and being in full spiritual sympathy, welcoming the prayer at the hearth-stone. How sweet the rest of the people of God to her after the long conflict, the weary nights of pain! No more suffering. What a haven that is to one who thus had worn out her life in conflict with disease; who could more fully appreciate the sadness of her Lord's deliverance by death that came to her that December morn! We are never ready to give up our loved ones; yet who would wish her back, as she is now so free from all sorrow and pain. May the blessed Comforter be with her loved ones! They must think of her as just gone before to welcome them home, and may they determine to meet her in that home of the blest!

S. S. K

JAYROE—The subject of this sketch, W. W. JAYROE, was born in Neshoba county, Miss., Sept. 1, 1868, and went from labor to reward Feb 1, 1899. After a painful illness of near three weeks he met the last enemy triumphantly.

Bro. Jayroe joined the M. E. Church, South, when a little boy, and lived a beautiful, quiet Christian life until he lived himself into heaven. He was always quiet, preferring to hear rather than to be heard.

He was happily married to Miss Ida Jackson, December, 1889. God blessed this union with five precious little children, all of whom still survive. May God give the mother grace to train the little ones for glory!

Bro. Jayroe was an obedient son, a loving father, and so affectionate husband. He leaves his precious wife, with five children, father, mother, brothers and sister, with many other relatives and a host of friends, to mourn their loss. May the comforting Spirit of the Divine Father attend them in this sad bereavement!

Sleep on, dear one, nor break thy calm repose,
Till God shall call thy sleeping dust,
His glory to disclose.

P. H. HOWSE, Pastor.

REYNOLDS—FRANCIS BLUMER REYNOLDS was born Oct. 7, 1879, and died at his father's residence, J. C. Reynolds, in Claiborne parish, near Lisbon, La., Sept. 7, 1898. He attached himself to the M. E. Church, South, when eight years old. He lived a consistent member until death. He was a good and pious young man. He loved the church, and was always ready to engage in the work of the church when called on to do so.

He leaves a father, mother, and brother, who deeply mourn their loss. They do not mourn without hope. He said he was not afraid to die. His sickness was short, but painful. He suffered much, but without complaint. He has gone from a world of sorrow and trouble. Why it was that one so young and promising should be taken away we do not understand, but God knows best. May God comfort the bereaved! May all meet in the "by and by!"

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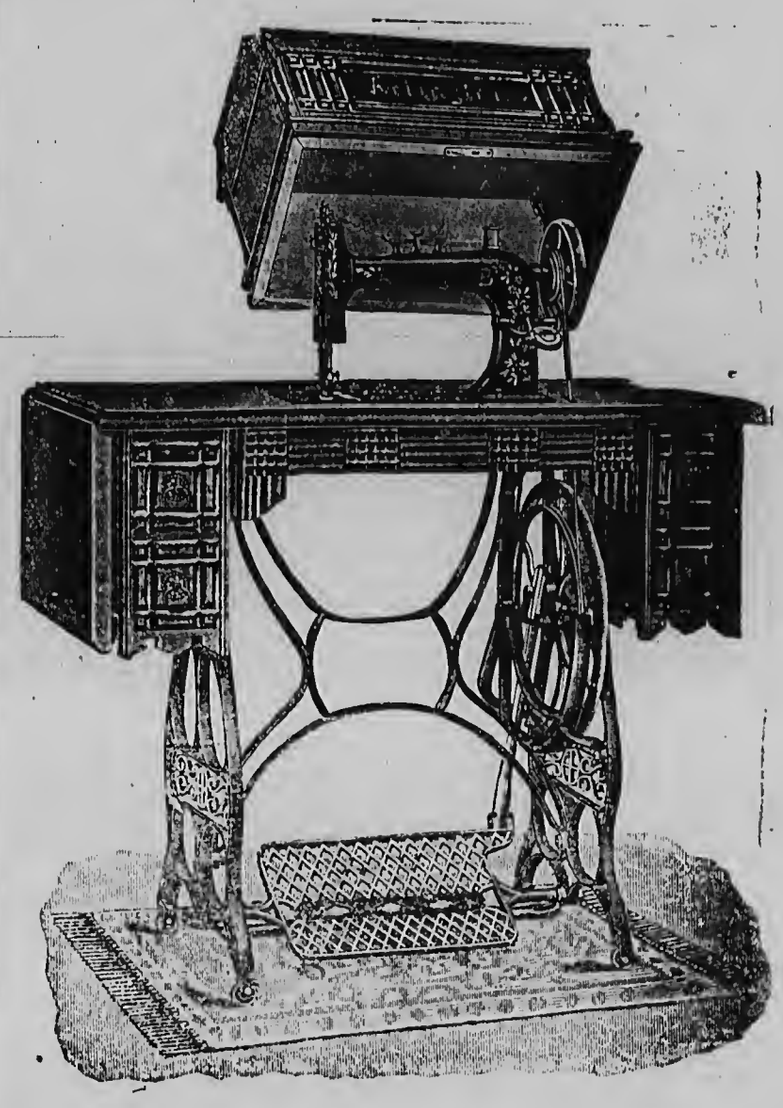

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

There are 87,000 members of the Epworth League in Canada, and they have undertaken the support of twenty-one missionaries.

The anti-smoke ordinance in Kansas City has been sustained in court. The court held that careful firing of furnaces is preventive of the smoke nuisance.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, of this week, a grand mass meeting of taxpayers will be held at Washington Artillery Hall to open the campaign in favor of the sewerage and water special tax.

On Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday the people of this city have been able to witness the unwonted spectacle of vast fleets of heavy ice floating down the Mississippi river.

At the Chirurgical Congress in Berlin, in April, one of the novel features is to be a special exhibition of objects, illustrating the varied use that has already been made of the Roentgen rays.

The Supreme Court of California has declared unconstitutional an act of the Legislature adopted in 1897, granting a general increase in salaries to the officials of the police and fire departments of San Francisco. The decision will save the city about $60,000 a year.

Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, having been granted permission to answer the charges recently made against him in a communication recently sent to the Senate, has handed to the Committee on Naval Affairs his statement, in which he disclaims any purpose of controversy with the naval department.

Wellington, Kan., built a new jail last year, and the authorities determined to name it after the first prisoner who might be confined in it. This prisoner proved to be a woman, Mrs. Horton, and the institution was promptly named "Horton jail." Now it has been proven that the woman was innocent, and she proposes to sue the Wellington authorities for damages.

The President has announced that the Army Bill must be passed, or an extra session of the next Congress will be called. He will not even be satisfied with a compromise. Many Republicans are opposed to the measure or are lukewarm, but the administration whips are out and hard at work. Democrats are willing to yield something, but will not agree to an army of 100,000 men.

During last week the Naval Affairs Committee of the Senate presented a bill, which was promptly passed, providing for the revival of the grade of Admiral of the Navy. The officer nominated to this office is not to be retired, except at his own request, and the office is to terminate with the death of the person upon whom it is conferred. It is, of course, understood that the grade of Admiral of the Navy is to be revived for the purpose of rewarding Rear Admiral Dewey.

Secretary Hay has decided to refer to the attorney general for an opinion on the application of an American syndicate for a concession from this government to construct a purely American cable line between the United States, Cuba and Porto Rico. This matter has been under consideration by the State Department for some time, but in view of the question whether the Executive has the power to grant such concessions in the absence of express legislation it was deemed advisable to obtain the opinion of the attorney general.

Saturday the French National Assembly convened at Versailles, and on the first ballot elected M. Loubet, who, as president of the Senate, was presiding officer of the National Assembly, President of France. The vote showed a good majority for M. Loubet; in fact, he had no serious opposition. It had been feared that trouble would follow the death of M. Faure; but apparently his successor has been chosen without serious opposition and without disturbance of any kind more serious than small street riots, precipitated by the Dreyfus and anti-Dreyfus factions.

But few days remain of the present session of Congress, and as many matters of importance, including a number of the big appropriation bills, remain to be acted on, it will require unremitting hard work to get through before adjournment. The Hawaiian Government bill and the Alaska bills have no show of receiving consideration. Of the important appropriation bills the Army, the Navy, the Deficiency and the Fortifications bills have not yet come from the House of Representatives, and the Postoffice bill and the Rivers and Harbors bill are now being considered in the Upper House.

As General Gomez approaches Havana his plans reveal themselves and demonstrate that the old general possesses as much political astuteness as military judgment. All along the route he is receiving ovations, such as the Latin people delight to give to popular heroes. Having accepted the tribute of the public, Gomez invariably turns to the pro-Spanish element, extending the open hand of friendship and making a proposition for forgiveness and forgetfulness in order that all may unite in forwarding the national idea and prosperity of Cuba. His advances have been generously received.

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Wesley, at Holly Springs	25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Mansfield	9
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Gansville	11, 12
Arcadia	18, 19

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St. Francisville, at Concord	Mar. 4, 5
Jackson	5, 6

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Floyd	11, 12
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Wimsboro	25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr. 1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

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SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Sardis	Mar. 12, 13
Como	18, 19
Nesbit	25, 26
Arkabutla	Apr. 1, 2
Senatobia	2, 3
Batesville and Wesley	8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando	15, 16
Cockrum	20, 21
Wall Hill	22, 23
Courtland	29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May 6, 7
Tyro	12
Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Orwood mission	19
Eureka	20, 21
Longtown	27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

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Sallis, at Harmonia	Mar. 11, 12
Ebenezer, at Bethany	15
Kosciusko station	18, 19
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Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	8, 9
Pickens, at Pickens	15, 16
Ackerman, at Weir	22, 23
Durant station	29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge	May 6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland	13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
Belzena	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June 3, 4
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The Preachers' Meeting will be held at Sallis, April 5 and 6.

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Iuka circuit	Mar. 11, 12
Iuka circuit	night.. 12
Corinth station	18, 19
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Booneville circuit	Thurs.. 30
Blue Springs circuit	Apr. 1, 2
Kossuth circuit	Fri.. 7
Corinth circuit	8, 9
Saltillo circuit	15, 16
Guntown and Baldwyn	night.. 16
Jacksboro circuit	Fri.. 21
Ripley circuit	22, 23
Marietta circuit	29, 30
Brown's Creek circuit	Fri.. May 5
Belmont circuit	6, 7
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McNutt	4th " " " " "
Black Hawk	1st " " " " Mar.
Dublin and Webb	2nd " " " " "

W. S SHIPMAN, P. E.

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Mayersville, at Mayersville	Feb. 25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar. 4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs	11, 12
Satartia, at Benlonlo	18, 19
Utica, at Utica	25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr. 1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah	8, 9

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Salem	Feb. 11, 12
Fayette	18, 19
Jefferson Street	24, 26
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Meadville	Mar. 4, 5
Roxie	11, 12
Percy's Creek	18, 19
Woodville	25, 26
Brandywine	Apr. 1, 2

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PROGRAMME.

Arcadia District Preachers' Meeting will convene in the Methodist Church at Arcadia, Tuesday morning, March 21, at 9 A. M. One hour prayer service, conducted by Rev. T. B. White, D. D.

The following is the program for the meeting: Preaching twice each day, at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The District Epworth League will occupy one day. Program furnished by district officers.

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1. Need of the Holy Spirit in All Our Work. Led by Rev. J. M Franklin.

2. What Do We, as Pastors, Need Most in Order to Succeed? Led by Rev. N. S. Cornell.

3. Our Duty to the Church and the Unsaved in Our Charges. Led by Rev. C. P. Smith.

4. How Shall We Enlarge and Reach the Best Results in Our Sunday-schools? Led by Rev. A. J. Notostine.

5. Who, and What, Should Our Superintendents and Teachers Be? Led by H. Armstrong.

6. How Shall We Proceed in Order to Have a Great Revival in Every Pastoral Charge in the District? Led by Rev. B. H. Sheppard.

7. How Can We Secure All Our Collections Ordered by the Annual Conference? Led by S. J. Davies.

8. How Shall We Proceed to Get Our Conference Organ in All Our Methodist Homes, and Increase the Circulation of Our General Organ, and What Will the Profit Be? Led by Rev. W. F. Henderson.

9. What of Visiting from House to House, and Are We Doing It? Led by H. M. Banks.

Let each and every preacher, traveling and local, come prepared to take part in this meeting, and suggest anything that may help carry forward the work of the church. We very much desire the attendance of as many of our laymen as can come, that we may have their counsel and fellowship.

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May the blessings of Almighty God rest on your efforts, and the Holy Spirit guide you in this behalf!

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BEADLES—HUGGIN.—At the residence of the bride's father Rev. J. M. Huggin, who officiated, Feb. 6, 1899, Mr. Earnest W. Beadles to Miss Annie Mamie Huggin.

STEINHAUER—HOFFMIRE.—At the Methodist parsonage at Hay St. Louis, Miss., on the evening of Feb. 14, 1899, by Rev. J. P. Drake, Mr. Louis M. Steinhauer to Miss Anna R. Hoffmire, both of Vincennes, Ind.

GOODWIN—LOVE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dr. Robt. Love, of Steiner, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. L. A. McKeown, Mr. M. C. Goodwin, of Shaw's, Miss., to Miss Maggie Love.

WASSON—LAMBERSON.—At the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Jno. Lamberson, of Hibb's, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. L. A. McKeown, Mr. John Wasson to Miss Lela Lamberson, both of Bolivar county, Miss.

HODGES—MOORE.—February 7, 1899, by Rev. J. F. Wynn, Mr. Bruce M. Hodges to Mrs. Amanda M. Moore, all of East Feliciana parish, La.

ELLIS—WILLIAMS.—In Sardis, Miss., Feb. 19, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Mitchell, Mrs. Anna Cameron Williams to Mr. Arthur I. Ellis, both of Sardis, Miss.

FRASER—GREENING.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Mansfield, La., Feb 12 1899, by Rev. P. O. Lowrey, Mr. Edgar M Fraser and Miss Reber H. Greening, both of Mansfield, where they were raised.

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WHY DO WE WAIT?

Why do we wait till ears are deaf
Before we speak our kindly word,
And only utter loving praise
When not a whisper can be heard?

Why do we wait till hands are laid
Close folded, pulseless, ere we place
Within them roses sweet and rare,
And lilies in their thawless grace?

Why do we wait till eyes are sealed
To light and love in death's deep trance—
Dear wistful eyes—before we bend
Above them with impassioned glance?

Why do we wait till hearts are still
To tell them all the love in ours,
And give them such late meed of praise,
And lay above them fragrant flowers?

How oft we, careless, wait till life's
Sweet opportunities are past,
And break our "alabaster box
Of ointment" at the very last!

Oh, let us heed the living friend
Who walks with us life's common ways,
Watching our eyes for look of love,
And hungering for a word of praise!

—British Weekly.

Communications.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

It requires no powers of prophecy to predict a mighty impetus to Christian education in the beginning of the "new century." The raising of twenty-seven and a half millions of dollars—a large part of which will be used for educational work—by the four leading branches of Methodism will mark an epoch not only in Methodist history, but in the history of Christian education. The raising of this amount of money will be but a small part of the good accomplished. The discussion of the subject of education in the papers, pulpits, and homes of the people, will stir many a bright youth to heroic effort to equip himself for the greatest usefulness. And in many homes the self-denial necessary to enable a son or daughter to take a college course will be cheerfully borne, because of the conviction which will be forced upon many minds that the parent who sends his son or daughter into the world without the proper mental and moral training, commits a crime against society as well as his own child. Nor will this good work be confined to Methodism alone. Other great denominations will be "provoked to good works" by our example.

There may be those among us who fear that the effort to raise so large a sum may affect other great interests of the church. This is not probable. Experience teaches that the more a man gives, the more he will give. It is only the man who gives that learns that it is indeed "more blessed to give than to receive." But admit that there will be a temporary falling off of contributions for other departments of Christian work, the time will soon come when the tide will turn the other way. The church now contributes of her money to strengthen our educational institutions, and those institutions will soon begin to return to the church an army of intelligent Christian men and women, who will love the church and all her work, and will repay manifold in service and means the amount expended in broadening our base of educational operation. The man who contributes directly one hundred dollars to this fund will contribute indirectly a much larger sum to every other interest of the church. Hence we see that the far-sighted leaders of all our great connectional departments give hearty indorsement to this movement.

It is not enough that the Methodism of the United States stands at the head of denominational educational work. It is not enough that twenty per cent. of the college graduates of this country come from Methodist Institutions. We have but lightly put our hand to this work. We need to put our shoulder to it. If the mighty forces of American Methodism could be aroused and their energies directed to this work, the sum which marks the minimum of our effort could be secured in a few weeks. We will never see another time so opportune for concerted action. We turn from the marvelous achievements of the nineteenth century to face the wonderful possibilities of the twentieth. Will Methodism meet the demands of the "new century"? We are to answer that question, not with words, but with deeds. Let every loyal lover of Methodism do his part.

Mississippians should be at the very front in this movement. Our State has been a pioneer in the South in almost every advanced educational movement. Are we less loyal to our church than we are to our commonwealth? I can not believe that we are. The $500 reported by Bishop Galloway, Jan. 9, is but a drop which portends the coming shower.

Our committees will devise wise plans, but let us remember that there is more in the man than there is in the plan. Almost any plan will do if properly worked, but the best plan will fail unless there is a man determined to succeed behind it. Let no man fail in this critical hour.

JOHN A. RANDOLPH.

Correspondence.

GEORGIA LETTER.

I have been for the past year hard at work on a new book, "The Story of the Georgia People," and it has taken all the time I could spare to prepare that. It is, however, now pretty well finished, and I am now able to pay some debts to the papers. The mention of a book leads me to say something about the cost of book publishing, for the advantage of those who have a mania for authorship is beginning to appear. There are printers and publishers, and some printers who are publishers, and some publishers who are not printers. When a man like Dr. Hess or Dr. Tigert desires to issue a book, the Publishing House is glad to take the job at its own risk, and pay the authors for the copyright and the royalty. The House takes all risks, and the author receives from ten to twenty per cent. on the retail price of the books which are sold. But there are very few authors who are of such repute as to secure a publisher for a religious book who will do the work on these terms. The majority of the books issued from Nashville are the property of the writers, and the same thing is true of most of the Northern houses. I think the Scribners, Appletons, Harpers, buy all the books they print; but with most of the Publishing Houses the work under their imprints belongs to the writer. He pays to have it printed, and he takes all risk. What does it cost to publish a book? Take a twelve mo. the size of my "Boy in Gray." It costs, without any pictures, $1 for each page, say $300 for the book, and 25 cents a copy, say $250 a thousand; total, $550. The book retails at $1, and if sold at that price, the author gets about $350 for his work; but it is never sold at the catalogue price. The preachers get it at 75 cents, the dealers and agents at 50 cents; so that if the author and publisher gets out even on the first thousand, he is exceedingly fortunate. The second thousand costs $250, and sells for $500, so that he makes $250. If his book should run to 10,000, he would make $2,500, but in all probability it will not reach a thousand. Of the writers who have published their own books, I know but very few who have not published them at a loss. An octavo book is still more risky. Six hundred pages octavo is $840, 1,000 copies without engravings, $550; total, $1,390, or about $1.40 a copy for a $2 book; and if it is sold through agents, it will only bring $1,000, and there will be a loss of $400 on the first edition. You see, then, why I never publish a book until I can secure a subscription in advance of its being printed. My "Story of Georgia" can not have much of a sale out of Georgia, and I must have 1,000 subscribers who promise to take it to protect me against loss. There are some books bought out and out. They are generally stories of some kind. The price paid is small—about $1 a printed page.

If you are going to publish, don't let your own opinion of the salable character of your book influence you. You may greatly misjudge the public mind, and you will have to pay for doing so. You may be greatly interested in the matter discussed, but the book-buying public may not care a straw about it. There is no money in book-writing unless you are a popular author and strike a popular chord. When you write sell your own books. It is a strange truth, but none the less a truth, that when a preacher tries to make a living, as a general thing, he loses caste as a preacher.

I visit Conferences to sell books, and am regarded as a mere book peddler, and at one I remember I found lodgings in a cheap boarding-house, and did not even get acquainted with the pastor. This, however, was only one case in many years. The preachers are generally kind, and I may be unduly sensitive, but I can but think they regard me often as very much in the way. What is one to do? He must sell his books, and the people will not buy anything without an effort is made to get them to do it, and so one must go on his way. There are few men as well provided for and as happy as pastors, and when one has had a good charge, he finds he is generally the loser, in a temporal sense, when he surrenders it; but all men can not be pastors. Mere bread and butter are, after all, not the only things in this world, and if we have the spirit of our Master, we are ready to do much for which we will never be paid in money.

The weather has been fearful, and I have been home-bound, and on yesterday I read a book of Thos. Guthrie's. It is an old book, "Out of Harness," but it has a most entertaining account of his life in Edinburgh, in the Cowgate section of the city, among the slums. We are obliged in this country now to confront some of these very troubles he battled so bravely against. In our negro sections of the Southern, and in these parts of the Northern cities where Chinamen and Poles and Italians find their homes, the same difficulties present themselves. On Fourth street and Tybee, in Macon; on Peters and Decatur streets, in Atlanta; on South Broad and the Yamacrow, in Savannah, we have some of the same things which are found in London and Edinburgh, and how these ills are to be combatted is a question, and is not to be settled by singing a new anthem, or getting that panacea for all woes in a modern church—a pipe organ.

Dear me, how poor Tom Smith, who never saw anything better than a jewsharp in his raising, glorifies that pipe organ which we have put in Young City Church! And how the music of the great quartette in High Steeple is looked upon by its accomplished pastor as the hope of its salvation; but, despite pipe organs and quartette choirs and our fine people, these wretched slums will still send out their poison. We can only cure by preventing. Those ragged schools of Guthrie and Chalmers were worth more to Edinburgh than all the beautiful trilling of all the soloists. If we don't, as Methodists, remember that no church can ever grow which fails to take care of its children and its poor, and if we do not cease the work of coddling a few rich and fashionable people as the one aim of a preacher, and take our coats off and do as Guthrie did—go after this lost sheep—our day of glory is gone forever.

GEO. G. SMITH.

(Vineville) Macon, Ga.

A GOOD BOOK.

MR. EDITOR: I have just finished reading "The Ministry to the Congregation," by Dr. John A. Kern, of Randolph-Macon College. This volume was placed in my hands by my friend 'Gilderoy" while our Annual Conference was in session at Aberdeen, last December, with a request that I should read it carefully. I shall always be deeply grateful to him for rendering me this service. It is the finest work of the kind I have ever read. In my judgment it is greatly superior to the works of Vinet, Phelps, and Broadus. I can not say it is more charmingly written than the last-named volume, for Dr. Broadus was a master of style, and wrote English as but few can write it, but it is broader in its scope and richer in its contents. Our Bishops have put this treatise in the course of study for our young preachers, and the whole church is to be congratulated on the fact that we now have a book covering this field written by a Methodist, and that we are no longer forced to borrow from the Baptists.

There is not a Methodist minister anywhere who would not be benefited by reading this admirable work. If we could get all our preachers to read the chapter on "The Prayers" especially, it may be that we would not be humiliated at every Annual Conference by hearing some brother who had formerly served the town in which the session is being held, while pretending to pray, address his former parishioners, and tell of the past and his abiding love for them. Prayer is to the Lord. Lecturing the congregation while kneeling is not praying. This, and many other prevalent ministerial customs, Dr. Kern strongly condemns. As Methodist preachers, we do not desire to be artificial and affected, but at the same time we must guard against loose forms of worship and inelegant pulpit manners.

The book can be had of the Rev. G. W. Bachman, Winona, Miss. The price is $1.50; postage extra.

R. A. MEEK.

Starkville, Miss., Feb. 8, 1899.

Selections.

ANENT THE PHILIPPINES.

From President McKinley's Boston speech we make the following extract:

The Philippines, like Cuba and Porto Rico, were intrusted to our hands by the war, and to that great trust, under the providence of God, and in the name of human progress and civilization, we are committed. It is a trust we have not sought; it is a trust from which we will not flinch. The American people will hold up the hands of their servants at home to whom they commit its execution, while Dewey and Otis and the brave men whom they command will have the support of the country in upholding our flag where it now floats, the symbol and assurance of liberty and justice.

What nation was ever able to write an accurate programme of the war upon which it was entering, much less decree in advance the scope of its results? Congress can declare war, but a higher power decides its bounds, and fixes its relations and responsibilities. The President can direct the movements of soldiers on the fields and fleets upon the sea, but he can not foresee the close of such movements or prescribe their limits. He can not anticipate or avoid the consequences, but he must meet them. No accurate map of nations engaged in war can be traced until the war is over, nor can the measure of responsibility be fixed until the last gun is fired and the verdict embodied in the stipulations of peace.

We hear no complaint of the relations created by the war between this government and the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico. There are some, however, who regard the Philippines as in a different relation; but whatever variety of views there may be on this phase of the question, there is universal agreement that the Philippines shall not be turned back to Spain. No true American consents to that. Even if unwilling to accept them ourselves, it would have been a

WEAK EVASION OF MANLY DUTY

to require Spain to transfer them to some other power or powers, and thus shirk our own responsibility. Even if we had had, as we did not have, the power to compel such a transfer, it could not have been made without the most serious international complications. Such a course could not be thought of. And yet, had we refused to accept the cession of them, we should have had no power over them, even for their own good. We could not discharge the responsibilities upon us until these islands became ours, either by conquest or treaty. There was but one alternative, and that was neither Spain nor the United States should rule in the Philippines. The other suggestions—first, that they should be tossed into the arena of contention for the strife of nations; or, second, be left to the anarchy and chaos of no protectorate at all—were too shameful to be considered. The treaty gave them to the United States. Could we have required less and done our duty? Could we, after freeing the Filipinos from the domination of Spain, have left them without government and without power to protect life and property, or to perform the international obligations essential to an independent State? Could we have left them in a state of anarchy and justified ourselves in our own consciences or before the tribunal of mankind? Could we have done that in the sight of God and man?

Our concern was not for territory or trade or empire, but for the people whose interest and destiny, without our willing it, had been put in our hands. It was with this feeling that from the first day to the last one not one word or line went from the Executive in Washington to our military or naval commanders at Manila, or to our Peace Commissioners at Paris, that did not put as the sole purpose to be kept in mind first, after the success of our arms and the maintenance of our own honor, the welfare and happiness and the rights of the inhabitants of the Philippine Islands. Did we need their consent to perform a great act of humanity? We had it in every aspiration of their minds, in every hope of their hearts. Was it necessary to ask their consent to capture Manila, the capital of their islands? Did we ask their consent to liberate them from Spanish sovereignty, or to enter Manila Bay and destroy the Spanish sea power there? We did not ask these; we were obeying a higher moral obligation which rested on us and which did not require anybody's consent. We were doing our duty by them with the consent of our own consciences and with the approval of civilization. Every political obligation has been met and fulfilled in the expulsion of Spanish sovereignty from their islands, and while the war that destroyed it was in progress we could not ask their views. Nor can we now ask their consent.

Indeed, can anyone tell me in what form it could be marshaled and ascertained until peace and order, so necessary to reign of reason, shall be secured and established?

A REIGN OF TERROR

is not the kind of rule under which right action and deliberate judgment are possible. It is not a good time to submit important questions concerning liberty and government to the liberated while they are engaged in shooting down their rescuers.

We have now ended the war with Spain. The treaty has been ratified by more than two-thirds of the Senate of the United States and by the judgment of nine-tenths of its people. No nation was ever more fortunate in war or more honorable in negotiations in peace. Spain is now eliminated from the problem.

The future of the Philippine Islands is now in the hands of the American people. Until the treaty was ratified or rejected the executive department of this government could only preserve the peace and protect life and property. That treaty now commits the free and enfranchised Filipinos to the guiding hand and the liberating influences, the generous sympathies, the uplifting education, not of their American masters, but of their American emancipators. No one can tell to-day what is best for them or for us. I know no one at this hour who is wise enough or sufficiently informed to determine what form of government will best subserve their interests and our interests, their and our well-being. If we knew everything by intuition, we should not need information; but unfortunately most of us are not in that happy state. The whole subject is now with Congress, and Congress is the voice, the conscience and the judgment of the American people. Upon their judgment and conscience can we not rely? I believe in them. I trust them. I know of no better or safer human tribunal than the people.

Until Congress shall direct otherwise it will be the duty of the Executive to possess and hold the Philippines, giving to the people thereof peace and order and beneficent government, affording them every opportunity to prosecute their lawful pursuits, encouraging them in thrift and industry, making them feel and know that we are their friends, not their enemies; that their good is our aim, that their welfare is our welfare, but that neither their aspirations nor ours can be realized until our authority is acknowledged and unquestioned.

That the inhabitants of the Philippines will be benefited by this republic is my unshaken belief: that they will have a kindlier government under our guidance, and that they will be aided in every possible way to be a self-respecting and self-governing people, is as true as that the American people love liberty, and have abiding faith in their own government and in their own institutions.

No imperial designs lurk in the American mind. They are alien to American sentiment, thought, and purpose. Our priceless principles undergo no change under a tropical sun. They go with the flat,

"Why read ye not the changeless truth
The free can conquer but to save."

If we can benefit those remote peoples, who will object? If in the years of the future they are established in government under law and liberty, who will regret our perils and sacrifices? Who will not rejoice in our heroism and humanity?

I do not prophesy. The present is all-absorbing to me, but I can not bound my vision by the blood-stained trenches around Manila, where every red drop, whether from the veins of an American soldier or a misguided Filipino, is anguish to my heart; but by the broad range of future years, when that group of islands under the impulse of the year just past shall have become a land of plenty and of increasing possibilities, a people redeemed from savage indolence and habits, devoted to the arts of peace, in touch with commerce, enjoying the blessing of freedom, of civil and religious liberty, of education and of homes, and whose children and children's children shall for ages bless the American republic because it emancipated and redeemed their fatherland, and set them in the pathway of the world's best civilization.

REPENTANCE.

O sinner lift the eye of faith,
To true repentance turning;
Bethink thee of the curse of sin,
Its awful guilt discerning;
Upon the Crucified now look,
And thou shalt read as in a book,
What well is worth thy learning.

Lord, give us grace to flee from sin,
And Satan's wiles ensnaring,
And from those everlasting flames
For evil ones preparing
Jesus, we thank thee, and entreat
To rest forever at thy feet,
Thy heavenly glory sharing
—Latin Hymn.

Communications.

OUR PAPER.

Mr. Editor: I want to congratulate you on the variety of news you are giving us in the New Orleans Christian Advocate. I will take our last as a sample (the ninth of February). Dr. Lambuth—"Alabama Methodism in Santiago." Surely there is leaven in Methodism that goes out from iron and coal regions over into the tropics so early, where heathen and semi-heathenism has predominated so long. But that is right. Methodism ought to be "instant in season." Yes, no doubt, but the tones of one's own countrymen are pleasant in a strange land, and, no doubt, if Bro. Simpson were to write his experience as to the visit, he would give vent to many warm expressions of pleasure in having the brethren with him on Cuban soil. But I must hasten. I enjoyed the trip as I saw the varying scenes and associations which were portrayed by Dr. Lambuth's pen.

"Central Louisiana," by a beloved, as he traversed his district (the Alexandria), was certainly encouraging to his corps of faithful preachers, he speaking kindly of their works, and of them as true men. The name of Dr. McVoy especially interested us. Once he was one of us—a North Mississippi Conference man. Glad to know the Doctor is at the hub of the district. We trust the "dead-line" is thirty years ahead of him.

"An Incident." Yes, and they will happen many times to a man who can travel over ground as rapidly as T. B. Clifford. He is our man, but some one persuaded him off, having found out he could edit the Epworth League department in our paper. Act the pastor, and agent for something—Orphans' Home, college or colleges—and assistant secretary, all the same year, and say about four words with a double emphasis while we common preachers are saying one. He must have a large orbit to revolve in. No wonder "Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, Campbellites, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Roman Catholics" attended the meeting. May God bless him and his good wife in their new field!

"161.70—The Twentieth Century Fund," comes from the banner station of our Conference. I don't mean in wealth, or numbers in membership, but in promptness to pay early all assessments made by the Conference against her, and a willing loyalty to all the institutions of the church, whether for charity or otherwise. Happy is the preacher who gets Carrollton station, for he has no begging for money to do. It is too good for a pastor more than two years. Well, the good things of the itineracy ought to be divided around. I suppose I might say, Happy is the preacher that has that young prince of church workers and loyalty, J. R Bingham, to help him in his charge. May his tribe increase to thousands! The stirring appeal he made under the above caption is broad-gauged in principle and urgent in "taking time by the forelock," and not to fall behind in the century fund. May his appeal find an echo in every preacher's heart in our Conference! Also, may he be able to find some layman in each charge (if not in each church) who will heartily co-operate with him!

"My First Trip in 1899"—eight miles to go to the appointment. This brother I know not, but one thing sure—he has my sympathy. His was an ideal itinerant introduction. After crossing bloody river and meeting with many obstacles of other kinds, then to settle down to the study of his sermon and the quantity of the people to preach to, and be abruptly interrupted by a slough across the road, was too much. Now, the crossing is the amusing part. He says it can be described by two little words, "under" and "up," "but a long string of them," which would certainly produce a state of dampness incompatible with a mood for preaching a first sermon on a new work.

"From Manila"—Frank M. Lowrey's letter to his brother. It is a budget of news and graphic description of some things he saw. Never will we know all about the Philippines and their people. The letter is intensely interesting to the lover of history.

"Prohibition Points," by J. C. Park, has a note of victory in them that is "melodious to our ears." His county (Bolivar, I believe it is) has gone dry by 112 majority. Most assuredly the ministry ought to be a conserving power, not only of the Methodist Church, but of all others, in establishing prohibition. The gospel of prohibition is a necessity for these times. All praise to the "negroes who voted against the sale of whisky." Bro. Park gives a strong exhortation to the Prohibitionists in the dry counties. Let it be heeded.

"Winning Souls," by Phillips Brooks, has many thoughts worthy of our serious consideration.

"The Columbus District League Programme" is a reminder of duty, a step necessary to success. May it prove all that it ought!

Your leader, "A Forward Movement in Missions," has the right ring. May it bestir every reader of the Advocate until the maximum gifts are obtained from all the patronizing Conferences!

"Canteens Abolished." I am glad our congressmen are taking steps to protect our soldiery. A soldier has as little use for whisky as he has for a traitor's oath. Oh, that the same power could abolish the jug traffic!

"A Questionable Method of Journalism." Poor Palmore! He ran right into a sausage mill. The Texas editor ground him up, ready for casing, then to ship to the market where sausage is in greatest demand. "Be sure your sin will find you out." "The way of the transgressor is hard."

"And what more shall I say?" Time would fail me to speak of Williams' visit to Water Valley; Lewis and Smith's controversy over "Success;" "The Urgent Need of Methodism," by Hugh Price Hughes; "Woman and the Home," "The Pace That Kills," "Familiarity with the Bible," "Art of Not Hearing," "News of the Week," etc. D. W. Babb.

ATTENTION, SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORKERS OF MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE!

Dear Brethren: Our annual Sunday-school Conference will be held in Lumberton this year, and will embrace the last two days of March and the first of April. The programme is being arranged, and we trust that everything will be in readiness when the time comes. A large attendance is expected, and a pleasant time promised everyone who goes. Lumberton is one of the most progressive towns on the Northeastern road, and, knowing the people there as I do, I can assure you that every home in the town will swing wide its doors for the reception of delegates. Rev. W. H. Huntley has been requested to make all necessary preparations for the music. The Young People's Hymnal will be used.

Now, I assure you that the occasion will be a profitable one. Dr. Atkins, our Sunday-school Editor at Nashville, has promised to come, and we hope to have Bishop Galloway with us. You may expect a good address or a fine paper from everyone on the programme. Let me urge everyone who is interested in the Sunday-school work to go, if possible. We specially request all superintendents to attend. The Conference should be a grand success.

Now, please notice and remember the following items:

(1) Every Sunday-school in the Conference is requested to elect delegates immediately. Send at least one. It is proper and right that schools pay traveling expenses of delegates.

(2) A report is desired from every school not represented in the Conference. We want to know something of how the school is conducted, number of pupils, if there is a library, and other matters you may deem necessary to report.

(3) Special rates on all of the railroads in the State will be secured before the Conference meets in Lumberton. We will give full particulars later on.

(4) Let everyone who contemplates going write Rev. W. H. Huntley, P. C., at Lumberton to that effect, so provision can be made for your entertainment. Now, don't neglect this.

We further call attention to the fact that it is obligatory on every pastor and superintendent to see that Children's Day is observed by every school in the Conference. We hope no one will fail to do this. All superintendents or pastors who apply to the Secretary of the Sunday-school Board before April 1 can get programmes free. We will send half as many as there are scholars in a school. The service should be held by the last of May.

Now, brethren of the pastorate, your co-operation in this work is absolutely necessary. If you neglect it, failure will be inevitable. We want you all to attend the Conference at Lumberton, and urge your schools to send delegates. Let us get up a great revival in the Sunday-school work. May the Lord help us!

Yours in the cause,

D. Scarborough,
Sec'y of S. S. Board of Miss Conf.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS."

Bro. Lewis' last is disappointing. I am surprised that he is willing to let his strictures on the unsuccessful preacher go without defense, modification, or explanation. He seems determined not to see his statement that, "Some preachers will succeed anywhere, and the reason others do not succeed, is because their lives are not in the work, and they do not expect to succeed," and now he calls for light. He reminds me of the man who would not see rats. One man told another that he could show him a hundred rats run from a certain barn. They made a bet on it, and went to the barn to settle the matter. The doubtful man took position on one side of the barn, the other man going to the other side to run the rats out. He made all kinds of noise that he thought would scare rats, and asked his friend if he saw any. He said, "No." The process was repeated several times, with the same results. He slipped around the corner to see why his doubtful friend could not see the rats, and found him standing there with his eyes tightly closed.

If Bro. Lewis will open his eyes to facts and fellowship, he will find all the light necessary.

"But the hardest people in the world to learn are those who won't be taught."

Bro. Lewis referred to eating pudding. I am sorry he has "bit off more than he can chew," and has failed, so far, to disgorge, and is so seriously indisposed.

But as good Bro. Lewis has so utterly failed, if there are others who wish to defend his assertions, we will be glad to hear from them. For I must hereby leave him alone in his gloom.

I suggest, as the better way to advance the cause of Christ, and to help the unfortunate brethren, that we write kindly letters to them, pray for them, send them books, and perchance a spare bill of some denomination; offer to be with them (if we can be of any service) in raising funds, or in revivals.

"Ye that are strong bear the infirmities of the weak," and we will all feel better, and accomplish more for our blessed Lord.

While this subject is up, there are some things I would like to say, but under a different heading. "Nothing Succeeds like Success" is a false axiom. Success may be attained by methods that block up forever success in that enterprise. The best and truest road to success is sometimes by honest failure, but it takes a great deal of grace and courage to travel this road.

For what may further be said on this subject I prefer the heading, "Success vs. Failure."

God bless good Bro. Lewis. May he be successful and happy in his loved employ! J. H. Smith.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

COLUMBUS, MISS.

Mr. Editor: As my brethren expected, I moved to my old home in Columbus, Miss.; and while I was somewhat in the line of Bro. Bachman—had no stewards or official members of the church to meet us—yet we had good children to meet us, and many kind friends to welcome us back to our old home again. While I am on the roll of worn-out preachers, I don't feel that I am worn-out, and still find any amount of work to do.

The Lord never makes any mistakes, and when he sent Rev. J. A. Bowen to Columbus charge, he sent the right man to continue the work here that was begun by Bros. Boliug, Staudifer, and others. He began a series of meetings at the commencement of the Christmas holidays, and continued them for a week, which did great good in uniting the church in the great work that is to be done this year for the Lord. He has all the work well in hand. His Sunday-school has over 300 on roll, and is growing all the time. His Epworth League, with J. I. Sturdivant at the helm as president, with some good women as vice-presidents, is growing in numbers and interest all the time. We have 83 on roll now, and others joining at nearly every meeting. His congregation is growing all the time. I assisted him the first Sunday in February in administering the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and while I did not count them, I think there was between 350 and 400 that partook of the emblems of the broken body and shed blood of our dying Lord. He has received 53 into the church by letter and on profession of faith, and several others will join soon. While Bro. Bowen is doing a grand work here, he is only entering into other men's labors, and building on the foundations they have laid, and maybe doing the work with the help he has better than anyone else could have done, and that is why the Lord sent him here. He has over six hundred members now, and if he continues like he has begun, the Bishop will have to send two preachers here another year to do the pastoral work for the church, for no one man can do the visiting for six hundred members and have any time to study, and without close study any preacher will soon prove a failure in the pulpit. A. P. Leech.

Columbus, Miss., Feb. 10, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

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THAT ENTERPRISING PREACHER.

PART I.

For several years our church had needed repairs. After so long a time the men undertook the task, but, of course, the furnishing devolved upon the women, who entered upon their part of the work quite cheerfully. The pews were one thousand dollars, the carpet six hundred, besides the new railing and platform; but we counted on good workers, for we knew we had them. It had been some time since the children had given an entertainment, and the little folks are always sure of an audience. Then it was suggested that the "old folks" might take their turn and give a concert. Both were remunerative, but much was to be done. One thing I know: we never stopped working. If one plan was not feasible, another was. On one occasion—at our usual monthly meeting—however, ways and means at last seemed to fail us. It was the custom of our pastor to attend our monthly meetings. As usual, he was quietly stepping from one seat to another, among the members, shaking hands, with a word or two before passing on to the next. The society was called to order. After the preliminary exercises the order of business was called, and the perplexing question, "What next to do?" was discussed. One sister said we had sailed triumphantly along over seas of difficulty so far, but she thought we were at our "wits' end" now. As other methods of work were discussed, Bro. Jones continued his noiseless interviewing, pencil and paper in hand. At the close of the meeting he asked to say a word. Holding up the paper on which he had been at work, he said: "I have on this slip of paper the names of thirty-five members—not all here this morning—who have agreed to try to raise $10 each to complete your church furnishing. You know, nothing makes people work like being in debt. I heard a very rich man say once he would always have been poor if he had not contracted a debt. So it is with us now; we must pay off this indebtedness. You have worked splendidly as a whole; now let us see what you can do individually. I will be glad to meet with you and hear how you are succeeding." Then the meeting adjourned. It must be confessed, however, there was a good deal of discussion as to the brother's new plan, but they were all determined to do the best they could, and left the church with many undeveloped plans at work in their busy brains.

PART II.

The next regular meeting of the society seemed to come round sooner than usual, and a goodly number of the "stay-at-home" members were out. Bro. Jones was there, slipping round through the benches, shaking hands, and chatting in his pleasant way. After the society was called to order, and the usual business attended to, he arose and said: "You know, sisters, I promised to be here to take part in your exercises this evening. As my wife is unable to be present, she commissioned me to make her report. She said she didn't know how else to make her $10 this time, unless she made me build the stable and save that last $10 you sent to pay the carpenter" (putting down the $10). This called for a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Jones for putting the preacher to work, and thus balancing accounts. "Now," continued Bro. Jones, "let us hear from you."

I thought this was the time when Bro. Jones would be right sharply disappointed, as I, for one, had barely thought out a plan for redeeming my pledge.

Sister Walton arose. "I find, Bro. Jones, a large number of church members who do not belong to any missionary societies at all; so I decided to canvass among them, and I not only had no trouble collecting the $10, but I have a good deal more, and I have five new names to be added to our regular membership. I found two families, also new-comers, who wish to unite with some church. I told them you would call."

"That's good. You killed several birds that time. Now, who else?" said the pastor.

Sister Davidson arose: "My husband is a policeman, and knowing all the men—and that policeman, as a rule, have little opportunity to do church work—I gave them the privilege of contributing, and I have $11."

"That's good," said Bro. Jones, leaning back against the corner of the front bench, not a muscle of his face changing; "put Sister Davidson down for another eleven."

"I have $3," said Sister Busby. "I made some brown linen sofa pillows; have gone into the business. Have one with me," presenting a prettily braided pattern.

"My old mother was just wishing for one last night. I'll take it," said Mrs. Robertson.

Mrs. Smith had given a "birthday reception," and Sister Brown an "experience party," and made each $10. Sister Mays produced a wonderful old mammy, "a big black rag doll, which was immediately appropriated by Sister Miller for little Flossie. Several had made quilts, and sold them; others bonnets and aprons." All seemed easily enough done, but I scarcely knew how to make a penny. I had a class in Sunday-school of twelve young ladies, and decided to put them to work. Sunday, when my class met, I unfolded to them my plan, and invited them round to tea. I had a quilt-square for each of them; a white satin strip in each corner to simulate a card.

"Now, girls, finish your square with the prettiest work you can do. The satin card is for the name of any good friend who will give you twenty-five cents for the privilege of writing his name on your autograph quilt-square, and some pleasant evening we'll meet and put them together."

Weeks glided by; the girls were enthusiastic, and towards the Christmas holidays they were ready to finish the quilt and count the cash. Each girl had collected her dollar and something over—$14 in all.

"Then we have the quilt," said one of the girls. "What shall we do with it?"

"There is a new baby at the parsonage, girls. Let's put the quilt on the Christmas tree for him and Mrs. Jones, in honor of that enterprising preacher."

(Continued next week.)

The Christian Life.

SOME THINGS TO FORGET.

Brooding over mistakes, misfortunes, disappointments, is like carrying unforgiven sins. But cherishing grudges, remembering injuries, revolving revenges, is making one's self the devil's packhorse, weighted with the misdeeds of other men. The burdens of this work when carried are exasperating beyond expression, for they rub the sore places into frenzied agonizing. Here is an example: For a paltry difference in a settlement (the exact sum was eleven dollars) a man of standing in society carried a grudge against another of unimpeached integrity, honor, and piety, through years, till his mind gave way under who shall say what unhealthful stress of morbid memory! To go out under such a darkness is the bitterness of death. If you say that a man may be able manfully to forget his own sins by repenting, then we say that he can the more easily forget the offenses of another, if he be a manly man in his own heart, because to forgive his fellow is to forget in a royal way, and to forget is the shortest way to forgive. . . . There are burdens which clog, if they do not clog our progress. . . . In the school of Christ our hardest tasks may sometimes tax the memory, but more often they bid us simply to forget.—The Evangelist.

EVIL SPEAKING.

Do you govern your tongue? Do you really make it a point of conscience to speak evil of no man? The Word of God commands this just as plainly as it says, "Thou shalt not steal." What would you think of a man's religion whom you caught stealing! To rob one of his good name is often a far greater injury than to steal his money. Be careful what you say about an absent person. Weigh your words before you put them in circulation.

James makes the proof of Christian perfection to consist in the government of the tongue. "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to govern the whole body." (James iii, 2.)

Observe carefully, and you will find this statement true. Sinful tempers may be smothered by a determined effort. But let them, through the medium of the tongue, come out into daylight, where they are fanned and fed, and they will rage with fury. "You may as well say it as think it," is one of the most pernicious maxims that the devil ever set afloat.

"Speak not evil one of another, brethren." (Jas. iv, 11.) "If thy brother trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault, between thee and him alone."—Earnest Christian.

LIGHT AND HEAT.

Some one has said, "We can paint fire and light, but not heat." A preacher can be brilliant without grace in his heart. He can talk eloquently about Christ, but unless his soul is filled and aflame with love he can not melt the hearts of sinners or warm the hearts of Christians.

A picture of a fire on the hearth will not keep a man from freezing. Nor will a fire that is on a mountain a mile away. He can see it, but he can not feel it. If we would save men, we must get our souls full of the fire which is kindled by the Holy Ghost, and then must get close to them.

A great deal of what is now called evangelistic work is bright, but, oh, how cold! It is meteoric. What the world needs is not intellectual illumination, but the rising of the Sun of Righteousness "with healing in his wings." "The True Light," as John calls Jesus, and he alone, can warm and vivify the heart.—Herald and Presbyter.

Many of us have toiled through the long day, and have no evidence that our work has been a blessing; but ah! if, when the harvest is reaped, when the grain is gathered, when the joy of the harvest home has come; if we find that one heart has been touched and helped by our lives, by our word, be sure God will not turn that life down without giving it something of commendation for that act, because done in his name and by his help. O that some of us may go out with the determination to bear the burdens of those who need, and so fulfill the law of Christ! —Selected.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, which baffles analysis, which has an infinitude of depth about it. As you can not understand remote stars, nor the overhanging vault which you can not at all explore, but can only feel as you feel your life, so you can not touch this peace of God with your understanding. It lies round you like an atmosphere. It dwells in you like a fragrance. It goes from you like a subtle elixir vitæ. "My peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth give I unto you." - James Smetham.

Clergyman's Statement

Nervo Strength Gained by Taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

BRIGHTON, IOWA.—Rev. Bernard M. Shullck of this place, owing to weakness of the nerves, was for a time unable to attend to his duties. He makes this statement: "I have suffered for a long time from weak nerves. After I had taken a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla I became quite well again. The weakness of the nerves has now wholly disappeared and I am able to attend to my duties again. I am therefore grateful to Hood's Sarsaparilla and I recommend it to everyone who suffers from weak nerves."

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IN MEMORIAM.

Judge H. W. Foote, our much loved and honored superintendent, is no more. On Sunday morning, Jnn. 29, 1899, he was summoned to join the host of the redeemed, whose "robes have been washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb." For fifty-six years he was the faithful superintendent of this school. His fidelity was unswerving; his interest and zeal increasing as he grow older. He never allowed anything, except sickness, or absence from home, to keep him from being prompt in attendance, thus being an example to both teachers and pupils, until the infirmities of age intervened. He then, in tender and loving words, offered his resignation to the Quarterly Conference, but the school protested, and the resignation was not accepted, for we wished him to enter heaven as our superintendent.

Among his last and best gifts to the Sunday-school were an organ and twelve chairs for the infant class-room, and a bequest which stands as a memorial to the ever-faithful and loving friend of the children.

Whereas, His place has become vacant, we would pay this loving tribute to his loyalty to his church, his fidelity to duty, and cherish his memory in our hearts; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Sunday-school has sustained an irreparable loss, the sorrowing family is bereft of a loving husband and father, and Macon of one of her best and most worthy citizens.

Resolved, That to his loved ones we tender our deepest sympathy, sharing their sorrows, but rejoicing in the hope of everlasting life which is promised to the faithful.

Resolved, That a page in our Minute Book be inscribed with this tribute, a copy sent to the family and to each of our town papers, also to the Nashville and NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATES, with request that they publish the same. Respectfully submitted,

W. P. MINOR,
MRS. J. S. FEATHERSTON,
R. E. V. YATES,
Committee.

Macon, Miss., Feb. 13, 1899.

NAPOLEON LOST THE BATTLE OF LEIPSIC because of a fit of indigestion. One dose of DICKS' MUL-EN-OL would have given him instant relief, and the fate of the kingdoms of Europe been decided differently. It is really marvelous how quickly a colicky pain will vanish when a teaspoonful of Mul-en-ol in a wineglass of hot water is taken. Try it; you will never suffer from colic.

PROGRAM OF THE DURANT DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING,

TO BE HELD AT SALLIS, MISS., APRIL 5-6, 1899.

APRIL 5.

11 A. M.—Sermon on "Christian Education," Rev. R. O. Brown.

2 P. M.—1. The Influence of Recent International Events on the Church of the Future—W. L. Anderson, B. S. Lyner.

2. The Relation of the Pastor to the Sunday-school—R. M. Evans, A. H. Mitchell.

3. How to Take the Collections—J. J. Turner, R. T. Nolen.

4. Do We Need a Mississippi Methodist Paper?—G. W. Bachman, D. W. Cobb.

7 P. M.—The Twentieth Century Church—Addresses by Drs. Sullivan and Murrah.

APRIL 6.

8:30 A. M.—1. How to Conduct a Prayer Meeting—A. J. Foster, W. A. Dollar.

2. The Pastor and the Evangelist—L. A. Lipscomb, A. T. Buck.

3. Is the Epworth League a Success? J. H. B. Gladney, W. M. Commander.

4. The Importance of Preaching the Distinctive Doctrines of our Church—J. A. Lowe, J. W. Treadwell.

5. Missionary Sermon—Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan.

2 P. M.—1. Books That Have Helped Me—N. G. Augustus, G. W. Gordon.

2. The Pastor's Duty to the Church, and the Church's Duty to the Pastor—R. O. Brown, J. W. Hall.

7 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. W. Treadwell, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

IN THE HEREAFTER.

Whatever mystery there may be concerning the life which believers in Christ shall live in heaven, we may be sure, at least, that they will carry with them all that is true and divine of their earthly life. The character formed here they will retain through death. The capacity they have gained by the use of their powers they will have for the beginning of their activity in the new life.

So heaven will be a far more natural place than we imagine it will be. It will not be greatly unlike the ideal life of earth. We probably shall be surprised when we meet one another to find how little we have changed. The old tenderness will not be missing. We shall recognize our friends by some little gentle ways they used to have here, or by some familiar thoughtfulness which was never wanting in them. The friendships we began here and had not time to cultivate, we shall have opportunity there to renew and carry on through immortal years.

Even at the best, human friendships only begin in this life; in heaven they will reach their best and holiest possibilities. There are lives which only touch each other in this world, and then separate, going their different ways, like ships which pass in the night. There will be time enough in heaven for any such faintest beginnings of friendship to be wrought out in beauty.—Standard.

FLOWERS.

Flowers seem intended for the solace of ordinary humanity; children love them; quiet, tender, contented, ordinary people love them as they grow; luxurious and disorderly people rejoice in them gathered; they are the cottager's treasure; and in the crowded town, mark, as with a little broken fragment of rainbow, the windows of the workers in whose hearts rest the covenant of peace. Passionate or religious minds contemplate them with fond, feverish intensity; the affection is seen severely calm in the works of many old religious painters, and mixed with more open and true country sentiment in those of our own pre-Raphaelites. To the child and the girl, the peasant and the manufacturing operative, to the grisette and the nun, the lover and the monk, they are precious always. But to the men of supreme power and thoughtfulness, precious only at times; symbolically and pathetically often to the poets, but rarely for their own sake. —John Ruskin.

STANDING ALONE.

There are, within the range of every one's life, processes of life which must be solitary; passages of duty which threw one absolutely upon his individual moral forces, and admit of no aid whatever from another. Alone we must stand sometimes; and if our better nature is not to shrink into weakness, we must take with us the thought which was the strength of Christ, "Yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me." The sense of right can more readily indurate the tender than melt the rocky soul, and that is the most finished character which begins in beauty and ends in power; which leans on the love of kindred while it may, and when it may not, can stand erect in the love of God; which shelters itself amid the domesticities of life while duty wills, and when it forbids can go forth under the expanse of immortality, and face any storm that beats, and traverse any wilderness that lies beneath the canopy. —James Martineau.

A WORTHY AMBITION.

The final test of an ambition is not its immediate object, but its effect upon life or character. The eager desire which causes one to turn aside from a life-and-death errand to gather a handful of flowers is not a worthy desire, however beautiful the coveted flowers may be. So the desire or purpose to do a great work for mankind in the future is not a noble ambition if it leads one to neglect the humblest duty of the present moment. On the other hand, a life ambition that gives one a zest for the present duty is a worthy ambition, though it may be concerned about nothing nobler than a cup of cold water.—Sunday-school Times.

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FROM THE WORK.

Mrs. Joe Bailey: "Cunchattn Epwerth League met at 4 o'clock, Feb. 19, 1899, and elected its officers, and appointed a correspondent for the League column in the ADVOCATE. Two new members added to our little band, making twenty-two in all. We also appointed Bro. Gale, our preacher, as agent for the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. We are going to try to move up on religious lines this year."

Rev. R. S. Gale, P. C., Decatur, Miss., Feb. 14, 1899: "After having served as 'pastor and preacher,' for four years, the good people of Meadville circuit, I went up to Conference, knowing that a move was in store for us. How little we dreamed it would be to Decatur, Miss. Why? Oh, why? So far away? We recognized the hand of God. So to Decatur we determined to go, and on Jan. 12, after many hand-shakes, farewells, and 'God bless you,' we started in our buggy—distance, 160 miles. Wife, three children and self, with only 'Honest John' to pull. Having owned and worked John for nine years, we had confidence in him, and, when a friend would say, 'You can't make the trip at this season of the year through so much mud,' we would answer, 'We are going to Decatur.' We went, we came, we are here. On the road for ten days. Had a varied experience; found one 'mud hole' eighteen miles through, from six inches to three feet deep. Pearl river was very high; higher than for years. Ferry-boat out of repairs; no ferry-man. None of this stopped us. God was with us, provided all, and on we went till we came to Bro. Tucker's 'prairie.' Then, oh, then the prairie! Everyone we saw said, 'You can't possibly go through the "prairie."' 'Praise the Lord, we are going.' 'Stand still and see.' So on we went to the end. All well; buggy in as good fix as when we started; John playful, and ready for work. 'Bless the Lord.' We found a good home, kind people, and that we were to follow a white preacher (Rev. M. L. White). No one knew of our arrival; so no reception at the parsonage. People are manifesting their appreciation daily by their acts of kindness. Made one round: outlook, I think, good; at least material to work on, if not with. God helping, we entered to make this the 'best year of all.' I praise God to-night for full salvation. May he help me to lead the flock into 'green pastures.' The ADVOCATE shall not be forgotten this year. We need it. It has its place—a large one, too. With the exception of a few cuts at 'second blessing,' I enjoy its make-up. We hope to be heard from this year in more ways than one."

MINTER CITY, MISS.

As "Gilderoy" would say, "I am at the bottom at last." But I am in line with some of our very best preachers, for J. W. Malone, O. L. Savage, and even "Gilderoy" himself, have served this work. How long I will remain here I can not tell, for I heard years ago that it took good solid grain to stay here more than two years, and that the lighter the chaff out of which the preacher was made, the higher he will get on the hills when he removes from here.

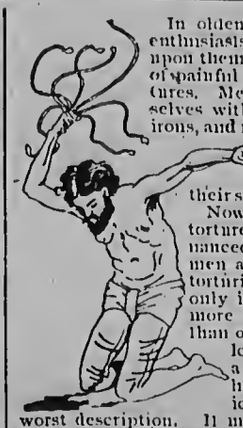
But to date I am well pleased and happy in my work. For three years we had been comfortably situated at Brooksville, where we have one of the best furnished parsonages in our Conference. But I am happy to say, since we came here our parsonage here has been repaired and refurnished from kitchen to parlor with the very best of everything necessary. While we have a small membership, numerically, they are a fine, intelligent, appreciative, generous people. We have had nine accessions to date. We have found many Methodists with their membership in their pockets, or back at their childhood homes. There are many here who do not belong to any church. Many of these we hope to see converted and brought into the church during this Conference year.

Yes, we have been pounded with everything imaginable, and in the greatest abundance, and still it comes. May the Lord make me a blessing to this people. I hear good reports from all the preachers in this great Delta. Bro. Murrah will soon have his new church at Clarksdale in elegant shape. Sanders, at Indianola, has made a good start. Browning will do well at Ittabena. J. H. Mitchell is progressing nicely with his new brick church-building at Greenwood. Mitchell is a success anywhere. L. M. Lipscomb has started well at Belzona. The people are delighted with him as a preacher. I believe, with many others, that Lipscomb is the grandest preacher of his age in our Conference.

Doctor, come to see us.

J. A. LEECH.

Feb. 18, 1899.



In olden times mistaken enthusiasts used to inflict upon themselves all manner of painful and horrible tortures. Men scourged themselves with whips, and hot irons, and rubbed vinegar into the wounds and wore hair-cloth next to their skin day and night.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1899.

We are living, we are dwelling,
In a grand and awful time,
In an age on ages telling,
To be living is sublime.
—Exchange.

Whilst we are considering when we are to begin, it is often too late to act.—Quintilian.

Three things never return—time, a spoken word, and a neglected opportunity.—The Koran.

Civilization will mark its highest tide when every man finds his place and fills it.—Exchange.

Few people are wise enough to prefer useful reproof to treacherous praise.—La Rochefoncauld.

The man who lives only for himself couldn't be engaged in any smaller business.—Selected.

Half the world is out of place and tortured with the consciousness of unfulfilled destiny.—Exchange.

Only what we have wrought into our characters during life can we take away with us.—Humboldt.

Strength alone knows conflict. Weakness is below even defeat, and is born vanquished.—Madame Swetchine.

Truths are the roots of duties. A rootless duty, one that has no truth below it out of which it grows, has no life, and will have no growth.—Phillips Brooks.

Like alone acts upon like. Therefore do not amend by reasoning, but by example. Approach feeling by feeling; do not hope to excite love except by love. Do what you wish others to become. Let yourself, and not your words preach.—Selected.

Little self-denials, little honesties, little passing words of sympathy, little nameless acts of kindness, little silent victories over favorite temptations—these are the silent threads of gold which, when woven together, gleam out so brightly in the pattern of life that God approves.—F. W. Farrar.

What is time?—the shadow on the dial, the striking of the clock, the running of the sand, day and night, Summer and Winter, months, years, centuries—these are but arbitrary and outward signs; the measure of time, not time itself. Time is the life of the soul. If not this, then tell me what time is.—Longfellow.

Many a man has succeeded in his business or profession, but failed as a man; many a man has become eminent as a lawyer or merchant, but has been a tyrant in his home, and faithless in his friendships; many a man has reached the top round in his occupation, but is still on the bottom round in his character.—Selected.

Everyone must know that his best life is his silent life; his truest growth, his silent growth. What I am, what is my life, myself, is inside; and inside is all the work done that fashions me. The soul is not made as the statue is, with click of hammer and chip of chisel from without; but the soul is made of its own ingrowth, as a peach is.—J. F. W. Ware.

SPIRITUAL EXPANSION.

There is a great deal of talk these days about territorial expansion, commercial expansion, educational enlargement, and broad plans are being laid for development in various lines, all of which are favorable omens, betokening vigorous national life, and a commendable striving for greater things. A self-satisfied conservatism is a foe to progress and to all true reform.

The natural evolution of commerce, of society and of government brings about the discarding of old plans and outgrown ideals, and necessitates expansion of aim and effort. But while merchants are expanding their business, manufacturers their plants, farmers their fields, colleges their equipments, and statesmen their governmental plans, there is far too little concern among Christians about expansion of character and the enlargement of the kingdom of Christ. With Christians enlargement of spiritual life should be a paramount consideration; yet it is a lamentable fact that almost every other kind of expansion receives more attention. In the pursuit of wealth, honor, and other ends that lie within the realm of the material, men display a tenacity of purpose, a fertility of resources, and a concentration of energy, that are positively sublime, while, alas! that which is far more important than all things else is, to a large extent, lost sight of. The present age needs that mighty emphasis be put upon the truth that "a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things he possesseth."

The Christian who fails to make religion his chief concern, and to strive to grow better as the days go by, is not only living far below his high privileges, but he is in imminent spiritual peril. That believer is to be pitied who feels but little yearning for a holier life, "a closer walk with God," and for greater usefulness. Unless there is earnest prayer and striving for spiritual enlargement, weakness and backsliding are inevitable. Well does Drummond say: "No man can become a saint in his sleep; and to fulfill the conditions required demands a certain amount of prayer and meditation and time, just as improvement in any direction, bodily or mental, requires preparation and care."

The churches of our land are cursed with indolent, easy-going, self-satisfied Christians, who, having subscribed to a creed, and had their names enrolled upon a church register, thereafter make no effort to advance in love and grace, and by their apathy and inconsistency hinder others from coming to Christ. They are no more prayerful, consistent, or liberal, than when they took their first step heavenward, even though many long years may have intervened. Like some in Paul's day, when they "ought to be teachers," they need to be taught "the first principles of the oracles of God." In almost any community it is easy to find professing disciples who, though they have been members of the church many years, are still "babes in Christ"—puny dwarfs, lacking in wisdom, strength, and symmetry of character. There is urgent need that we heed the admonition to "forget the things that are behind, and reach forth to those that are before." Yea, it needs to be proclaimed in trumpet tones throughout the world that when a man ceases striving to be like Christ, he ceases to be a Christian.

Spiritual growth, unlike other forms of growth, need never cease. As some one has beautifully said: "The Christ ideal, like the horizon, retreats as we advance. We never overtake to exhaust it."

Who of us does not feel the need, as well as the blessedness, of spiritual enlargement? The blessings and victories of the past will not suffice. It is not God's design that we should forever remain spiritual weaklings, stumbling at almost every hindrance, often overcome by temptation, deficient in faith and in love. On the contrary, he wants us to enjoy abundant life, to be rich in every grace and virtue, and to be "strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man."

Dr. Cuyler forcefully says: "Webster's famous remark to a young lawyer, who complained that the legal profession was overcrowded, 'There is plenty of room at the top,' well applies to the Christian church. If you say, 'I have not enjoyed my religion much lately,' then I suggest that you had not much to enjoy. Turn a new leaf, make a new start, with the honest question, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? and then do it. Put more conscience into your religion. Weakness means wickedness. Quit your Sunday afternoon lounge for some real, thorough mission work. Active exercise does for the soul just what it does for the body."

AN AWAKENING.

There are many evidences of an awakening among our preachers on the subject of church literature. We are constantly in receipt of letters from brethren who feel that religious literature in the homes of our people is one of our greatest needs. An esteemed brother, whose letter happened to arrive just as we began this writing, says: "No church can have permanent prosperity with no church papers in the homes of its members. I consider the church organ an indispensable adjunct to a successful ministry, especially on a circuit where the preacher reaches his people only once a month."

Another says: "I hope to send you a long list of new subscribers very soon. I can't begin to succeed in my work without your paper in the homes of my people."

Another says: "The NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE is the best home paper I have ever read. It should by all means be in every Methodist home in Mississippi and Louisiana."

These are merely samples of the utterances of many of our best men. This awakening on the part of the ministerial brethren is a hopeful indication. It is the indispensable condition of improvement at this point. We are ready to co-operate in any way in our power. Let us have a "long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether."

AN ARMENIAN IN NEW ORLEANS.

By invitation of the pastor, Rev. J. F. Foster, the pulpit of Felicity Street Church was filled last Sabbath by Rev. G. S. Barsoon, a native Armenian, who spoke upon the cruel persecutions of the Armenians by the Turks. His discourse made a fine impression and awakened increased interest in the cause of the oppressed Armenians. He also addressed the Preacher's Meeting on Monday morning. Mr. Barsoon is an interesting speaker, and a man of culture, being a graduate of Roberts College, Constantinople, and also an A. M. alumnus of Johns Hopkins University. The atrocities of the Turks have reached his own home, some of his immediate relatives having been ruthlessly massacred. He states that the official reports of the number slain are far below the truth. He puts the number at 400,000. On hearing his presentation of the Armenian cause, one can not but wonder how long the great Christian nations of the earth will tolerate that withering blight upon nineteenth century civilization, the Ottoman Empire.

A NEW PRESIDENT.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, a meeting of the trustees of Southern University was held in Greensboro. Rev. S. M. Hosmer, D. D., presiding elder of the Talladega district, North Alabama Conference, M. E. Church, South, was elected president, to succeed Rev. J. O. Keener, D. D. Dr. Hosmer was not in Greensboro; did not seek the place; did not know that his name would be considered in connection with the place; was not nominated for the place; was not eulogized; but he was voted for by ballot, and was elected because the trustees thought him clean, capable, competent. He has accepted the position that came to him thus.—Alabama Advocate.

Knowing Dr. Hosmer, we predict for him a successful career in the important and difficult position to which he has been called by the voice of the church.

CENTENARY OF METHODISM.

The year 1899 is the centenary year of Mississippi Methodism, as it was in 1799 that Tobias Gibson landed in Natchez and began his work as a missionary. A Centennial Service will be held during the year at Natchez. As this was the beginning of Methodism, not only in Mississippi, but in the entire Southwest, a similar observance would be eminently appropriate anywhere in this section.

Successful preaching sends the people out into the world to work the message into lives.—Baptist Standard.

A NEW BOOK.

THINGS OF NORTHFIELD, AND OTHER THINGS THAT SHOULD BE IN EVERY CHURCH. By Rev. David Gregg, D. D., pastor of Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; author of "Facts That Call for Faith," etc. 143 pages. Cloth. 60 cents. 1899. E. B. Treat & Co., New York.

The fine discourses which compose this volume were preached in the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn just after a visit by the author to Mr. Moody's annual Summer convention at Northfield, and are in large measure an expression of the impressions, thoughts and convictions suggested by participation in the work of that now famous, influential, and deeply spiritual Summer gathering. In the opening chapter the author points out what are the chief things that make the Northfield meetings so remarkable in spiritual influence and results, and expresses it as his earnest conviction that these characteristics ought to mark every Christian church throughout the land. Mentioned in brief, these characteristics are: "First, a holy, hearty fellowship. Secondly, a living faith in a present God, and in Jesus Christ as an all-sufficient Savior, and in immediate fruits from the faithful offer of salvation. Thirdly, the enthronement of the Bible as the Book of God, and as the sole authority of faith and manners. Fourthly, the manifest power of the Holy Ghost working in and through consecrated men."

His elucidation of these points is stirring and instructive, and will help many a pastor who is seeking to make himself and his church more useful. In the four succeeding chapters the author discusses the following timely topics, namely: "Why Are There Not More Conversions?" "Our Task as Christians, and What We Need for Effectiveness;" "Am I Worldly?" and, "Our Duty to Our Young Men."

Dr. Gregg is a gifted and thoroughly consecrated preacher, and his clear utterances upon the matters here treated of are well worthy of consideration by religious workers of all classes, and will, no doubt, prove vastly beneficial.

REVIEWS AND NOTES.

In the Century Magazine, for March, Lieut. Hobson tells of his experiences in prison in Santiago, and Lieut. J. B. Bernadou tells of the fight at Cardenas. The Cable Cutting Expedition at Cienfuegos, by Lieut. Cameron Winslow, and Scenes in the Spanish Capital, by Mr. Arthur Hughton, are two very interesting articles. Among many other notable articles is one entitled, British Experience in the Government of Colonies, by Hon. James Bryce, M. P.

The March Pall Mall Magazine has an uncommonly attractive table of contents. The number opens with a poem by Prof. C. G. D. Roberts, entitled Kinsmen Strong. The frontispiece is by C. Dana Gibson, who also contributes to the magazine the first of three articles, illustrated by himself, picturing his recent travels in Egypt. The Shipwreck, a powerful short story of American life, by Mrs. Gertrude Atherton, is very interesting. In addition to these interesting features, there is some excellent fiction, several fine poems, and the whole number is, as usual, superbly illustrated.

The March number of Scribner's Magazine shows Governor Roosevelt in the sort of description he likes best—a narrative of a fight. He describes the fight at Los Guasimas. Senator Hoar contributes an article setting forth his Political Reminiscences. In this number there is an illustrated poem by Oliver Herford and a Rhyme of the Rough Riders, by Clinton Scollard. Numerous other features of this number make this ever-popular magazine especially attractive.

We are in receipt of a very attractive booklet, entitled, Laurel Winners, which has been issued by The John Church Co., New York. This little booklet contains portraits and silhouettes of American composers.

Modesty, Courtship, and Woman's Rights is the title of a little pamphlet which we have received from The International Book Co, Chicago. The author, R. P. Biorup, presents a very correct view of the causes and influences which make social life what it is, and points out necessary changes to attain a more perfect social condition.

The March Ladies' Home Journal has a noteworthy feature in the page showing Pope Leo XIII. as He Lives in the Vatican. An article that will be widely read figures out The American Girl's Chances of Marriage, and another, Social Life in America's French City, gives a really charming glimpse into the exclusive Creole circles of New Orleans. The Most Wonderful Musical Festival in America recalls the great Peace Jubilee held at Boston in 1872, with its seventeen hundred instrumentalists and chorus of seventeen thousand. Churches Decorated for Weddings, The Prettiest Country Homes in America, Flowers and Flower Beds, and Fifteen Good Mantels and Fireplaces are shown from the photographs submitted in the contest for Journal prizes.

GONE HOME.

We buried from the church to-day Bro. Morgan Capers Shell (father-in-law of Rev. Jno. C. Park, of North Mississippi), one of the best men in all the land, a Confederate veteran who lost a leg in the battle at Franklin, Tenn., a merchant here for a third of a century, and a life-long Methodist—a great loss to our church. He died of pneumonia yesterday. Just as we were leaving the residence with his corpse, the widow of his brother, John J. Shell, many years resident of Aberdeen, Miss., died in the same home.

JNO. W. BELL, P. C.

Houston, Miss., Feb. 23, 1899.

A most excellent man has gone to his reward on high. Bro. Shell was universally esteemed wherever he was known. We sympathize deeply with his bereaved family.—EDITOR.

There are many women upon the editorial staffs of religious newspapers, but we believe the Evangelist, the well-known Presbyterian weekly of New York, will be the first important journal to have a woman as editor-in-chief. Dr. Henry M. Field, the aged preacher, editor, traveler and writer, has retired from the Evangelist, and has been succeeded by Mrs. Louise Seymour Houghton, who has been connected with the paper for a number of years. The Evangelist has an honorable history, and deserves a successful future.—Standard.

The election of the Hon. W. L. Wilson, at present the president of the Washington and Lee University, to the presidency of Yale University is certainly a very remarkable circumstance and a hopeful sign of the times. Mr. Wilson is a Southerner—a Democrat—a Baptist, withal a representative man of the South. Surely time changes and we with it. Mr. Wilson is a fine man for the place. He is a West Virginian and 55 years old.—Southern Advocate.

The M. E. Church proposed to raise a fund of $20,000,000; the Methodists of England, five million pounds sterling; we of the South, $1,500,000. The amount proposed by the Southern Church is per capita much less than that proposed by either our mother of England or our sister of the North. We must not fail where they succeed.—Southern Advocate.

NOTES.

Rev. T. B. Clifford has removed from Mansfield to Jackson, La. Let correspondents take notice.

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We regret to have missed a call recently from Rev. J. H. Montgomery, of the Louisiana Conference.

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Wesleyan Female College reopened on the twenty-second after a brief suspension on account of scarlet fever.

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Rev. P. M. Brown writes that he is moving along smoothly at Coushatta, La., and that he anticipates a prosperous year.

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Rev. J. M. Bradley has been most cordially received by the good people of Booneville, Miss. He regards the outlook for the year as quite hopeful.

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Rev. Courtland P. Smith, Minden, La., writes: "We will have all Conference collections secured in good subscriptions by the first Quarterly Conference."

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Rev. Tatum M. Wafer, of the Louisiana Conference, writes: "We have been cordially received by our people at Calhoun, and we have the prospect of a good year's work."

Rev. W. F. Henderson, writing of his new charge at Homer, La., says: "We have been kindly received here. Congregations are large and attentive. We are moving along as nicely as the weather will permit."

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Our Publishing House has established a branch at Dallas, Texas, under the superintendency of W. O. Everett, who is known to the preachers in this section through his visit to the Annual Conference last Fall.

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Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Madison Station, Miss., Mississippi Conference Secretary of Education, will have the monthly New Century Education sent without charge to all the officers and chief workers of each pastoral charge in the Mississippi Conference whose addresses are furnished him.

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We invite special attention to the communication of Rev. J. H. Rogers on the fifth page. Such a visitation we are sure will call forth sympathy of a practical sort. This is a case in which the Golden Rule applies. Let each give according to ability. If you can not spare a large sum, send a small one.

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Rev. H. W. May, Amite City, La, writes: "I have had an increase of nineteen in my membership, with some applicants to be received as soon as they can be instructed in doctrine, church vows, etc. We have had some improvements made on the parsonage, and added some much-needed furniture."

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We are indebted to our friend, Rev. J. S. Oakley, for a copy of the session of the North Mississippi Conference, held in Aberdeen, Nov. 30 to Dec. 5, '98—a neatly-gotten-up pamphlet of fifty-two pages from the press of the Holly Springs South. Commendation of the secretarial work would be superfluous, Oakley's name being a sufficient guarantee.

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The Varley meeting is still in progress at the First Baptist Church, and is largely attended. Mr. Varley is a very unique, striking, and forceful preacher. His sermons are usually of the expository type. Few men can use this method with greater skill. He brings out the meaning of the Word in such a way as to interest and deeply impress his hearers.

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From a private letter from Rev. A. J. Notestine, Ruston, La., we quote as follows: "My year has begun hopefully. The ladies have put some good furniture in the parsonage. Several have been received into the church. We have organized an Epworth League, which is doing well. We expect to have our assessment for missions in hand before the end of the week."

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We are indebted to some unknown friend for a copy of the Minutes of the eighty-fifth session of the Mississippi Annual Conference, held at Hattiesburg, Dec. 29, '98, to Jan. 2, '99—a neat pamphlet of fifty pages bearing the imprint of Murphy & Farmer, Meridian. The distinguished secretary, Dr. C. G. Andrews, has here done his work with his usual painstaking care and accuracy. This is high praise.

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The programme of the Aberdeen District Preachers' Meeting, to be held at Okolona, March 26-31, published in last week's issue, should have had the signature of the presiding elder, Rev. J. M. Wyatt. Let all concerned take notice that it is authoritative. The name of Rev. F. L. Jenkins has been added to those of Revs. K. M. Harrison and Rev. R. A. Tucker to discuss the question: "The Preacher Is the Leader; How Shall He Be Prepared?"

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Rev. I. W. Cooper, D. D., spent last Sabbath in the city, preaching at Carondelet in the morning and at night at Algiers, delighting his congregations at both places. He presented the claims of Centenary in an interesting and forceful way. He also addressed the Preachers' Meeting on Monday in a jubilant speech. He reports the attendance larger than at any time since the Spring of '61. Much enthusiasm has been awakened in behalf of the college in various parts of the State. The Doctor is sanguine that he will open next Fall with an enrollment of at least 200. Before his return he will visit New Iberia, Franklin, Morgan City and other towns on the Southern Pacific railroad, delivering an address at each.

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Rev. R. A. Meek has not been appointed or elected president of the Mississippi State League Conference. His name is added to the Executive Committee, and he will assist in the work.

J. H Ledyard, of Meridian, first vice-president, will act as president in place of Rev. J. A. Randolph, who has gone to Cuba with the United States volunteers as chaplain.

We recently enjoyed a most delightful visit to Crowley, La., the seat of the coming Conference, and can assure the Leaguers in advance of a royal time for those who attend.

The young people have hitherto been united in a Christian Endeavor, which was largely attended and enthusiastically supported. Bro. Knickerbocker has been prudent and judicious in his management of affairs, and now that the time is propitious, his plans are laid for a League.

Our presence in Crowley at this time was occasioned by a desire upon the part of the pastor for an address from this scribe on the aim and work of the Epworth League.

What a throng of young people turned out to greet us Sunday night, Feb. 19, at 7 o'clock! The church was crowded; many had to stand. The singing was inspiring, and the attention and behavior of the large congregation was well-nigh perfect.

We had not seen so large a congregation at any ordinary service since our last visit to Wood Street, Water Valley. At old Wood Street they always turn out en masse.

What an opportunity for the League at Crowley! What crowds of young people! Many of them Methodists. Town growing; houses in demand; people from all sections continually moving in. The pastor will need the help of these young people in his work.

Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, the pastor, is a young man, full of promise, and in great favor with his flock and all the folk besides.

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We told the Crowley people that everywhere we went in Louisiana we would take the liberty of inviting the Leaguers and their friends to visit Crowley during the coming Conference. Reader, you are invited. We hope to see you there.

Dr. DuBose is still meeting with much success both as editor and secretary. The Era grows apace, and the secretary is charming the audiences that greet him on every hand. Let us do our part as individual Leaguers, and, like soldiers under orders for the front, may we march forward to the music of celestial song to take this world for Christ!

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

I have appointed the Rev. Perry O. Lowrey to make all necessary arrangements for a District Epworth League Conference, to be held in the near future at Shreveport, La. The presidents of the Leagues in the Shreveport district are requested to meet Bro. Lowrey at Texas Avenue Church, at 3 P. M., of Thursday, March 9, 1899, for the purpose of preparing a suitable program.

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J. H. ROGERS.

Ellzy, Miss., Feb. 23, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Leagues of the Shreveport District:

In the absence of a district organization, the presiding elder has asked me to call a meeting of the presidents (or other representatives) of the several Leagues to meet in Shreveport on Thursday, March 9, to make out a program for a League rally, to be held in the near future, to the end that old Leagues might be quickened and strengthened, and that new ones might be organized. Please lend a helping hand, that the greatest possible good might result from the effort. If you have no League, let the pastor suggest to the committee at least one suitable person to take part on the program. Also suggest topics to be discussed, and general plans for making the rally a success.

Kind reader and fellow-worker, won't you let this brief notice prompt you to immediate action, and the lack of a regular working district organization cause you to put forth stronger personal effort?

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NOTICE.

MR. EDITOR: Our church at Nettleton has fifteen more members on the Sunday-school roll than church members. Every church in our connection should aim at and work to have at least as many Sunday-school members as church members. If our leaders—parents particularly—would learn of Christ concerning his great department of the gospel "field," this would soon come to pass. Who will help? Can anyone afford to neglect his or her duty here in the sight of God and before the people.

Bro. M. C. Shell, of Houston, is seriously ill with pneumonia. Pray that his life may be spared.

Yours fraternally,

J. M. WYATT.

Aberdeen, Miss.

A SUGGESTION.

MR EDITOR: With your permission I wish to suggest to your correspondents that they can increase the number of their readers by making their articles shorter, which they can easily do by operating on the installment plan. The average reader usually skips a three-column article.

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Second, we should continue to work for the Ellis bill to prohibit liquor selling in the army and in all government buildings. Some people are under the impression that this bill has passed. Not so. It has been favorably reported, but not voted upon. Much can be done within the next few days. MAY RUSSELL,

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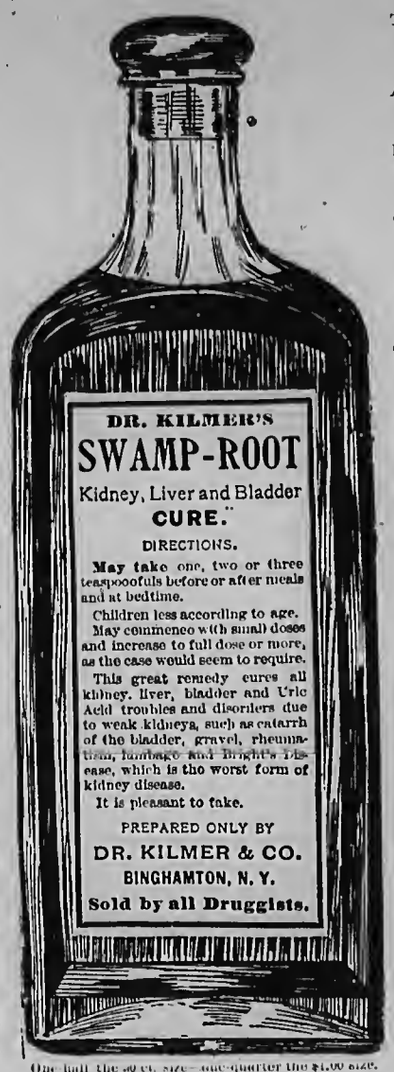
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And let no teardrops fall upon the sod;
But lowly pansies bring,
As friendship's offering,
And leave me with these blossoms and my God.

I pray you, do not weep
When I am laid to sleep,
My tired soul will find a peaceful rest;
Tho' you may miss me here,
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That severs life's torn strand,
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When pain and grief drew nigh,
How oft my soul would cry:
"The cross is heavier than I can bear!"
And when He bids me come
To rest with him at home,
I know that He will lighten all my care.

All hail, the dawn of light;
That brings the sunshine bright,
To fall in beauty o'er my onward way!
Why should my soul replae,
When heaven will soon be mine,
To leave the cross, and win the crown for aye?

If I should die to-day,
May those who love me say:
"We will not weep for one at rest above!"
But let the pansies bloom
O'er my lone, silent tomb,
The offering of friendship and of love.

—The Voice.

SELF-RELIANCE.

There grows upon the youth in college a habit of respecting the opinions of others, especially of those in positions above him. He has been accustomed to look up to a professor with a questioning and yielding mind, and this spirit of self-abnegation will go over into his business and professional life. It may prove a draw-back to him. It is well enough for a young man to yield to the opinions of others, older and wiser than himself, but he should also be prepared to act for himself when the time comes, and should even place himself in positions where he will have to rely on his own judgment alone. Confidence and power are born of an absolute certainty in regard to what one knows. The strongest man is the man who is entirely positive that he is right in what he states, and is prepared to stand by it. The strongest professor I ever saw, the one of all others whose opinions were respected, was he who knew absolutely what he stated to his class. The most trusted expert accountant in a certain city is the man who is prepared to go on the witness-stand and take oath to the correctness of the total when once he has added a column of figures. This man always has more than he can do. If a young man has to work out his own success, he must, early in his career, learn to depend on himself. The danger, often, is to give way to others, from fear that you will not give satisfaction, or will not be equal to the required task. This should never be. An arm grows by the very work it has to do, and fingers become nimble and skillful by constant use. Though a young man fail once, he has new strength and new experience for the next time. —Success.

DON'T REPROVE AT BEDTIME.

To send the children happy to bed should be one of the mother's most ordinary tasks. No little one should dread the bedtime hour, nor fear the dark, nor be allowed to go to rest under a sense of disgrace or alienation from household love. Whatever the child's day-time naughtiness may have been, at nightfall he should be forgiven, and go to rest with the mother's kiss on his lips and her tender voice in his ears.

Hardly anything can be worse for a young child than to be scolded or receive punishment at bedtime. The mother does well to be a little blind at some things, remembering that a good deal of childish culpability is superficial only, and washes off almost as easily as does the dirt which the evening bath removes from the skin.

The main thing with children is to have them well started with good principles, which they will carry through life. Obedience, truth, unselfishness, purity are essentials, and these can all be lovingly cultivated, and will flourish in the right home atmosphere.

When the nursery brood is undressed and in bed, the lights turned low, the room quiet for the night, the mother, or nurse, or elder sister, or the kind auntie, who is still found in some fortunate houses, should have a little fund of stories on which to draw for the small listeners' pleasure before they embark on the train for dreamland.

Imagination is very active in little children, and occasionally one meets a mother who does not understand the child's world, having forgotten her own early days and their illusions, or who is afraid that fancy and its imageries will lead her child into deceit. While the most exact and rigid truthfulness should be practiced in our dealings with children, and they themselves should be taught to shun equivocation and every form of lying, still we need not fear to let imagination give them pleasure.

They early learn to discriminate between the false and the true—or, perhaps, it would be better to say that they learn to find the truth wrapped in the husk of the story. The same stories, with variations, have in all ages and climes been taught to children, and they have their origin in the needs and the heart of the race. Children thrive on stories, and are the better able to grasp other literature if early fed on these.—Philadelphia Times.

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GRACEFULNESS AT HOME.

There is a nice art in being able to pay a compliment gracefully, and it is one that ought to be cultivated in the home as well as the outer circles of society. There is no reason why the home circle should not be as polished and attractive in its behavior as the public assembly. It is a great error for fathers and mothers to permit such a relaxation of politeness among their children as we often find under the family roof tree.

Company behavior and company manners may necessarily be more formal and precise than those of the fireside and sitting-room, but it is fatal to good breeding to deliberately lay polish and compliment aside when our dear ones compose the company exclusively. Teach the children to say graceful things—yet truthful things, of course—to brothers and sisters, as well as to strangers; to be as careful of wounding their feelings and their self-respect as they would be of the feelings of a guest, and at the breakfast or dinner table to take just as much pains to entertain and enlighten each other as though the entertainment of a party of invited friends depended upon the effort.—Forward.

SURE SIGNS.

Some folks don't believe in signs, but the wisest man in the world believed in them. Solomon said: "Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right."

When I see a little boy go slow to school, and glad of every excuse to neglect his books, I think it is a sign that he will be a dunce.

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When I see a boy fond of the Bible, and knowing it well, I think it is a sign that he will be a good and happy man.—Anon.

HOW TO LIVE.

The great problem is, after all, how shall one grow in sympathy and tenderness and generosity and consideration? How shall he feed on high thoughts and noble aims? How shall he be swift to discern and avail himself of those opportunities for usefulness to others which are the best channels of his own growth? How shall he hold clear and close relation with the divine energy?

"Be one of the conquerors!" said Balzac. "The universe belongs to him who wills and loves and prays; but he must will, he must love, he must pray!" In a word, he must possess wisdom, force and faith!—Lillian Whiting.

Hygiene.

HOW TYPHOID FEVER IS SPREAD.

Typhoid fever is generally regarded at the present day, along with cholera and some other diseases, as belonging to the class of "water-borne" affections. In other words, it is believed that the germs of such diseases are carried, and perhaps propagated, in water. There is little doubt that this theory of typhoid fever is correct, and that in tracing any extended epidemic of the disease to its source we must first of all examine into the condition of the water supply.

Drinking-water has been proved to be the cause of the spread of typhoid fever in many epidemics in this country and England; but there is little comfort in this for those who habitually drink something stronger than water, because, although during an epidemic the drinking-water may be made safe by boiling, this is not enough.

If the water is contaminated, the germs may be introduced into the body while brushing the teeth or washing the face. Or again, salads and fruits which are eaten raw may be contaminated by the water in which they are washed. Typhoid fever has sometimes been spread in a city whose water supply was above reproach by means of milk or ice.

Milk need not be watered in order to become a vehicle for typhoid germs; the germs may be introduced into cans and bottles while these are being washed in water drawn from a contaminated well or brook at the dairy. Although destroyed by boiling, typhoid germs will resist a freezing temperature for a long time, and have been found in ice cut from a pond poisoned with sewage containing the bacilli of this disease.

Another means of the spread of typhoid has recently been discovered in oysters. Oystermen frequently place oysters in brackish water near the mouth of a creek or river in order to fatten them before they are brought to market. If this place happens to be near the mouth of a sewer containing typhoid poison, or if the creek water be contaminated, the oysters will take the virus within their shells, and so revenge themselves on those who eat them raw.

In some puzzling cases of typhoid it has been supposed that the food was infected by flies, which had carried the germs a long distance on their feet—a strong argument for the proper care of food in the fly season.

These are only a few of the ways in which this disease may be spread, but they are enough to show that, so far from feeling surprise that the disorder should be so common, we may rather wonder that we are not all its victims.—Youth's Companion.

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OBITUARIES.

B. F. ORMOND.

On the ninth day of last August, at his home in Meridian, Miss., our brother, Benjamin F. Ormond, passed from earth to heaven. He was born in Hookerton, N. C., Jan. 7, 1849. Left an orphan at twelve years old, he, nevertheless, grew to manhood without having "run wild." When sixteen years old, at college, under the preaching of the president, Rev. Leonard Cooper, he was converted, and joined the Methodist Church. He was married to Miss Elizabeth J. Watts in 1870. These brief statements point out the principal events of one of the most successful lives I have ever known.

Bro. Ormond was in every way a successful man. He succeeded in business; he succeeded in gaining a large circle of friends, who trusted his judgment and integrity most implicitly, and he succeeded as a Christian in accomplishing much good in his quiet way. The secret of his success is intimated in a statement by one who knew him well, "He attended Sunday-school from his youth up." It means that from his very boyhood he recognized the claims which religion had upon him. It never occurred to him that he could not make money and be a Christian. He was a Christian, and God prospered him. "Diligent in business, serving the Lord," he made money, and won friends, and laid up a store of useful knowledge, and grew in wisdom.

Bro. Ormond was made a steward in the church when but twenty years old, and he served in that capacity for nearly thirty years. His superior judgment, unswerving loyalty and unostentatious piety were of inestimable value to the church. He was the preacher's friend; and, more, he was the preacher's "right-hand man," a veritable pillar in the church. For years Central Church, Meridian, leaned hard on him, and now she feels her loss.

He served his church, at various times, as Sunday-school superintendent and college trustee; and in every sphere his superior judgment, unswerving loyalty and conscientious devotion to duty made his service of untold value to the cause of Christ.

Bro. Ormond so managed the affairs of a large family that his children are following in his footsteps. All of them, who are out of babyhood, are members of the church; and all who are grown are active workers in the church. One daughter is the wife of a Methodist preacher, and one son is a steward in Central Church; the others, who are younger, bid fair to take like rank in the Master's work.

I am glad that I have known Bro. Ormond. His quiet life of large success has been a lesson and an inspiration to me. I am glad that I was permitted to visit him on his death-bed, and learn a lesson from what I saw of him there. He was ready to go, and quietly passed away.

A wife and eight children survive him. His life's hallowing influence upon his home, his Church, and his community. He was a successful man. H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

JAMES—WM. M. JAMES was born, reared and spent his whole life in our midst, and, like his sainted father, his life has been such as to merit the respect and confidence of all men. If he had an enemy, such an one has been wise enough to keep his secret.

Bro. James possessed the rare gift to be a useful, public-spirited citizen, without making enemies; always on the side of right, and stood firm by his convictions; a life-long Methodist, and for about thirty-five years an official member, serving as steward, trustee, and Sunday-school superintendent. Only those who knew Bro. James in his early and maturer life, before disease had laid hold upon him, can fully appreciate his useful life to the church and community. A good neighbor, true friend, affectionate and kind husband and father, honest and upright in his dealings with all—last, but not least, a brave and fearless Confederate soldier, as his comrades testify, and many scars received on hard-fought battle-fields prove.

Bro. James' life was not an easy one, but, with a strong and abiding faith in God, he met every difficulty, and "none of these things moved him," and he came out of every trial a conqueror, always true to God and principle. Several years ago his health began to fail, and grew worse until, on the twenty-fourth day of January last, his pure spirit went to God who gave it. He was in his fifty-ninth year. His last words to his family, only a few minutes before he died, were, "Do as I have done—trust in God and do your duty."

To his bereaved family we offer our sympathy, and pray God's blessing upon them.

P. A. RICHARDSON,
R. WHITAKER

The above memorial was read and adopted by the first Quarterly Conference, Centreville circuit, Natchez district, Mississippi Conference, in session Feb. 14, 1899.

P. A. RICHARDSON, Sec.
Centreville, Miss.

DAVENPORT—MISS ONA GRANBERRY DAVENPORT, daughter of Bro. and Sister J. D. S. Davenport, of Fayette, Jefferson county, Miss., was born Feb. 21, 1879, and died Dec. 31, 1898.

She joined the M. E. Church, South, in early childhood; was converted and became a devoted Christian. She delighted in Sunday-school and the study of God's Word, and was interested in all church work. She possessed a most lovable disposition; was kind and agreeable to all, and would joyfully forego pleasure to enhance the happiness of others. For loved ones and friends her heart was full of affection. Her appreciation for favors shown her was manifested by such bright expressions as to make it a real pleasure to favor her in any way. She was unusually intelligent for one of her age, having carefully read much. She was especially well posted in the current history of the day. She had been in poor health for years, but bore up with remarkable patience and cheerfulness. We have never known one so young who seemed to be more perfectly submissive.

She died in New Orleans, whither her mother had carried her for treatment. Her remains were brought back to the family graveyard at McNair, Miss., where, no doubt, she will have "part in the first resurrection." Her devoted Christian parents have been subjects of the greatest affliction, but they realize the all-sufficiency of God's grace. Beyond affliction there will be a blessed reunion and a bright forever. B. S. RAYNER, P. C.

MCRAE—MILTON H. MCRAE, son of John and Emaline McRee, was born in Holmes county, Miss., Sept. 25, 1852. He joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life, and was true to his church until death—Nov. 10, 1898. He was married to Miss Mattie E. Hamilton, Nov. 23, 1884, who, almost broken-hearted, survives him, to care for their four little fatherless children. He spent eleven years of his married life near Acona, Miss., but in January, 1898, he moved to the Delta, where he met his death from a gunshot wound. His loved ones brought his remains to Acona for interment. Bro. Lester, the pastor, preached his funeral. His wife, writing to me, has paid him the highest tribute when she says: "He was a kind and good husband and father. A better man never lived."

It was my pleasure to be pastor to Bro. and Sister McRae in 1896 and '98, and many were the enjoyable visits to his cozy home. He was devoted to his wife and children. His was modest, retiring, and entirely inoffensive; seemed to love everybody and everything. I do not remember hearing him speak a harsh word of anyone. How my heart runs out in tenderest sympathy to his wife and children, and to his aged parents, his brothers, and his sisters!

Dear friends, may the God of all grace and comfort sustain you all, and bring us all safe to our heavenly home, where we will meet our loved ones, to part no more!

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MOORE—MRS. MATTIE J. SHIVERS MOORE was born Dec. 25, 1870, in Lincoln county, Miss. In her seventh year she moved to Sunflower county, Miss., with her parents. She professed faith in her Savior at Providence Camp Meeting in 1890 and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1891 under the pastorate of Rev. J. E. Adair, of the North Mississippi Conference. She attended school at Whitworth College about two years. Afterwards she spent some of her time teaching school. She was married to Bro. J. M. Moore, Sept. 15, 1897, and she departed this life Jan. 23, 1899, leaving a little babe one week and one day old. She was reconciled to her death. She called up her husband, father, mother, brothers and sisters, often referring to her conversion at the time she first found the Savior—1891. She then named her little baby Shivers, and gave it to Mrs. Reynolds, her husband's sister. Exhorting her many friends to meet her in heaven, she passed away in peace. The writer spent last year in the same house that Sister Moore died in, and most confess her life was a blessing to him. She was of an old-time, good Methodist family, who had her baptized in infancy, as all true Methodists should do.

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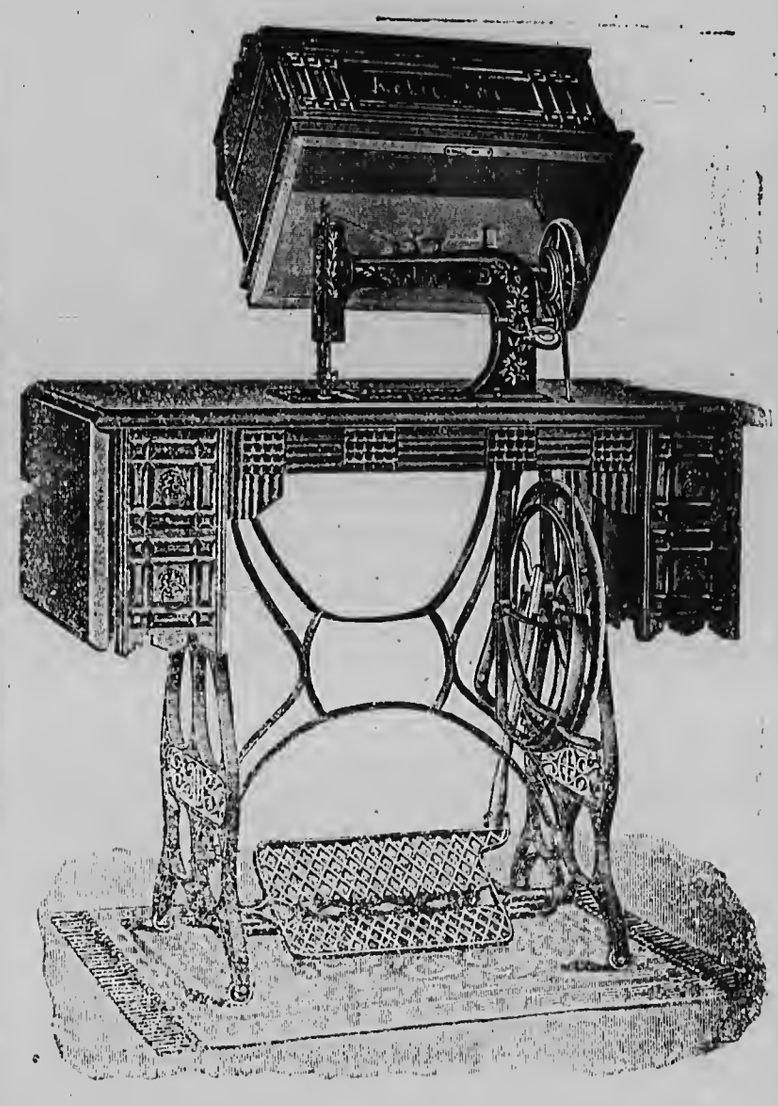

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Emperor Nicholas of Russia is seriously ill, and grave fears are entertained of his recovery.

The Planters' Oil Mill at Monroe, La., has been burned, presumably by an incendiary. Loss $150,000.

A filibuster expedition is said to have been formed in Kansas City to proceed to Nicaragua via this city.

All the miners in Arkansas—said to be 12,000 in number—are on a strike. Also those in Indian Territory.

The Board of Trade has approved the action of the Louisiana Board of Health in the selection of fever experts.

The insurgents in Nicaragua have agreed to disarm if the government will guarantee them life and property.

Miller and Early counties, Ga., are being terrorized by White Caps, who propose to drive out all the negroes.

Commodore Philip, who is now at the head of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, gets a salary of $4000 a year for his new duties.

The Spanish Senate by a vote of 130 to 7 has demanded a parliamentary inquiry into the conduct of the recent war.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis arrived in this city, on Monday, from New York. She will remain in New Orleans several months.

In the Senate Messrs. Vest, White and Caffery spoke against the army reorganization bill. The compromise bill passed by a vote of 55 to 13.

The United States Supreme Court has decided that the Ohio State law requiring eating-houses where oleomargarine is used to placard it is unconstitutional.

Citizens of the Seventh District have organized, announcing their object to be protection in the expropriation of property for the Illinois Central track privileges.

Gen. Gomez expects to go to Washington about April 1 and submit a proposition for the payment of the Cuban army that will be acceptable to this country and to Cuba.

The Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House will report the Senate amendment for the Nicaragua Canal adversely, and will recommend a fresh survey of the Nicaragua and Panama routes.

The present session of Congress will close on Friday, March 3, at midnight. Should it be necessary to legislate after that date, the new Congress, which will be the Fifty-sixth, will have to be called in session.

The losses of the American troops at Manila in the recent fights have been 83 killed and 354 wounded to date. Eight thousand Filipinos at Malolos are anxious to surrender. Aguinaldo is said to be inclined to accept pacific overtures.

General Gomez of Cuba stands about 5 feet 7 inches in his shoes, weighs about 150 pounds, and though 70 years of age, has been from 1895-98 often in the saddle for thirty-six hours without sleep. Indeed, he found his health better in a tent than in a house.

The new Japanese warship "Chitose" is the fastest fighting craft on water. In her recent trial off San Francisco the "Chitose" scored 23.76 knots an hour, the fleetest steaming ever made by a man-of-war of the heavy fighting type. This performance scores another triumph for the Union Iron Works of San Francisco.

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The Senate Committee on Appropriations has completed consideration of the sundry civil bill as passed by the House and reported it to the Senate. The most important amendment adopted by the committee is a provision for a cable to Honolulu. The amendment provides that the cost of the cable shall not exceed $2,500,000.

Dr. Samuel Smiles, the author of the papular book, "Self-Help," is in a very feeble condition. He is now nearly eighty years of age, and has been for some time failing in health. He rarely receives any one except his most intimate friends and relatives, and is, to use his own words, "preparing for the great and inevitable change."

Two homes in Audubon Place were completely destroyed, one residence almost burned down and another house badly damaged by fire early Sunday morning. A score of other blazes occurred in the same neighborhood at the same time. The fires were all caused by a high potential lighting wire crossing a secondary wire on St. Charles avenue, near Calhoun street.

The friends of irrigation for the West feel that they have scored a distinct triumph for their cause. The Senate Committee on Commerce recommended the amendments to the Rivers and Harbors bill proposed by Senator Warren, of Wyoming, which appropriated $215,000 for the construction of the Piney system of reservoirs in Wyoming according to the surveys and plans in the official Chittenden report, and also $50,000 for the survey of sites in each of the arid and semi-arid States and Territories. The Senate adopted these amendments after warm debate.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Boyce and West Alexandria, at Boyce	Mar.	4, 5
Alexandria station ....7:30 p. m..		8
Lecompte and White Chapel, at W. C.		11, 12
Chicot and Washington, at C...Conference, 11 a. m. Preaching, 7:30 p.m.		15
Bunkie and Marksville, at Evergreen		18, 19
Simsport, at ——		25, 26
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at R.	April	1, 2
Natchitoches and Regan's, at R....		8, 9
Jena and Jonesville, at ——		15, 16
Montgomery and Colfax, at M....		22, 23
Olla and Pollock, at Olla....		29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at —— Conference 11 a.m Preaching, 7:30 p.m.	May	3
Columbia, at Bonff River....		6, 7
Dry Creek, at ——....		13, 14
Spring Creek, at ——. Conference, 11 a. m Preaching, 7:30 p. m....		17
Pineville, at ——		20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Lecompte, May 24-28.

As far as practicable, the collections for foreign missions will be brought up by the preachers. Let there be a full for this collection.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Patterson	Mar.	4, 5
Morgan City		11, 12
Franklin		18, 19
Jeanerette		25, 26
New Iberia	Apr.	1, 2
Abbeville, at Prairie Gregg		8, 9
Lafayette		15, 16
Prudhomme, at Church Point		22, 23
Opelousas, at Belle View		29, 30
Plaquemine Bends	May	6, 7
Indian Bayou		13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine		20, 21
Crowley		27, 28
West Lake	June	3, 4
Grand Cheniere		10, 11
Lake Charles		17, 18

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Bonita	Mar.	3, 4
Floyd		11, 12
Tallulah		18, 19
Winnsboro		25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr.	1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Carrollton Avenue	Mar.	5
Carondelet Street		12
White Castle		19
Bargandy Street		26
Covington	Apr.	2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Fort Jesup and Many, at Many	Mar.	4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Hill.		11, 12
Red River, at ——		18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs		25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr.	1, 2
Mansfield		9
Florine and Mission, at ——		15, 16
Zwolle, at Zwolle		22, 23
Pelican, at ——		29, 30

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Minden	Mar.	4, 5
Gansville		11, 12
Arcadia		18, 19

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Hollandale	Mar.	11, 12
New Salem		18, 19
Shaw		20
Cleveland		26, 27
Marigold		25, 26
Greenville	Apr.	1, 2
Clarksdale		8, 9
Friar's Point		15, 16
Lula		22, 23
Jonestown		29, 30
Robinsonville	May	6, 7
Austin		13, 14
Sherard's		20, 21
Lacoma		27, 28
Gunnison		28, 29
Rosedale	June	3, 4
Bolivar		10, 11
Lehrton		17, 18

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.
Greenville, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Shuqualak	Mar.	4, 5
Hebron		11, 12
Crawford		18, 19
West Point		25, 26
Tibbee	Apr.	1, 2
Cedar Bluff		8, 9
Starkville circuit		15, 16
Starkville station		22, 23
Lagrange		29, 30
Sturges	May	6, 7
Columbus circuit		13, 14
Columbus station		20, 21
Winstonville		27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Tupelo station	Mar.	11, 12
Aberdeen station		18, 19
Prairie circuit		25, 26
Okolona station	Apr.	1, 2
Aberdeen circuit		8, 9
Verona and Nettleton		15, 16
Montpelier circuit		22, 23
Houston and Wesley		23, 24
Quincy circuit		29, 30
Amory and Smithville	30, May	1
Nettleton circuit		6, 7
Tremont circuit		13, 14
Fulton circuit		20, 21
Buena Vista circuit		27, 28
Shannon circuit	June	3, 4
Okolona circuit		10, 11

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Sallis, at Harmonia	Mar.	11, 12
Ebenezer, at Bethany		15
Kosciusko station		18, 19
Ethel, at Shady Grove		25, 26
Eupora and Maben, at Mabon	Apr.	1, 2
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula....		8, 9
Pickens, at Pickens		15, 16
Ackerman, at Weir		22, 23
Durant station		29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge	May	6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland		13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union		15
Chester circuit		20, 21
Ilelzona		27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June	3, 4
Louisville		10, 11
Salem		15

The Preachers' Meeting will be held at Sallis, April 5 and 6.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Sardis	Mar.	12, 13
Como		18, 19
Nesbit		25, 26
Arkabutla	Apr.	1, 2
Senatobia		2, 3
Batesville and Wesley		8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando		15, 16
Cockrum		20, 21
Wall Hill		22, 23
Courtland		29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May	6, 7
Tyro		12
Pleasant Grove		13, 14
Orwood mission		19
Eureka		20, 21
Longtown		27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Iuka circuit	Mar.	11, 12
Iuka circuit	night..	12
Corinth station		18, 19
Ripley and New Albany		25, 26
Booneville circuit	Thurs..	30
Blue Springs circuit	Apr.	1, 2
Kossuth circuit	Fri..	7
Corinth circuit		8, 9
Saltillo circuit		15, 16
Guntown and Baldwyn	night..	16
Jonesboro circuit	Fri..	21
Ripley circuit		22, 23
Marietta circuit		29, 30
Brown's Creek circuit	Fri..May	5
Belmont circuit		6, 7
Jacinto circuit		13, 14
New Albany circuit		20, 21

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.
My address is Booneville, Miss.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Olive Branch, at Miller	Feb	25, 26
East Holly Springs, at Harmony	Mar.	4, 5
Ashland, at Union Hill		11, 12
Connersville, at Ebenezer		18, 19

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

West	2nd	Feb.
Carrollton circuit	3rd	
McNutt	4th	
Black Hawk	1st	Mar.
Dublin and Webb	2nd	

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ellzey, at Old Town	Fri..Mar.	3
Pittsboro		4, 5

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

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MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Daleville, at Bethel	Mar	4, 5
Blumsville, at Scooba		11, 12

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VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Mayersville, at Mayersville	Feb.	25, 26
Flora, at Flora	Mar.	4, 5
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs		11, 12
Utica, at Utica		18, 19
Satartia, at Bentonia		25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr.	1, 2
Hormanville, at Pisgah		8, 9

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Chunkey, at Suqualena..Sat. and Sun.	Mar.	4, 5
Montrose, at Mt. Zion..Sat. and Sun.		11, 12
Shiloh, at John's.....Sat. and Sun..		18, 19
Decatur, at Decatur...Sat. and Sun..		25, 26
Noshoba, at Mars Hill..Sat. and Sun..	Apr.	1, 2
Choctaw Mission, at Talli-Chulok. Mon		3

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Westville, at Westville	Mar.	4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Huntsville..Tues..		7
Providence, at Bahala		11, 12
Tylertown, at Tylertown		18, 19
Pleasant Grove, at Tilton's....Wed..		22
Hazlehurst		25, 26

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Salem	Feb.	11, 12
Fayette		18, 19
Jefferson Street		24, 26
Wesley Chapel		25, 26
Meadville	Mar.	4, 5
Roxie		11, 12
Percy's Creek		18, 19
Woodville		25, 26
Brandywine	Apr.	1, 2

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Yazoo circuit, at Fletcher's	Mar.	4, 5
Benton, at Benton....7 P. M..		5, 6
Silver Dr. and B. L.		11, 12
Lake City and Ludi		18, 19
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's		25, 26
Camden, at Camden	Apr.	1, 2

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W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

NOTICE.

The Minutes of the last session have been sent out. Brethren residing on the I. C. railroad will find theirs at the express office; the others have been sent by mail. J. S. OAKLEY, Sec'y.

NOTICE.

Epworth Leaguers who desire to secure accommodations during the International Epworth League Convention, in July next, are invited to communicate with L. T. Lewis, chairman of Homes Committee, Tho Denison, Indianapolis, Ind.

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MARRIAGES.

HILL—WHITEHEAD.—At the residence of the bride's parents, seven miles east from Gallman, Feb. 1, 1899, by Rev. W. M. Williams, Mr. J. E. Hill to Miss Laura Whitehead.

BEASLEY—BETTISWORTH.—At the residence of Mr. Henry Day, three miles east from Crystal Springs, Feb. 8, 1899, by Rev. W. M. Williams, Mr. O. G. Beasley and Mrs. Ellen Bettisworth.

THOMPSON—BROWN.—At the Methodist Church in Sandersville, Miss., Feb. 19, 1899, at 7 o. m., by Rev. W. M. Sullivan, Mr. Z. H. Thompson, of Bay Springs, Miss., to Miss Lottie B. Brown, of Sandersville, Miss.

FANT—BECKHAM.—At the home of the bride's father, in Chickasaw county, Feb. 22, 1899, by Rev. J. W. Baper, Mr. A. E. Fant and Miss Margie D. Beckham.

GREENE—BROADUS.—At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Lutt, near McHenry, Feb. 12, 1899, by Rev. Geo. W. Huff, Mr. Henry Greene, of Florida, to Miss Susie Broadus, of McHenry, Miss.

LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT,

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DEPARTED DAYS.

BY OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

Yes, dear, departed, cherished days,
Could memory restore
Your morning light, your evening rays,
From time's grey urn once more—
Then might this restless heart be still,
This straining eye might close,
And Hope her fainting pinions fold,
While the pale phantom rose.

But like a child in ocean's arms,
We strive against the stream,
Each moment farther from the shore
Where life's young fountains gleam—
Each moment fainter wave the fields,
And wider rolls the sea;
The mist grows dark, the sun goes down,
Day breaks—and where are we?

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

FROM THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

MR. EDITOR: As it has been said war, in its sublime aspect, represents the self-respect of a nation in a just cause, with all the unreason and horror and suffering of it, it is still an awful, glorious witness of man's power to live and act and die for the unseen. Honor is a proud sense of duty and self-respect that says there is something worse than war, as the upright man says there is something worse than death. For this reason our school-boys, "of whom I was one of which," feeling that we helped to represent the hidden power of a nation, and were called forth to redress the outrages of the weak and set the oppressed go free; also realizing that that nation only can respect itself that has poured its life-blood for truth, freedom, and right, and that a nation is a nation whose moral power diffuses that sense of justice which shall finally be the peace of the world, we donned a suit of blue instead of our school-boys' suits, of which we had grown somewhat tired. After promising to bring our friends a pet Spaniard, and going through no good-byes—real war good-byes—we were in Nashville and mustered into United States service before we had time to reflect on our actions. A few days' stay at that place, a seven days' journey by rail, and we were at San Francisco, where we could see boys from all parts of the continent marching proudly away under flaunting flags, keeping time to the wild, grand music of war; marching down the streets of that city to the wharves, where the great steamers were waiting to carry them away from the land they loved to the Philippine Islands, to the fields of glory, to do and die for the eternal right. After over four months of suspense, anxiety, and anticipation, we, too, traveled the same road, went by the same music, endured the same pangs of sorrow at leaving the thousands of hospitable and patriotic Californians, who were gathered to bid us good-by and "God be with you!" as the "City of Puebla" gave its last whistle and the bugle its last call on the continent and soil for whose good we were saving.

But all of such an occasion is not sadness, for after we had steamed out of the bay through Golden Gate and on the high seas, things assumed into another aspect. Neptune, whose dominion we had never before been in, seemed to have been disturbed, and was giving vent to his passions in a way that was not wholly appreciated by our boys. The transport, which looked so stationary and immovable at the wharves, was using "head over heels," and though it was hard to hold their own on deck, the boys all lined up "as skirmishers," and paid the toll over the rail usually required from an inexperienced sailor. But some of us enjoyed the sight and amusement (to some at their expense. In three hours two-thirds of those aboard had vomited up everything except their life, and were ready to retire to their couches, on which they lay and heed the day they ever heard of sea, or the glories thereof.

Seven days' steaming brought us to Honolulu, where we saw our first tropical climate. Being at a loss to find words to express the grandeur which it presented, we could do nothing but exclaim, as has been done before, "Beautiful!" It is surely a "paradise regained," for it has all manner of tropical trees, luscious fruits, gandy shrubbery, and birds of fine plumage. The streets are overhung with cocoanut, orange, banana, and bread-fruit trees, each bearing its respective fruit. Besides this, there are cool, shady parks, and shady plots full of banyan trees and trees and shrubs we never heard of. The houses are all built conducive to comfort, each man according to his idea, which oddity within itself makes it beautiful. The ex-royal palace, which we ransacked from the basement to the top, is hung with the likenesses of the generations of the royal family. The building is of stone, and surrounded by a nice lawn filled with rustic seats, a band-stand, and everything fitting for such a place. The whole city has the appearance of a wealthy Summer resort. On the fourth day of our stay we steamed out of the fine harbor of that place, returning a "Walakaha" to the natives as the Honolulu band, which took third prize at the World's Fair, sweetly played "Auld Lang Syne," in response to which we gave three rousing cheers, which our Northern brethren call the "rebel yell."

We were on a nineteen days' trip, and fully appreciated the length of time, as well as distance, from the experience of the past few days' journey. At one time some part of the machinery of the vessel broke, which caused a delay of seven hours; at another time a boy bent on mischief circulated that a leak had been sprung which could not be fixed, and that we were surely sinking. This caused an excitement among some of the more impetuous characters. One boy, who is somewhat wayward, and the son of a Methodist preacher, declared that he was vile, but was going to change his ways. At another time, and the most interesting of the whole journey, we passed a huge, smoking, seething volcano, which is part of the LaDrone Islands. When finally, having seen several schools of man-eating sharks, and catching some flying fish, which were so careless as to come into our ship, "Land ahead!" was shouted. The air was rent again with the rebel yell, for this land was the Isle of Luzon, the terminus of our journey. But we sailed along its coast two days before we came to the mouth of Manila Bay, and passed the forts that our immortal Dewey ran in the cover of night to get to Spain's fleet, of which we saw some of the mast-poles a little further on, and just beyond this Dewey's fleet itself, in its awful grandeur and power, lying as placid and seemingly as harmless as the "City of Puebla." The bay is lined on its edge by this city. It has 'not a fleck in its tissue nor a rift in its tint,' but a transport as large as ours can not land at the only wharf in the mouth of the Pasig river, so we had to anchor in the bay, and be brought to shore a week afterwards on the queer little barges containing a family in each end, which are almost the only modes of transfer they have here.

FRANK M. LOWREY.

(To be continued.)

"TRYING MY 'PRENTICE HAND."

For the first time in my life I am presiding elder. Bishop Galloway, as he facetiously put it, set me "trying my 'prentice hand," and I am really trying.

When once I, a newly-appointed pastor, met a witty daughter of a newly-appointed presiding elder—both having just reached our field of labor—she congratulated me on the royal reception the people had given me, and then remarked, "But we are nobody's dog," meaning that presiding elders had nobody to specially care for them. So, I expected that I would be allowed the unenviable privilege of finding my way to the district parsonage as best I could.

I left Meridian on the early morning of Jan. 10 with three of my daughters, leaving my wife for a few days with the married daughter, and reached Brookhaven at 5:30 that evening, when, lo! Bro. A. C. McNair met us with a carriage and drove us to the district parsonage, which was lighted and warmed, and all ready with hot supper and waiting beds for its new occupancy. Sisters Ada Warren McNair and Hattie Martin Sherman welcomed us. Away back in 1874, when I was pastor here, these two, as Ada Warren and Hattie Martin—then bright, happy girls—were helpful to me.

We have an excellent district parsonage, delightfully located, and when we get the little debt paid off and secure more furniture, it will be all that any presiding elder could wish. The debt will soon be paid. I have elbow-room, and I am enjoying it.

I find the district well manned, mostly with young men. They are fine, strong fellows, energetic, intellectual and consecrated; yet we have some of the sager brethren with us. There are six or eight ex-presiding elders resident in the district, three of whom have represented this preacher in the cabinet and presided in his Quarterly Conferences. There are in the district four contiguous charges that cover an area of five miles wide and twenty long, in which area there are fifteen local preachers, two superannuates, four pastors, and one junior preacher.

I began my new work at Magnolia, where Rev. J. A. B. Jones, one of the ex-presiding elders, and he who carried up my recommendation for admission on trial from the North Warren circuit in 1871, is in charge. His wife, formerly Mrs. Jno. A. Peale, of Vicksburg, is one of those who know and love me well enough to call me "Walter." They are few, and the number lessens as the years roll on. Others know and love me, but these have known and loved me longest. Here I met many former pupils whom I had taught at Kavanaugh. Magnolia has a new church, one of the prettiest I ever saw, of which Bro. and Sister Jones, and the good people they serve, are very proud. The last dollar of its cost will soon be paid, and then this church will pay its pastor a good salary.

My next quarterly meeting was at old Bethesda, on the Gallman charge. Here I found the tracks made long ago by a certain boy called Warren Black, now widely known as Rev. W. C. Black, D. D. The tracks are well made, and point in the right direction; "footprints in the sands of time" which the tides of time have not effaced. By a sister, nieces and nephew of this old-time boy I was royally entertained. If Gallman circuit had some Epworth Leagues and new churches, it would be about the best circuit I ever saw. These she will have before long. The pastor had been from Annual Conference less than three weeks, and yet had visited over ninety of his flock.

From Bethesda, Bro. Williams carried me in his buggy to Crystal Springs, where I preached Sunday night. Bro. Powell was at his post, and the people, who had so unwillingly given Bro. W. B Lewis up to Yazoo City, were falling in love with this strong, thoughtful, lovable man.

My first trip into the country proper was to New Hope, on the Caseyville charge. It was Saturday, and snowing, and the wind blew keenly. Mounted on a horse that knew how to gallop, I pushed out into the snow, sleet, mud, cold and pine woods over about the worst road I ever saw. I had found the rough side of the presiding eldership. Bro. Parker, the new pastor, with a few officials, met me, and we had a good time. Bro. Parker is already in high favor there, and starts out to make Caseyville circuit what Scotland circuit once was; and he will do it. In the old days, when it was called Scotland, it was second to none.

The cold day, "the snowy Sunday," found me at Beauregard and Wesson. I did not preach that day, but walked down the railroad from Beauregard to Wesson in the afternoon, not because there was no buggy available, but because "a tie-ticket" passage was more comfortable. Bros Gatlin and Morse are hopeful, and their people are proud of their pastors.

Time would fail me to tell of McComb, where Peebles has already received some sixty additions to the church; and of Whitestown, where Tinnin is rejoicing over one new church and planning for another; and of Bogue Chitto, where Moore is building up things generally, and is gladdened with an increase of salary; and of Summit, where Boone and the junior preacher Gibson are preparing to do a better work than the circuit has known for years; and of Adams, where Morse hopes to raise twice as much as Adams paid last year; and of Brookhaven, where Adams is moving things, notwithstanding the conservatism that has prevailed too long. Other charges have not been visited. The outlook is very hopeful. We need about fifty Epworth Leagues and forty Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies on the district. We shall try to have them.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

THANKS TO BROS "GILDEROY" AND MELLEN.

MR. EDITOR: It is said that sometimes we plan wiser than we thought. Such were the letters which appeared in the last issue of the ADVOCATE from the pens of the above-named brethren. Having been taken from one of the most delightful charges and comfortable homes in our Conference, and with salary equal to that of district to which appointed, I comforted myself that while there would be much hard work, there would be a corresponding appreciation by my brethren.

After a month's exposure to rain and cold, meeting all appointments and preaching to distressingly small congregations, and with finances only a shade above zero, I had already written to my successor in his comfortable quarters that he was due me large "boot." Imagine my chagrin on receipt of a long letter from an intelligent, greatly respected brother, saying that the "presiding elder is the best-paid officer in Church or State in proportion to service rendered." My! my! Mr. Editor; how my feathers fell! Had he been an obscure, unlearned man, I could have accounted for the statement; but certainly one so conversant with Methodism must know more than a novice in the office; so I said within myself I must consent to accept that for which I have not given value received. I rebelled at the very thought, and said, Give me back my pastorate. Unwilling to plead my own cause, I had decided to remain silent; but, thanks to these two—"Gilderoy" and Mellen—I was spared. Knowing the brother to be a reader of the ADVOCATE, I sent as my defense a card, asking him to read the communications.

Brethren, your letters helped the new elder. I thank you and take courage. I could add a paragraph or two of similar experience to "Mud Bound." Mud, water, ice, and the worst cold for many years, have been present with me. Preachers have been at their posts from an early day, but weather has hindered their work. Two extra Quarterly Conferences, owing to bad Sundays. Generally, the stewards are planning to make the pastors comfortable.

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

March 2, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Preachers, Traveling and Local, in the Bounds of the Mississippi Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: The proposition to send The Review of Missions to new subscribers for twenty-five cents for one year will expire April 1. After that date the price will be $1, as it is now to all old subscribers. Let me beg of you not to let the opportunity slip. Subscribe for the Review, and read it. In no other way can one in our church keep up with the tidings from the world-wide field.

Try to get every steward, every trustee, every Sunday-school superintendent, and every exhorter, and every class leader, and every Epworth League, to subscribe for this wonderful periodical.

Yours faithfully,

T. L. MELLEN.
Miss. Sec., Miss. Conf.

NOTICE.

I have just mailed to the more than 300 Methodist traveling preachers in Mississippi more than 600 letters containing suggestions concerning our Twentieth Century Educational movement. I ask of each preacher a careful reading of those letters. If any preacher should fail to receive copies, a postal card to me will supply the deficiency at once.

Six preachers have reported a failure to receive the first roll books sent. They have been supplied. If there be any others, let them notify me on a postal card, and they shall be supplied without delay.

J. R BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., March 3, 1899.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Will begin at Brookhaven, Thursday, April 27, at 9 A. M, and continue through the thirtieth. Thursday will be devoted to Sunday-school and Epworth League interests, and Friday afternoon and evening to education. We hope to have Bishop Galloway with us on Friday; but if he finds that Thursday or Saturday will suit his plan of work better, this plan will be modified to suit his. Let us all come to District Conference expecting a baptism of the Holy Ghost.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

Communications.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE AND METHODISM IN MISSISSIPPI.

We can not overestimate the importance of the action of the last General Conference respecting our educational work. It puts emphasis in the right place. It ought and, I hope, will give a great impulse to our educational enterprises.

When the General Conference decided to give special prominence to our work in this department during the closing years of the century, the action was in harmony with the spirit and tendencies of our times. There has not heretofore been a period in the world's history when so much attention was given to education as now. The church that does not take hold of this work vigorously has no future; and it must be a persistent hold. Mere spurts of enthusiasm now and then will not count for much. We must be so thoroughly committed to it that we will talk about it and work for it under the conviction that it involves the very life of our church. It may be that some will think this is putting it pretty strongly, but unless our people agree that it is not putting it too strongly, I have very little hope of accomplishing anything worthy of our great church. In some way—and I know of no way so effective as through our preachers—the conviction must be burned into our Methodist constituency that great things must be done, and done soon, or we are going to suffer disastrous consequences. We have made a good start in Mississippi. It must not be forgotten, however, that we yet have a great deal to do in the way of organization, system, concentration and equipment.

Millsaps College is so related to Methodism in Mississippi that it must be in an important sense an exponent of our church life. It was established with the utmost deliberation. In it our thought and purpose respecting education are expressed, and will ultimately crystallize. In planting it at the capital of the State we have shown our confidence in it and our willingness to be judged by it. Thus far the college has done well. The trustees have administered its affairs so wisely that it has been an honor to the church. The original policy of placing the departments of instruction in the hands of trained and thoroughly competent teachers has been rigidly adhered to. As demands have increased facilities have been enlarged, without incurring one dollar of debt. We can afford, as a church, to stand by this record. But let us not deceive ourselves. The public expects great things of us. We must go forward, or suffer reproach. It is supposed that our great church knows what it means to call an institution a college in the closing years of this century. Our annual income is less than twelve thousand dollars; yet, unless we do the work that colleges are doing with an income of from thirty to forty thousand dollars, we will disappoint public expectation. This we must not do. This surely we need not do if we are united in our purpose to meet the demands of this great undertaking, which means so much to Methodism in Mississippi. May we not hope, therefore, that our endowment will be largely increased during the next two years? Seeing the situation as I do, and realizing our opportunity, and impressed with the great responsibility resting on our church, I sincerely trust that our people—preachers and laymen—will write, talk, work, and pray to this end.

W. B. MURRAH.

SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING-SCHOOL EASTER SERVICE.

CARD FROM PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

Easter, with its blessed memories and associations, will soon be here (this year the date is April 2) and as members of the committee in charge of the annual service in the interest of the Scarritt Bible and Training-School, we are glad to announce that the program is now ready for distribution, and will be furnished free of charge to societies, Sunday-schools, Epworth Leagues, or individuals desiring to use them. Effort is made each year to have the program breathe the joyous Easter spirit as well as to increase interest in the institution whose sole object is the equipment of messengers who, in the name of our risen Lord, will go forth to witness for him in ministry to the sinful and suffering.

We ask our friends to lighten our labors and increase the usefulness of the Easter literature by making early application for a supply, as the call last year so far exceeded our expectation that a second edition had to be published to supply the demand, and many orders came too late to have the literature reach the destination before Easter. Please state the membership in the society or church sending for literature, and we will estimate the amount needed.

We earnestly pray that the service may be blessed of God to everyone who takes part, and we ask our friends to help us to make it a success. In his service,

MARIA LAYNG GIBSON,
MARY L. HARGROVE,
Committee.

SHUT IN.

God sometimes shuts the door, and shuts us in,
That he may speak, perchance through grief or pain.
And softly heart to heart, above the din,
May tell some precious thought to us again.

God sometimes shuts the door, and keeps us still,
That so our feverish haste, our deep unrest,
Beneath his gentle touch may quiet, till
He whispers what our weary hearts love best.

God sometimes shuts the door, and though shut in,
If 'tis his hand, shall we not wait and see?
If worry lies without, and toil, and sin,
God's word may wait within for you and me.

—Observer.

Communications.

THE BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST THE UNPARDONABLE SIN.

(Matt. xii, 31, 32. Mark iii, 28-30; Luke xii, 10.)

Holding to the unity of the Godhead—the one in three—some are mystified as to how a sin can be committed against one person of the Trinity without sinning equally against all, as against God. This is true in the abstract, but there are sins charged directly against one or the other person of the Trinity. The apostle said, "Testifying repentance towards God and faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ." (Acts xx, 21) Here impenitence is made a sin against God the Father, and unbelief, or want of faith, a sin against God the Son. There are sins against the Holy Ghost distinct from blasphemy, taught in the words: 'Grieve not the Holy Spirit" (Eph. iv, 14); "Quench not the Spirit" (Thess. v, 19). In the Scripture passages under special review the Lord Jesus specifies a blasphemy against the Father, a blasphemy against the Son, and a blasphemy against the Holy Ghost. We can not be mistaken in the teaching that sins may be committed directly against one or the other person of the Trinity.

Blasphemy is known to be contemptuous speech or action; to scandalize, to treat with insulting contempt. To blaspheme God the Father would be to say, "He is unworthy of implicit obedience; incompetent to command." To say that Jesus Christ was but a mere man, was born out of wedlock and in disgrace, would be blasphemy against God the Son. The unpardonable sin, the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost, is the special subject of this paper. It is not a long series of sins, as some contend. One sin is a compromise of salvation, and every sin in a long life goes to complicate this compromise. Such a life may lead to a much hardened state, but in this life the sinner has committed no sin which God has not promised to forgive under true repentance, nor has he committed any sin but God has forgiven in some other case. This sin, or blasphemy, against the Holy Ghost is but the one sin. It is not sins, it is not blasphemies; it is the sin, the blasphemy. That it could only have been committed in our Savior's time on earth by charging that the spirit by which he cast out devils was Satan himself—that no such sin can now be committed—would make unmeaning to all the generations under the Christian dispensation an awful warning carefully recorded by three of the four evangelists. It would be a blur on the page of gospel history, an awful warning, startling numbers with fearful apprehension. It is but a truism to say that the Lord Jesus always meant something when he spoke.

Again: As a distinct person from the Holy Ghost, he wrought miracles. He said: "But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins" (Mark ii, 10); and, "If I cast out devils" (Matt. xii, 28). It was by his own inherent power he commanded devils and cast out demons. He gave the warning we are considering when they said, "He casteth out devils by Beelzebub, the prince of devils." This was a blasphemy against himself, the Son. This, he says, may be forgiven, and adds, "A blasphemy against the Father may be forgiven;" then said distinctly from these two persons, "But whosoever speaketh"—blasphemeth—"against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come." Our Savior, while on earth, was the representative of God among men. He said: "It is expedient"—necessary—"for you that I go away, for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged" (St. John xvi, 7-11.) He gives conviction of sin on the conscience, a sense of righteousness—acceptance with God—in the heart, judges the prince of this world—that is, restrains the power of the devil. Jesus said, "I will send him again." He said, "I will pray the Father, and he will send him." The Comforter is a gift sent from the Father and the Son. This Comforter, the Holy Ghost, is a personal presence among men now who may be "grieved," whose force may be "quenched;" and if the Scripture we are considering is of any force, he may be "blasphemed." The Holy Ghost is the person in the Godhead with whom we deal in person, and by which we are brought in personal contact with God, and are made to know the Lord, and by whom we are born of God. (John iii.) To blaspheme this is under peculiar circumstances to put the world as that God, or in our inner feelings betrayed by act or word, to vindictively and viciously charge that sacred presence with whom we are dealing as an unclean and devilish presence, and repulse it with a cool determination to displace it by the world, or with a contemptuous sarcasm to expel and drive it from us. The result is, "The Spirit that beareth witness with our spirit." "The Spirit that helpeth our infirmities" [and]; "the Spirit" [that] "maketh intercessions for us with groanings which can not be uttered" (Rom. viii), is gone from us forever. The hopelessness of one in such a case may be clearly discerned. There is certainly no way for such an offender to come in communication with God to obtain pardon.

I will postulate here that in the blasphemer there is a moral shock, a spiritual reaction on the physical man that mortality can not sustain. John writes: "If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say ye shall pray for it." (I. John v, 16.) Before Judas betrayed his Master he had access to every blessing promised to man. The Lord Jesus said: "The Son of man goeth, as it is written of him; but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed." It had been good for that man if he had not been born." The betrayal for the price placed him where he could not ask for mercy, where he saw and realized the extent of his sin, and that he could not undo it. He threw away the money, and went and hanged himself; life had become unbearable. When the disciples were selling out possessions, and raising a fund on which the poor might live in common with them all, a certain man named "Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, and kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostle's feet. Then Peter said, Why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie unto the Holy Ghost, and to keep back a part of the price of the land? While it remained was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? Why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? Thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God. And Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and gave up the ghost. About the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. And Peter answered and said unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much. And she said, Yea, for so much. Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? . . . Then fell she down straitway and yielded up the ghost."

Some illustrations drawn from observation and reports will serve to show the application of this doctrine to our time.

Years ago I was pastor in a village where a certain section of the town had taken on a great prejudice against the Methodist Church. One Sunday morning a young man on his way to church was joined in his walk by another going in the same direction. They conversed as young men are wont to do. On arriving at the gate leading into the churchyard, the first young man turned to go in; the second moved on. "Come," said the first; "let us go into church." "No," said the other; "I am not going in there." "Oh, yes," said the first; "let us go in and hear what the preacher has to say." The other stepped back, denounced the church and its services; then, lifting his hand above his head, called down a terrible curse upon himself if he ever passed that door. Turning away from the place, he was suddenly taken ill. Three physicians called in to consult failed to diagnose his case. On the Wednesday following the blasphemer was buried.

A case to this effect was reported by an eye witness in a rural district. Revival services were being conducted in a church. One night, while altar exercises were going on, two young men entered the house together. One of them began a tirade of abuse of such exercise. A preacher present went to them and attempted to remonstrate. The young man who was doing the talking repulsed him in angry language and manner. The preacher walked back to the chancel, and just as he turned to face the congregation a fearful and prolonged flash of lightning flamed through the building, attended by a terrific peal of thunder, shaking every timber of the house to its foundation, and extinguished every light in the room. Great consternation prevailed; the lights were renewed; no one was found injured until they came to the disturbers of worship; the two were found prone upon the floor. Resuscitations were applied; the one who had said nothing soon caught his breath, and was bellowing for mercy with first sense of consciousness; the other was dead to all eternity.

The following was reported by a preacher who was present: A country lady of wealth went to a city to visit a city friend and spend the fashionable season. On the night of the arrival of the visitor the hostess proposed that as there was no entertainment, that they would go to church services near by, which was just then a great attraction to that part of the city. The sermon was earnest, and closed by an appeal to the unsaved part of the congregation, following which an invitation was extended to all serious persons present to go into the lecture-room, where they could receive personal instruction. The hostess said to her guest, "Let us go." The guest said "No" very decidedly. After a hymn and an exhortation the invitation to the lecture-room was repeated. The hostess again asked her guest to go, but more promptly she refused. After further service the invitation for personal instruction was renewed. The hostess said, "Come and go with me, won't you?" The guest, with repellant manner and air, said, "I shall do no such thing." The hostess felt herself repelled and thrust away. She arose and went alone into the lecture-room, and before coming out professed faith in Christ. She came joyfully to tell her friend, who received the news coldly. Very little was said on their way from church. On reaching their place the visitor began immediate preparations to return home. The hostess remonstrated; the guest made no other answer than that she was going home, and made a hurried departure. An early mail afterwards brought, in effect, the following information: "On the night at church, when I so petulantly and viciously refused to go with you into the lecture-room, an awful feeling came over me, and when you left me I realized that my doom was fixed, and I have hurried home to die. When you are received into the church and numbered with God's people, I shall be in my coffin and numbered with the dead;" and so it was.

Truth, as given from God's Word, can not be questioned, and incident facts are stubborn things. When one has blasphemed the Holy Ghost, we will never meet him in the worshiping congregation, nor in any other of the walks of life.

J. D. NEWSOM.

Longtown, Miss., 1899.

"SUCCESS VS. FAILURE."

In all vocations and professions of life we measure a man's success according to his environments. What would be esteemed great success in some surroundings would not be considered tolerable in other conditions. Why not the children of light be as wise in this respect as the children of this world? Surely we ought not to be harsher in our criticism than they, but to love and help each other, "the strong to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves." There are environments in which no one can succeed. All doctors let some patients die, all lawyers lose some cases, all merchants fail to collect some debts, all farmers fail in some crops, and all preachers fail to bring up all assessments sometimes (if they work in all classes of environments), and any of them would fail as the general habit of life if they were kept continuously in the environments of failure, and any would succeed if placed in the environments of success. Of course, the man and occasion must meet when the extraordinary is accomplished. Indeed, there are one class of men who never fail—that is the class who never undertake anything.

I affirm that there is not now living, neither ever was there, a man who was proof against failure everywhere. I suppose ours (the North Mississippi) is an average Conference, with as great a variety of talent, and as great men, as are to be found anywhere, and a study of our Minutes for the last ten years reveals the following facts: We have one charge that has paid all assessments for ten years, and three preachers who have brought up all assessments for ten consecutive years. The same is true of our lamented dead; some failures mark their tracks.

It was true with Bunyan, Calvin, Luther, and Wesley. True, they were great men, and accomplished in the general tenor of life, seemingly, the impossible, but had all their environments been such as caused the occasional failure, their whole lives would have been failures.

The Apostles Paul, Peter, and the rest, with Elijah and Moses and other grand characters, whose influence is blessing the world to-day, made some failures. Had their whole lives been the environments of failure, their lives would have been a failure.

Yea, more than all these, our blessed Lord made some failures at Nazareth. He failed to do many mighty works because of unbelief. He failed to gather Jerusalem as a hen doth her chickens under her wing, because they would not.

Shall we weaklings, 1900 years down the turbid stream of time, rise up and say to these great characters, the Savior included: "You failed because your lives were not in the work; you did not expect to succeed. We have men now who would have succeeded right where you failed, 'for they will succeed anywhere.'" Nay, we would never think of such a thing. Then shall we say to the noble men of God in our church to-day (who, perchance, have been kept all their lives in the environments of failure), "that you fail because your lives are not in the work." Nay, verily; let us give them the environments of success, in a variety of surroundings, for a term of years long enough to test the general tenor of their lives; then, if they fail "because their lives are not in the work," let us relieve the church of them.

I take it that the same thing that caused the Savior's failure is that that causes theirs. "Unbelief," and a refusal to pay, "ye would not," is as true often to-day, when a preacher tries to collect his assessments, as it was with the Savior at Jerusalem.

J. H. SMITH.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

NOTICE.

AN APPEAL TO THE PASTORS AND LAYMEN OF THE GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

The Twentieth Century Educational Fund is one that ought to appeal to every right-thinking man, much less Christian. The companionship of religion and education is a normal condition. In a healthy state they can never be divorced. In a certain communion there is an attempt to suppress educational developments, but that communion is a monstrous ridicule on the pure, honest spirit of the holy Christ. He came "that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." If, therefore, the education of man means the enlargement of his life and the betterment of his condition, then Jesus came to encourage such enlargement of the mind, and to give force to thought. He came to give clearness to vision as well as cleanliness of soul. In this dual struggle of man, after purity of life and breadth and power of thought, there is divine leadership. "He will guide you into all truth," is the promise of the Book of inspiration.

Again: the companionship of religion and education is not only in its constitution, but exists also on the human side. As a penitent must seek for pardon through Jesus, so must the student seek for truth under his benign influence, if he would attain the best results. There may be a form of knowledge without the thought of divinity in it, but it is the dryest of skeletons. To have a comely form, knowledge must not only have the skeleton of truth, but must have the spirit of divine wisdom in it. So, if the rambler among the great truths of our present existence would find the sweetest and richest blessings of knowledge, he must see them from the standpoint of a believer in the Christ who is the center of all truth. Christian education proceeds from this standpoint. Then the Twentieth Century Educational Fund ought to enlist everyone who has the highest good of a man at heart.

Another view, and one that is only second to the above, is that education prepares the individual for greater usefulness. This truth, however, is so well known that it is not worth while to consume time here discussing it.

With the above thoughts in mind, I appeal to the people of the Delta to help in the undertaking of the church in raising that $1,500,000 decided upon by the General Conference as the amount proper to be raised as an educational fund with which to begin the work of the twentieth century. We ought easily to raise the one dollar per member in this rich valley. Some may not be able to give that much, but they are very few. There are some who ought to consider it a privilege to give a thousand, or more, and there are many more who could give in sums much less than the above, and still be giving very liberally to this worthy cause. I hope and pray that a liberal response from all will run the figures beyond $2,200, our share in the undertaking.

Respectfully, J. W. DORMAN.

The Christian Life.

"BEFORE HONOR IS HUMILITY."

Look at the corn in the field; it holds its head erect while it is green, but when the ear is filled and matured it hangs its head in graceful humbleness. Look at your fruit trees; how their blossoming branches shoot up toward the sky, but when they begin to be loaded with fruit, since the riper the fruit the greater its weight, the branch begins to bow, until it needs oftentimes to be propped up and to be supported, lest it break away from the stem. Weight comes with maturity; lowliness of mind is the inevitable consequence. Growing Christians think themselves nothing; full-grown Christians know that they are less than nothing. The nearer we are to heaven in point of sanctification, the more we mourn our infirmities and the humbler is our estimate. Lightly-laden vessels float high in the water; heavy cargo sinks the bark to the water's edge. The more grace, the more the need of grace is felt. He may boast of his grace who has none; he may talk much of his grace who has little; but he who is rich in grace cries out for more, and forgets that which is behind. When a man's inward life flows like a river, he thinks only of the source, and cries before his God, "All my fresh springs are in Thee." He who abounds in holiness feels more than ever that in him—that is, in his flesh—there dwelleth no good thing. Then are not ripened, my brother, whilst thou hast a high esteem of thyself. He who glories in himself is but a babe in Christ, if indeed he be in Christ at all. When thou shalt see death written on the creature, and see all thy life in Christ; when thou shalt perceive even the holy things to have iniquity in them, and see all thy perfectness in him who is altogether lovely; when thou shalt lie prostrate at the foot of the throne, and only rise to sit and reign in him who is thine all—then art thou ripening, but not till then.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Religion is doing secular acts from sacred motives. When piety stamps our life, all our acts are religious. It is wrong to separate toil and worship, and to forget that motive gives character to deeds. The heart makes the work of the workman holy. "An anvil may be consecrated and a pulpit decorated." A religion that is not fitted to week-day work never had a Sabbath-day origin. We want Mary's heart and Martha's hand.—Rev. C. H Buck.

The love of Christ is not an absorbing, but a radiating love. The more we love him, the more we shall most certainly love others. Some have not much natural power of loving, but the love of Christ will strengthen it. Some have had the springs of love dried up by some terrible earthquake. . . . Some have spent it all on their God-given dear ones. Now he is come whose right it is; and yet, in the fullest resumption of that right, he is so gracious that he puts back an even larger measure of the old love into our hand, sanctified with his own love, and energized with his blessing, and strengthened with his new commandment, "That ye love one another, as I have loved you."—Frances Ridley Havergal.

Nothing glorifies God so much as joy. It is self which has marred this joy. It is humility above all other things which weakens or saps asunder the holdfasts of selfishness. A lowly spirit is of necessity an unselfish one. Humility is a perpetual presence of God, and how can self be otherwise than forgotten there? An humble man is a joyous man. There is no worship where there is no joy. For worship is something more than either the fear of God or the love of him. It is delight in him.—Faber.

The voice of God speaks from the page of his Word. Let us not accept that to be his voice which does not come to us through Scripture, or is not corroborated by Scripture. But let us be very careful to obey God's Word, so far as we know it, even when it seems to contradict all the suggestions of prudence and common sense. Better be with God in a minority of one, than have the plaudite of an immense host of godless men.—F. B. Meyer.

To believe in Him is to be like Him. All other faith is a mere mist of words dissolving into empty air. To live our human lives as He lived His—purely, lovingly, righteously—is to share His eternity.—Lucy Larcom.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference;
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me space in your widely circulated paper to tell something of what we are doing.

Two years ago we were convinced that the church could only grow by a complete alignment of all its forces, and that women are an important factor of the service; so, when the Spirit gave the command, "Go forward," the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of Winnsboro, La., was organized. Since the organization a few have retreated, but most of us have heard God's voice calling to us, 'Follow me," linked with the promise, "My grace is sufficient for you," and we have obeyed his call. We have a cozy, nice little parsonage, which we have furnished and painted; besides, we have $51.70 in the treasury now. We have done a good work in the way of sending missionary boxes to destitute families in the country. We make our programe strictly missionary; hence we are learning quite a good deal about the work in foreign fields. We have not joined ourselves to the Woman's Home Mission Society because we have been laboring to pay for and furnish our own parsonage, and didn't feel able to send the money away from home.

We hope the seed which we are now sowing will yield an abundant harvest in the future. Since the vitality and growth of all plant life is dependent upon the worth of the seed, and as the seed which we are now sowing are not our own worthless thoughts, but those given us by the Holy Spirit, we certainly have the assurance that we are performing a work which shall be the honor and glory of God. "No one liveth to himself, or dieth to himself;" so the thoughts which we sow for Christ, the influence which we exert for good, shall surely not die with us.

After two years of thought-sowing we are beginning to behold lovely budding plants; but this is only a shadow of what we expect when the missionary spirit has been implanted in the hearts of all our church members. Let us, then, not be weary in well-doing, and receive that we will improve our time.

ANNA LEA, Rec. Sec.

A PREACHER'S REPORT

Interesting Statement by Elder Joel H. Austin of Goshen, Ind.

"I was a victim of catarrh and had almost constant pain in my head. The trouble was gradually working down on my lungs. I was weak and irresolute. My wife had the grip and Hood's Sarsaparilla cured her. After this I had the same disease and resorted to Hood's. In a short time the aches and pains were relieved and I also saw the medicine was helping my catarrh. In six weeks I ceased to have any further trouble with it and I am now a well man. The pains and bloating I had in my limbs are gone and I am relieved of a heart trouble. I am thankful for a medicine so intelligently compounded and so admirably adapted to the needs of the system." ELDER JOEL H. AUSTIN, Goshen, Indiana.

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For the ADVOCATE.

INTERROGATION.

BY REV. W. H. HUNTLEY.

Do the fish of the cave, seeking food in the dark,
Know they hearken the channels they trace as they grope?
Can they know that of Light had they merely a spark,
Its disclosures would furnish the treasures of Hope?

Do the bear and the walrus, fierce-scanning the snows,
Coldly sweeping the floes for the sources of strife,
Know that sunnier circles appease and repose
Hunger's craving, because with the warmth comes Life?

. . . . . .

Darkly adventuring the channels about,
Coldly inquiring after Life and Light,
We manifest likeness, we fear, we doubt,
To the fish in the dark and the ice-things white.

Tho we know, do we not, of the clear stream running
From the Heaven bright side of the Christ to enter
From the dark, and we know of the True Bread sunning
For the lips of the hungry ones leaving their fire.

. . . . . .

Into Hiding in Eden, two crept from the Light;
From Eden two wandered afar in the cold,
And blindness fell and hunger enthralled them
See! To Golgotha now the glad running, with sight
And with fullness of spirit their Lord to behold—
For to free them from blindness and hunger He called them.

RAILROAD RATES TO SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE AT LUMBERTON.

All who contemplate attending the annual Sunday-school Conference, to be held in Lumberton, March 30, 31, and April 1, will please carefully notice the following conditions on which reduced rates can be secured for the return trip:

Persons traveling over the N. O. and N. E. and A. and V. will pay full fare to Lumberton, securing from the agent a certificate showing that full fare has been paid to place of meeting. These certificates will be signed by the secretary of the Conference. You will present them to the agent at Lumberton, who will sell return tickets for one-third fare. Those traveling over the L. and N. road will in like manner secure a certificate from agent showing that full fare has been paid to New Orleans. On returning, present this certificate to agent there, and he will sell ticket to place of destination at one-third fare. The M. and O. Company will also sell return tickets at one third fare on the certificate plan, as specified above. The G. and S. I. Company will [illegible] charge those who travel over their line. You pay full fare going, and secure a certificate from agent showing that full fare has been paid to Hattiesburg. When returning, present this certificate to the agent at Hattiesburg, and a return ticket will be granted free of charge. Arrangements have not yet been made with the I. C. Company, but we are in correspondence with them, and a definite understanding as to reduced rates will be had soon.

Now, remember that parties traveling over roads not belonging to the Q. and C. system can not get tickets from their home station through to Lumberton. When they reach the Q. and C. lines they will have to purchase another ticket. Each time secure a certificate showing that full fare was paid going. These certificates must be signed by the secretary of the Conference before the purchaser can get the benefit of reduced rates returning. The program has been arranged, and will be published in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE next week.

We again remind all pastors and Sunday-school superintendents that delegates are desired from every Sunday-school in the Conference. Superintendents are especially requested to attend. Get all our pastors go.

Yours in the work,

D. SCARBOROUGH,
Sec. S.-S. Board, Miss. Conf.

"HONOR TO WHOM HONOR."

It is not an infrequent occurrence in this life for the honor that is due to one person to be given to another to whom such honor is not due. It often forcibly, too, that persons receiving honors are quite undeserving. This state of things ought not to be, but, nevertheless, such a state of things does exist. Such a state of things exists either from ignorance, thoughtlessness, selfishness, malice, or misinformation; and hence, owing to misinformation, I gave the honor of building the parsonage at this place to a certain brother, in my last article to the ADVOCATE, instead of Bro. B. S. Rayner, to whom it belongs; and to the credit of Bro. B. S. Rayner, I wish to say that our parsonage here is the most substantial building in which it has been our pleasure to reside since we entered the itinerancy. Of recent years, since accumulating many books, it is necessary to examine the foundation of the room selected for a study in order to see whether or not it will likely fail under their weight, and sometimes, to insure against such an accident, additional pillars, or braces, have to be made; but just as soon as I looked at the foundation of the parsonage in which we are now living, built by Bro. B. S. Rayner, I said to my wife that it made no difference in which room I put my books, the foundation is all right. Bro. Rayner built this parsonage as if he purposed to live in it all of his life, and then leave it to his children and grandchildren. Let all our parsonages be built roomy, strong, and attractive.

And, now, I wish to say to the brethren who served this charge, that if my articles to the ADVOCATE savor the least reflection on any one of them, that it is not intentional, and I wish the world to know that I have never followed a Methodist preacher yet who did not do good one way or the other; and, too, the more minute and extensive my knowledge of men of the passing years, the more I discover that Methodist preachers, as a class—considering them in every respect—are the most genial, earnest, intelligent, ready, faithful and efficient of all men. May God continue to bless them, and help us to continue one in advancing his cause and saving the people!

We have had sixty-nine accessions to our church here in six Sabbaths. Pray that our work may continue to prosper, and that we may accomplish good that shall be eternal.

ISAAC L. PEEBLES.

FROM LUMBERTON.

An unusual advantage accrues to the Seashore district, especially in the Mississippi Conference Sunday-school Association, to convene at Lumberton. Arrangements for special railroad rates with the N. O. and N. E., and the G. and S. I., will be obtained, if possible, and announced in time. Our people are noted for large-hearted as well as business energy, and we will be disappointed if we do not have plenty of company on this occasion. We expect some of the foremost exponents of the church in Sunday-school and educational matters, and have been assured by them of their attendance. The program will include Bishop Galloway, Dr. Murrah, Dr. Atkins, Dr. Hammond, Dr. Black, and others equally interested in the work before us.

This notice is written with the distinct object of determining every Sunday-school in the Seashore district to send its superintendent and other delegates to Lumberton to the convention. Certainly our invitation includes all others with equal sincerity from the Conference districts; but we realize that difficulties in the way of distance will confront and defeat the wish of many, while from our district the matter will be otherwise.

If the Sunday-schools will take early action, it will be better as to their delegations; and it will be very much appreciated if all who intend coming will notify the writer by the tenth of March. We will be ready for you, and we desire to know how many to be ready for.

W. H. HUNTLEY.

P. S.—Kindly attend to the matter of notifying us of your appointment of delegates through your Sunday-school's secretaries next week.

Lumberton, Feb 27, 1899.

OUR MINUTES.

Please give me a little space. What is the object in having the proceedings of our Annual Conference published? Is it for the benefit of the preachers, and a few stewards, or is intended to inform our people as to what we are doing, and what we do at an Annual Conference? Some of our people do not know what we do at an Annual Conference; and how are we to give them this information unless we have more Minutes published? What is 13 copies of the Minutes amongst 500 or 600 members? We can never give them this information at that rate. I suggest to the preachers of the North Mississippi Conference that we collect as much as $1 from every church (on circuits) and more in stations. Thereby we will be able to put the Minutes in the hands of a great many more of our people. There is no church that will not willingly give $1 for this purpose.

Now, brethren, let me hear from you on this subject. Our people need this information, and we will never inform them as long as we get 12 or 13 copies of the Minutes. I have seven appointments and I like two copies—having two to the church, and keep one myself. Now, let's move up.

Now come, brethren, let me hear from you.

B. P. FULLILOVE.

ABOUT THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE MINUTES.

I have just received the Minutes of the last session of the Mississippi Annual Conference. Permit me to call attention to some omissions on the part of the statistical secretary in the report from the Benton circuit which are misleading and do the circuit an injustice. I reported 335 members, 7 additions on profession of faith, 14 removals, 6 infants baptized, 1 adults baptized, 5 houses of worship, valued at $5,000; one parsonage, valued at $500; money expended on churches, $100—none of which appears in the Minutes. Again, I reported $77 15 paid to presiding elder; the Minutes only show $71.15. I reported $567.40 paid the pastor; the Minutes show $565.40. I reported $27 30 collected to repair district parsonage; this does not appear in the Minutes. Whether the statistical secretary lost a part of my report or failed to decipher some of my characters hard to be understood, I know not.

H. L. NORTON.

Oak Ridge, Miss., March 1, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. W. G. Roberts, Glenmora, La., Feb. 22, 1899: "We had the pleasure of returning to Spring Creek charge. We are getting along very nicely so far, to have as much bad weather as we have had. The people have not forgotten their preacher. One lady brought us some fresh pork, lard, molasses, and other nice things, and one brother brought us some corn, fodder, fresh pork, and potatoes. We hope they will come again. The stewards have not forgotten that we must have some money the first of the year as well as the latter part. The parsonage is about two miles from Glenmora, La. It may be more convenient if the parsonage was at Glenmora, but we have a quiet time where it is. We have torn down the old fence around the parsonage and lot, and replaced it with a new one, which has interfered with the hogs and cattle."

Rev. R. Bradley: "At our last Conference, held at Hattiesburg, I was returned to Steen's Creek to complete my full term. On Jan. 1 (evening after my return) my people gave me a reception, bringing with them many good things, for which they have our thanks. After supper and some conversation we read a portion of Scripture and offered prayer. We have recently re covered our church at Steen's Creek; are now raising money for carpeting the church; also making arrangements for painting the parsonage. Since I have been here we have built a stable, crib, and buggy house, and when the parsonage is painted, we will have one of the most comfortable parsonages in the Jackson district. So the brethren who are looking around can make a note of that. Last Saturday and Sunday we held our first quarterly meeting. On Sunday we received six into the church on profession of faith and by certificate. My people were more than pleased. They were delighted with our new presiding elder, Rev. T. B. Holloman. No doubt Bishop Galloway made a good selection for our district. I intend to present your one-dollar offer to my congregations when the roads and weather are all right. I hope that all the brethren will give your proposition a good trial. Some time ago I was talking with a brother about the waste-basket and refused articles. If this sees the light, then I can say I never wrote anything that ever found its way to the waste-basket, or refused, or returned. In conclusion, let me say that I never thought that the presiding elder of Forest district would ever be mad bound, or back down on anything."

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I ask not wealth, but power to take
And use the things I have aright;
Not years, but wisdom that shall make
My life a profit and delight.

I ask not that for me the plan
Of good and ill be set aside;
But that the common lot of man
Be nobly borne and glorified.
—Phoebe Cary.

Happiness is a road-side flower, blooming on the highway of usefulness.—Anon.

Idleness in its commencement is like a spider's web, but it finishes in a chain of iron.—Anon.

It is not enough to be orthodox in our belief, we must be orthodox in our actions also.—Standard.

Aspirations without faith are powerful only for destruction. They can kindle a revolution, but they can not mould a new order.—Westcott.

Many indeed think of being happy with God in heaven; but the being happy with God on earth never enters their thoughts.—John Wesley.

Of all virtues, magnanimity is the rarest; there are a hundred persons of merit for one who willingly acknowledges it in another.—Selected.

Think of what you are—a child of God, an heir of heaven. Realize the grandeur of saintliness, and you will shrink from degrading your soul and debasing your spirit.—F. W. Robertson.

Blessed is he who lives in God, who incarnates love, purity, holiness, who manifests the divine, and whom nothing can ever divorce from the oneness he has with the Infinite and Eternal life.—A. W. Martin.

A man's time, when well husbanded, is like a cultivated field, of which a few acres produces more of what is useful to life, than extensive provinces, even of the richest soil, when overrun with weeds and brambles.—Hume.

Life, like war, is a series of mistakes, and he is not the best Christian nor the best general who makes the fewest false steps. He is the best who wins the most splendid victories by the retrieval of mistakes.—F. W. Robertson.

The commonplace man, doing the commonplace task with more than commonplace fidelity and quietness, is in greater demand in the world to-day than a Napoleon, a Shakespeare, a Franklin or a Knox.—Christian Uplook.

In morality there are books enough written both by ancient and modern philosophers, but the morality of the gospel doth so exceed them all, that to give a man a full knowledge of true morality, I shall send him to no other book than the New Testament.—Locke.

He that would be cured of the habit of running down people must help answer his own prayer by forming the habit of standing up for people. If we should undertake to stand up for one-tenth of the people we hear unjustly censured, we would have neither the time nor the disposition to run down anybody.—Richmond Advocate.

MAKESHIFTS.

A makeshift may be defined as "something adopted as a temporary contrivance, or expedient, in an emergency." It is not intended to be permanent, nor is it supposed to be worthy of painstaking effort. There are many occasions when makeshifts are not only expedient, but necessary, as, for instance, the hasty strengthening of a weak place in a levee in time of flood; mending a buggy, or harness, that has given way on the road. Not every kind of work needs to be done with the same care, for the reason that all work is not of the same importance. It is a waste of time to bestow large attention upon trifles. Soldiers do not think of building for themselves strong and comfortable dwellings at a spot where they are to remain only a few days or weeks. The same is true of railroad-builders and timber-cutters, who remain but a short time in one place. Rough cabins, which are soon put together, and can be easily taken down, amply serve their purpose.

Makeshifts, then, have a legitimate place in this busy world; but, while this is true, it is a great mistake to resort to them constantly, as the manner of some is. There are many whose mental vision is so limited that they seldom see things in true proportion. Everything is done hurriedly and imperfectly.

Great is the unwisdom of letting our work drive us, and of allowing ourselves to be forced thus to fall back upon a makeshift policy, which cheats us out of the attainment of what is excellent and valuable. Students often prepare their lessons so as to recite well, but take little pains to master what they go over so as to have a firm foundation for the future. Mere lesson-getting does not make scholars. Again: many young men, in order the sooner to get into business, take a short cut in education by means of a business course, which, though advantageous in many respects, fails to produce that thorough discipline of the mental faculties which enables its possessor to succeed in almost anything he undertakes.

On account of press of pastoral duties, personal affliction, or unusual demands upon their time, ministers are now and then forced to prepare sermons after a makeshift fashion; but we pity the man who drifts into the habit of thus getting ready for the pulpit, trusting to the stimulus of the occasion for clear thought, cogent argument, and striking utterance. The fact that the Spirit honors an extempore sermon in an emergency is no sign that he will honor every such sermon. A full mind and a glowing heart, which should be back of every sermon, are not the product of a few moments of hurried thought and prayer.

Almost everywhere there are sad evidences of makeshift methods. Many a farmer lives on from year to year in a shiftless fashion, making no improvements on his land or buildings.

Parents ofttimes, in order to purchase temporary rest and ease, send their children to a neighbor's or allow them to roam the streets at will. In the years to come they almost invariably reap tears and bitterness of soul as the result of their folly. The following incidents from one of our exchanges strikingly illustrates the point we have in mind:

A gentleman visiting a professional friend of his lately, found him reading a school-boy's essay. By conversation he learned that his friend gave several hours every day to the training of his children.

"How can you spare so much time from your professional cares?" asked the astonished visitor when he understood the amount of his friend's work for his children's education.

"I could not well spare less, when I look ahead," was the answer.

"Just what do you mean?"

"These boys and girls of mine will never die; I am building for eternity," said the man earnestly.

Worst of all is a makeshift religious experience, by which we mean an experience with which men content themselves in health, but which they would not be willing to trust in the hour of death. They seem to imagine it good enough for the present, since it passes muster with the world, but expect to seek a better one at some indefinite time in the future. Thus they continue to procrastinate until death comes suddenly and finds them unprepared. Well has it been said, "That only is important which is eternal." Let us have done with the makeshift type of religion, whose ideals lie within the realm of time and sense. A religion that allows the temporal to obscure the eternal is utterly worthless. No believer is safe who subordinates the spiritual to the material. As Prof. Drummond wisely says, "The immortal soul must give itself to that which is immortal."

"A CENTENNIAL RETROSPECT."

As this year marks the centenary of Methodism in Mississippi, and the first Methodist sermon having been preached by Tobias Gibson in Adams county, I have procured and read with great interest Dr. W. C. Black's "Centennial Retrospect." This little book is replete with interesting information to every Methodist in Mississippi. This very valuable contribution to Mississippi Methodist literature can be procured of Dr. Black, the author, 512 Camp St., New Orleans. Get it and read it.

R. D. NORSWORTHY.

Natchez, Miss.

The book of which Bro. Norsworthy speaks was written in '84 during the author's pastorate in Natchez. In its issue of Dec. 18, of that year, the New York Advocate said: "A well-written pamphlet. . . . It will serve as a great aid to any successor of Abel Stevens, who may yet write the later history of Methodism in the United States." It can be had at this office at the following prices: Cloth, 25 cents; paper, 10 cents.

A MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT WHITWORTH COLLEGE.

This promising society of more than thirty members forms the second on the list of missionary societies in our church schools in the Mississippi Conference. Port Gibson established the worthy precedent, and other Conference schools could take no wiser step toward the Christian education of our young ladies than to follow the example of these two institutions in incorporating, as part of their work, a lively and genuine enthusiasm for foreign missions.

People of a practical turn, who insist that a preacher should confine his teaching to the truths which his congregation can readily grasp for immediate use, find little for their encouragement in the example of Jesus and the experience of his disciples. For three years the great Teacher poured the truth into the minds of his disciples, and when he left them they were utterly mystified. It is doubtful whether they had a single clear conception. Men appeared as trees walking. But a little while after he was gone something happened, and, lo! the sun came out and they understood it all. One reason why we get so little out of the Word is because we are content to study in the present the truths which are needed only for the present. A time of trouble is a poor time to find out what the Bible says about trouble. We should find out now, and when the trouble comes there will be something for the Holy Ghost to bring to our remembrance.—Richmond Advocate.

A NEW BOOK.

THE DIVINE LIBRARY; SUGGESTIONS HOW TO READ THE BIBLE. By J. Paterson Smyth, B. D., LL.D., author of "How We Got Our Bible," "How God Inspired the Bible," etc. 128 pages. Cloth. 50 cents. New York: James Pott & Co.

Among the many volumes on "How to Study the Bible" recently issued from the press, we do not remember to have seen a more excellent or interesting one than this. It is simple, yet scholarly; brief, yet comprehensive; bold, yet orthodox. There is no other book that ought to be studied more earnestly, intelligently and constantly by the Christian than the Bible; and yet, as the author indicates, hardly any other book is read in such an indolent and haphazard fashion. The author emphasizes the fact that in its teachings God's Word is progressive, the full truth at last shining forth in the life and words of Christ, and thus clears up many difficulties that present themselves to the average Bible student as he notes the permission of certain usages in Old Testament times that fall below the level of an enlightened Christian conscience. The discussion of the manner of inspiration, to which one chapter is devoted, is luminous, reasonable, and reassuring. The author makes it clear that two things are requisite in proper Bible study, namely: "study with the mind, intelligently, and study with the heart, devotionally." As he says: "A very good man, who is stupid and illogical, will make very grave mistakes about the meaning of the Bible. A very clever man, who has no enthusiasm for righteousness, will see in the Bible nothing but an ordinary book." Ministers, teachers, League workers, and all who want light on the best methods of Bible study, will find this book of great value. Among the chapters of especial interest are those on "Using Our Common Sense," and on "One-Sided Truths."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Self-Culture, for March, is a very attractive number of an interesting and valuable magazine, which has rapidly made for itself a high position among the periodicals which appeal to lovers of good literature. The cover this month presents a fine portrait of Governor Roosevelt, of New York, in citizen's dress. This number has eighteen leading articles in addition to the usual interesting and thoughtful review of "The World and Its Doings," by the editor; and the nine departments are so filled with matter of interest to people of widely varied tastes, that one must be truly hard to please who can not find in this issue something in itself worth more than the price of the magazine.

The March Book Buyer opens with a timely article on "Stevenson, Kipling, and Anglo-Saxon Imperialism," in which is outlined the remarkable influence these brilliant writers have exerted upon the public sentiment of their time, both in England and America.

The Review of Reviews, for March, contains an illustrated sketch of the late President Faure, of France; a sketch of General Otis, our governor general in the Philippines, by Col. William Conant Church; two heavily illustrated articles on the native Filipino population, one of which was written by Senor Caro y Mora, editor of the Voz Espanola, of Manila; an illustrated account of present-day conditions in Porto Rico, by Dr. William Hayes Ward, who has just made an extended tour through the island; a study of several of the young Cuban leaders of the day, by George Reno, with portraits.

The March number of McClure's Magazine contains short stories by Rudyard Kipling, Frank Norris, and Louise Herrick Wall. The account of the marvelous new substance, liquid air, based on conversations with the discoverer, Charles E. Tripler, presents new and interesting facts concerning the use of liquid air. The first of a series of articles and pictures, by Charles D. Gibson, depicting Egypt as he saw it last year, illustrates the peculiarities and characteristics of the Egyptians of to-day. H. H. Lewis tells the story of General Wood's extraordinary achievements in the renovation and government of Santiago.

The March Forum has an interesting list of subjects. Here are some of them: "Diplomatic Pay and Clothes," by Mark Twain; "Is Our Army Degenerate?" by Col. Alexander S. Bacon; "The Future of Our Navy," by Capt. H. C. Taylor, of the United States Battleship "Indiana"; "Life on Other Worlds," by Prof. D. T. MacDougal; "What Shall We Do with the Philippines?" by Ex-Minister Charles Denby, and "A Lost Eden—Cuba," by Dr. Felix L. Oswald.

The Cosmopolitan Magazine, for March, opens with an article by the editor, J. B. Walker, entitled, "The Building of an Empire," in which he treats of the life and work of Mohammed. This is the second of a series of articles on the same subject. "The North American Indian of To-day" is the title of a profusely illustrated article. A very interesting description of the process of making flour appears in this number. A poem and several other equally important articles add to the attractive features of this magazine.

NOTES.

In our marriage notice column in this issue, our friend, Rev. W. M. Williams, gives our readers a little of "the spice of life."

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Rev. T. B. Clifford shed the light of his countenance into our sanctum recently en route home from a trip to Amite and Kentwood.

Rev. H. M. Banks has made an auspicious beginning on the Gansville charge.

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Dr. J. W. Shoaff, of the Alabama Conference, has been quite ill, but is convalescent.

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It is stated in the papers that Bishop H. C. Morrison will soon remove from Atlanta to Louisville.

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Bishop Cranston, of the M. E. Church, recently had the honor of an interview with the Emperor of Korea.

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Rev. A. J. Kynette, Church Extension Secretary of the M. E. Church, died a few days since at Harrisburg, Pa.

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Rev. C. T. Monholland will begin a meeting at Tchonpitoulas on Wednesday night, March 8. He will be assisted by several of the city pastors.

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Rev. J. B. Gregory, presiding elder of the Tuscaloosa district, Alabama Conference, died at Tuscaloosa on the third. He was buried at Birmingham.

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Rev. R. L. Webb, of the Mississippi Conference, writing from McLaurin, Miss., says: "I am delighted with my new work. The prospects are very bright."

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The Louisiana State Epworth League will be held at Crowley, April 20-23. Let Louisiana Leaguers take notice, and let every League in the State send delegates.

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Rev. W. T. Woodward writes that the people of Le Compte, La., have given him a most cordial reception, and that he regards the outlook for the year as decidedly hopeful.

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Rev. V. D. Skipper will begin a meeting at Louisiana Avenue on Friday night, the tenth. He will be assisted by Rev. T. B. Clifford. The meeting will continue about ten days.

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The Alabama Advocate reports that Dr. Z. A. Parker, president of the North Alabama Conference College at Birmingham, who has been quite seriously ill, is on his feet again.

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A live, progressive pastor writes, "I am determined to put the ADVOCATE into the homes of all my official members, even though it may have to go to some of them at my own expense."

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We invite special attention to the articles of Rev. W. H. Huntley and Rev. D. Scarborough, on our third page, anent the meeting of the Mississippi Conference Sunday-school Association, to be held at Lumberton.

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The Illinois Legislature has passed a bill appropriating $9,000 for a statue of Frances E. Willard, to be placed in the rotunda of the Capitol at Washington. This will be the first statue of a woman in the rotunda.

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In a private letter Rev. R. W. Tucker, presiding elder of the Baton Rouge district, writes: "You are giving us an excellent paper. I read it with real relish. May God speed you in the good work you are doing for the church!"

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Hon. Henry C. Miller, one of the judges of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, died at his home in this city on Saturday, the fourth, and was buried on the sixth. He was a man of admirable character and a jurist of pre-eminent ability.

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Rev. G. S. Barsoom is still in the city pleading the cause of the Armenians. He made three addresses last Sabbath, viz: at Carondelet, at Parker Memorial, and at Napoleon Avenue Presbyterian Church. He has awakened much interest in the cause.

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Rev. J. S. Parker, of the Mississippi Conference, and his family have been the recipients of many kind attentions from the good people of Caseyville. He and his flock seem to have organized a mutual admiration society. The outlook for the year is decidedly hopeful.

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Rev. J. M. Wyatt, of the Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, is one man who does not think it beneath the dignity of the presiding eldership to work for his Conference organ. He not only talks for it on his rounds, but takes subscriptions. May his tribe increase!

Have you sent in any items of church news to your Conference organ this year? If not, why not?

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Under the pastorate of Rev. Burnette Wright, Burgundy Street Church is making noticeable progress. There has been a large increase in the attendance at the Sabbath services and also at the prayer meeting. The Sunday-school and the Epworth League are both flourishing.

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We invite special attention to the communication of Dr. Murrah. Millsaps College is properly an institution of which Mississippi Methodists are justly proud. Now is a good time for its friends to do something handsome for it. Let its endowment be largely increased and its equipment be improved.

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Mrs. Jane Gibbs, of Vicksburg, died at the home of her son, J. R. Gibbs, in Grenada, Miss., Feb. 21, in her seventy-fifth year. She was a woman of fine native endowments and most admirable character. She was a thoroughly consecrated Christian and an ardent Methodist. She leaves to her loved ones the priceless heritage of a consistent life and godly example.

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Rev. C. A. Powell, pastor at Crystal Springs, has been very ill. On the ninth day he sat up some, but is fair to recover promptly. His people think of sending him to Brown's Well to recuperate. Bro. Powell has large and appreciative audiences, and his people will take good care of him. His brethren sincerely trust that he will be himself soon, and able to resume his work so auspiciously begun. H. WALTER FEATHERSTON.

March 1, 1899.

We hope Bro. Powell will soon be entirely restored, and that in that inviting field he may gather many sheaves for the Master's garner.

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Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D., General Secretary and editor of the Epworth League, called at our office Monday morning and attended the Preachers' Meeting of this district. He gave a very encouraging report of the Epworth League and of the Era. He reported that the Era during the month of January paid its way for the first time in its history, and five hundred dollars over. But if he does not slacken his pace, he will break down. No man can long stand the strain he is under.—Alabama Advocate.

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The Ninth International Sunday-school Convention will assemble in Atlanta, Ga., April 26, and will continue in session for five days. This convention will be made up of delegates from all State organizations of the Union and of similar organizations in foreign countries. It will be composed of representative, practical Christian people from all evangelical denominations. Just twenty-one years ago the convention met at Atlanta and there instituted the International Sunday-school Lesson Program.

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We are in receipt of a copy of the "Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Mississippi Conference of the M. E. Church, South," held at Brookhaven, Dec 28, '98; Miss Addie V. Marshall, president; Mrs. C. R. McQueen, secretary—a pamphlet of twenty-odd pages containing the matter that properly belongs to such a publication. The secretarial work seems to be accurately and skillfully done. As the pamphlet bears the imprint of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, it goes without saying that it is gotten up in a neat, tasteful style.

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From a private letter from Rev. J. L. Futrell, dated Coquille City, Oregon, Feb. 18, we quote as follows: "We have had a pleasant Winter so far. Mercury has ranged between 30 and 50, 60, except 2 days, when it went down to 10 and 12, giving us one inch of ice—coldest since I've been here, but our turnips, mustard etc., is green in our gardens and the grass gives good pastures for our cows. If man were as good as nature this would be a delightful land, but we long to be out of this and back in our beloved Southland. We have a transfer from West Virginia—Rev. J. L. Fitch as pastor—and I tell you his preaching and work does us good. He is still warm with or from the touch of sympathy or brotherly love as shown in the South, and has not yet become phlegmatic as so many do so soon after coming out here. May he never do so; but it is hard to stem the current."

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"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

Don't forget to go to Crowley in April.

The time and place of holding the Arcadia District League meeting has been changed. April 27-30 is the time; Minden the place.

The League work in this district seems to be well organized. The officers are earnest and efficient.

A letter recently received from Rev. Jno. T. Sawyer, D D, presiding elder of the Shreveport district, informs us of his purpose to arrange for a District League Meeting at an early date.

All presidents of Leagues in the above-named (Shreveport) district are requested to meet at Texas Ave. Church, Shreveport, at 3 P M, Thursday, March 9, to arrange time, place and program.

The District League Meeting means much to the young people, many of whom can not attend the State or International Conferences.

If the young people in each presiding elder's district in Louisiana and Mississippi could be aroused to a true sense of their duty and responsibility, they would prove to be a power in the work of each local church.

Larger equipment and more efficient service is the demand in Church and State. Let us, as Methodists, measure up and take our places in the front rank of nineteenth century progress.

Let us not only sing, "Christ for the world," but let us work and pray and pay until the uttermost parts of the earth have become his possession.

During a recent visit to Amite City we found Rev. Harry W. May, the pastor, talking and planning for an Epworth League.

While pastor of the church at Arcadia, that League, which is now among the livest in the State, was organized.

We are glad to note that the Conehatta Epworth League has elected a correspondent whose duty shall be to furnish items from the work for this column. Let other Leagues do likewise.

Constant travel in the interest of educational matters make it necessary that this scribe have help in editing this column. The help needed can easily be supplied if some member of each League will send in occasional notes. Presiding elders and pastors can likewise help.

ALL ABOARD FOR CROWLEY!

Epworth Leaguers intending to go to Crowley to attend the State Conference, April 20-23, please communicate with W. B. Thomson, No. 227 South Rampart street, in order to secure accommodations in the special Epworth car. Fare for round trip from New Orleans only $5. Let every League be represented.

NOTICE.

The Arcadia District League Conference meets in Minden, April 28 29, 30. An attractive program is in course of preparation, and much interest is manifested. The opening sermon is to be preached by Rev. J. L. Pierce, of Monroe. The Executive District Council is busy and making things come to pass. Let our Leaguers rally, and each be found at the post of duty LEAGUER.

Arcadia, March 3, 1899.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE PERTAINING TO SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE AT LUMBERTON.

The Sunday-school Conference will convene on the twenty-ninth (Wednesday) of March instead of on the thirtieth. The change was made so as to get through with the business Friday evening. If the change had not been made, many of the delegates would have had to leave before the Conference was over, and the others would have had to remain in Lumberton till Monday. We hope everybody will take notice of the change.

The I. C. company have also granted one and one-third fare over their lines on the certificate plan. Delegates will have to pay one full fare to Jackson, West Point, or Starkville, Miss., or to New Orleans, La., on the I. C. road, and on the Y., and M. V. road purchase ticket to Jackson, Durant, or Vicksburg, Miss., or to New Orleans, La. Secure certificate when purchasing ticket. These certificates will be signed by the secretary of the Conference, and will entitle you to one-third fare returning.

Let everybody who can attend the Conference. Several prominent men are on the programme.

D. SCARBOROUGH,
Sec. S S. Board, Miss. Conf.

A LADY TELLS HOW SHE SUPPORTS HERSELF AND FAMILY.

"I often read of ladies who work hard trying to earn enough to keep body and soul together, and for their benefit I will relate how easily one can get along in the world if they only know how. There is a big firm in Pittsburg that manufactures flavoring powders. I had tried them myself and knew they were splendid, so sent for samples and tried selling them. I found it so pleasant and easy that I have kept right at it, and never make less than $3 a day and often clear more than $5. The powders go twice as far as the liquid extracts sold in stores and are much stronger. I sell from one to eight different flavors in each house. They are used for ice cream, custards, cakes, candies, etc., and are so delicate and give such a rich flavor that everywhere I go I gain a permanent customer. Those of your readers who would like to make money can get full particulars by writing to W. H. Baird & Co., 103 Telephone Bldg E. E, Pittsburg Pa, and they will give you a good start. I support myself and family nicely, and we have a good many comforts we never had before." "L"

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE MINUTES.

The "copy" for the Minutes was sent to the printers from the Conference, and twenty-four hours after the adjournment it was all in their hands. Their promise was to have the job completed in about twenty days, but sickness among them, and the bad weather, have caused delay.

On Friday, Feb. 24, the mailing was completed, and the Minutes now ought to be in the hands of all the pastors. Some pastors wrote to me for their quota even before the printing had been completed. If they, or others, have not received their Minutes by this date, let them write to me, and I will see what can be done to supply them.

C. G. ANDREWS, Sec'y.

Meridian, Miss., March, 1, 1899.

AN EXPLANATION.

MR. EDITOR: By referring to the Minutes of the Mississippi Conference, you will see that the report of Whitestown circuit is omitted. Please allow me to explain the cause. After making my report to the Conference, I got a leave of absence. On my return Monday, I presented my report to the statistical secretary, and he refused to accept it; said it was too late.

The Lord gave us a gracious year. We had sixty net gain to our membership, and raised more than $2,400.

Fraternally,

J. W. TINNIN, P. C.

McComb City, Miss., March 2, 1899.

The Salvation Army has just dedicated a workingmen's hotel in Boston. The institution has accommodations for 300 men.

OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those named in our last issue the following brethren have sent in new subscriptions:

J G. Cammack,
Courtland P. Smith,
W. T. Woodward,
R. Bradley,
B. F. Jones,
D Scarborough,
J. H. Smith,
B. B Sullivan,
J M. Wyatt,
J. N. Tucker,
J. W. Campbell,
J. D. Newsom,
D. W. Babb,
W. W. Drake,
W. W. Williams,
H. B. Vandenburg,
R. A. Breland,
A. D. Miller,
W. B. Van Valkenburgh,
H. P. Crowe,
W. H. Huntley.

SPECIAL OFFER.

Hereafter, until further notice, we will sell any of our Bibles at the premium prices given in another column to subscribers who subscribe under our $1 offer. Preachers will find this offer exceedingly helpful in canvassing. To those who desire it we will furnish a Bible to be used as a sample. When the people see our Bibles, they want them.

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THE MINUTES OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

MR. EDITOR: Nearly two months and a half have elapsed since Conference, and still we are without our Minutes. I have had great and urgent need for them more than a dozen times, but am deprived of that convenience, and why? If we ever need the Minutes at all (and they are a necessity), we need them early in the year, not after a quarter or third of the year has gone. If it is possible to get the Minutes out earlier—say in the month of January—then by all means let us have them then; but if it takes three and four months to edit and publish them, let us dispense with them altogether. If it is argued that our secretaries and editor are itinerant preachers, and encumbered with all the cares and responsibilities of pastors, and are, therefore, unable to give us our Minutes sooner, I would suggest that we employ one not so engrossed with other matters—some layman, for instance. The above is a poor apology for the tardy forthcoming of the Minutes, since we all know that these brethren are remunerated for their arduous labors, and their service here is not gratis. If we pay for a piece of work that we need done right away, we want it done, and that's the sum of it. I want my Minutes, and my people want them, and we are kicking, too.

KICKING ITINERANT.

March, April, May.

THESE ARE THE MONTHS IN WHICH TO PURIFY YOUR BLOOD.

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PAINT TALKS—XIV.

PAINT FOR SLEEPING ROOMS.

The modern dwelling is generally furnished as if the chief object were to gather and conceal dirt. With lace curtains at the windows, "fuzzy" paper on the walls and "fuzzy" carpet on the floors, about everything possible has been done to encourage dirt. When to these are added a deleterious crumbling paint on the wood-work, the way not to do it is perfectly illustrated.

Windows of sleeping rooms should be protected preferably with fixed blinds, but lacking these, nothing but good, easily removable shades on spring rollers should be tolerated. Wall paper should be eschewed and the walls should be painted, in some light careful tint, with a paint containing no poisonous materials. For this use the only fit pigment is zinc-white, the tints being obtained by adding ultramarine for the blue tones, earth colors for yellow; brown and red tints, lamp black for the grays, and combinations of these pigments for the other desired tints.

The wood work, unless of light colored wood finished in the natural state and varnished, should be painted exclusively with the same pigments, varnish being added if an enamel effect is desired. The floor, if to old or too open for filling and "waxing," or varnishing, should be smoothed off, and after puttying all seams, cracks and nail-holes, should be painted with a good oil paint containing no lead; zinc-white or a combination based on zinc-white, colored with iron oxides, or earth colors (ochre, sienna, umbers, metallic brown, etc.) being used exclusively as pigments. Over this should be laid a removable rug, which can be taken up, aired and shaken at frequent intervals, the floor being well wiped with a wet cloth while the rug is up. The painted walls should also be washed at the periodical "cleaning" times.

Wall paper, curtains, carpets and deleterious paints are probably responsible, either directly or indirectly, for the introduction and propagation of many ailments, especially in children. White lead, which is among the least of durable of pigments, is, like all lead compounds, an active poison, and it is notable among paints for its tendency to crumble off the painted surface in the form of dust. Furthermore, as it blackens in the presence of the gases always found in dwelling houses, it is undesirable on esthetic grounds. Zinc-white, on the other hand, is absolutely non-poisonous, has a brilliant clear white color, which produces remarkably pure and brilliant tints with other colors, and is the most permanent of pigments, both as regards color and material.

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No marshaled troops nor bivouac song,
No banners that gleam or wave,
But, oh, those battles they last so long—
From babyhood to the grave.

PLUCK AND PERSEVERANCE.

There are some boys and girls who, when they meet a difficulty in their way, sit down and say, "I never can conquer that; I'll just have to give up." With them "giving up" gets to be a chronic disease, until they will imagine troubles which do not exist, and hardly try to make any exertion at all. There are others who never give up to anything except something which can not possibly be conquered. A memoir was recently published in The Christian Advocate of a man who, for many years, worked as a saddler. Steady labor in one position brought on paralysis of the arms, but left him the power to use his hands. He then took up the work of a barber, and did that until a spinal disease developed which made him unable to stand. Not discouraged by even this affliction, the brave man mastered the jeweler's craft, and, by having an ingeniously contrived work-bench, toiled on even when, because of increasing paralysis, he could not lift his hands to his head.

Certainly he "did what he could," and what most persons in his place would have thought they could not do; and he had the reward of forgetting much of his pain in his work, and of living, self-supporting and self-respecting, until for him toil and pain were over.

It is better to have pluck and perseverance, and not have hands, than to have hands without the will to make them useful, as this account will show:

"A boy of fifteen, through accident, lost both of his feet, one hand, and the fingers and all but the stump of the thumb on the other. He had no friends, and it seemed a foregone conclusion that he must for the rest of his life be a burden on the public. So thought the good people whose business it was to provide in some way for him in his helpless condition; so did not think the boy to whom misfortune had come in no common measure.

"They said, 'Get him boarded somewhere where it can be done at the least expense.' He said, 'Give me a chance, and it won't be long before I will cease to be a burden to you.'

"Some thought his proposition not worth considering, but at last he was sent, as he had begged to be, to a good school, and was educated, and has since made his way in the world in a manner creditable even had he possessed a perfect body. He has been teacher and reporter and a successful newspaper man, and has earned the respect of all who know him. Artificial limbs make his loss almost unnoticed; and so cleverly is the lack concealed that the man with one arm who begged from him on the plea that one in his condition had a hard time, was quite unconscious that he was talking to a man with far greater drawbacks."

One would not think it very important for a lawyer to know much about ships and navigation, but a friend of Lord Chelmsford who was made ashamed in court by displaying ignorance in regard to lowering the topmast, began at once a systematic study. The result of this was that he patented a device for lowering topmasts, and for it received one hundred thousand dollars. Study does not pay everyone as liberally as that in money, but it always pays in some way.

Not only students, but young people in every walk of life, may find an excellent suggestion in this paragraph taken from The Philadelphia Call:

"At a recent gathering of students attending the different colleges of the Quaker City, Charles Emory Smith was one of the speakers. He discoursed on the pluck, energy, and determination a student must possess to finish a course with the will power to continue, and related a story of an engineer's prayer at a religious meeting to illustrate the point. The old man was called upon to pray. "O, Lord," said he, "give us plenty of coal on the tender, plenty of water in the boiler, and a good engine. But, Lord," and the offerer of the prayer became more fervent, "don't forget the sand to put on the track, so that when we have to climb a hill we'll not slip back."'"—New York Advocate.

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In these days it is especially true that one need hope but little of him or her who does not in some measure, and along some line, become, and remain, educated. It is the time of specialties, and one who has little or no education, or an education which knows many things indifferently and nothing in particular, need not hope to successfully compete with the true-to one-point man or woman, or, indeed, to be successful at all.

This being true, what will you do? What can you do? Is there an evening school in your vicinity? Why not attend that? Failing that, or disliking the idea, why not arrange to take up some of the courses of the Cosmopolitan University, or some of the branches of one of the many different correspondence schools which you will, if you look for them, see advertised in reliable journals?

If you wish to take up some especial line of study, and you live where you are able to utilize the privileges of a public library, you can probably obtain books along the desired line, and secure comfort, quiet, and an intellectual atmosphere, which are such desirable conditions of effective mental accomplishment, in the library or reading-room. It is possible, in most cases easy, in these days, to obtain several good works on law, medicine, chemistry, engineering, astronomy—any subject whatsoever. Two hours', or even one hour's study each evening of the year, of one or two of the best of these works, will produce astonishing results in a year.

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There still is a vast demand for such reading and a deep interest in it. But its character has changed somewhat during the last half-century, especially in the department of biography. Many once popular volumes of this class now are never read because of their unnaturalness. It is recognized more than formerly that there must be genuine manliness or womanliness as truly as piety in any character if it is to exert a useful spiritual influence.

But it is well understood that religious reading promotes both self-knowledge and knowledge of God. It is an aid to holy reflection. It prompts to intelligent prayer. It opens the soul's eyes to the way of duty. It quickens and enlarges the whole spiritual nature. It encourages us by informing us of the victories of divine truth in the hearts of others and in the world at large.

The best books and journals for religious reading are not always those which deal exclusively with distinctively sacred subjects. We live in a world of manifold thought and action, and the highest type of religion takes this into account. Those publications which look at Christianity in its actual relations with mankind, which aim to help living people to learn and do God's will in common life, are usually the most helpful as well as the most enjoyable. But once in a while some book of old-world pious meditation, some actually mediæval record of religious mental processes or efforts, is found inspiring. Whatever by actual use brings Christ close is good for the soul.—The Congregationalist.

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Then stomachs are overloaded with food which can not be digested. They are pickled with brine; they are tanned with tea; they are peppered and salted; they are scalded with hot drinks; they are distended with hot swash; they are filled up with a conglomerate mass, which is swallowed without chewing, and washed down with a flood of drink, until the indigestible mass lies day after day until it rots and becomes as sour as a swill barrel, thus generating gases which, if not promptly belched up, work though the whole system, and fill it with discomfort and disease. The poisonous acids which are developed from this rotten food pass through the bowels, irritating and excoriating them, poisoning the alimentary canal, and filling the system with pain and death. Often the abuse of the stomach is so great that poisonous humors floating through the system concentrate as upon the weakest point, and then come scirrhous swellings, and incurable cancer of the stomach, as the result of years of outrage and abuse.

A few words of advice to people who have stomachs, and who wish to treat them right.

Do not swallow food whole. Let it be mashed, crushed, ground and chewed, until it is fine, and is thoroughly mixed with the saliva from the mouth.

Do not blister the stomach with spices, stimulants and condiments; do not pickle it with salt and brine. Do not put into your stomach a mass of food which, if it were spread on the outside, would draw a blister within twenty-four hours. Many diseases of the stomach would be promptly relieved by following this prescription: Put nothing in the stomach that you would be unwilling to put for a poultice on a raw sore. Bland, mild, innocent substances, which make good blood, will heal many an abused, diseased and disordered stomach. —Exchange.

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OBITUARIES.

BROWN—Mrs. CORDELIA A. BROWN died May 5, 1893, after a very painful illness of several months.

Sister Brown was of the widely-known Favre family. She was the daughter of Mr. Ouezan Favre, one of the first settlers of Pearlington, and sister of Capt. J. A. and Hon. T. M. Favre. She was born in Pearlington, Aug. 3, 1841; spent the fifty-six years of her life there loved and honored.

November 10, 1859, she was married to Mr. George W. Brown, a true and noble man, with whom she lived in great happiness for thirty-one years. His death, which occurred eight years before hers, was the end of a wedded life of singular beauty and happiness. He died of consumption, and all through the weary months and years of his illness she was ministering in her loving ministries, and never seemed so happy as when sacrificing every personal comfort to contribute to his happiness. Eight children were the issue of this happy union. One, just developed into beautiful Christian womanhood, died several years ago, the remaining seven are living in Pearlington, filling positions of honor and usefulness in church, business, and social circles.

She was converted shortly after her marriage, and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was devoted to her church; loved its doctrines, polity, history, ministry and fellowship. The writer, as her pastor, was intimately associated with her for four years, and always found her cheerful and helpful in her religious life. She was never absent from preaching services unless providentially hindered. She was always ready to visit and minister freely to the poor and sick. To her pastor and his family she gave the most loving attention. She was a pure-spirited, consecrated and noble Christian woman. Her last days were full of peace. The writer never served a more loyal parishioner, nor had a more devoted friend, than Sister Brown. She was fondly of him in her last hour. In her death he has a painful sense of personal bereavement.

The Methodist Church at Pearlington has sustained an almost irreparable loss in her death, but heaven is brought nearer to us who knew and loved her. FORMER PASTOR.

SLEDGE—Mrs. M. M. SLEDGE (nee Moore), born and reared in Claiborne county, Miss., but for a number of years a resident of Madison county, died on Jan. 22 1899, at the age of fourscore and four years. She was twice married, first to Mr. D. F. Tidwell, and to them were born ten children, three of whom are now living—i. e., Rev. A. T. Tidwell, of the St. Louis Conference; Mr. L. F. Tidwell, of Louisiana, and Mrs. J. H. Ray, of Madison. Her second marriage was to Rev. S. S. Sledge, a local Methodist minister, who, a decade ago, preceded her to the spirit world. She leaves one brother, the venerable Methodist, W. A. Moore, of Fannin, Miss.

It was fitting that her spirit should have taken its flight on the peaceful Sabbath, so suggestive of her life. A more amiable disposition than hers I never knew. I had known her intimately since my childhood, and never did I see her angry. To find where she now rests we have only to turn to the fifteenth Psalm, where are described those who shall abide in his tabernacle and dwell in his holy hill. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and was buried at Pearl River Church Cemetery, where have been interred many of her friends and relatives.

Our sympathy goes out to her bereaved children, especially to the daughter, whose home seems now so desolate without the sweet mother from whom she had never been separated. May they find comfort in the hope of meeting her again! HELEN STEWART.
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CARTER—Miss MARGARET LELA CARTER was born in Jackson county, Miss., June 5, 1874, and died Jan. 20, 1899. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when about ten years of age was converted July 17, 1893.

Sister Lela had been an invalid for several years. Although her affliction was of long duration, yet she bore it with Christian fortitude. I was her pastor for two years. I think she was the most patient sufferer I ever visited. I never heard her murmur or complain of her lot being hard, but was patient, ever trusting in the mercy of her blessed Savior. From her conversion she was filled with sweet peace and abiding trust in God, making her life like precious ointment poured forth, and its perfume will linger long in the hearts of many who witnessed her last illness. She would plead with those around her to seek Jesus and prepare to meet her in heaven. She told her parents not to grieve after her, for she was going to live with Jesus. She requested that while her grave was being filled up, that the song, with the chorus, "And I will cross the river of Jordan," etc., should be sung, substituting the words, "And I will cross," with the words, "And I have crossed," etc.

She leaves a kind father, mother, brother, five sisters and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss, but their loss is her eternal gain. J. L. JORDAN.

ERVIN—VIRGINIA ERVIN, daughter of Hon. A. J. Ervin, died at her home in Crawford, August, 1898.

Virginie gone! Oh, God! to think
Our dear one in the grave to sink,
Where we can see her form no more.
Oh, help us, God! we do implore;
Look down in pity where we kneel.
"Thou knowest best," this truth we feel;
But human are our poor, weak hearts,
And grief o'ercome this stroke imparts
To us just now.

For blinded are our eyes with tears;
Through this dark sorrow nought appears
As yet to show us why she died;
Our precious one now angel guide.
Ah! yet; we watched her soul embark
On Death's broad river, deep and dark,
And prayed so earnestly to thee
To spare her yet awhile; we see
Thy way not now.

So young and beautiful was she,
Virginia dear, a loan from thee;
Thou hast recalled her to thy side,
Forever with thee to abide.
We question not the right to take;
"Thy will be done," tho' our hearts break.
Dear Father, teach us so to live
That whether thou dost take or give,
We may submissive bow.

God's way we can not understand,
But all is right where he has planned.
This faith we have: that some great good
Affliction brings not understood.
A Christian pure was our dear child;
Perhaps her gentle life, so mild,
Will lead us nearer to our God;
Then blessed be the chastening rod—
We to God's will must bow.

ADELE ERVIN.

SHERROD—In the city of Columbus, Miss., early in December, 1898, the death angel took from our midst one of earth's loveliest beings, Miss IRENE SHERROD. Gentle, loveable in every way, she will be sorely missed by her friends throughout their lives. Closely associated with her for years, I never heard an unkind remark about anyone pass her lips. Such a life leaves a void that can never be filled in our hearts until we join her above.

Dear friend, thy amiable face,
So full of every winning grace,
Alas! on earth we see no more;
Above thou standest now before
The great, eternal throne of God.
Thy body, buried 'neath the sod,
Was but the casket, wherein lay
The jewel soul. We feel to-day
Thou knowest all the sorrow, grief
Of friends. Could angels bring relief,
Thy spirit quickly back would fly,
And tell sad ones, "'Tis gain to die."
Ah! human is it thus to grieve
With breaking hearts, when loved ones leave.
God understands and will forgive;
"Not all of life it is to live,"
He gently whispers in our ears.
Lo! through the bitter, falling tears
Radiantly shines the promise fair,
The faithful shall God's glories share.

ADELE ERVIN.

WARREN—REUBEN GENTRY WARREN, son of Dr. Reuben Gentry and Mamie Farmer Warren, was born March 25, 1895, and died Dec. 7, 1898.

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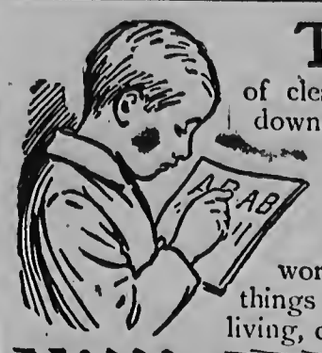

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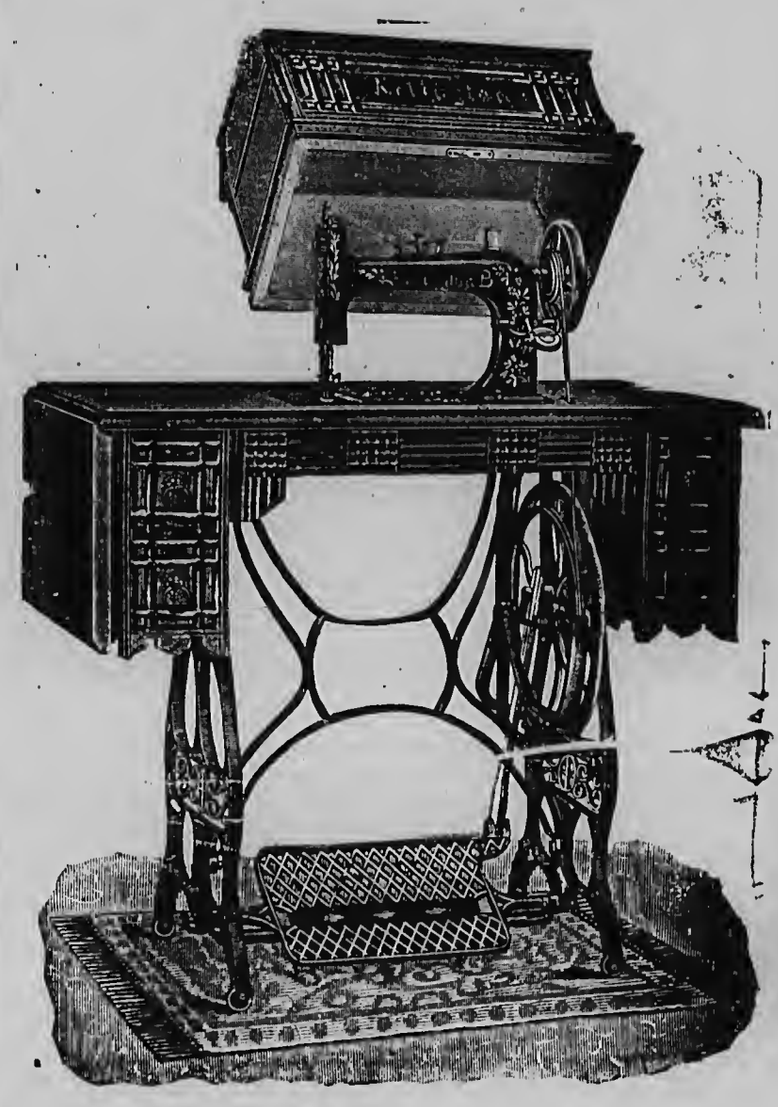

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THIS IS THE WEEK.

Premier Sagasta has tendered the resignation of his Ministry to the Queen Regent.

President McKinley and Vice-President Hobart are to come South on a junketing tour with Mark Hanna.

A mixed train on the Illinois Central broke through a trestle near Sardis, Miss., injuring five bridge employees.

Aguinaldo will only release his Spanish clerical prisoners on their turning over all their property to the natives.

Mayor Flower has signed the ordinance granting additional privileges to the Illinois Central railroad on the river front.

Mr. Choate, the American Ambassador to Great Britain, has arrived in England and been cordially received at Southampton.

The Senate has settled the Sampson-Schley controversy by making both of them Rear Admirals, Schley being made the senior by two numbers.

A cyst was removed from the thigh of the Pope, and the Pontiff was soon better, but extremely weak. His physicians hope for his recovery.

The Senate and House conferees have agreed upon a Rivers and Harbors measure, it is said, with the Nicaragua Canal amendment eliminated.

Lord Herschell, one of the high commissioners from Great Britain to this country, died in Washington as the result of a fall a few weeks ago.

The Kansas Senate has voted to appropriate $150,000 to pay the Kansas volunteers in the United States army $5 per month during their term of service.

Mary Holmes Seminary, West Point, Miss., was destroyed by fire on the sixth. Loss $65,000. The cotton compress was also destroyed the same day. Loss estimated at $300,000.

The Senate confirmed the following nominations: Rear Admiral George Dewey, to be admiral in the navy; Brigadier-General Elwell S. Otis, to be major-general by brevet.

The U. S. Marine Hospital Service has established a quarantine against Havana and Cienfugos to take effect March 15. All vessels from these ports must be fumigated before landing.

Bishop Huntington (Episcopal), of Syracuse, has vetoed the proposed celebration of the completion of the thirtieth year of his episcopal service, on the ground that the money and time are needed for church work.

On the night of the fifth the Philippinos made an attempt to recapture the water works at Manila, but were repulsed with a loss of seven killed and a large number wounded. Eight Americans were wounded, but none were killed.

Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley was presented, on Feb. 28, by the people of Maryland with a magnificent medal of gold and diamonds appropriately inscribed. It was presented to him by the governor of Maryland as a mark of appreciation for his victory at Santiago.

The action of the Alabama Legislature in exempting new manufacturing enterprises from taxation for a period of ten years is followed by an announcement that a Massachusetts cotton spinning corporation proposes to erect at Huntsville a mill that will give employment to 5000 hands.

Including the twelve vessels authorized by the session of Congress which has just adjourned, there is a total of 67 vessels of war building or authorized. This is the largest amount of warships building ever in progress at a given time in this country, when the aggregate tonnage is considered.

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Admiral Montejo, who was in command of the Spanish squadron destroyed by Admiral Dewey in the battle of Manila Bay and the commander of the Cavite arsenal, has been incarcerated in the military prison pending trial for his conduct at Manila. The Spanish Government has also ordered the prosecution of Gen. Linares, who was in supreme command of the Spanish forces at Santiago at the time of the capitulation to Gen. Shafter.

Although more than $9,000,000 were appropriated in a very few minutes for the erection of public buildings of very doubtful necessity, the Senate on the same day proceeded to reduce the number of the new ships to be authorized for the navy by a third. By an amendment to the House naval appropriation bill, the Senate reduced the number of new ships to be built for the navy to two battle-ships, two armored cruisers and four small unprotected cruisers.

Replying to Aguinaldo's demand for $7,000,000 for the release of Spanish prisoners, the Madrid government authorizes General Rios, the Spanish commander in the Philippines, to offer $2,000,000, and ask the archbishop if the religious orders will contribute more. The archbishop has replied that he can not contribute, having no funds. The Spanish public insists that the home government should satisfy Aguinaldo's demands and release the eight thousand prisoners, who are still detained.

The President's nomination of Richmond P. Hobson to be advanced ten numbers, from No. 1 on the list of assistant naval constructors, is said by naval officers to constitute the greatest material promotion as a recognition of gallantry in the history of the naval service. It will make Hobson a captain at the age of 30. His advancement amounts to 250 numbers in the line of the navy, which is remarkable in comparison with the single number secured by Admiral Dewey, eight numbers by Admiral Sampson and from three to five each by other officers during the war with Spain.

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On Friday a final agreement was reached on the Rivers and Harbors bill, and that matter will now become law without further trouble. The Nicaragua Canal rider was killed off by an appropriation calling for another survey on a more extensive scale than before. This compromise was agreed to by the friends of the Nicaragua Canal in order to save the Rivers and Harbors bill, it being realized that it would be impossible at the present session to secure final and definite action on the canal project. In the conference on the bill the Southwest Pass project suffered somewhat, as the House provision was substituted for the more liberal one reported by the Senate. The appropriation is, therefore, only $500,000, although it is announced that the Rivers and Harbors Committee proposes to recommend at the next session a more extensive improvement of the pass under the continuous contract system.

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Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. 30, May 1
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	6, 7
Lauderdale, at Hopson's Chapel	13, 14
Pachuta, at Pachuta	20, 21
Middleton, at State Line	27, 28
Mattieville, at Andrew Chapel	Sun P. M., Mon A. M. 28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise	Sun. A. M., Mon A. M. June 4, 5
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Courtland	29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May 6, 7
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Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	8, 9
Pickens, at Pickens	15, 16
Ackerman, at Weir	22, 23
Durant station	29, 30
Byrd Hill, at Center Ridge	May 6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland	13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
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WHEATLEY—VAUGHN.—At the McAlpin House, Hollandale, Miss., Feb. 27, 1899, by Rev. H. P. Crowe, Mr. W. W. Wheatley, of Arcola, Miss., to Miss Sallie Vaughn, of Vicksburg, Miss.

SHARP—JOHNSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Penin, Miss., March 1, at 8 P. M., by Rev. Hervie Mellard, Mr. H. J. Sharp to Miss Josie Johnson.

BELL—BEATON.—In the street in front of the parsonage, at Gallman, Miss., Feb. 22, 1899, while sitting in the buggy, by Rev. W. M. Williams, Mr. C. E. Bell, of Rock Port, and Miss Lela May Deaton, of Gallman, Miss.

AT WORK.

We have been confined to bed several weeks with la grippe, but improving now. We feel the loss of time seriously, as we were delayed in getting to the field. However, our spirits are yet buoyant—our hearts are stayed on Christ. We meet the Building Committee to-morrow to devise plans for the erection of a parsonage. Pray for us and the work. ROBT. L. PHILLIPS.

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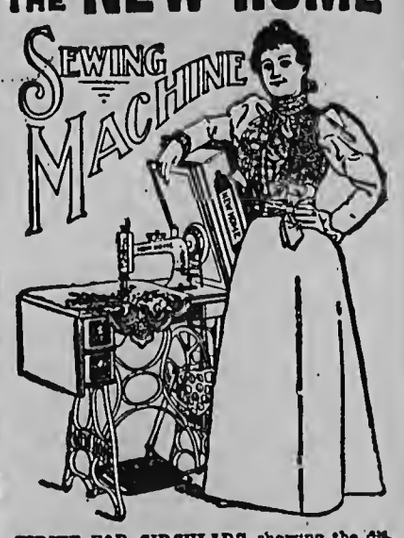

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BY A. L. WARING.

I would not have the restless will
That hurries to and fro;
Seeking for some great thing to do,
Or secret thing to know;
I would be treated as a child,
And guided where I go.

In a service which thy will appoints
There are no bounds for me;
For my inmost heart is taught the truth
That makes thy children free;
And a life of self-renouncing love
Is a life of liberty.

Communications.

WHY WE SHOULD ASSIST IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

1. It is a world-wide movement. All the leading Methodist bodies are co-operating in it. The M. E. Church, with a membership of 2,851,000, proposes to raise $20,000,000; the Wesleyan Methodists, with a membership of 772,000, $5,000 000; the Canadian Methodists, with a membership of 278,000, $1,000,000. Surely no Southern Methodist of loyalty and intelligence would have his church lag behind in this great forward educational movement. As it is, we are hardly proposing to keep step with our sister denominations. One million five hundred thousand dollars is disproportionate when our numerical strength is considered. If possible, we should go far beyond this amount.

2. It is in keeping with the genius of Methodism. Methodism has always been the friend of education. It was born and cradled in the greatest university in the English-speaking world. Its founder was one of the foremost scholars of his time. He was a great linguist, and made a translation of the New Testament which anticipated nearly all the changes made in the Revised Version. He wrote a Greek grammar, which was highly praised by many of his distinguished contemporaries. When he came as a missionary to America his work was chiefly that of teaching. Among the earliest developments of the great revival which, under God, he projected was the Kingswood School. Soon Trevecca College followed. The pioneers of Methodism in America imbibed the spirit of their great leader, and sought to found and foster institutions of learning. Some of their plans were unwise, some of their efforts proved abortive; but there are still in existence noble institutions which tell of their prescience and self-sacrifice, of their devotion to God and their loyalty to the great cause of Christian education. He is an unworthy son of Wesley who is not interested in the instruction of our youth. There may be among us those who think ignorance is an essential element of piety, but, if so, they have departed from the Methodist faith.

3. It is a movement to meet an imperative need. I speak now of the Southern Methodist Church only. In our whole great connection we have not a single specifically endowed theological department. Vanderbilt University appropriates $10,000 annually to the maintenance of its theological department, but this money is a part of the income of its general endowment fund. For years we have been allowing the benefactions of the Vanderbilt family to educate our preachers, and have done practically nothing to help ourselves. This is a lasting reproach to us. We should be heartily ashamed of it. We can not undo the past, but we can manifest more pride and independence in the future. If we raise $1,500,000, as is proposed, twenty per cent. will give the theological department at Vanderbilt $300,000, which is the exact amount that Dr. Tillett says is necessary to creditably endow it.

Nor are our other schools by any means what they should be. Until within the last few years we have had no well-defined educational policy. Whilst we have had some admirable institutions under our control, nondescript schools, flying the Methodist flag, were allowed to spring up all over the country and humbug the people. Sometimes there would be a half-dozen of these so-called colleges in a single Conference, each claiming to have a faculty equal to any in the land, and pledging itself to turn out scholars of the first magnitude. It is said that the president of one of these colleges wrote to a brother in Mississippi some years ago, claiming all this for the institution under his control, and wound up by signing his name, "Yours in Krist, R. W. Hank."

Those were the Don Quixote days of our educational history. Thank God they are forever gone! A new and better era has dawned upon us. We now have a clearly wrought-out educational system, with a head in our General Secretary. Our policy is now well defined, and has been plainly enunciated. All our schools are to be correlated. A university is to be a university, a college is to be a college, and a training-school a training-school. Every institution must fly the right flag. "The hawks" must be shot to death by the cannons of authority. "The chickens" must be fed, fattened, and made to grow. Vanderbilt is to be the great center—the king fowl of the flock.

And along with this work of correlation is to proceed the work of equipping and endowing. This is what the Twentieth Century Fund is to be raised for. That this work needs to be done is painfully evident. A college must be progressive, or it will soon get to be out of date. It can never stop and say it has all it needs. It must be ever enlarging, ever equipping. Educational apparatus is like the machinery of a factory—it soon becomes obsolete. The appliances of a few decades ago are worthless now. We Methodists are in the condition of the ice manufacturer who has a five-ton plant and a demand for ten tons output. If we are to meet the emergency, we must do as he would do—increase our capacity.

We are now standing in the morning twilight of a new century. Soon we shall witness its splendid sunrise, and then will begin to unfold those marvelous events whose prophetic shadows we have already seen. What triumphs the human mind will achieve, what inventions will be perfected, what philosophies will be formulated, and what discoveries will be made in the domain of science, it is beyond the power of the most imperial intellect to conceive. But one thing is certain: If Methodism is to have a part in these great achievements, she must amply equip her educational institutions and have in hand the machinery with which to work. If she is to continue to lead in the great work of world evangelization, she must have these mighty reservoirs of power upon which she can draw. Without them she must lose her proud position in the forefront, and assume a subordinate place in the rear. Perhaps the most striking characteristic of this age is its educational feature. Efficient public school systems exist in all the States, and the masses everywhere are being instructed. The church that does not now provide for the education of its ministry and membership is doomed. To convert the people, and then ask the State and other denominations to educate them, is to pursue a suicidal policy. When they are educated, they will be ours no longer. To adopt such a course is to accomplish our own destruction. It is to dig our own grave. And if we would do a successful work of education, we must have institutions of learning equal to the best. The time has passed when we can hold our people by stressing denominational loyalty. Only merit can win now. If we believe that the teachings of Methodism are more in accord with the gospel of Christ than those of any other sect, and that its form of government is best adapted to the work of evangelization, then we owe it to God and humanity to strongly intrench Methodism in great institutions of learning, and make sure its perpetuity for all time to come.

4. It furnishes an opportunity for us to make our influence felt in the future. The desire to do something that will live and last is a worthy one. It is this desire that has made philanthropists of many of our rich men. It is not in our power to found a hospital or endow a college by ourselves, but we can assist in this great educational movement, and thus project our influence into the far future. A dollar contributed to this cause will bear fruit long after the grave of the giver has been forgotten, and his name has ceased to be pronounced upon the lips of the living. It will outlast bronze and marble shafts, and stand as a monument to one's life through all eternity.

5. This money is to be given as a thank-offering to God for his gracious goodness and bountiful blessings during the decades of the century now all but past. Surely if any people on the earth have cause to be grateful, it is "the people called Methodists." The youngest of all the larger Protestant evangelical denominations, we now lead them all, with the possible exception of the Episcopalians, both in numbers and the extent of our influence. Undoubtedly a providential development, Methodism has been owned and blessed of God in all her past. Her history reads like a romance; her achievements are among the marvels of modern times. As Bishop Fowler has observed in his recent memorable appeal in the New York Christian Advocate: "She came into the century few in numbers, poor in worldly possessions, and meager in scholarship, having only 288 ministers, 64,894 members, but little church property, and only the ashes of one college. She goes out of the century in sixteen great bands or denominations, having 38 352 traveling ministers, 6,213,425 members, with many schools and colleges, and over $250,000,000 of church property." In America her sons and daughters are found in every sphere of usefulness and honor—in the army, in the navy, at the bar, on the bench, in professorial chairs, and in the halls of legislation. The two distinguished men who represent the State of Indiana in the American Senate are members of the same Methodist Church in Indianapolis—one a trustee and the other a steward. Both the chaplains of our Federal Congress are Methodists. The present Chief Executive of the nation, whose Christian character and patriotic words have won the admiration of all hearts, is a Methodist communicant. Now, shall we not, in the manner proposed, make grateful acknowledgement to God for so richly crowning our efforts with success? Shall we, as is so often the case, allow our very prosperity to make us negligent and unmindful of Him who has brought this unparalleled prosperity upon us? Shall we prove ourselves to be of that despicable class, "who come to God when they are hungry, but who, when they are filled, forget that he exists"? Shall we, like Pharaoh, when the storm is raging, and the thunders are pealing, and "the lightning's polished blade is threatening death," call upon the name of the Lord, and then, when the thunders have ceased, harden our hearts and give no praise to our gracious Deliverer? No; let us make requisition upon our abundant means, and pile up this monumental thank-offering, and let it stand forever as an expression of our gratitude to God for his innumerable mercies and blessings.

6. Our assistance is urgently needed. The plan proposed contemplates the co-operation of every Methodist in the connection. "One dollar from every member" is what our leaders are aiming at. We have 1,500,000 members, and we want to raise $1,500,000. So, if you refuse to contribute, you may know that you are hindering the success of the undertaking. The problem before us is that of enlisting the masses of our people. If we fail, the responsibility will rest upon those who refuse to co-operate in the execution of the enterprise. Everyone must do his part if the plan is to succeed.

R. A. MEEK.

Starkville, Miss., March 7, 1899.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The League is the child of Methodism in the evening of the nineteenth century—her latest child. Dr. Tigert said at Toronto that Methodism, being the child of Providence, the Epworth League is the grandchild of Providence. From the great strides this young giant in the church is making, it would seem that the youngster is a favored child and a "petted" grandchild. But we fear no evil results from the favoritism of Divine Providence. God only favors us according as we do and suffer his will. This is the chief place of young Leaguers, where they can do something for the Lord and Master, and, if need be, suffer for his sake. The combined intelligence of the band, enlisted with the banner, "All for Christ," at their head, find and furnish work for each individual member to perform. A League is a failure which finds work for but few, and furnishes work for some. There is no "select set" in the Epworth League; no "elect" workers according to the will of the League president. To have one set of leaders long will kill any organization; here "variety" is the spice of life." If young Mr. Johnson can not pray in public, he can read a Scripture passage. If Miss Jones can not sing a solo, she can read the Minutes of the last meeting. If Mr. Smith can not deliver an address, he can act in the capacity of administrator. By this word we do not mean one who distributes what is left after death, but the executive of a living League. Give each member something to do, and use tact about it. Some Leagues are ready to die because men who ride "hobbies" are in control. God deliver us from the man who colors his spectacles green, and sees everything through these colored glasses!

You will not have to travel far to discover that this hearty grandchild of Providence is not well treated by his guardians. Some pastors and some church Official Boards care more for the Sunday-school than the League; and out of their fullness of heart for the Sunday-school this glorious institution flourishes like the "palm tree." The Epworth League is the high-school department of church work. The League supplements, but does not supplant the Sunday-school. It takes up the work of teaching to do where the Sunday-school stops at teaching to believe and know. The "faith" of the Sunday-school scholar without the "works" of the Leaguer "is dead."

Loyalty to Christ and the church demand that we use the League, and use it to increase loyalty to the church as well as to Christ. "Put only Americans on guard," said Washington on one occasion. Let's put on guard true Southern Methodists, who love their church, and whose memories can never forget the vows taken at the altar when they stood as candidates for church membership. Every footfall I made up the aisle of a church in West Virginia would sound my solemn spiritual requiem were I to forget that solemn, yet joyous hour when I promised to support the "institutions of the church." And this is not any exclusive "churchianity;" it is loyalty to Jesus Christ in the best sense, and certainly will bring good to the greatest number.

God bless the Epworth Leagues of our Methodism! God help us to give up "all for Christ!"

C. P. SMITH.

Minden, La., Feb. 27, 1899.

Correspondence.

FROM THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

(Concluded.)

But we landed, and when we did so, we felt like offering a hecatomb of the many monkeys which we saw, not to the wrathful Neptune, out of whose hands we had just come, but to Jane, or Jove, or any other deity who would keep us where we could step, and know that our feet would touch the immovable terra firma.

As soon as convenient, we elbowed our way through the narrow, crooked and unwholesome streets of this strange city and stranger people. We found many huge stone buildings, built so compact and close that they all seem like prisons. We, not being cosmopolites, glared in wide-opened-mouth wonder at the modes, customs, dress and manner of these peoples, and at this most retired spot, which impresses us with the exuberance of life. We find races we never dreamed of. In their humble path they know the same passions and tread the same career as ourselves. The seas shut them out from the great world, but their island is a world in itself, and they know and heed no more the turbulent scenes of remote cities and countries than our own planet does the inhabitants of the distant stars. Though the world has rolled on for ages, and the pilgrimage of man has passed through various states of existence which, in our line, traditionary knowledge has not preserved, yet the condition of the race is conceived to be the earliest. Old Manila is walled by a rude and vast conglomerated mass of stone, the art of masonry being almost forgotten or never known. Vines and moss cover the entire mass of decay, which is so typical of her nation's downfall. The carriages are mostly two-wheeled vehicles drawn by a pony a shade larger than a Shetland. The transfers are Chinese and two-wheeled carts, to which caraboos, with huge heads and huger countenances, are hitched. Most of the transfer is carried on by means of canals which run through the city in various ways and directions. The bulk of the city is nine inches above the bay, making it easy for canals.

The fair senoritas are endowed with that fabulous beauty of which they have the reputation of having. They are "sweetly slender, beautifully graceful, and enchantingly fascinating." But they are as a "lotus blossom, slim and fair; a passing zephyr pausing to caress could move them not with all its tenderness." We do not know this by actual experience, but the logical sequence would be that they would forever have weak man worshiping at their feet, if it were otherwise. Men and women alike have the most open countenance and frank expression that mortal could wear; yet we are told that they are so deceitful and treacherous that they dare not trust each other a stone's throw from their chaperons.

We have been in your New Orleans cathedrals, and thought the fixtures, effigies and paintings magnificent, but they don't compare to the buildings and riches of these churches. The priests control the whole island. But we can't blame the ignorant natives for reverencing papacy. It made us feel like we were in something more than a common place when we saw and stood before the "sanctum sanctorum," with all its gildings. Before Protestantism can do anything versus Catholicism schools will have to be established and the people educated. They are as cruel and mean to their ponies and buffaloes as the occasion demands—sometimes easy and sometimes nearly whipped to death.

But this trip of ten thousand miles, terra mariique, has been quite a revelation to us. It has been grand from the time we passed the prairies of Missouri and Kansas, where we saw the corn and grain fields and cattle ranches in Southern Kansas which supply meat and grain not only to us, but send much to Europe. We passed out of the plains to the foot of the imposing Rockies, "towering their venerable old heads far up into the misty clouds, and assuming an aspect fit for a wanton to view." We saw this and thought it was grand; we climbed its heights, rugged and rough with canons of fearful depth, and even passed through the snow, which is perpetual in its linger; we beheld this, and thought it was grand; we went down and around those mountains, going through twenty tunnels in an hour's time, and at one time making a complete loupe, and we thought that was grand; we came to the great desert in western United States, and a weird vision, a mirage, showing a lake of pure water, and we thought that was grand; we passed through the Golden State, whose true value consists of its fruit farms and wheat fields, and along its shores till we reached San Francisco, and we thought that was grand; we embarked on the "Great South Sea," and passed through the Golden Gate, and met billows, piling wave upon wave, and we thought that was grand; we passed out into the heaving ocean, and went for days before we sighted land rising out of its depths, and we thought that was grand; we passed volcanoes and many islands, and came to the ground where Dewey has made his name immortal, as we looked at the sunken fleet, and then turned and viewed the great man-of-war that sunk it, and we thought that was grand; but when we came to the trenches where the Boys in Blue met the Spaniards in the roar and shriek of bursting shells, and saw them asleep in the land made free, under the flag they rendered stainless, under the solemn palms, the sad eucalyptus, the tearful willows, the embracing vines, careless alike of sunshine or storm, each in his windowless palace of rest, we know, we knew that was grand! Very truly,

FRANK M. LOWRY.

In Camp Hughes, Quarters Co. H, 1st Tenn., U. S. V., Manila, P. I., Jan. 17, 1899.

LOUISIANA SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

The thirteenth annual school convention of the Louisiana Sunday-School Association will meet in New Orleans, March 21-23. Each parish association is entitled to four and each ward association to one delegate. Every Sunday-school is entitled to one delegate, and an additional delegate for every twenty-five scholars. The delegates will be entertained free if their names are forwarded in time to Mr. David Zable, 1224 Constantinople street, New Orleans.

Prof. Hamil will deliver several addresses. Other speakers on the programme are: Capt. J. N. Pharr, Rev. J. C. Barr, Rev. J. B. Kent, Prof. J. N. Bogart, H. E. Cautell, E. P. Mackie, Rev. R. P. Howell, Rev. E. N. Evans, W. C. Boorman, Rev. W. H. LaPrade, Rev. A. R. Edbrooke, Rev. Matthew Brewster, A. M. Mayo, Rev. G. N. Funk.

The officers of the association are: A. M. Mayo, Lake Charles, president; Mrs. A. M. Mayo, Lake Charles, corresponding and State secretary; C. D. Hicks, Shreveport, recording secretary; T. G. Hardie, New Orleans, treasurer; E. P. Mackie, New Orleans, chairman Executive Committee.

It is well to organize charity to relieve destitution, but it is a thousand times better to practice charity—kindliness is the true rendering. Love thy neighbor as thyself.

BROTHERHOOD.

Help thou thy brother on!
If light has come to thee,
Disclosing stepping-stones,
Enabling thee to see
Clearer the way, as in
The onward march we move
Show him the guiding light!
Reach out thy hand in love,
And help thy brother on!

If thou hast heard a call,
Strong and true and sweet,
Urging thee ever on,
Quick'ning thy lagging feet,
Oh, bid him listen, too,
That he the voice may hear!
The light will brighter glow,
And more the call will cheer.
Helping thy brother on!

—Christian Register.

Correspondence.

HIGH TIMES IN STARKVILLE, MISS.

BY W. S HARRISON.

Yes, we have had a grand time. We have had celebrities and less. The Epworth League Conference of the Columbus district was held here Feb. 23 and 24. Rev. R. A. Burroughs was elected president, and Miss Annie Scales was chosen secretary. The first address was from Rev. E. S. Lewis on the "Real Objects of the League." That was a good beginning. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. M. McIntosh, and this concluded the morning session.

All the sessions were interesting. The program prepared was excellent and well carried out, and Bros. Bowen and Thames and a few of the ladies were the principal talkers. From first to last the papers, speeches, sermons and songs were all good. By common consent this was the best League Conference ever held in this region.

It may seem invidious to make special mention, but by general concession the paper by Miss Vic Thompson, of Okolona, on "The Devotional Work of the League," and the chart exhibition by Mrs. Mathis, of Columbus, illustrating the best methods for the study of Bible history, were of the highest order.

Finally, at the last service on that last great night of the feast came Dr. H. M. DuBose. His address was unique, eloquent, and full of beautiful imagery. His drafts on the Queen's English, however lavish, one never denied. The mental pictures were pleasing, the diction elegant, while throughout the discourse there was an undertone of profoundest philosophy. Dr. DuBose is in travels much, in labors great, if not in perils oft. He is doing the work of two men. Well, he can do two things at once. We witnessed that. For instance: Down at Bro. Ames', after the evening service, he did full justice to an elegant repast and entertained the company by the fine art of conversation, both at the same time.

Rev. R. A. Burroughs is a live man. He is in his work. He gave great satisfaction as presiding officer; kept the reins well in hand. He may never climb to the high altitude of the bishopric, but we have seen some Bishops who could not preside as well.

We have no doubt the members of the Conference from a distance were well pleased with Rev. R. A. Meek as host. He and his committees were vigilant in looking after the comfort of all.

The shadow of Dr. DuBose had scarcely faded from the sidewalks, and the steps of the Leaguers had not yet entirely ceased to fret the streets, when Dr. S. A. Steel came. He preached an excellent and timely sermon on Sunday, and in the evening gave us his famous lecture on "The Pioneer of Methodism in America." The house was full and the lecture was enthusiastically received. Monday evening, in the opera house, he delivered his humorous lecture on "Home Life in Dixie During the War." We have not before seen such a crowd out to hear a lecture, nor have we heard any lecture so richly enjoyed. Dr. Steel is a man of marvelous attainments. Such a voice we have never before heard; strong, pleasant, and under perfect control. He is inimitable in the vividness of his mental pictures. What he sees—and he is gifted in the art of seeing—he makes his audience see. His representation of a battle in the distance, the roar of cannon and the rattle of musketry, is a fine display of vocal power. But the most startling was a broadside from a gunboat close at hand. The entire audience, from footlights to "peanut gallery," jumped with surprise.

Last of all, but by no means of least importance, we note with pleasure that Rev. G. W. Bachman, the man of books and papers, of Sunday-school and League work, was here during all the exercises of the Conference, looking diligently after the special work assigned him. He is one of the most efficient, useful laborers in the field.

[The above should have appeared in last week's issue, but was unavoidably crowded out.—EDITOR.]

FROM REV. E. S. LEWIS.

MR EDITOR: I have just returned from a very profitable meeting of the Leagues of Columbus district. This meeting was with the Starkville League. Quite a good attendance of Leaguers and visitors from the district was the occasion of much rejoicing. Rev. R. A. Burroughs, who is completing his full term on Columbus district, was made president. Many thoughtful and valuable papers were read, and a number of most excellent addresses made. It was pronounced the best small affair ever seen, but it was no small affair. Besides a goodly number of Leaguers, ten or twelve preachers were in attendance; Miss Vic Thompson, of Tupelo; Bro. Bachman, who is a member-at-large of all our societies, and Dr. DuBose, the Era's bright editor. Bro. Meek, the popular pastor at Starkville, entertained us royally. Everybody seemed to be in a good humor, and it was the universal verdict that the League is going to furnish the church of the future with live, active, spiritual men and women. It has already developed much talent hitherto latent.

Bro. Bowen is hustling around at Columbus; has left no stone unturned. If a Methodist goes there and stays long, he will have to bide out, if he escapes Bro. Bowen's eye. McIntosh is winning golden opinions at West Point. Bro. Thames has the parsonage at Macon on wheels, and will, ere long, have it to the front. This will literally be true, or else the signs fail. The church is already to the front, or otherwise he would put the screws to it. Bro Duncan is winning his way into the hearts and affections of the Crawford people. He succeeds. The rest of us are battling with mud and doing the best we can.

Prospects are very fine for a successful year. This prairie country is the home of a cultured and thrifty population. Methodism is strongly entrenched here, and there is no early prospect of its deserting the land.

Brooksville circuit has had only five preachers in the last nineteen years. Very few of the stations can boast of such a record. It has a settled population; the plan of the circuit has not been changed for years. But this does not argue that everything is in a high state of perfection. We need much: one new church, more papers circulated, a deeper interest in religious affairs, and more consecration on the part of those who are making the paths straight.

E. S. LEWIS.

Brooksville, Miss., March 2, 1899.

MINDEN, LA.

Our first quarterly meeting has passed. Bro. Crews, our presiding elder, shows good executive ability as presiding officer and preaches well. All claims were paid to date. The Conference collections are fully provided for by good subscriptions, one-fourth payable each quarter. As Minden has not paid these claims in full for some time, we think an advance can be noted along this line.

Will open up a special campaign against sin (D. V.) April 9. Hope to be able to report victory, and many slain of the Spirit, and made alive through Jesus Christ unto God the Father. Dying unto sin is living in Christ, and "Christ liveth in me!" Oh, for many such deaths, that God may be praised by his own reviving power!

The church seems unified, and we hear little of past dissensions. All seem to realize that we should "be one" in Christ, as he himself prayed, ere the gates of brass, and posts of iron, and hearts of stone, will be broken down.

Following this revival effort, the District Epworth League Conference will meet here April 27-30. I have written Bishop Candler to be with us for two days. Hope he can favor us with his eloquent counsel at this critical juncture in our Epworth League movement in Northern Louisiana. C. P. SMITH, P. C.

Communications.

POLYGAMY.

MR. EDITOR: If you will grant me a little space in the columns of the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, I wish to make known some facts which have recently come under my observation with regard to the practice of polygamy among the Mormons. The Mormon elders who have been flooding this country with their spurious literature for the last three or four years claim that the Mormons have abandoned the practice of polygamy, which statement is false. I came in possession, a few days ago, of a little book which was picked up some miles north of here, the title of which is, "The Preceptor," and which was evidently private property, and had inscribed on the fly-leaf the name, "W. L. Openshaw, Santaquin P. O., Utah county, Utah." I suppose the book was dropped by Openshaw, as it was found lying in the road, and was picked up by a negro. On the leaf opposite the preface is printed the following: "The Preceptor," "Being a simple system for enabling young men to acquire a knowledge of the doctrines of the Gospel, and the ability to preach them," "by Elder John Nicholson." On page 36 he enters into the subject of polygamy, or plural marriage, and tries to prove from the Bible its legality. He begins the chapter by saying: "The chief merit of the method is its directness and practicability. It is not only of use in teaching what are termed the first principles of the gospel, but can be extended to every truth of the divine plan by simply setting up an opposite. As the elders who go abroad are invariably assailed on the subject of polygamy, it may be well for them to be prepared to show that it is sustained by the Bible," etc. He then brings in numerous quotations in attempting to prove that polygamy is sustained by the Word of God, interspersed with such remarks as these: "The following passage is sometimes used against polygamy, but it would be as sensible to use it to prove that a man should have but one horse," etc.

Can we, as loyal citizens of the United States, and as responsible beings to Almighty God for every thought, word, and deed in this life, silently submit to their sojourning in our midst, and to the inculcating of such satanic principles into the hearts and minds of our children? Can we afford to be silent on the subject? If Utah, which has recently been admitted to all the rights and privileges of Statehood, can afford to tolerate and practice polygamy, let her be refused a representative in Congress, and let the law-abiding citizens of other States close their doors against these intruders.

R. A. SIBLEY, JR.

Meadville, Franklin county, Miss., Feb. 27, 1899.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS."

I said, "Nothing succeeds like success," and offered as a proof the example of several brethren whose work speaks for itself. Bro. Smith denies, but offers no proof whatever to support his denial. I did not say that every man must do as A does to succeed, nor did I say that the same thing had to be done to make success. If I say A, B, and C succeed, it does not follow that I mean that D, E, and F have failed because they did not do just as A, B, and C did. I asked Bro. Smith if success did not succeed, what did succeed? He does not answer; hence there is nothing in his last to answer. T. W. LEWIS.

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THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, ABERDEEN, MISS.

(Written by the president of Aberdeen Auxiliary, and read to the society at close of the Conference year. It was requested for publication in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE on account of her extreme age—eighty-one years. May it bring forth much fruit, and may many follow in her steps as she follows Christ's last and great command!)

DEAR SISTERS: Another year has passed into oblivion; days and years have come and gone, and have rushed heedlessly into the great eternity without a good-by. Changes of importance and successful work in missionary fields have been noted with gratitude and with some success, and to-day we see the silver lining bursting forth from flourishing missions in China, Korea, Brazil, and Mexico. These places of mission work will tell how small were the beginnings in the year '78, the date of the organization. Soon after a few of our energetic ladies entered the work, and the first report made at the meeting of the Annual Board was one woman sent out to China—Miss Lochie Rankin, from Tennessee.

Looking over the past, noting the small amount gathered from collections reported—a little over $4,000 for the first fiscal year—the amount expended was $1,323.30. Two hundred and eighteen auxiliaries had been organized with a membership of 5,890. This was considered a fine beginning. Miss Lochie Rankin was the only representative of the Woman's Missionary Society. This was woman's work, and heart dwells with thankfulness, for the "day of small things should not be despised," for it is a divine work, and we have the promise from the great Teacher he will be with his followers to the end.

Twenty years ago the first meeting, with our beloved Mrs. Bishop Paine, vice-president of the Annual Board, at the head, gathered a goodly number together, and if my memory be correct, fifty-five joined; and as time passed we were anxious to learn of the details of the work. A more willing band of one mind to enter the work could not be found. Literature was eagerly sought after, notwithstanding our ignorance. Suggestion after suggestion was thrown into the work to bring something out that would edify and instruct our dark minds as regards the successful issue of this all-important subject.

As your humble president has been connected with this great work for the last twenty years, she sees the changes and a wonderful movement on all lines of the work, and thanks God for the light he has given us. What embarrassments we labored under at first could not be told. We had no periodicals, no literature, no reports from different societies, so little to aid us in carrying out plans, for the seed had been deposited in good soil, and after awhile it would bring forth a hundredfold of fruitage. That was the result of good work. Our course has been onward, and the influence of woman on woman has become powerful in the work of her own life. Our Board has been very successful for years, and has increased in intelligence, in wisdom and faithfulness. The last statistical report shows 34 Conference societies, 3,629 auxiliaries, 74,479 members. Report of treasurer, $86,418.76; $3,629 over last year's receipts.

Now, let me say this society has done well the past year. The membership has increased, the collections are fine, meetings well attended, and a good spiritual feeling manifested by the members—tell very plainly its growth and success. We have been blessed, and may God, in his infinite mercy, bless the dear societies, and give us strength in his grand and glorious work!

The most interesting work is the school called Florence Shell, of Sung Kiang, which is in successful operation, and we pray it may be the school that will be instrumental in bringing many to the light of the gospel and to the kingdom of Christ.

The Bible woman is of supreme importance in carrying the blessed gospel to the heathen, and much good is derived from entering the homes of their countrywomen to offer them the Bread of Life.

We are glad the juvenile work is again on sure footing, with a new lady manager at the helm managing the work, and by the help of the All-wise Father there will be a vast field cultivated by the children, as they have Korea for their special. Last year their special for Korea was $4,427. May they be blessed in their work with strength to help Christianize the cause and labor for the benighted heathen, and may we know what is expected of us, that we may be built on the rock of a Christian character! The organization of the young people is truly a grand work. Much of their precious time may be filled up with work that is for the advancement of the cause, while the call for literature for information is so necessary—thanks to wise heads—it has been liberally scattered around for that purpose. The time is propitious for seed-sowing. After a few years of toil the fields will be white for harvesting, and result in an abundant yield. Some of the fruit will be presidents, some corresponding secretaries, some recording secretaries, some treasurers, and some district secretaries. These officers will tell of the wonderful work that has emerged from their faithfulness, and blessings will crown your lives with a happy entrance in mansions above. God bless you!

The efforts to evangelize and Christianize the world is far from what it should be. Only about one-fourth has been touched by the gospel. Let us pray more, read more, do more good by consecration than we ever have. The promise made several years ago is still fresh in my memory, and in some way to return my heartful thanks for your kindness in serving you; and now let me bring to mind the high regard of your loving-kindness for the length of time in your service. You may now compare the work of to-day with twenty years ago. My heart thrills with sweet emotions when I look over the past so lately as the present year. You have been thoughtful and presented your president a gift of a certificate of life membership in our society. It will be a pleasing memento from the membership. Time brings Christmas of '98 full of good wishes and loving words in the way of a handsome Bible presented by our beloved society, for which I must express my thankfulness for a gift which will be a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Words are inadequate to express my joy for such a valuable gift.

Now that the year has drawn to a close, let us look into our hearts and pray all mistakes, all tempers, all wrong-doing may be forgiven, and let us turn a new leaf and consecrate our lives to the missionary work; officers and members pledging themselves to help save poor souls for the Savior, that it may be said: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou has been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

MRS. S. I. DALTON, Pres.

Aberdeen, Miss., Feb. 27, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

THAT ENTERPRISING PREACHER.

PART III.

At the next regular meeting of the society Bro. Jones was on time as usual. The attendance was larger than ever, and the new members were all present. The lesson for the day happened to be Second Kings iv, 8-10: "And it fell on a day that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And she said unto her husband, Behold, now I perceive that this is an holy man of God which passeth by us continually. Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall, and let us set there a bed and a table, a stool and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, he shall turn in thither."

The leaflet called for by the program was the "Pastor's Parsonage." The scene so graphically described—a sad Christmas Day, the funeral of the dear little baby; the cold, uncarpeted, desolate parsonage, to which the broken-hearted mother returned—all seemed in gloomy contrast with their own warm firesides and well-furnished homes. Bro. Jones led the prayer; and such a prayer! He voiced the feeling of the women as he prayed for the preachers everywhere whose "lines had not fallen to them in pleasant places;" the poorly-paid preacher in rural districts; the preacher in far-distant pioneer work on the border-land, upon whom God had laid the burden of making a highway in the unbroken wilderness country for the feet of the messengers of the King. He thanked the heavenly Father for ever putting it into the hearts of the women of the church "to be careful for us, with all this care," like the great woman of Shunem of old, and that at last they were bringing into these desolate homes the comfort and brightness of material things, while the preacher ministered to them in spiritual things. In conclusion, he prayed that the women of his charge "might be able to lift up their eyes and see the needs of other fields in the Master's vineyard, and seeing the need, might be able to recognize their duty." After the prayer the order of business was the unreported balance on church furnishings. Every woman present completed her pledge.

The president asked the preacher to make a few remarks, for it seemed evident he had something to say. "First of all," Bro. Jones began, "I wish to thank you each and all for your ready response to the ten-dollar proposition. Thirty-five times ten—$350—in three months, splendid work! But to-day I am more than ever impressed with our lack of duty to other fields. The pastor of a city church can better afford to be without a parsonage than the poorly-paid preacher of rural districts or a pioneer charge. Think of a salary of $165 a year to support a family, and $80 out of that for rent! Since the organization of the Home Mission Society, twelve years ago, about 800 of these have been supplied with comfortable homes. But the parsonage described in the leaflet to-day is a faint picture of the desolation of the pastor's parsonage, to which a majority of our poorly-paid preachers are compelled to shelter their families. Will not the women of this church be the first of all the eight prosperous churches in this great city to fall into line and take their places in this department of connectional work?

"Now, my sisters, it seems to me the fullness of time has come, and I hope every woman in this little band will agree with your pastor that everyone of you should undertake the work of your Home Mission Society. And remember, my sisters, you are only required to pay 60 cents a year to general work, while the other 60 cents goes to the preacher of your own Conference who is in need of a home." The vote was taken, and the Home Mission Society was organized with forty members.

The above is not fiction. It is the history of what was done by one enterprising preacher of a city church. There are stronger and wealthier churches in that great city to-day whose women are just as noble, just as loyal, just as willing to undertake for their Lord; but their hands are still idle because in eight churches there is only one enterprising preacher.

The Christian Life.

BROKEN AND MENDED.

God uses sorrow to elevate the affections, to soften and sweeten the character, to bring the soul nearer to himself. By their fruits God knows sorrow and trial. We are too apt to know them, to look upon them, in the acrid bud and the pale, withering blossom. It is not the divine mission of sorrow to destroy the heart, but in a certain sense to readjust and reconstruct it. Certain old violin makers had a strange method of producing sweetness of tone in their instruments. They would break them, and then skillfully put them together again, filling the cracks with resonant gums; so that, when the broken violin had been cured of its violent wounds, and was taken up into the master's hands again, it gave forth such range and sweetness of sound as had never been possible to it before.

This is precisely what God does with the human heart when he subjects it to the pangs of sorrow. He breaks it—true, but he mends it again. He always mends it. God never leaves a heart that truly loves and trusts him in the fragments and wreckage of trial. Patiently, skillfully, lovingly, he draws together the broken cords, and binds them with his sympathy. And then, ah! then the music, the new music, that swells out of that heart. It has a tone that is finer and purer than of old, that vibrates with a new tenderness and pathos. God has called out all the potential music of that soul. He has broken it, and searched it, and touched the quick of all its deepest feeling. And then he has taken that broken heart, that precious sacrifice, and restored it, so that its new wholeness is better a thousand times than its old soundness. By the wounds of sorrow the music of heaven has been grafted upon the music of earth.—Zion's Herald.

Kneel down, and part with that thing which has all your life stood between you and God, and so between you and happiness, and trouble will clear up as nothing else can make it. Every arch has its keystone. The jam of logs, which has become piled into apparently immovable obstruction, has a few key logs whose loosening releases the whole. Every troubled condition has its secret, and it is usually some hosom sin. Let that go, though the effort strain you to exhaustion, and though life's outlook for a time looks so barren because of its departure that it seems as if cheer would never come again, and straightway heavenly energies find their field, and your prayer can be answered.—Sunday-School Times.

A Minister's Son

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MISSIONARY INSTITUTE, JACKSON DISTRICT.

DEAR BRETHREN: In compliance with Art. 17, Par. 356, Discipline 1898, you are requested to meet in First Church, Jackson, Wednesday, April 19.

PROGRAMME.

9:30 A. M.—Opening Exercises.

10 A. M.—Missionary Workers of New Testament. Discussed by J. D. Crymes and R. J. Jones.

10:30 A. M.—Methodism and Missions. Discussed by W. B. Lewis and R. Bradley.

11 A. M.—American Bible Society and Missions. Discussed by J. W. McLanaria and R. W. Bailey.

11:30 A. M.—Our Missions in Asia. Discussed by H. C. Hawkins and F. M. Williams.

12 M.—Our Missions in America. Discussed by G. H. Thompson and Willson Brown.

2:30 P. M.—Sunday-schools and Missions. Discussed by H. P. Lewis and H. C. Brown.

3 P. M.—Missionary Work in Our New Possessions. Discussed by Prof. W. L. Webber and B. F. Lewis.

3:30 P. M.—Women and Foreign Missions. Paper by Mrs. T. S. West.

4 P. M.—Woman's Work in Home Missions. Paper by Miss Purnell.

8 P. M.—Grand rally. Addresses by Bishop Galloway and Dr. W. B. Murrah.

After subjects have been introduced by these announced, they will be open for general discussion.

Brethren will be provided with homes during their stay. Let all come.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT,

Malarin creeps into the system and leaves a poison which saps its vitality until the well-known symptoms of CHILLS AND FEVER, INTERMITTENT FEVER, CONGESTION, BLOODY URINE, etc., will show their snake-like heads. Fortunately there is an antidote in DICKS' CHILLIFUGE, which absolutely exterminates Malaria in a few hours; so pleasant to the taste that children love to take it. It banishes fevers like mist before the morning sun; brings us a gift rose cheeks, health, happiness, and makes life worth the living

PROGRAM OF DISTRICT LEAGUE CONFERENCE FOR ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

TO BE HELD AT OKOLONA, MISS., MARCH 31-APRIL 2, 1899.

FIRST DAY—FRIDAY.

9 A. M.—Devotions—Rev. J. M. Wyatt, Aberdeen.

Organization and appointment of committees.

Origin and Growth of the Epworth League—Mrs. Asa Watson, Strong.

How to Organize an Epworth League—Rev. R. A. Tucker, Strong.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. S. B. Myers, Tupelo.

3 P. M.—Devotions—Rev. J. W. Raper, Montpelier.

The New Missionary Era—Rev. J. W. Anderson, Verona.

How Can the League Assist the Pastor?—(1) In Looking after Strangers, the Sick and Needy—Miss Katie McDonnell, Okolona. (2) In Increasing Attendance upon Church Services—Miss Mary Scott, Okolona.

7:30 P. M.—Devotions—Rev. E. P. Craddock, Okelona circuit.

Quartette.

Addresses of Welcome: On Behalf of Okelona Methodism—Prof. J. F. Counell, Okolona. On Behalf of the City—Mr. W. J. Stockett, Okolona. On Behalf of the Epworth League—Miss Corra McDonnell, Okolona.

Solo.

Response to Address of Welcome—Miss Mamie Fearrington, Verona.

Report of district secretary.

Address, Importance of Putting Young People to Work—Rev. J. A. Lowe, Nettleton.

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY.

6 A. M.—Sunrise prayer meeting—Mr. W. P. Moore, Tupelo.

9 A. M.—Devotions—Rev. J. W. Bell, Houston.

School of Methods: Methods of Devotional Work—Prof. F. M. Street, Verona; Miss Lutie Stevens, Tupelo; Miss Jennie Dyer, Houston.

Singing.

Methods of Charity and Help—Miss Belle Taylor, Verona; Miss Fannie White, Okolona; Miss Bettie Bailey, Central Grove.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. M. Wyatt, Aberdeen.

3 P. M.—Devotions—Rev. W. A. Bewlin, Bacna Vista.

How Can the League Promote the Cause of Education?—Mr. T. W. Hamilton, Houston.

Recitation—Miss Nelle Trice, Verona.

Missionary Work of the Epworth League: (1) Missionary Committee, (2) Missionary Library, (3) Monthly Missionary Meetings, (4) Missionary Study Class—Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, Corinth.

Special Work of the Epworth League—Rev. W. W. Woollard, Aberdeen.

7:30 P. M.—Devotions—Rev. George Sanders, Tremont.

Quartette.

Importance of the Social Work of the League—Miss Maud King, Aberdeen.

The Design and Scope of the Literary Department—To be supplied.

How to Make the Literary Work Go—Mrs. J. M. Wyatt, Aberdeen.

THIRD DAY—SUNDAY.

9 A. M.—Love feast, conducted by Rev. K. A. Jones, Okolona.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. W. W. Woollard, Aberdeen.

3 P. M.—Consecration service, conducted by Rev. J. A. Lowe, Nettleton.

7 P. M. to 7:30—Song service. Sermon—To be supplied.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. L. S. Jones: "We left our Yazoo City home, Jan. 9, 'mid the tears and regrets of a large and disappointed congregation. We reached our new home in Port Gibson, Jan. 11. We found a warm hearted, loyal people here, who have provided amply for our physical comfort. Despite the bad weather and poor health, we have visited nearly the entire membership. Congregations are fine, and our finances well in hand. The whole of our foreign mission assessment has been raised. Pray for us."

Rev. W. T. Woolward, Lecompte and White Chapel, March 3, 1899: "We arrived here on the eleventh of January. Have been very busy ever since we came. Have married two couple, made seventy pastoral visits, buried two (Mr. D. C. Clark, Episcopalian; Mrs. L. Reeves, a very excellent member of our church at Lamourie); have received five subscriptions to NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE; have had four accessions to the church, and passed through the severest Winter I ever saw. We are going to build kitchen and dining-room to parsonage. Pray for us."

Rev. T. G. Freeman, West, Miss., Feb. 24, 1899: "This has been the worst Winter for work I have seen. I have missed several appointments owing to rough weather and bad roads, and, worse than all, la grippe has had his grip on my wife and daughter, and last, but not least, he gripped me. We failed to hold our first quarterly meeting owing to cold weather. Bro. Shipman was on hand, but we could do nothing; it was so cold. We expect to hold our first quarterly meeting embracing the second Sunday in March. I am encouraged notwithstanding the bad start. Pray for us. Success to the ADVOCATE."

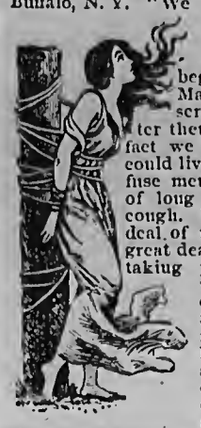
Rev. D. W. Babb, Louisville circuit, North Mississippi Conference, March 1, 1899: "We are one-fourth of the way on our fourth and last year here. How time flies! It seems as if it had been but a little while ago since we took charge of this work; yet we have buried many, many persons since coming—five this year in less than one month. How short and uncertain is this life! May we all be ready for the end! We have much mapped out for the next nine months. May the good Lord help us by giving wisdom, strength, and grace to do it! The year was commenced with consecration to our Master's work on our part, and we trust it was on the part of our membership. The continued cold and rainy weather has been quite a hindrance to carrying out our plans; hence so much to do in the future. Our first quarterly meeting came off last Saturday and Sunday; presided over by Bro. N. G. Augustus, who has been appointed to take the place of Bro. Oakley during his afflictions. Bro. Augustus magnifies his office. Notwithstanding the extreme weather, we have met all of our appointments, and held services at all but one. This being the year of collections, the money phase of the gospel will have to be studied carefully, and presented almost continuously. May our great church ascend to her ability in contributing to her various enterprises this year! Success to the ADVOCATE."

Preacher's Wife, March 4, 1899: "Thursday, Dec. 29, 1898, found us en route to Fulton circuit, and after two days of rough jolting and bumping through the country, with a sick babe on our hands, we reached Evergreen, hoping to find a home ready for us (a letter being previously mailed to that point, which, however, never reached its destination); but as there was none, we were warmly received into the home of Bro. and Sister J. N. Mallias with Christian generosity that can not be excelled. Go to Bro. Mullins when you will, and you will find the latch-string on the outside. On Monday following we moved into temporary quarters until a permanent home could be secured for us. We did not have such a storm as some of our preachers have written about, but a steady breeze, wafting as favors of many kinds, and that breeze keeps stirring once in a while, bringing us tokens of Christian fellowship and good-will. We made many kind and warm friends while at Evergreen, but space forbids us naming them, and we regretted very much to leave them, which we were compelled to do in order to secure a home, in which we are at last tolerably comfortably settled near Carlsville. A parsonage is badly needed on this circuit, and we believe this good people are determined to build one in the near future; but be that as it may, we have as good people as there is to be found anywhere, and their pastor well-pleased with his field of labor. We are hoping and praying for spiritual prosperity, not only at this place, but throughout the North Mississippi Conference. Pray for us."

Rev. J. W. Raper, Montpelier, Miss., March 1, 1899: "This, the Montpelier circuit, is in a prosperous condition. The spiritual condition of the church is better than on the average charge. Our greatest trouble is with the wild-cat whisky business. A number of our good men have formed themselves into a Law and Order League, and have hunted out the wild-cats and wild-cat-ers, and brought them before the courts. In some parts things had gotten so bad that people were disturbed at church, and the law was powerless to suppress the crime because the officers would not do their duty. Our church people ought to see to it that no man who is not a Christian gentleman can go into office. Let our Christian men demand of officers to execute the law, and if they fail, let the law-abiding people form themselves into Law and Order Leagues, and demand the punishment of offenders. . . . We had a good old-fashion pounding by our young people of Foster Chapel not long since. They came in at a late hour, and began to pound us. The licks came thick and fast, but we enjoyed it as much as they. These young people, and, indeed, all the people, are very thoughtful of and very kind towards their pastor. . . . This is our third year here, and our love for this people is steadily increasing. . . . The first Quarterly Meeting Conference for this charge was held the fourth and fifth of February. Our new presiding elder, Rev. J. M. Wyatt, was on hand, and acted presiding elder as well as one of more experience. All our people and the preacher learned to love Bro. Wyatt. He will have their co-operation in the work. Bishop Key could not have appointed a man who would have come nearer taking hold of the work where Rev. S. M. Thames left it than Bro. Wyatt has done. . . . We are now serving under our fourth presiding elder. We were appointed to supply the Tremont circuit first under Rev. J. B. Stone as presiding elder. No young preacher ever had a warmer friend than he was to us. His fatherly care and advice did me much good, and my love for him is like that of a son. He will never know how much he did for me until he gets to the good world. Next, Rev. W. S. Lagrone came as my presiding elder, and soon I found that I had in him all that I had lost in Bro. Stone. He served as presiding elder of this (the Aberdeen) district only one year. After him came Rev. S. M. Thames, who served this (the Aberdeen) district four years. This man of God did more for me than any preacher ever did. We love him more like a father than a brother. Now we have Bro. Wyatt, and we find in him a brother and friend. So we conclude that presiding elders and Bishops are not as some people seem to think. We have found them in our short association with them to be among the best men in the world. We hope to do a better year's work than ever before."

Death Loves a Shining Mark.

"She is an only daughter and only seventeen," writes Mrs. H. H. Conklin, of Morton Avenue, Batavia, N. Y., in a recent letter addressed to Doctor R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. "We



began your medicine in May (the 'Favorite Prescription'). My daughter then was very wasted, in fact we did not think she could live long. She had profuse menstruation which was of long standing; also a bad cough. We had spent a great deal of money and worried a great deal. When she began taking your medicine her weight was only eighty-seven pounds. She now weighs from ninety-eight to one hundred all the time and is well. Is cured entirely of her difficulty, has no cough at all, and all for eight or ten dollars. It had gotten to be a serious question with us. We had done all we could for her. We are truly grateful to you for all your kind advice and sympathy in the matter. We feel that you are a personal friend."

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THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1899.

Learn to make the most of life,
Lose no happy day,
Time will never bring thee back
Chances swept away.
—C. F. Adams.

Lifting the burden of another beats training in a gymnasium for increasing strength.—Exchange.

Doctrinal orthodoxy is a very good thing in its place; but it is a very poor substitute for holy living.—Selected.

All I think, all I hope, all I write, all I live for, is based upon the divinity of Jesus Christ, the central joy of my poor, wayward heart.—W. E. Gladstone.

The covetous person lives as if the world were made altogether for him, and not he for the world; to take in everything, and to part with nothing.—Robert South.

Do not let any of us complain that our circumstances are making us evil. Let us manfully confess, one and all, that the evil lies in us, not in them.—F. D. Maurice.

After all, the kind of world one carries about in one's self is the important thing; and the world outside takes all its grace, color and value from that.—J. R. Lowell.

There are some men and women in whose company we are always at our best. All the best stops in our nature are drawn out by their intercourse, and we find a music in our souls never there before.—Drummond.

Useful occupation is not only a tonic; it is a sedative to the tronbled spirit. Instead of looking in upon our own griefs until we magnify them, we should rather look at the sorrows of others, in order to lighten and lessen them.—Cuyler.

We never know through what divine mysteries of compensation the Father of the universe may be carrying out the sublime plan, and these three words, "God is love," ought to contain, to every doubting soul, the solution of things.—Miss Mulock.

Deep streams run still; and why? Not because there are no obstructions, but because they altogether overflow those stones or rocks round which the shallow stream has to make its noisy way: it is the full life that saves us from the little, noisy troubles of life.—George S. Merriam.

The Lord knows how to make stepping-stones for us of our defects even; it is what he lets them be for. He remembereth—he remembereth in the making—that we are but dust—the dust of earth—that he chose to make something a little lower than the angels out of.—Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney.

Prayer is precluded by enmity in the heart either against one whom we have wronged or who has wronged us. Here is a paraphrase of the prayer so-called of an unforgiving one, even in "saying" the prayer Christ taught us: "Forgive me as I forgive him who trespasses against me—and I don't forgive him at all." His prayer is really for God not to forgive him.—Churchman.

THE GREAT EVIL.

During the prevalence of the recent unparalleled blizzard the daily papers contained numerous accounts of dire suffering among the poor, especially in the large cities, on account of the lack of fuel and food supplies. There is always a certain amount of destitution and distress among the impecunious classes in the cities, but the coming of a severe cold spell, such as we have recently passed through, greatly intensifies this distress, and thus focuses public attention upon it. That poverty is not likely ever to cease entirely is a warrantable deduction from the history of the human race, but it does not follow that the proportion of the poor to the whole population will never be lessened, or that its evils will not be decreased. As civilization advances, the gaunt wolf of famine shows himself less and less frequently, and is being driven from one retreat to another. It is well-nigh impossible for the people of America to realize how intense and how general is poverty in the East, especially in India and China. There is enough of it, however, at home to call forth the deepest sympathy and the most self-denying liberality.

A fact which the recent blizzard brought into bolder relief is, that the prime cause of pauperism in this country is the drink-evil. Many a family shivered and suffered from the icy blasts a short time ago simply because the bread-winner of the home had spent for rum the money that should have been saved for fuel. From all quarters comes the testimony given by the friends and helpers of the poor that this is the great source of famine and suffering; that to abolish intemperance means to put money into the pockets of the poor, to say nothing about the diminution of crime and taxation. Says the editor of the Wesleyan Advocate, in the issue of Feb. 22:

"There was a great deal of suffering in Atlanta and other places in Georgia during the severe weather last week. From conversations with pastors and others we heard again, what we knew before, that the dram-shops were the cause of no little of the privation and distress. Many families were reduced to hard life because the wages of the husbands and fathers were consumed in the saloons. The drink-habit, fostered by the open saloon, had driven many families to the poorest houses for shelter. The struggle for bread had been hard, and when the mercury dropped below zero the struggle to keep the unfortunate families from freezing was even harder."

Dr. Edward Everett Hale not long since made the remarkable statement that the church of which he is pastor could by itself take care of all the dependent people in Boston who were not made so by drink. The twenty-sixth annual report of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of Massachusetts shows that out of a total of 3,230 paupers found in the State institutions during twelve consecutive months, 2,108, or over 65 per cent., were addicted to the drink-habit. Full statistics would, doubtless, make a similar showing in every State in the Union where the liquor traffic is not prohibited, or strongly restricted.

Strikingly confirmatory of what has been said above is the following emphatic utterance of the judge of one of the Chicago courts, quoted in the Inter-Ocean a few months ago: "You may ransack the pigeon-holes all over the city and county, and look over such annual reports as are made up, but they will not tell half the truth. Not only are the saloons of Chicago responsible for the cost of the police force, the fifteen justice courts, the bridewell, but also the criminal courts, the county jail, a great proportion of Joliet State Prison, the long murder trials, the coroner's office, the morgue, the poor-house, the reform schools, the mad-houses. Go anywhere you please, and almost invariably you will find that whisky is at the root of the evil. I saw estimated the other day that there are 10,000 destitute boys in Chicago, who are roaming at large. I think that is a small estimate. Men are sent to jail for drunkenness, and what becomes of their families? The county agent and the poor-house provide for some. Generally speaking, they go to destruction."

Here is a picture presented by the Wesleyan Advocate a few weeks since: "Mrs. Thomas Strickland, of Atlanta, suicided last Tuesday night. She was young—not more than twenty years of age. Her husband was drunk at the time. The day she suicided he had taken all his house-hold goods, not leaving his wife a bed. From the money he realized he got drunk, and was in the police barracks when informed of his wife's death, but was too drunk to be affected by the news."

Every intelligent man knows that this is only a fair sample of the wreck and ruin caused by intemperance. The liquor traffic is the most prolific source of crime and wretchedness known to modern civilization. Let Christian people everywhere wage upon it a war of extermination. We quite agree with Dr. S. A. Steel in saying, "Let us make the abolition of the liquor traffic the goal of civic progress in the twentieth century."

A NEW BOOK.

SPIRITUAL LIFE. By Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., of the North Carolina Conference, M. E. Church, South. 12 mo. 203 pages. Cloth. Price, 75 cents. Southern Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.

The nature and conditions of spiritual life, as well as the successive stages and manifestations thereof, are here presented in a very logical, forceful, and invigorating way. Though the scope of the book takes in many old, but fundamental, truths and doctrines, as, for instance, those of natural depravity, repentance, regeneration, spiritual growth, and the resurrection state, the author has succeeded in making these, and the other subjects treated of, both luminous and interesting. The opening chapter, which deals with the "spiritual sphere," makes it wonderfully plain that though we are in the flesh, we are also in the realm of spirit, in the very presence of God and the glorious verities of the eternal world. In discussing the "law of spiritual life" the author combats the supposition that the gospel dispensation is less exacting in its requirements than the laws that governed Israel under the Mosaic dispensation. The death of the carnal nature, it is shown, is the law of spiritual life, which law demands repentance and faith at all times as the conditions of salvation. Perhaps the most striking and suggestive chapter in the book is the one on the "Unity of Spiritual Life," which, though a life of degrees, the author holds, is not necessarily conscious life in its initial stages, the quickening of the soul before repentance and conversion being, as it were, a period of spiritual gestation. While the continuity of spiritual life, even in its general stages, is strongly affirmed, the possibility of apostasy is not overlooked. The author's definitions of "holiness," "sanctification," and "perfection," terms often confused, are based upon the Scriptures, and are about as unobjectionable as any we have seen. He thus outlines "Christian perfection:" "In a qualified sense, it means a state of spiritual being where the whole nature is permeated with love to God and his righteousness. As a state of love, it may be attained, but not in such degree that we can not fail to love God with all the heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves. To keep in this state of perfect love, it is necessary that we should continue to use the means of grace, and grow after larger measures of love."

The concluding chapter is devoted to a discussion of the nature of the "Second Coming of Christ," and is a strong refutation of the millenarian error. To the spiritually minded and the inquiring that will prove a very readable and instructive book, and is entitled to the favorable consideration of every sincere seeker after truth. As Bishop Fitzgerald says in the preface, "The polemics of the book are not aggressive nor objectionable."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for March, the timely topic of Mormon polygamy is tactfully discussed by Mrs. Frank Leslie. The Nicaragua Canal project—past, present and future—is ably discussed by E. A. Fletcher, whose contribution has the advantage of being thoroughly well illustrated. "Queen Wilhelmina and Women's Work in Holland," by S. M. D'Engelbronner, is full of personal and literary, as well as pictorial interest, which is equally true of "Sketching from Nature," by H. Villiers Barnett. There are complete short stories this month by Mary J. Holmes (illustrated by Wenzel), and Etta W. Pierce (illustrated by Rosenmeyer). The fine-art reproductions in this number are profuse and beautiful.

The Midland Monthly Magazine, for March, opens with a beautifully illustrated article entitled, "The Dells of Wisconsin," by Mildred McNeal. "A Swamp Adventure" is the title of a thrilling story by "A Mississippian." The author describes the social conditions existing in Mississippi in the ante-bellum days. A history of Grant's Vicksburg Campaign, by J. W. Emerson, appears in this number. Another article worthy of mention is one that treats of "Mormonism and the Mormon War in Missouri." There are also a number of short stories and several poems, which add to the table of contents.

The Coming Age is a new and interesting magazine of constructive thought under the editorial management of B. O. Flower and Mrs. C. K. Keifsnider. The contents of this valuable periodical appeal pre-eminently to the spiritual and moral energies of the readers. It is an excellent periodical of its class. The March number contains original essays by G. C. Lorimer, D. D.; E. P. Powell, Prof. Daniel Batchelor, Henry Ware Allen, Charles Malloy, B. O. Flower, and others. The departments of Health and Home, Original Fiction, and Conversations, are made interesting by articles of great importance to lovers of good literature.

A METHODIST MAGAZINE.

We have received the first issue of the American Illustrated Methodist Magazine, edited by Rev. James W. Lee, D. D., and Naphthali Luccock, and published by the Methodist Magazine Publishing Co., St. Louis, Mo. In its mechanical make-up it compares favorably with the very best magazines of the day. The paper, typography and illustrations are all superb.

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Having been on the tripod long enough to acquire the nerve which naturally comes to an editor in the course of time, we take the liberty of publishing the above private letter from Rev. Courtland P. Smith, of the Louisiana Conference. We hope he will pardon the liberty we take. We commend it to the careful consideration of the preachers of the patronizing Conferences. Take notice that this magnificent Bible can be had free, postpaid, by sending in three new subscriptions accompanied by the cash—$6.

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President Centenary College.

March 9, 1899.

The first step which every pastor should take who wishes to make the new century revival and thank-offering movement successful is to introduce a church paper into every home in his congregation. The press will be the main organ in this movement for the diffusion of information, the announcement and advocacy of plans, the arousement of the people, and the interpretation and application of the principles underlying the enterprise. An Advocate in every family will help to enlist the household, old and young, as helpers in the work to be done. Apart from all the other reasons that exist to urge upon a pastor the duty of circulating church literature among his people, the one which we here urge becomes in the present juncture exigent.—Central Advocate.

NOTES.

The Methodist Churches in Chicago have surpliced choirs.—Exchange. What next?

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Rev. P. H. Fontaine has announced a meeting at Parker Memorial, beginning Wednesday night, the fifteenth.

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Parker Memorial Church has evinced its progressiveness by substituting electric lights for its former illuminating apparatus.

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The New Orleans Preachers' Meeting, on Monday morning, was honored with the presence of Revs. T. B. Clifford and G. S. Barsoon.

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Rev. W. E. Aiken, of the Louisiana Conference, has made an auspicious beginning on his charge. He has received several members, and has others to follow soon.

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Many hearts will be made sad by the announcement of the death of Rev. J. White Davis, of the Louisiana Conference. He was an excellent man and a diligent, faithful pastor. On another page Bro. Grace gives particulars.

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In a private letter Rev. J. A. Bowen writes: "The good Lord continues to bless us at Coinmbus. Sixty eight accessions to date, and more to follow." This does not include any of the college girls.

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Rev. J. G. Galloway writes: "The loss of our church at Newton was a great blow, but we expect very soon to let the contract for a handsome brick church." We congratulate our wide-awake brother and his enterprising flock.

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Rev. B. B. Sullivan, of the North Mississippi Conference, sending in a list of new subscriptions, writes: "I have been agreeably surprised at the readiness with which the people respond to my calls for subscriptions." This is a pointer.

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The Skipper-Clifford meeting at Louisiana Avenue began, according to announcement, on Friday night, the ninth. The services are well attended, and the people are pleased with Bro. Clifford's preaching. Gratifying results are hoped for.

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Bishop Galloway returned last week from Virginia. After spending a few days at home, he left for Fort Worth, Texas, where he holds a Conference with the presiding elders of the five Texas Conferences in the interest of the Twentieth Century Educational Fund.

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Rev. J. W. Honnoll writes from Holly Springs, Miss., March 13, 1899: "I have been able to meet all of my Quarterly Conferences and found each preacher in his place and in favor with his people as far as I have heard an expression. Notwithstanding the severe weather the reports have been as good as usual. The preachers are working for and expecting a revival. . . . Dr. Price is moving up things in Holly Springs. Bro. Lowry, of Little Rock, Ark., is holding a revival meeting here at this time. Some sixteen have professed conversion, and we are expecting many more, as the meeting will continue during this week. Bro. Lowry preaches the gospel with power and effect. He makes no war upon Bishops, presiding elders, pastors or the church. The work he does is genuine and will be lasting in its results."

Rev. J. A. B. Jones, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "After ten days' confinement in my room with grippe I am on full duty again. We observed Veteran's Day last Sunday. Have sent my assessment in full for Conference claimants." An example worthy of universal imitation.

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Rev. A. T. Buck, of the North Mississippi Conference, writes: "You are giving us a most excellent paper, and the interest of my people in it is being increased with every issue. May the Lord put it into the hearts of preachers and people to furnish you the 7,500 new subscribers, and more!"

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Rev. John Hunter, D. D., died at his home in Jackson, Miss., on the twelfth. He was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Jackson about thirty-nine years—from '58 to '97—when he retired on account of failing health. He was a man of fine abilities, and was highly esteemed wherever he was known.

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Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth gave a lecture in the Grand Opera House, in this city, a few nights since, on the subject of Prison Reform. Owing to the fact that her coming had not been judiciously advertised, she had a very small audience. Those who heard her were much pleased with both the lecture and the lecturer.

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Rev. L. F. Alford, of the Mississippi Conference, has been on the sick list most of the time since Conference with an attack of measles. He is now at work, however. We are glad to learn that he has recovered so as to attend to the duties of his pastorate. His flock show their appreciation by many kind attentions.

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Rev. J. M. Alford, of the Louisiana Conference, writes: "We have made a good beginning on Live Oak charge. Congregations large. I intend to put the ADVOCATE into fifty homes on this charge. Half that number are official members. We have a movement on foot for the establishment of a camp meeting at Denham Springs. We shall expect our editor to attend. Denham Springs is quite a watering place. There are three mineral springs."

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In a private letter from Indianola, Miss., under date of March 10, Rev. W. H. Sanders writes:

We have made a splendid start in our new field at this place. The way is open for a good year's work. Bro. W. S. Shipman, our new and young presiding elder on this district, is making a splendid start. His soul and body is in the work, and he will move things along all lines. We have just had finished a new courthouse at this place, one of the most handsome in the State. Come up and see us.

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Rev. R. L. Webb, of the Mississippi Conference, sending in a good batch of new subscribers, writes: "We are moving on smoothly on our new work. A new parsonage will soon be in process of erection at Brooklyn. We hope also to build two, or more, new churches this year. Two of our most valiant soldiers of the cross—Bro. Deerman, of Augusta, and Bro. Whyte, of Bond—have gone to their reward. There have been several additions to the church."

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Since the programme of the Lumberton Sunday-school Conference, in this issue, went to press, we have received the following notice, which explains itself:

Please put in the ADVOCATE a notice of the change in time of meeting of Sunday-school Conference. It convenes March 29, and lasts three days. Opening sermon will be preached by Dr. J. M. Weems (night of the twenty-eighth) instead of by Dr. Murrah. Please make change in programme sent you.

D. SCARBOROUGH.

Forest, March 9, 1899.

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We frequently receive requests to publish programmes in two or three issues. If the brethren will count the number of districts in the three patronizing Conferences, and remember the number of convocations belonging to each—District Conference, Sunday-school Conference, Epworth League Conference, Missionary Conference, Preachers' Institute, Woman's Foreign Mission Conference, and Woman's Home Mission Conference—they will cease to make such requests. If we do this for one, we will be expected to do so for all.

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

The Mississippi Leaguers will please take notice of change of date for holding the State Conference. The time set is June 22-25; West Point is the place.

The people of West Point are a loyal and liberal folk, and will royally entertain all who attend the Conference.

Let every League in the State plan to send several delegates. These Conferences mean much in arousing enthusiasm and enlightening the Leaguers as to the work.

Miss Lntie Stevens, who, for some time past, has been secretary of the Austin (Texas) district, recently returned to her home in Mississippi. We extend to Miss Lntie a hearty welcome. She is an earnest and efficient Leaguer.

The Epworth Era, of March 2, contained a good pictnre of Rev. J. S. Oakley, presiding elder of the Durant district, North Mississippi Conference. The Leaguers thereabonts know him. He is a onltnred Christian gentleman, and is as popular a presiding elder as he was a pastor. This is saying much.

Rev. H. Walter Featherstnp, D. D., presiding elder of the Brookhaven district, Mississippi Conference, writing to the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, says: "We need abont fifty Epworth Leagnes on the district, and shall try to have them."

Interest in the work in Lonisiana continues to grow. Several districts are planning for Leagne Conferences, and the presiding elders are leading in the work.

At Texas Avenne, Shreveport (Rev. P. O. Lowrey, pastor), a Jnnior League has recently been organized with twenty-nine charter members, and is now snpplied with "Childrens' Praises"—the jnnior hymnal. The pastor writes the children are delighted with the book.

Rev. R. P. Howell writes: "We have organized a Leagne at Zwolle with over twenty members. President, H. P. Dance; first vice-president, Mrs. Maggie Foster; second vice-president, W. H. Hammett; third vice-president, J. A. Price; secretary and treasnrer, Miss Maggie May Hammett. We have also organized a Jnnior Leagne with eight members. Miss Maggie May Hammett is the snperintendent.

We are glad to hear snch good news from Bro. Howell. What he has done at Zwolle perhaps can, and will, be done at other places. We hope so. Who will be the next to send snch a good report?

Forget not the date of the Lonisiana State Epworth Leagne Conference; neither lose sight of the place of meeting. April 20-23 is the time; Crowley the place.

Let all attend who possibly can do so, and endeavor to make it the best Leagne Conference ever held in the State. It promises pleasnre and profit to all who go. The programme is now being arranged, and other plans are being formnlated looking to a snccessfnl gathering of the yonng people.

Dr. DnBose will be busy for the next few weeks assisting in arranging the programme for the Fonrth International Epworth Leagne Conference, to be held at Indianapolis, Jnly 20-23. We donbt not bnt that the Sonthern Leagues will be well represented.

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REV. J W DAVIS.

Rev. J. W. Davis, of the Indian Bayon circnit, Lonisiana Conference, departed this life last Sunday night, March 5, between eleven and twelve o'clock. Tuesday, the seventh, we took his remains to the church, a few yards from the parsonage, and there, with a large host of friends of his, we conducted the funeral service. From the church we took the body a few steps out into the cemetery; then we laid it away to rest until the coming of our Lord.

Sister Davis told me that Bro. Davis had been unwell for the past two months, but had filled all through the past cold weather his appointments. He would go when there would be no one at the church bnt himself. She tried to persnade him not to go off to his appointments while the weather was so bad, bnt he would say, "I mnst discharge my dnty." He died with pneumonia, and was sick a very short time.

Bro. Davis was a good man. I loved him, and I know that he is in heaven. He served many hard circnits in his ministerial life, bnt was always found at his post. Onr dear brother died in the army of the Lord, and was baried on the battle-field. May the Lord bless and protect his dear wife and four little children that he has left behind! is my prayer.

R. C. GRACE.

THE MINUTES OF THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MR. EDITOR: In looking over the Minutes of the last session of the North Mississippi Conference, I notice one mistake and three omissions, to which, with your permission, I desire to call attention in the columns of the ADVOCATE.

1 1889 is given as the date of my admission on trial into the traveling connection, instead of 1886.

2 There was a resolution offered the first session requesting the Conference Board of Missions to change its policy in the payments of the domestic mission funds to the claimants. That resolntion, by vote of the Conference, was referred to the Conference Board of Missions, bnt the Minutes make no mention of it.

3. My name does not appear in the list with those who protested against the action of the Conference in the adoption of Report No. 5 from the Committee on Books and Periodicals. I went to the secretary's table and called for the protest, stating that I desired to sign it. The secretary said it was not convenient, bnt he would put my name to it.

4. The report on Sabbath observance is not published in the Minutes as it was presented to and adopted by the Conference. It is at best only a condensed statement, and does not even give the thought-contents of the report. Why the report was disposed of in this way I know not, bnt I can say positively that there was not the least authority for it. The report was not adopted by the Conference in part, bnt in whole; and if the committee and Conference had not desired its publication in the Conference journal, they would not have turned it over to the secretary for publication.

DANIEL M. GEDDIE.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS, LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Ruston, Rev. A. J Notestine	94 70
Louisiana Avenue, Rev V. D. Skipper	5 10
Louisiana Avenue Sunday school	18 00
Jackson, Rev. F. S. Parker	55 20
Total	$203 25

Brethren, please endeavor to have your mission collections in my hands not later than the twenty-ninth instant.

W. B THOMSON, Treas.,
231 S. Rampart St., New Orleans.
March 11, 1899.

NOTICE.

DEAR BRETHREN: There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Mississippi Annual Conference at Vicksburg, on the twenty-second of March, at 12 M. All applications desiring the endorsement of the Board should be on hand at said meeting. L. S. JONES, Pres.

Port Gibson, Miss.,

OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those previously named, the following brethren have sent in new subscriptions to the ADVOCATE:

M. M. Black,
J. J. Garner,
I. L Peebles,
A. P. Leach,
W. J. Parter,
J. M. Franklin,
L. F. Alford,
J. H. Brown,
J. W. McGee,
J G Galloway,
Benjamin S Rayner,
J. M. Alturd,
T. B. Holleman,
A. T. Buck,
R. L. Webb.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE MINUTES.

They are out and on their way to the preachers. As was the case with the Mississippi Minutes, unavoidable delays prevented their appearance sooner. One of these was the sudden death of the printer who has heretofore had in hand the difficult task of setting up accurately the statistical tables. All the matter except the tables was put into the hands of the printers not many days after Conference, and the statistical secretary furnished his tables as soon as it was possible for him to do so. There has been no unnecessary delay. While it is altogether optional with them, the secretary trusts the brethren will note the amount of postage on their packages and send it to him, care of Lock Box 269, Shreveport, La. A small amount to each brother, it is a large amount to the secretary, taken out of the small amount realized from the collections for the publication of the Minutes. Look at this:

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About 56 per cent. only was brought up by the preachers for the Minutes. At no time can the secretary make much, bnt with the help of ads., he publishes and sends them out, realizing a few dollars only for his trouble, several times having pocketed a loss. The secretary assures all concerned that the best that could be done has been done, and he trusts that the Minutes, though past due, will be found satisfactory.

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March 14, 1899.

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MR. EDITOR: On last Sunday, March 5, we dedicated "Thompson Memorial" Church, four and a half miles north of Aberdeen, on the Okolona circuit. The people, with the encouragement and energy of their faithful pastor, Bro. E. P. Craddock, have wisely built a good house, and it is now set apart for the worship of Almighty God. They feel justly proud of their success, and are rejoicing over having done that which will be a special blessing to their community, be a means of salvation to many, and a goodly heritage to their children. This church has proven what plan, concerted action and liberality can do. They paid up a "full" quarter on salaries and subscribed (paid part of it) their assessment for general collections.

All communities can do as well. May the Great Head of the church continue to honor the efforts of his people!

Yours truly, J. M. WYATT.

Aberdeen, Miss., March 10, 1899.

NOTICE.

The following were chosen as executive members of the Board of Church Extension, Lonisiana Conference: Rev. F. S. Parker, president, Jackson, La.; Rev. S. J. Davies, secretary, Arcadia, La; W. G. Wadley, Esq., treasurer, Shreveport, La.

S. J. DAVIES.

Arcadia, La., March 7, 1899.

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COLUMBUS DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Columbus District Conference of the Epworth League met in Starkville, Miss., Feb 23 and 24, 1899. Among other interesting papers read were: "The Real Object of the League," by Rev. E. S. Lewis; "Social Life of the League," by W. S. Lagrone; "The Literary Department of the League," by Prof. J. A. Wordard, and "The Devotional Work of the League," by Miss Vic Thompson. Probably the most enjoyable feature of the Conference was the explanation of her chart on "Systematic Bible Reading," by Mrs. G. A. Mathis.

Our beloved General Secretary, Rev. H. M. DuBose, addressed the Conference Friday evening, to the delight of the Leaguers present.

ANNE SCALES,
Dist. Sec.

H. M. S.

The Home Mission Society of the New Orleans district held its annual meeting at Rayne Memorial on the twelfth. The following ladies took part in the exercises: Mrs. J. B. Harvey, Mrs. F. Russ, Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson, Mrs. W. B. Rigg, Mrs. F. A. Lyons, Mrs. J. G. Rowland, Mrs. R. H. Wynn, Mrs. Lillie Meeking, Miss Sue Price, and Miss Florence Russ. The following ministers were also on the programme: W. H. LaPrade, V. D. Skipper, E. N. Evans, and T. B. Clifford.

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BY MARGARET G. GEORGE.

If wishing could bring it back to me,
If wishing could bring it back!
The wrathful sentence that flew away
To mar the joy of another's day;
If wishing could bring it back!

If working could bring them back to me,
If working could bring them back!
The selfish hours I dreamed away,
That made all toilful another's day;
If working could bring them back!

If praying could bring them back to me,
If praying could bring them back!
The chilling doubts that I gave away
To cloud the light of another day;
If praying could bring them back!

VOICE AND MANNER.

It has been wisely said that we receive an unknown person according to his dress and manner. We take leave of him according to his merits. A gracious presence and cheerful, well-modulated voice sympathetic and cheerful. A mother or teacher with a querulous voice is responsible for much misbehavior. Teachers and people of positive convictions too often have an unpleasantly didactic tone. Look with interest, but without staring, at the person with whom you are talking. Do not let your eye wander over her clothes or around the room. Be simple and sincere. Be yourself a good listener while another is talking. In talking to a number of people scattered around a room, even though you are telling the story especially to one, let all the others feel that their presence is recognized and their interest is appreciated. Hold each one pleasantly with your eye. A society woman of tact does this instinctively.—Prof. J. W. Churchhill.

LINCOLN AND THE PIG.

An amusing incident occurred while Lincoln was riding the circuit. As he was passing a deep slough, to his exceeding distress, he saw a pig struggling in vain to extricate himself from the mud. Lincoln looked at the pig and the mud which enveloped him, and then at his own new clothes, which he had purchased but a short time before. Deciding against the claims of the pig, he rode on; but he could not get rid of the vision of the poor brute. At last, after riding several miles, he turned back, determined to release the animal even at the expense of his new suit. Arriving at the spot he tied his horse and, with considerable difficulty, succeeded in rescuing the pig from its predicament. Then he washed his hands in the nearest brook, remounted his horse and rode on. He then began to inquire as to the motive that sent him back to release the pig. He at first thought it pure benevolence, but finally came to the conclusion that it was selfishness, for he said to himself that he went to the pig's relief in order to "take a pain out of his own mind."

CHARITY IN JUDGING CHARACTER.

Hasty judgment of the actions of others is dangerous and often unjust. We measure too much by some superficial appearance and condemn hastily, when, if we but knew and understood the motives and reasons, we would warmly approve. We sometimes say of someone: "That pain, sorrow, or loss has not deeply affected him." But we do not know. It is like the death of a few of the soldiers in front of a regiment. The broken ranks close up again into the solid phalanx and the loss is not apparent. There may be no disorganization, no surrender, no craving for pity, no display of despair. It is like the calm, dazzling play of the waves warmed by the morning's sun after a night of storm and disaster; there is no sign of the wreck; the tide has carried the debris away far out on the ocean; the treacherous water has swallowed all signs and tokens of the night's awful work. We see only the fairness of the morning, not the suffering of the night. Let us be charitable in our judgment and condemn not when we do not know.—William George Jordan.

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TRUE COURTESY.

General Lee was in the cars going to Richmond one day, and was seated at the end farthest from the door. The other seats were filled with officers and soldiers. An old woman, poorly dressed, entered at one of the stations, and finding no seat, and none having been offered to her, approached the end where the General was seated. He immediately rose and gave her his seat. Instantly there was a general rising, each one offering his seat to the General. But he calmly said, "No, gentlemen; if there was no seat for the infirm old woman, there can be none for me." The effect was remarkable. One after another got out of the car. The seats seemed to be too hot for them, and the General and the old lady soon had the car to themselves.—Standard.

You are letting miserable misunderstandings run on from year to year, meaning to clear them up some day—if you could only know and see and feel that the time is short, how it would break the spell! How you would go instantly and do the thing which you might never have another chance to do!—Phillips Brooks.

Let us do our duty and pray that we may do our duty here, now, to day; not in dreamy sweetness, but in active energy; not in the green oasis of the future, but in the dusty desert of the present; not in the imaginations of otherwhere, but in the realities of now.—Farrar.

What an impression of sadness is made on the minds of the pure to hear ugly words falling from the lips of a sweet little child; they are like a great black spider crawling from the bosom of a beautiful white rose.—Churchman.

Hygiene.

VARIETY IN FOOD.

Many people fall into the mistake of supposing that, because they take a certain number, of meals daily, and keep their stomachs in constant employment, they have satisfied the needs of the body. A doctor was recently called in to attend upon a seamstress who was suffering from weakness and general depression. "What kind of food have you been living upon?" asked he of his patient. "Oh, my food has been all right!" she replied. "I have lived mostly on bread and butter for a long time, and I am sure there is no harm in that." "My dear woman," exclaimed the doctor, "you have explained the secret of your illness. Your body has been starving on that diet, and I am surprised you are no worse." The functions which the body has to perform are many and various, and the supply of food must be complex to meet its requirements. The inter-organs are constantly at work, and therefore wasting; the body must be kept warm to a large extent by food. Then there is the wear and tear of the system which an ordinary day's work involves. Whether one's life be one of comparative ease, or filled with arduous toil, this variety of diet must be maintained, and flesh-forming, heat-giving, and starchy matter must be taken in proper porportions. With this fact before us, it is a duty incumbent upon all to understand the nature and composition of food, and its fitness for the nourishment of the human frame.

Under natural conditions the appetite is a fair guide in the selection of materials, but our methods of cooking and seasoning are so contrary to reason that its power in that direction is not of much use. Food should also be regulated in quantity by the amount of physical labor to be performed. An artisan or farm laborer who spends Saturday afternoon and Sunday in resting after a week of exacting toil, does not require quite so much food during his leisure. Yet in the majority of instances he eats more, and, as a consequence, is in worse trim on returning to his work than he was when he left it. When the food supply is kept up, and mechanical labor diminished, the system is burdened with a surplus of matter which the tissues can not dispose of. The strain then falls to the internal organs, and when this happens indigestion, headache, and several other disorders make themselves known. Overfeeding and disregard for the true requirements of the human frame in its diverse experiences have been the cause of much physical discomfort.—Hall's Journal of Health.

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9 o'clock—Devotional exercises.
Organization and appointment of committees.
Song.
Welcome address by Prof. H. W. Forman.
Response by ——.
Song.
Introductions and enrollment.
Our Sunday-school Must Get to Work. Address by H. G. Hawkins.
Teachers and Teaching. Paper by Prof. W. L. Weber. Discussion.
Preparation of Lesson by Teacher. Paper by Miss Florence Deason. Discussion.
The Sunday-School Magazine. Paper by J. D. Ellis.
Song.
The Great London Sunday-school Convention. Paper by B. F. James.
Sunday-school Music. Paper by H. M. Ellis. Discussion.
Song and announcements.

AFTERNOON SESSION (WEDNESDAY).

2:30 P. M.—Devotional exercises.
Sunday-School Visitor. Paper by Mrs. J. P. Drake. Discussion.
Reports from Sunday-school by superintendents and workers.
Song.
Importance of Maps, Charts, and Blackboards in Sunday-school. Paper by W. D. Hawkins.
The Teachers' Meeting. Paper by R. A. Magruder. Discussion.
Song.
The Model Superintendent. Address by W. B. Murrah, D. D.
How to Conduct a Sunday-school. Paper by C. F. Emery.
How to Teach a Bible Class. Paper by J. E. Carpenter.
Song.
The Need of Studying the Geography of Bible Lands. Paper by Prof. Swiftenberg.
How to Study the Lesson. Paper by W. B. Jones.
How to Get Scholars to Feel Their Responsibility. Paper by Prof. H. C. Yawn.
Song and announcements.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Sunday-school rally. Led by A. F. Watkins.

THURSDAY MORNING.

9 o'clock—Devotional exercises.
Sunday-school Missionary Society. Paper by Miss Pauline Stafford.
Missionary Rally Day. Paper by Miss Annie Mellon. Discussion.
Talking to Students by the Wayside. Paper by Miss Mary E. Hawkins.
Song.
Relation of Sunday-school to the Church. Address by W. M. Sullivan. Discussion.
Some of the Hindrances to the Progress of Sunday-school Work. Paper by T. M. Evans.
Song.
Address by Dr. Atkins, of Nashville, Tenn., Sunday-school editor.
Song and announcements.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 P. M.—Devotional exercises.
How We May Keep Our Young Man and Young Ladies in Sunday-school. Paper by J. P. Drake. Discussion.
The Sunday-school Library. Paper by H. S. Sano.
The Bible Story-Book in Sunday-school. Paper by Miss Helen Stewart.
Difficulties in the Way of Sunday-school Work in the Country, and How to Overcome them. Paper by W. T. Price. Discussion.
How to Reach the Poor Children in Our Cities and Large Towns. Paper by N. B. Harmon.
Song.
Reports from Sunday-school superintendents and workers.
Work of the Sunday-school Board. Address by W. T. Griffin.
Song.
How to Conduct the Quarterly Review. Paper by H. Risner. Discussion.
Children's Day. Paper by Prof. J. W. Boeson. Discussion.
The Bible in College. Paper by a student of Millsaps College.
Song and announcements.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Educational mass meeting. Led by Dr. Hammond, of Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Hammond is the Secretary of the General Board of Education.

FRIDAY MORNING.

9 o'clock—Devotional exercises.
Kindergarten Methods in Sunday-school. Paper by Mrs. E. Lon Whyte.
Best Financial Method in Sunday-school. Paper by D. P. Bradford.
Relation of the Pastor to the Sunday-school. Paper by H. B. Trevillion.
Our Text-Book—the Bible—and How to Use It in Sunday-school. Paper by R. M. Cameron.
The Catechism. Paper by —— (one to be selected).
Song.
The Question-Box. Conducted by Dr. Atkins.
Song.
Intermission.
Sermon on missions. By —— (some one to be selected).
Song and announcements.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises.
How to Enlist the Membership of the Church. Address by J. M. Weems. Discussion.
Value of Enthusiasm. Paper by P. A. Lindsey.
The Christian Culture of Childhood—What It Is, and Who Is Responsible for It. Address by B. F. Lewis.
Song.
Resolutions and miscellaneous business.
Announcements.
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OBITUARIES.

MOORE—GEORGE MOORE was born in New Brunswick, Dominion of Canada, Feb. 10, 1827, and died at his home near Patterson, La., Feb. 18, 1899, aged seventy-three years and two days. He was married to Miss Eliza Nash, of Patterson, La., Oct. 10, 1877. He was converted under the ministry of Rev. Reynolds S. Trippett, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1887, under the pastorate of Rev. F. N. Parker. Very soon after he joined the church he was elected steward and trustee, which positions he filled with fidelity till his death.

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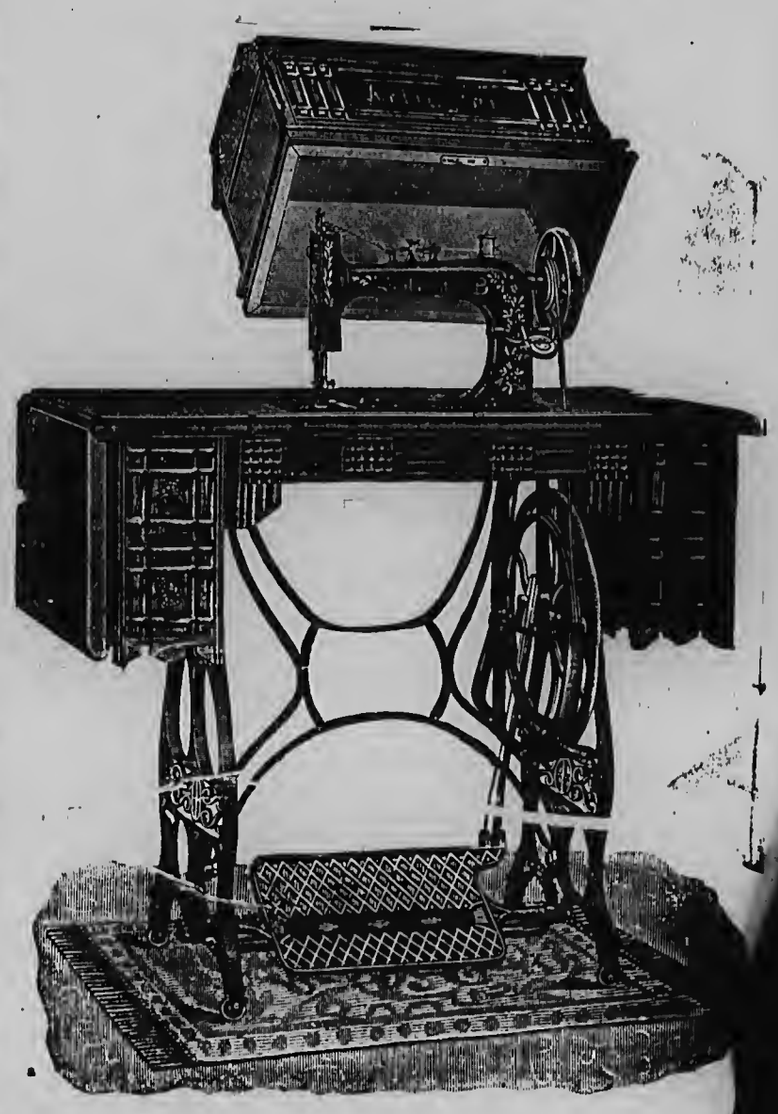

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Crowley, La., had a $50,000 fire a few days since.

Siberia will be largely represented in Paris in 1900, the first time at any exposition. The new railway and the lands it has opened will be fully represented.

S. Niwa, the general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Tokio, Japan, is to be one of the speakers at Mr. Moody's Bible Conference at Northfield, Mass., during the coming Summer.

An anti-trust bill passed in Indiana authorizes prosecution of any person or corporation entering into a combination to lessen competition. It does not apply to agricultural products in the possession of the producer.

The Department of State has received claims to the amount of $21,000,000 on account of property in Cuba belonging to American citizens, and also on account of injuries sustained by citizens, for which pecuniary indemnity is sought.

The present beef inquiry by the War Department has shown at least two things: that the commissary department of the army was lamentably weak during the late war, and that the government system of inspection of meat and cattle is deficient and a makeshift at the best.

By a vote of 94 to 51, the Massachusetts House has rejected the bill giving to women the right to vote on the question of granting liquor licenses. By a nearly unanimous vote the Oklahoma House has passed a bill giving women full voting power. Both Houses have legislated against Christian Scientists.

Information has been received by the State Department showing that serious consideration is being given by the Chinese Government to the proposition to make San Mun a free port. By this action China hopes to checkmate Italy's plan for the seizure of that port and the creation of a sphere of influence in its immediate vicinity.

After six hours of violent discussion the Cuban Assembly has dismissed General Maximo Gomez from his position as commander-in-chief of the army. The vote was 24 to 6. The first motion was to abolish the position, but it was amended to the one dismissing General Gomez, and leaving the post open for the appointment of a successor.

General Otis has forbidden the continuance of the negotiations between the Spanish Commissioners and the Filipinos for the release of the Spanish prisoners held by the natives. His object in doing this is presumably to prevent the Filipinos from obtaining the immense indemnity which they demand for freeing the prisoners, as the money would undoubtedly be used in aiding the native cause.

It is now an open secret that the relations between General Fitzhugh Lee and General Brooke are not of the most amicable character. Several incidents have recently occurred indicating this. It is said that the Virginian feels that his power has been unjustly curtailed. It now appears likely that General Lee will be removed from his present command and appointed military governor of Santa Clara province with a regular army rank of brigadier-general.

General Gomez will disown the Cuban Assembly. He is disgusted with the petty jealousies of its members and is irritated at the antagonism evinced towards himself. He will disclaim any connection with the body and dispute its right to control his actions. Relying on his popularity with the Cuban people, he will proceed to discuss with Governor-General Brooke the problem of the pacification of the country without regard to the action of the assembly, which has, by its undignified conduct and bitter sentiments, gained the hostility of the Americans and lost the confidence of the sober-minded Cubans.

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During the time immediately preceding as well as during the continuance of the war with Spain, German sentiment was distinctly unfriendly, not to say hostile, to the United States. The German press teemed with pro-Spanish articles, and in not a few instances was distinctly hostile to us. Now all this has suddenly changed. The German Government has not only ceased to advocate commercial retaliation on us for our high tariff duties, but has reprimanded Admiral Diedrichs for his course in the Philippine Islands, and has missed no opportunity to manifest a decided friendly feeling.

President McKinley's proposition looking to the decoration of the graves of the Confederate dead has caused a split in the Grand Army camp in Washington. General Robert Dyronforth, commandor-in-chief of the Union veterans, has not been altogether in sympathy with the President's proposition, and took occasion to state exactly what he thought of it before the D. D. Porter Command No. 16. The command had a meeting a few days ago, and passed a resolution heartily indorsing the promise of the President of the United States recently made to the citizens of the South in regard to caring for the graves of the Confederate dead.

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Quincy circuit	29, 30
Amory and Smithville	30, May 1
Nettleton circuit	6, 7
Tremont circuit	13, 14
Fulton circuit	20, 21
Buena Vista circuit	27, 28
Shannon circuit	June 3, 4
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Carrollton circuit, at Enon	20, 21
McNutt and Shell Mound, at Shell Mound	27, 28
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Jackson—Capitol Street	P. M., 7
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Trenton, at Polkville	Thurs. 13
Morton, at Lindsey Chapel	Sat. and Sun. 15, 16
Clarksburg, at Lodebar	Sun. P. M. and Mon A. M. 16, 17
Carthage, at Rocky Point	Sat and Sun. 22, 23
Walnut Grove, at Pine Grove	Tues. 25
Hillsboro, at ——	Thurs. 27
Missionary Institute, at Forest	Sat., Sun., and Mon 29-May 1

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference.

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Purvis, at Eastabuchie	Mar. 18, 19
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Ocean Springs	20
Amorttous, at Cross Roads	25, 26
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach, and Gulf Port, at Gulf Port	Apr. 2, 3
Vancleave, at Ezell	8, 9
Pearlington, at Logtown	11
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville	15, 16
Escatawpa, at Big Point	22
Moss Point	23, 24
Biloxi	29, 30
Galloway, at Brooklyn	May 6, 7
East Covington, at Mt. Tabor	12
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
St. John's, at Holland's Chapel	20, 21
Hattiesburg	26
Whittington, at McHenry	27, 28
Columbia, at Hopewell	June 3, 4
Leakesville, at Pine Grove	8

District Conference will meet in Biloxi, April 27, at 10 A. M.

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VICKSBURG DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Utica, at Utica	Mar. 18, 19
Satartia, at Bentonia	25, 26
Anguilla, at Anguilla	Apr. 1, 2
Hermanville, at Pisgah	8, 9

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Hunkie and Markeville, at Evergreen	Mar. 18, 19
Simsport, at ——	25, 26
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at R.	April 1, 2
Natchitoches and Regan's, at R.	8, 9
Jena and Jonesville, at ——	15, 16
Montgomery and Colfax, at M.	22, 23
Olla and Pollock, at Olla	29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at —— Conference 11 a. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	May 3
Columbia, at Bluff River	6, 7
Dry Creek, at ——	13, 14
Spring Creek, at ——. Conference, 11 a. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	17
Pineville, at ——	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Locompte, May 24-28.

As far as practicable, the collections for foreign missions will be brought up by the preachers. Let there be a pull for this collection.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

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Jeanerette	25, 26
New Iberia	Apr. 1, 2
Abbeville, at Prairie Gregg	8, 9
Lafayette	15, 16
Prudhomme, at Church Point	22, 23
Opelousas, at Belle View	29, 30
Pisquomine Iiruslo	May 6, 7
Indian Bayou	13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine	20, 21
Crowley	27, 28
West Lake	June 3, 4
Grand Chenlere	10, 11
Lake Charles	17, 18

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Red River, at ——	Mar. 18, 19
Wesley, at Holly Springs	25, 26
Coushatta, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Mansfield	9
Florine and mission, at ——	15, 16
Pelican, at ——	22, 23

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tallulah	Mar 18, 19
Winnsboro	25, 26
Harrisonburg	Apr. 1, 2

Pastors, please write me at what churches Quarterly Conferences are to be held.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

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Burgundy Street	26
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Let all candidates and committees be on hand at Brookhaven, the seat of the District Conference, by the afternoon of Wednesday, April 26, for the purpose of examination. There will be no time for this work after the work of the Conference begins on Thursday, the twenty-seventh, at 9 A. M.

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A debt of ninety dollars is now due the training-school on this last year's work, and at least sixty more should be raised to meet traveling expenses, etc. I, therefore, earnestly appeal to every woman in the bounds of the Mississippi Conference to aid in this good cause, whether a member of the W. F. M. Society or not. The time is very short and the case urgent. What is done must be done quickly.

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(MRS.) IRA PHILLIPS, Dist. Sec.

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MARRIAGES.

FRATER—HARP.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Jeanerette, La., March 7, by Rev. C. W. Carter, Fred J. Frater, M. D., and Helen S. Harp, daughter of Rev. R. J. Harp, of the Louisiana Conference.

BRITT—EAST.—At the residence of the bride's father, March 10, by Rev. H. D. Howell, Mr. Wm. Warren Britt and Miss Emma East, all of Natchez, Miss.

GOODMAN—WILLIAMS.—At the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. A. Williams, near Clarksburg, Miss., on Sunday evening, March 5, 1899, by Rev. Paul D. Hardin, Mr. Robt. A. Goodman, of Jones county, Miss., to Miss Lula Williams, of Scott county, Miss.

FINCH—BINGHAM.—At the home of the bride's parents, in Webster county, Miss., March 5, 1899, by Rev. R. T. Nolen, Mr. J. W. Finch and Miss Lou T. Bingham.

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Communications.

MEMOIR OF REV. LEWIS A. REED.

Friday morning, Jan. 20, at seven o'clock, the long life of this usefni itinerant minister waa crowned by the Master, granting him rest from his labors, and entrance into the joys of his Lord. He ceased to work and live, for he had hardly entered into the position of a snperannnate which had been granted him a few weeks before at the last session of the Louisiana Annual Conference. For fifty-five years he had been a faithful minister of the gospel, itinerating all over the State.

Lewis A. Reed was born in Henderson, Ky., Sept. 1, 1812. While a young man he moved to New Orleans, and had attained to a incrative business in an omnibus line which ran np Tchoupitoulas street, when, in 1843, he was soundly convertod dnring a meeting at St. Mary Street Chapel. His wife (Miss Phllips) was converted at the same revival. His business compelling him to break the Sabbath, he immediately took steps to dlspose of his half interest in the firm.

From the very first he felt called to the ministry. In 1844 he entered the Mississippi Conference, which then embraced this city in its torritory, and was appointed to Carrollton. He probably served thia charge two years, and when the Louisiana Conference waa set off from the Mississippi Conference, hia name ia in the first list of appointments. Ho was sent to Lafayette and Colored Mission in 1847. From 1848 till 1851 he served Lafourche and Colored Mission; 1852 and 1853, Napoleonville and Colored Mission; 1854 Lafayette and Bayou Black; 1855, Donaldsonville and Bayou Black; 1856, Lafayette and Bayou Black; 1857 till 1860, presiding elder of Lake Providence district; 1861 till 1863, Sicily Island and Harrisonburg circuit; 1864, Ion circuit, Bastrop district; 1865, Jefferson circuit; 1866, Deer Creek and Sicily Island circuit; 1867, Oakley circuit. At the succeeding Conference (December, 1867) he was forced to ask a location, that he might pay off some debts which were troubling him. While local, from 1867 till 1875, he served several charges in the city; Algiers in 1873 and 1874. In 1875 he was readmitted and appointed to Algiers, the session being held in January; 1876 till 1878, Lafourche mission; 1879, Morean Street; 1880 and 1881, Algiers; 1882, presiding elder of Opelousas district; 1883, Plaquemine Brulee circuit; 1884, Vidalia and Troy circuit; 1885 till 1889, Grosa Tete and False River circuit; 1889 till 1891, South Bossier circuit; 1892, Wesley circuit; 1893 and 1894, Grand Cane circuit; 1895 and 1896, Carrollton Avenne; 1896 and 1897, Craps Street. This was his last charge.

From this list we learn the yeoman service he did in the itinerancy for Methodism, from the Colored Mission to the district. He served in all relations, "enduring hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." His ministry was molded by these early years as missionary to colored people, full of rejoicing and outbursts of exultation. He modestly rated himself in his last speech at Conference as a one-talented man. It was an understatement of his worth, for he was above mediocrity. With a fine presence, a voice of good compass, clear and ringing tones in the higher keys, graceful in gestnre, adding to this the presentation of broad, common-sense views of a passage of Scriptnre, he was no commonplace, but very acceptable preacher—above the average. With a most marvelous preservation these strong points lasted him till within a few years of his decease. There was in all his ministry the ability to sing well and take full charge of any service which was according to the old school, now sadly being neglected by the yonng ministers.

Bro. Reed always boldly presented the absolute need of repentance, conversion, and growth in grace. It was a square issue on these cardinal doctrines he left with his audience in nearly every sermon; not given to propositions, but fnlly declaring the whole counsel of God, necessitating repentance, or boing lost. With an earnestness and sincority that was beyond the shadow of a doubt, he delivered his messages, impressing his audience with the deep convictions of the truth that reigned in his own mind and heart.

As a pastor, he was equally as acceptable to his charges; always prompt to attend to the sick and bereaved of his flock; a regular visitor who more than carried ont the law of the Discipline: a qnartorly visit to each in yonr charge. Wherever we have followed him in his various works there has always come up the memory of this loyal servant of God, showing that he had made an impress upon the people, and was roverenced and loved by many. He can be pointed to as one who put all his talents to full use for his Lord. They were in no sense laid np in a napkin. When one haa marshalled all his powers, and has commanded them for his Lord throngh a long ministry like this, what a rest from his labors is death! How surely his works shall follow him! We shall have the memory of him when happily leading our Annual Conference love-feast. What joy on his own face, what truly spiritual delight to him, these occasions, with his own heart on the eve of an abandon of love, overflowing with the joy of salvation! He won and wore the name of a shouting Methodist.

Fifty-five years of continnous work as a minister of God! What a privilege! What a host on the other shore to welcome him home and recount the occasions of former meetings in the house of God with thia messenger of peace! A faithful worker has gone on before, faithful unto death. His last hours were full of confidence. Ho expressed his assurance and readiness to depart and be with Christ.

In the Snmmer of 1897, when he had a sunstroke which seemed would prove fatal, the writer visited him, and had prayers with him, and the very thought of death made him rejoice with the expectation of an abundant entrance into his glorious reward from the Savior's hand. On his sick-bed he began to shout, Hallelnlah! He left two sons and a daughter to mourn his loss. May they meet him on the other shore!

"Servant of Christ, well done!
Praise be thy new employ;
And while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Savior's joy."

S. S. KEENER.

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

BRO. BINGHAM: In connection with this Twentieth Century Fund for educational purposes the people often ask mo "why the church is so insistent and urgent on the subject of education when the State is doing so much for this great cause."

The State educates to make good citizens and noble patriots, and the church educates to make good Christians. The State may make educated citizens out of all her sons, and she may imbue them with a spirit of patriotism—all which is noble and praiseworthy; bnt it is not enough. Patriotism is a constituent element of the human constitution, and it is one of the nobleat passions that ever animated the human breast; but it is not religion, and can never supply the place of worship, nor satisfy the spiritual needs and aspirations of the human soul.

The mere diffusion of knowledge, however accurate and extensive it may be, will never supply the place of religion. The Church interposes no objection to what the State is doing and proposes to do, and it would not discount that work in the slightest degree. Tho Church proposes to do all that the State does, to educate all her children in all branches of usefni learning, to inspire them with sentiments of loyalty and patriotism, and to qualify them for useful citizenship. Thus far the State and the Church go hand in hand, and unitedly engage in the same beneficent work. In this work there is no conflict, no rivalry, bnt only a healthy emulation. It is not to be inforred that the Church opposes education by the State, nor that the State opposes education by the Church, for neither inference is true.

The Church proposes to do more than the State does, to give a character to education that the State does not give and dare not give, to give a distinctively religious cast and character to the whole course of education for her sons and daughters.

If the State makes good citizens and patriots of her children, she has done all that the State can reasonably be expected to have done, all that she is charged with doing. If, in addition to all of this, the church fails to imbue her sons and daughters with the spirit and principles of the religion of Christ, she has failed in her high commission.

Education, great and worthy as it is, falls short of the needs of man in his present depraved state. It will not save man from sin. This has been tried by the nations of antiquity, and "they were, but they are not." "They were without perpetuity, because they were without the essential element of it." The church proposes to perpetuate the reign of peace and prosperity by saving man from sin, from the consequences of his own depraved and unholy nature, to make him a good man, that he may be a good citizen from principle instead of from policy.

The State starts out to govern men, the Church to save them. The State has done its duty when it governs, but the Church has not done its duty till it saves. The State is concerned with the intellect, the Church with the souls of men. The State is limited to this life, bnt the Church looks to the life to come. The State strives to make men, the Church to make Christians. The State can not do the work of the Church, and the Church dare not surrender or slight the work committed to her by onr Lord.

These are a few of the reasons why the church is so urgent in building, equipping and endowing schools and colleges for our boys and girls. The church must have her hands upon them from infancy to mature age—all through the formative period of their lives—during the plastic stage when they may be shaped and molded into men and women in the image and after the likeness of God. If the church waits till the State educates, it will be too late in many cases. The work of the State is mainly secular, political, and national, and the work of the church is primarily religious, spiritual, and heavenly. Yours, GILDEROY.

March 8, 1899.

TEN DAYS' "OUTING."

Why not? Who has more time for that kind of pleasure-seeking than the presiding elder? Having been frozen ont—or in?—at one of my appointments, I planned for the holding of four Quarterly Conferences, embracing two Sundays, in the good old county of Yazoo; so I packed for a ten days' "travel throughont the district."

Leaving home on Friday (the third), after an hour's travel I left the railroad, in company with Bro. H. P. Lewis, for Fletcher's Chapel, the seat of the Quarterly Conference. I heard nothing but expressions of appreciation (yes, more) of the new pastor. After having a succession of unordained men, the coming of one of such long experience is greatly appreciated.

Bro. Lewis is winning his way into the hearts of his people, though the attendance upon and reports at the Conference might be both greatly improved.

At Benton we found the new pastor and people mutually in love with each other, and an unmistakable evidence of the same in the reports on all questions. They deserve a place on the honor roll. Benton and Midway claim that they have one of the big preachers of the Conference.

Thence we faced a sharp north wind for twelve miles to be with Bro. Cowan at Tranqnil. Here we found his little family—or, rather, his family of little ones—comfortably housed in a brand-new parsonage, the work of Bro. W. A. Terry, who served the past year. Here we literally "compelled a brother to come in," that we might have one to represent the charge. Finances and reports but little in advance of the attendance, though the pastor has been on the field and at the work for two months.

Finding myself only an hour's run from Itta Bena, where a certain young physician has hung out his shingle, I found an irresistible longing to see how the "boy" was prospering. On my way I had a short while at Greenwood, where I found the genial pastor, Mitchel, with heart, head and hands full looking after the completion of a $15,000 brick church. Methodism in that little city respects herself highly. I was surprised to find Itta Bena a place of such size and push. The church under Browning and the school under Lipscomb are keeping pace with the business interests. The question of water supply has been solved by the sinking of an artesian well, which flows with a strong stream twenty feet high, and which has been conducted by pipes to every part of the town.

Friday, and time is up; so, after one day of recreation, I am again on my own territory, and with Cottrell at Bee Lake. He is finishing a pastorate of four years on this charge, and only the law would move him. Trained for the mercantile world, he carries his business methods into his church work. No halting to find out or to make calculations; everything is in order. Decently and in order, all the business is transacted within thirty minutes. Mud, water, and distance prevented a large attendance, though there was satisfactory reports from all points.

The planters are slow in beginning the work of the new year. Indeed, in many places we saw cotton picking and plowing side by side. What a country is this great Delta!

Arrived at home, I find twenty letters, representing all kinds of church interests, and many asking for an immediate reply. One came from an ex., who says, "I sympathize with the new presiding elders." Thanks, brother; you know.

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

March 14, 1899.

FROM CENTRAL LOUISIANA.

MR. EDITOR: If a "hub" is a hub because it is in the center, then Alexandria is not only the "hub" of the district which, in Methodist parlance, bears its name, bnt is also the "hub" of the Louisiana Conference and of the State, as it is practically at the crossing of the two meridians—north and south, east and west—of the State surveys.

Since my last to the ADVOCATE the first "round" has been completed on the district, and cold, rain, mud, bad roads, and all to the contrary, notwithstanding, every engagement has been met save two. "Onr beloved" was kept from one of them for two reasons: 1. A railroad wreck had blockaded Simsport for a period reaching beyond the time for the quarterly meeting. 2. The livery man told me he would not send me through by private conveyance "for $25." I could not pay more than that sum, and hence the last reason was as good as the first. The other—well, it is explanation enough to say that the pastor living in the bounds of the charge could not get to the place of meeting on account of the prevailing snow and bad roads.

Since I wrote before Colfax and Montgomery, Dry Creek, and Ada and Winfield charges have "distinguished themselves" by paying up the presiding elder's claim in full for the first quarter. Others have not done so well, some paying nothing at all. Hence, running up the balance sheets, the presiding elder finds that the expenses have been equal to more than twenty per cent. of all receipts. Only three good days have been enjoyed during the holding of sixteen quarterly meetings. The latter visitations have been to charges presided over by the younger members of our vocation. With one single exception, the prospects are of an encouraging nature.

W. G. Roberts, at Spring Creek; H. L. Hughes, at Dry Creek; L. L. Roberts, at Pineville; W. E. Akin, at Olla and Pollock; G. D. Anders, at Columbia, are all moving off as wisely as could be expected in view of the unfavorable conditions of the weather.

Bro. Enochs is doing the best he can. His was one of the charges I failed to reach, bnt I hear favorably from him in his far-away work.

Bro. Van Valkenburgh is moving on in his usual channel, and according to his notions of right; a great reader of books and papers, and a great lover of the æsthetic in literature.

Bros. L. L. Roberts, at Pineville, and H. L. Hughes, at Dry Creek, are on the "supply" list, bnt in each case they are approved by their brethren, and the membership seems greatly encouraged.

Such a corps of workers as the district now has will, if full of faith and "sound discretion," carry up reports to Conference next Winter which will gladden the hearts of God's children there.

We are looking forward to the coming of Bishop Key to our District Conference with great anticipations.

If the Lord gives us souls for our hire, we can be content to endure labor and want; but what agony comes when spiritual dearth comes on with temporal want! Faith, zeal and prudence will bring success.

Respectfully, J. A. PARKER.

ELECTION ORDERED.

The Board of Supervisors of Sunflower county, Miss., ordered an election to-day, to be held the twenty-eighth instant, to see whether or not whisky shall be sold in the county. If the county can be voted dry on that day, whisky will be kept out and the county will remain a dry county. Let all praying people ask the Lord to put it into the hearts of these people to vote as they should.

W. H. SANDERS.

Indianola, Miss., March 10, 1899.

ORPHANS' DAY.

The attention of presiding elders and pastors of the North Mississippi Conference to the immediate need of complying with the following action taken at our last session: "We deem it advisable that Orphans' Day be regularly and uniformly observed throughout the Conference, and we suggest that the first Sunday in March, or as soon thereafter as practicable, be set apart for this cause, and let this be known as 'Orphans' Day.' This Orphans' Home is now a part and parcel of our Mississippi Methodism, and must have our care and support."

There are now fifty children in the Home. Others are expected soon. The people always give to this cause if their attention is called to it. The manager feels a delicacy in visiting pastoral charges without invitations. He is ready to do all in his power for the Home when opportunity is his.

Brethren, let us observe Orphans' Day at once, and send contributions to Capt. I T. Blount, or Rev. M. L. Burton, Water Valley, Miss.

Yours for the orphans,

J. A. BOWEN.

Columbus, Miss., March 13, 1899.

LOUISIANA STATE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

I have just returned from an extensive trip along the line of the Southern Pacific Company, and find that great enthusiasm is being manifested concerning the coming Epworth League Conference to be held in Crowley, April 20-23. The young people are beginning now to make their arrangements to attend this spiritual, intellectual and musical feast. The program will be announced in a few days.

The Leaguers of New Orleans will attend in considerable numbers, and have chartered a car, which will be suitably decorated. We would be glad if any of our brethren or sisters living out of the city would join this party. The car will leave Thursday morning, April 20, at 9 o'clock, from the Southern Pacific depot. The fare from New Orleans to Crowley and return will be five dollars, or one fare for the round trip. This rate will apply from any point in Louisiana along the line of the Southern Pacific. We are expecting to hear daily from other roads.

Crowley has made great preparation for the entertainment of all who will attend, and will feel slighted if two or three hundred people do not attend. H. H. AHRENS, Pres.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

MR. EDITOR: Please publish enclosed resolutions adopted by the Joint Executive Committee of Board of Education at its recent session at Jackson. I was under the impression that I had forwarded them with the report I sent you.

Yours fraternally,

T. Y. RAMSEY.

Booneville, Miss., March 16, 1899.

Resolved, That each presiding elder is directed to inquire specially at each Quarterly Conference as to what is being done for the Twentieth Century Fund, both by collections and imparting information.

Resolved, That the presiding Bishops at the sessions of the Mississippi and North Mississippi Conferences be requested to ask each preacher, in making his report, to state what had been done on his charge during the year for the Twentieth Century Fund.

R. W. MILLSAPS,
H. M. ELLIS.
J. H. MITCHELL.

NOTICE.

MR. EDITOR: Please announce that the Epworth League Board of the North Mississippi Conference selects the following speakers for the Indianapolis Conference:

Principals—Rev. R. A. Meek, Starkville, Miss.; Miss Victoria Thompson, Tupelo, Miss. Alternates—Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, Enpora, Miss.; Rev. J. C. Park, Rosedale, Miss.; Miss Annie Seales, Macon, Miss.; Miss Daisy Dye, Grenada, Miss.

Come to State League Conference at West Point, June 22-25; also to District Conference at Ackerman, July 27-30. Yours fraternally,

N. G. AUGUSTUS,
President League Board.

Durant, Miss., March 18, 1899.

NOTICE TO SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

In order to better equip Sunday-schools for usefulness, the Sunday-school Board offers to duplicate amounts raised for the Children's Visitor, magazines, and libraries. Many schools try to run without enough literature, and fail to accomplish their purpose. Money can not be better expended than for Visitors, magazines and libraries, and Children's Day money should be used for helping needy schools. Send in your money and orders to Rev. D. Scarborough, secretary, Forest, Miss.

W. T. GRIFFIN,
Pres. S. S. Board.

FORGIVE.

BY LAURA A. WHITWORTH.

Forgive—the very word is sweet—
"Forgive as you would be forgiven;"
When coming near the mercy seat,
Forgiveness you must ask of heaven.

Man is but human to offend,
By careless act or word unkind;
But let not strife-tried friendship end,
When this sweet word the wound may bind.

If one with sorrowing heart should say:
"Dear friend, forgive me once again,"
To smooth some thorns from life's rough way,
Would you refuse in proud disdain?

Methinks, if one had wrought me ill
Yet penitent would say, "Forgive,"
'Twould move my proud and stubborn will;
No anger in my heart could live.

We can not tell what moves the mind,
Or what the subtle cause may be;
We only know our friend unkind,
And we grow cold in sympathy.

And yet, one heart from pain to save,
What matter if our pride we bend?
We might be patted by a grave—
Life is so short! Forgive thy friend!

—Lutheran World.

Communications.

BRO. UPTON'S QUESTION.

AN ANSWER.

In the ADVOCATE, of Feb. 16, Bro. Upton asked the following question, "Is it legal for a Board of circuit or station stewards to assess for their pastor's salary a certain per cent. of all moneys collected for ministerial support, instead of determining the amount necessary in dollars and cents?"

As the question is a vital one, effecting the administration of an important part of our economy, it should be answered, and I have waited with no little interest for some one of our many seers in Israel to give us, on the subject, the benefit of their much learning and sound judgment. But as they do not seem disposed to enlighton us, I have decided to offer an answer myself, for fools rush in where angels fear to tread.

It suits my purpose to substitute the word "district" for "circuit or station," and "presiding elder" for "pastor," which enables me to approach the subject from the other side, and thereby get at the main point Bro. Upton had in mind when he propounded his question. With due regard to all the laws in the Discipline on the subject of money raising and to all the episcopal decisions recorded upon that subject, I shall answer in the negative. My reasons for so doing are as follows:

First. ¶ 195, which defines the duties of district stewards, does not contain anything upon which to base an affirmative answer. It says, "They shall estimate the traveling expenses and salary of the presiding elder, and apportion the same, together" with the other collections, "among the several charges of the district according to their ability." To fix an amount and "apportion" it for collection sounds like something definite to me—dollars and cents, and not an indefinite amount based upon the action of some other Board. This paragraph also says that "distribution pro rata shall be made at the Quarterly Conference." Now, why add this clause if the percentage plan is contemplated, for how else can settlement be made under that plan?

Second. An affirmative answer would put an interpretation upon the law which would be both unreasonable and dangerous; unreasonable in that it would be too far-reaching in its possible effects, and dangerous for the same and the additional reason that it would leave the pastor without protection, placing him at the mercy of the district stewards. If the district stewards have a right to say that the presiding elder shall have fifteen per cent. of all moneys raised for ministerial support, then they have a right to say he shall have fifty or seventy-five per cent.; and the law which requires a pro rata distribution would still hold with equal force. If this is the law, then let Ques. 6 of the Quarterly Conference be changed so as to read: What per cent. have the district stewards set apart for the presiding elder? How much does that leave for the preacher in charge?

Third. An affirmative answer to this question would force a similar answer to Bro. Upton's question, which would place an interpretation upon ¶ 189, defining the duties of circuit and station steward, that no one has ever proposed to give it. So far as estimating salaries and making assessments for the same are concerned, the two paragraphs are practically alike. There is no more ground for the percentage plan in the one than there is in the other. If the district stewards have a right to say the presiding elder shall have fifteen per cent., then the circuit stewards have a right to say the preacher in charge shall have ninety per cent. A Methodist preacher is hard to beat at money getting, so they say; but just how he would get $1.05 out of $1, I do not know. Again: If the circuit stewards have a right to say the preacher in charge shall have ninety per cent. of all moneys raised for ministerial support, they could, on the same authority, raise it to ninety-nine and a half per cent. Then where would the "beloved" appear? Before the Bishop for a decision, I shall not hesitate to assert.

Fourth. The logical conclusions of an affirmative answer are too ridiculous for things pertaining to sacred institutions.

This is not written in a spirit of criticism, but with a simple desire to get at the truth. When it is pointed out to me that my conclusions are wrong, I will cheerfully accept those that are right. JNO. B. KENT.

Plaquemine, La.

HOW THE SPIRIT COMFORTS IN THE TRUTH.

BY REV C. P SMITH.

(A Prayer-Meeting Talk made at Minden, La., March 8, 1899.)

(John xiv, 16, 17; Rom. xv, 4)

Truth is not always comforting to man. If it reveals to him his sinfulness, and reproves him for his lack of fidelity to the right, there is sometimes pain and always a feeling of uneasiness. We not only do not seek for reproof, but instinctively dread to meet and face it, as one naturally shrinks from a real or supposed enemy. Truth, in reproving, is our personal friend, and is only the foe of sin and unbelief. Truth hates only false principles and falsehood. The spirit of truth reproves of sin when it holds sway in the heart of man, and makes the soul feel guilt as the strings of a piano tremble and jar under the touch of the tuner and cleaner; but after the touch and cleaning of the Spirit of God—man, his soul responds to the touch and play of the Spirit with the welcome and outgo of a fine piano under the masterful soul of a Beethoven.

No Scripture reproves a really good man; no truth hurts him. He loves even the severe words of the Father of lights. He loves counsel and does not hate reproof, for "God is love," and admonishes only in love. Oh, if we could only realize this so fully that it would give heart to our service and strength to our obedience!

1. We must be in a receptive frame to get comfort from the truth. To get real comfort out of the truth, our souls must have that in them which responds to the truth of God. There can be no active, definite contact with any object by electricity, unless the object possesses negative electricity in its keeping. The tree on the hill-side had some of the mysterious element in its trunk, and a passing storm brought the bolt near enough to join the two electric principles together, and destroyed the tree. Harnessed electricity moves in obedience to this law the street-cars on a thousand tracks. So, my dear friends, if we are harnessed up by the law of love, the personal contact of truth makes us true, and we gladly receive the truth brought by the Spirit to our souls. So many men are not true to their convictions on anything that they have not the power to get comfort from the truth. They are like a "derelict" ship at sea, which gets no cheer from any wind, wave, or whistle, but must drift on to destruction. But an American liner, true to its own chart and compass, is hailed with delight by every passing vessel. Let us be true to every true and noble impulse, and every passing thing will bring us joy. Then, too, the heart must give an active welcome to the truth which makes free, indeed. Not simply a formal reception can suffice, for the truth, Jesus Christ, must have the upper seat in our heart's parlor.

2. The spirit of truth is our advocate. This is a forensic term, and brings out a beautiful thought in this connection. The Spirit stands before two bars and gives assurance of our acceptance at each. "The Spirit maketh intercession for us with groanings that can not be uttered." We read that passage slowly and wonder at its sublime condescension, but our idea of this intercession is the Spirit before God's throne seeking—yea, demanding—blessings for us. But, brother, that is not all of the condescension of the Spirit of love. "He dwelleth with you and is in you," as it should be rendered He stands at the altar of my heart, and before the bar of my own conscience, and answers every question of my mind, and responds to every proper feeling of my heart.

3. The living Christ is in the truth; and his presence is stimulating to, and makes thrilling the incarnate truth.

(1) In the substance of the truth. Many lives of Christ are being written, but the truth is all vital in his own words. If Renan praised Jesus in his so-called "Life" of the Nazarene, how much more does his own Word praise him in its sweetness, excellence, and simplicity!

(2) In the illumination on the truth. We study it in the light. All things look alike to a man in the shadows of the night, but by the noonday sun the beauty of forest, field and stream appear to the eye of the beholder. Oh, that men might learn this lesson! The noonday sun of righteousness reveals truth, reveals Christ, brings joy—yea, establishes his comfort in the soul!

A REVISED VERSION—IS IT YOURS?

Take heed lest ye hear.
"Ye are the pepper of the earth."
"Beat my sheep."
Hate your enemies.
By their faults ye shall know them.
Do no alms, lest thou be seen of men.
God is a respecter of persons.
Where little is given, nothing is required.
Lead us into temptation, but deliver us from punishment.
Seek ye last the kingdom of God, for then these things are not necessary.
Blessed are they that grumble, for they shall not be without cause.
Six days shalt thou rest and do all thy leasing; but on the seventh day thou shalt surely get the ox out of the ditch.
Seek not, lest ye find, and ask not, lest ye receive.
Thou shalt not often take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
Pray not, lest thou offer a vain repetition.
Forgive not your enemies; you may have an opportunity to retaliate.
Cling to some evil habits, that men may not think you righteous overmuch.

J. R. COUNTISS.

Gunnison, Miss.

Correspondence.

SOMETHING FROM LONGTOWN.

If my friends to whom I preached fifty years ago, and others I have ministered to during the past half a century, would like to hear from me, I will talk to them a little in this paper. I am here in Panola county—further north than I have ever spent a Conference year. My circuit (Longtown) is composed of four appointments compactly located together. For the three months since Conference the weather, heavy rains, sleet and snow have come somewhat alternately, and long protracted; snow-frozen roads, succeeded by much and deep mud, followed again by deep and hard freezing, every change making it unsafe to travel. In my three years' superannuated experience I had to turn my horse and buggy into something to live upon. Soul and body of self and wife had to be kept together. On coming to this field of labor I had to start on foot. I have walked my circuit before, traveled horseback, traveled in buggy, have been transported in carriages, made my appointments by railroad, and reached some otherwise inaccessible places on the great river by steamboat, and have traversed the great overflows when the water seemed shoreless in my dug-out; shooting the rapids where they rushed through the broken levee, and ascending the same rush of waters on my return; navigated my little boat through the great forest, sometimes with nothing to guide me but the current, which did not always run in the right direction; startling a deer reposing on a dry knoll or mound. Once a bear tumbled from his resort from the water in a great tree, and made off. I did not follow it. I have fastened my boat to the church steps until I could hold service for a waiting congregation. Thus it may be seen I have traveled by every known mode of travel. However, I have not yet attempted it by electricity, telegraph, or telephone.

Here on Longtown I started my work on foot, being reduced to the infantry. One appointment I made three miles to and three miles from, every step upon the hard snow; met nine persons. Another trip of eight miles to and from, on a colder day, over a deeper frozen road. Met two persons for quarterly meeting; no presiding elder, no quarterly meeting. Some of my charge live on the verge of the last ledge of hills breaking off into the great valley. In visiting my flock I have approached the last line of division, but did not cross it. I did not want to cross the "dead line," so I turned back.

I am sure the people here are taking right kindly to their new preacher—not altogether new, but New-som. Since coming here I have buried one of the earliest pioneers of Methodism and of religion in all this region—G. W. Parkison. He struck the first lick with his axe towards building the first church erected in this county.

Have enjoyed myself here in the pulpit and in the homes I have visited. Never loved my Bible more than I do now; never enjoyed religion so much as now. I never enjoyed preaching the gospel as I do now. Some seem a little doubtful of my physical strength sustaining me under the labors of the year. Since my first Quarterly Conference, and hearing the report of the stewards on the estimate of what the preacher in charge is to receive for a support, an experience such as I have felt under similar circumstances before was in view the present year: that of preaching the gospel of Christ without an adequate support; and feeling I would rather do the preaching without an efficient support than answer for the people who decline giving such support, I am sure I would rather be the one man on such a line of duty before God than all the people together in their care.

J. D. NEWSOM.

Longtown, North Mississippi Conference.

W. H. M. S., LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

The annual convention of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Louisiana Conference was held at Alexandria, March 2-5. Mrs. Lyons, of New Orleans, president; Mrs. F. E. Ross, of New Orleans, secretary, and Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Lafayette, corresponding secretary.

The address of welcome in behalf of the ministry was delivered by the pastor, Rev. A. D. McVoy, and the address of welcome in behalf of the local W. H. M. S. was read by Mrs. L. B. Baynard in a well-sustained manner. Her remarks were touching, admirably expressed, making a cordial and unique welcome. Mrs. B. J. Williams responded with an interesting and well-prepared paper. The various committees were appointed covering the different departments of the work, and the convention settled down to its regular program. After an instructive address by the president, Miss Sallie White read very effectively and distinctly a paper on Cuban work.

During the succeeding sessions a number of interesting papers were read on topics pertaining to the different operations of the society. The corresponding secretary made a very full report of her work. The reports of the president and Miss Mary Werlein on the City Mission gave a full account of the good done under the management of Mrs. Lillie Meekins, the city missionary. Mrs. Faunt Le Roy gave an important and instructive paper on the "Need of Parsonages." "Our Duty to the Japanese and Chinese on the Pacific Coast" was admirably discussed by Mrs. E. R. Kennedy. The president explained the system of the Loan Fund. Miss Mary Werlein very enthusiastically presented the claims of the paper of the society, Our Homes, and secured a good number of subscribers. Reports from the auxiliaries revealed the good work done in the various charges of the Conference. Mrs. A. E. McGimsey read an interesting paper on the importance of the "Baby Roll." Miss Norwood presented an admirable paper on "Missions." The importance of systematic and proportionate giving was very impressively presented by the president. Rev. J. A. Parker, the presiding elder, and Rev. J. M. Johnson were introduced and addressed the convention. Rev. George Jackson, rejoicing in his new ear-trumpet, which enabled him to hear the proceedings, seemed to enjoy the occasion as a great privilege. Memorial services were held in memory of Mrs. Guthrie and Mrs. Rowena M. Denson.

The devotional exercises each day were attended with marked religious fervor, and a deep spiritual feeling pervaded all the services. Miss Mary Werlein conducted the interesting services for the children, and inaugurated juvenile societies both in the Central Church and in West Alexandria. Collections were taken, and the people gave liberally.

On the Sabbath the sermon before the convention was preached by the Rev. J. L. Pierce, of Monroe, and won the marked attention of a large audience. Rev. J. L. Pierce preached again at night an able and stirring sermon on the "Work of the Spirit," and closed by inviting the members to the altar for a prayer of consecration to the work and for the baptism of the Spirit, after which the pastor was called upon to receive a member into the church—a lady who was so deeply impressed that she felt it her duty at once to join the church.

The convention was a great success, and produced a beneficial impression upon the local membership, tending to quicken and revive interest in the great work of the church. If any pastor wants a great blessing and great good done to his members, let him invite and welcome the coming of the W. H. M. S. into his charge. Thus has ended with great and increasing interest the seventh Annual Convention of the W. H. M. S.

A. D. McVOY.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

WOMAN'S WORK IN HOME MISSIONS.

THE CHILDREN'S HOUR.

Those actively engaged in home mission work in the cities realize how little of the better home influences are about the children, and there is a greater effort made to supply this want in their lives. It is lamentably true that there are scores and hundreds of children who have parents, and a shelter which they call home, and yet who know nothing about the sweet influences which make a real home. Having a desire to bring into these barren little lives as much as may be of this home influence, in some places Friday afternoon is known as "The Children's Hour." When the public schools are closed the church parlors are opened, and for an hour, or more, the children are entertained with stories, songs, and reading, and in the Summer time each child is given a bunch of flowers. Truly this is home mission work. A house and furniture can not make a home, and in proportion as we are able to keep alive in the world the real home spirit, in that proportion are we building strong characters, developing noble manhood and pure womanhood.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, Sardis, Miss.—

DEAR MRS. WALL: There is always much to be done in missionary work, but the past two months have been overflowing with work, for our Winter has been extremely severe, and this has caused a great deal of destitution and sickness among the poor. The territory in which my efforts are concentrated comprises one ward and part of another. The population of this district is 11,780, and in it there are only four Protestant missions and one Catholic. Our denomination has had a mission in this territory for several years, but it has never been very flourishing until the past two years. It is now fast becoming self-supporting. We have a pastor and regular church services. It is in this church that I have a little room fitted up where, from ten to twelve o'clock on three mornings in the week, I receive those who wish to see me about their spiritual or material needs. I visit among the people in their homes during the afternoons, and, when expedient, the Bible is read and prayer offered; good literature is distributed, Bibles are given or sold in the many homes where none are found, children are obtained for Sabbath-school, indifferent parents aroused to the duty of attendance upon church services, and the unsaved are pointed to "the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world." There are so many sorrowing, aching hearts actually craving a sympathizing friend to whom they can tell their troubles. While we aim at nothing less than the saving of the souls of the people with whom we labor, we realize that where there is extreme poverty the physical necessities must be relieved before their spiritual needs can be successfully dealt with. Consequently, we have in the mission room a supply closet containing clothing and foodstuffs (especially for the sick), which the different churches furnish. A great number of children have been gotten into Sabbath-school by our providing them with clothing; and men and women whose lack of something to wear has kept them from the house of God can now attend regularly.

We have a Missionary Nurses' Association connected with our work now, which is proving a great blessing to the sick poor. I have the privilege of asking the help of one of the Scarritt Hospital nurses whenever I need her. We keep bed linen and garments for the sick at the mission, and those are loaned and returned after using.

We have plans on foot for establishing a day nursery, where the poor women who have to work all day in factories and other places can leave their little children. We hope to have funds sufficient to open it right soon. The trouble is as usual, viz: that so many of our church members have not consecrated their purses.

On every Saturday morning we have a sewing-school for girls; some boys attend also. The attendance ranges from fifty to seventy-five.

Besides the general evangelistic work, I have a weekly cottage prayer meeting and a Bible class at the mission.

Among these lower classes of people I find so much indifference to educational advantages. Oftentimes I have a struggle to get the children started to school when they are within a few blocks of one of the city schools. I've succeeded in saving three boys from the perils of running on the streets by getting them into school during this week, and nothing that has come into the week's work has made me happier, except the conversion of an old man for whom I've been praying a long time. He was in the mission room, and, with tears of repentance rolling down his cheeks, he gave up his life of sin and accepted the Savior, who came to seek and to save those who are lost.

I can't express to you what a great blessing I receive in this work. It is indeed a privilege to be "laborers together with God." He has a place for each of us, too, and only asks that we be willing to be used of him. In view of what needs to be done, it seems that I can do very little; but God's commands are enabling, and while I am not sufficient in myself for the least service, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

I wanted to give you some of my experiences, but having written at length, I fear I will weary you, and will wait another time.

I am glad to hear such encouraging reports from your society, and trust you will attempt even greater things for the Master, expecting greater things from him. There is so much to be done in his vineyard, and great blessing for those who are willing to be used of him. Truly the blessedness of life is not in keeping it, but in spending it.

Praying the Father's blessing upon you in all work for him, I am,

Your sister in Christ,

ELIZABETH STREATER.

P. S.—My mother was taken to heaven a year ago, and I can now realize that this, the great sorrow of my life, has better fitted me to be a comfort for others. Some one has very truly said that "our own hearts must break to fit us for giving comfort, for only with heart's blood can we heal hearts."

I hope you will remember me and my work when you are in close touch with your Savior.

Truly yours, E. A. STREATER.

Scarritt Bible and Training-School, Kansas City, Mo., Feb 3, 1899.

"Rest in the Lord; wait patiently for him." In Hebrew, "Be silent to God and let him mould thee." Be still, and he will mould thee to the right shape.—Martin Luther.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The Winona District Missionary and Educational Institute will meet in Carrollton at 9 A. M., May 17, 1899.

PROGRAM.

1. Is Our Interest in Missions and Our Contributions Thereto, as a Rule, in Proportion to Our Spirituality?—Paper by Rev. W. H. Sanders. Discussion led by Rev. J. H. Mitchell and R. Thayer.

2. How Can a Pastor Best Succeed in Raising Assessments for Missions?—Paper by J. B. Streater. Discussion led by G. H. Lipscomb and T. G. Freeman.

3. Do Our Investments in Domestic Missions Give as Gratifying Results as Our Investments in Foreign Missions? Have the Authorities Wisely Administered These Funds?—Paper by Rev. John Richey. Discussion led by J. R. Bingham and Rev. W. C. Lester.

4. A General Survey of Our Foreign Work. Is It Such as to Inspire Us to Greater Effort to Send the Gospel to the Heathen?—Paper by Rev. H. T. Cunningham. Discussion led by Rev. J. B. Stone and Rev. B. B. Sullivan.

5. Reasons Why the $1,620 Assessed the Winona District for Missions Should Be Paid in Full—Paper by G. H. Lipscomb. Discussion led by Rev. J. F. Evans and Rev. J. H. Boss.

6. Are Our People as Loyal to Our Own Schools as They Should Be? If Not, Why Not?—Paper by Rev. J. H. Mitchell. Discussion led by John Belford and R. I. Allen (Rev.).

7. Present Condition and Future Prospects of Our Conference Schools—Paper by J. R. Bingham. Discussion led by Rev. W. T. Browning.

8. Address on Education by some distinguished brother.

Winona District Conference will convene in Carrollton, Friday, May 19, 9 A. M. Program for Sunday-school Day (Thursday, 18) will appear in due time.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

SOME DON'TS FOR THE PULPIT.

It is a good divine that follows his own teachings. I can easier teach twenty what were good to be done, than to be one of twenty 'to follow mine own teachings."—Shakespeare in Merchant of Venice.

Don't imitate others. Better be a poor original than a fine copy.

Don't mumble your words. Chew your food, but not your language.

Don't preach too long. Better to leave the people longing than loathing.

Don't preach old sermons without revision. Grown men look awkward in boy's clothes.

Don't indulge in mannerisms. Simplicity is desirable in high places—the pulpit especially.

Don't speak in a monotone. The voice has numerous keys; play on as many as possible.

Don't catch the pulpit twang. Talk to men in as natural a tone as you talk with them.

Don't indulge in long pulpit prayers. Protracted petitions drag heavily. Always remember the stranger.

Don't hesitate to speak on public questions, but do not introduce party politics into the pulpit.

Don't neglect closet prayer. The finest pipes can give forth no music till filled with the divine breath.

Don't scold your congregation. Attack measures and hit people only when they stand between you and the devil.

Don't harp too much on one string. Variety is pleasing, and God's Word has given ample choice of themes.

Don't drop your voice at the close of a sentence. Men have as much need to hear the end as the beginning.

Don't be satisfied without fruit. The hand should pluck a few ears, though the sheaves have to await the harvest.

Don't forget the boys and girls. Their attention is worth gaining, and you may often reach old hearts through young ears.

Don't bawl or scream. Too much water stops mill wheels and too much voice drowns sense. Thunder is harmless, lightning strikes.

Don't ramble. Aim at the mark. Hit it! Stop and see where the shot struck and then fire another broadside. Pack your sermons.

Don't be disheartened if every sermon does not save a soul. Hearts may be pierced, though we see not where the arrows lodge.

Don't tire people out with long introductions. You can spoil the appetite for dinner by too much thin soup.

Don't imagine the demand for short sermons is a sign of diminished piety. Men may neglect the cow, though they cry for condensed milk.

Don't go on after you are finished, saying, "As I said before." If you said it before, say something else after. Let the clatter of the mill stop when the corn is ground.

Don't be discouraged on stormy days because only few are at service. Preach your level best to small assemblies. Jesus discoursed to one woman at the well, and she got all Samaria out to hear him next time.

Don't advertise false isms and the men who create them. It is not necessary to exhaust consecrated energies in striking at gnats with the club of a Hercules. If a mischievous error is at work, publish the gospel truth all the more to counteract, rather than fence with its author, and thus add to his reputation.

Don't exhaust your lungs, but keep them full. Take long breaths, then you will not finish off each sentence—uh, with a terrible gasp—ah, as if dying for air—ah, and so strain your lungs—ah, and never find it out—ah, and so leave you to make sport for the Philistines—ah. Inflate your lungs.—The Treasury.

A great many people worry without having any clear idea of what they are worrying about.

"My good fellow," says Snell, "what is it you are afraid of? Try to write down your forebodings, and as sure as there is a drachm of humor in your composition, half of them will flee away from the point of your pen. Walk up to the ghost that annoys you; it may be nothing but a white sheet on the stump of a tree. Get to know the worst, and, as you are a man, you will be more than equal to it. Gauge the depth of the hole, on the edge of which you stand. Do try to realize that it is not the bottomless pit. If a man will but say, 'I will not think of these things,' he can exercise the devil of worry. I believe in the old saying, 'Take short views.' Live by the day. Four and twenty hours hold enough for any one of us to bear."—Selected.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. D. P. Bradford, Meridian, Miss., March 13, 1899: "'East End' Church sends a check to day for her full assessment for foreign missions. Our church is alive here. I have been into the homes of over ninety families represented in this church. Congregations are large and attentive. We have had sixteen accessions to date. Our people pray and pay. Finances are well up. Bro. Galloway and his family are affectionately remembered here, and very many would have welcomed them for another year. But, as loyal Methodists, they are standing by me in my work."

Rev. J. W. McGee, Ruleville, Miss., March 9, 1899: "We held our first Quarterly Conference the fourth and fifth instant. The weather was very inclement, and but few of the brethren turned out. We held the Quarterly Conference at the home of Bro. D. B. Dwiggins. Bro. G. R. Stokley was elected secretary of the Conference. They assessed for the preacher in charge $425; for presiding elder $60.60. The collections were light, and we will have to live very close for the next three months. I am working for the ADVOCATE, and I think a little later on to send in several subscriptions. Some members of my flock have been very kind in supplying our wants. Among these I wish to make special mention of Bro. and Sister Dwiggins, Bro. McBee and Bro. W. F. Wilson. Death has been among us again. Sister Laura Lashley died of pneumonia. Miss Pearl Hanna, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Bro. A. J. Hanna, died Friday morning (third instant) at 1 A. M. We have just heard of the death of Sister Jones. She leaves several little children on the cold charity of the world. God bless and pity them! May their lines fall in pleasant places! Sometimes I feel a little discouraged. My wife has been sick for about eight weeks, my little boy has been sick for about two weeks, and one of my little girls for three weeks, and, last of all, I have had fever for the last three days. Of course, in my condition I am not doing any pastoral work. Pray for us, brethren."

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Rev. T. G. Freeman, West, Miss., March 14, 1899: "The first quarterly meeting for West circuit was to have been the second Sunday in February. Bro. Shipman, our new presiding elder, came on Friday on the train. The weather was so cold we had no quarterly meeting. Only one steward came. He rode 9 miles to get here. Bro. Shipman, the presiding elder, by my advice, returned home to his wife and babies. I know of one presiding elder, pro tem., that rode thirty-five, or more, miles that cold spell and held the Quarterly Conference with a right good attendance of the stewards and some others. So our quarterly meeting was put off until the second Sunday in March. It has just passed. We have a two-horse presiding elder. He came down Friday with his fine Kentucky blacks, and Bro. Bachman was with him. They had a good time and a good load. We had a good turn out of the members of the Conference, a good sermon, a pleasant Conference; preaching, Sunday, at 11 o'clock; the sacrament and children's meeting in the afternoon. Through the effort and push of Bro. Bachman and the liberality of the good people Bro. Bachman succeeded in making up money for an $18 library. We had preaching again at night by Bro. Bachman. We enjoyed their stay with us. We are moving along on the work as best we can. The Winter has been so cold and roads so bad I have not been able to do much. I have a people of great endurance and long forbearance. Pray for us. May the Lord bless you in your arduous work and prosper the ADVOCATE."

Rev. R. A. Davis, Waterproof, La., March 15, 1899: "This is my second year on the Waterproof circuit. The difficulties of moving were not encountered by this writer (as this is my second year on the work). The Fall and Winter have been so wet and cold that little could be done, as the roads have been almost impassable. However, we are at work, preaching, visiting and praying with and for this dear people who have so generously and kindly received us again. There has been one accession to the church since Conference. Our Epworth Leagues are holding their regular meetings, and the Junior League is diligently at work, having furnished some nice lace curtains for the windows of one room in the parsonage, and for another room sent in a nice carpet. More than this: The Leaguers, friends and citizens of this town united in giving the preacher and his family quite a storming on the night of the sixth instant. A great shower of good things came in—from a package of tooth picks to one barrel of meal and one and a half barrels of flour, including the following: hams, potatoes, oatmeal, sugar, coffee, tea, cheese, canned goods, lard, etc., as well as many articles of clothing for wife and the children—of which we are very thankful indeed, and take this method of expressing to these good people our high appreciation of these favors, who so nobly express their good feelings to, and stand so firmly by, their pastor in these hard times. It makes us rejoice to realize that we have so many good and kind friends. We labor among them with much good cheer and prayer for their prosperity."

Rev. W. L. Blackwell, P. C., Vancleave, Miss., March 7, 1899: "On the second day after adjournment of the last sitting of Conference (at which Conference I was admitted on trial), I reached the work assigned me by the Bishop and his cabinet; perhaps being the first to reach the work assigned us by the Bishop. This work is one of the largest in the Conference, and I venture to say the worst scattered. I have nine appointments to meet monthly. I have to travel a distance of at least 125 miles in order to meet all my appointments, to say nothing of the visiting that's to be done, or should be done, as I go from place to place. But we are meeting with very good success, considering that we have had such bad, rainy weather. Our congregations are very good. People seem to be anxious to hear the gospel, as this scribe endeavors to preach it, as best he can, with the help of the Lord. We are taking collections at each and every appointment, as the Discipline requires. We have made some good collections, especially for the Conference claimants' fund. We want, by the help of the Lord, to break the record on Vancleave work this year by bringing up all collections, if it be possible; and I see no reason why, if I can only get the people to come up to the help of the Lord. Surely, out of a membership of 700 we can pay an assessment of about $650. We are doing some hard work trying to get people to take advantage of the opportunity of getting the ADVOCATE at one dollar a year; but some still hold off. Like one of old, they are waiting for a 'more convenient season.' I think we have a good average people on our work, religiously. We have only nine local preachers on Vancleave work, and maybe others coming on. Who knows what the future may bring about? I am glad to say our local brethren are loyal, and are in perfect harmony with their pastor. We are expecting great things this year, spiritually. The Lord bless the dear editor and the ADVOCATE. It gets better every day."

The Escape.

When a man has a chance to escape from prison he doesn't stop to argue about it; he breaks out as quickly as ever he can. He knows that every moment's delay may lessen his chances of escape; but when a man is sick he too often postpones his opportunity of getting well and says: "O, perhaps I'll be better next week" or "next month."

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1899.

"If any little love of mine
May make a life the sweeter,
If any little care of mine
May make a friend's the fleeter—
If any little lift of mine may ease
The burden of another,
God give me love and care and strength
To help my toiling brother."

God wheels the planets along their courses with one hand, and with the other he "numbers the hairs of our heads."—Selected.

I like not only to be loved, but to be told that I am loved; the realm of silence is large enough beyond the grave.—George Eliot.

The best man is he who tries to perfect himself; and the happiest man is he who feels that he is perfecting himself.—Socrates.

Not he who forces himself on opportunity, but he who watches its approach and welcomes its arrival by immediate use, is wise.—Lavater.

There are more men killed, so far as I know English statistics—more men poisoned by alcohol, than are poisoned by all other poisons put together.—James Edmunds, M. D.

God grant that as our horizon of duty is widened our minds may widen with it; that as our burden is increased our shoulders may be strengthened to bear it.—Dean Stanley.

Marble and granite are perishable monuments, and their inscriptions may be seldom read. Carve your names on human hearts; they alone are immortal!—Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.

Now to make our labor or employment an acceptable service unto God we must carry it on with the same spirit and temper that is required in giving of alms, or any work of piety.—Law.

Some consciences are like hay scales that will not weigh anything under ten pounds; others are like the delicate scales of the chemist that are sensitive to the hundredth part of a grain.—Selected.

I had rather as a forgiven child, with all the prospects of the future opened unto me, wear the crown purchased by the redeeming love of Christ, than that which is worn by the unfallen angel.—Anon.

Do not let the empty cup be your first teacher of the blessings you had when it was full. Seek, as a plain duty, to cultivate a buoyant, joyous sense of the crowded kindnesses of God in your daily life.—Alexander Maclaren.

Thou hast too much to say about thy rights, and thinkest too little about thy duties. Thou hast but one inalienable right; and that is the sublime one of doing thy duty at all times, under all circumstances and in all places.—Selected.

The diamond is intended to flash out its brilliancy to the world, but it can not do so until it is mined and polished. The mind, the brilliancy of man, is intended to shed forth its lustre, but can not do so until it is developed and cultivated.—Selected.

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Rev. Dr. Hugh Price Hughes, the distinguished and gifted leader among the Wesleyan Methodists, in his ringing appeals to the church in behalf of the "Twentieth Century Thank-offering" of five millions of dollars which they have undertaken to raise, is stressing the importance of preparing for and accompanying the raising of this fund by earnest prayer and effort for a mighty spiritual revival throughout the church.

Southern Methodism can not do a wiser thing than to profit by this illustrious example. It speaks well for us that we have planned great things educationally, but we should also plan and pray for spiritual enlargement, and for a vast army of new converts in connection with our educational campaign. Our small increase of late (which may turn out to be a decrease) ought to occasion earnest heart-searching and prayer, and stir our ministers to greater zeal in the work of soul-saving. If ever we, as a church, become content with the mere "edification of believers" while the work of evangelization is slighted, the chief glory of Methodism will have departed.

Nor should it be forgotten that spirituality and liberality stand in vital relation to each other. It is like putting the car before the horse to attempt to raise money for benevolent objects without first striving faithfully to revive and promote vital religion among the people. A backslidden or sleepy church is almost certain to be an illiberal one. Pride and self-interest may induce the payment of the pastor's salary and the beautifying of the house of worship, but nothing short of the love of God and man will prompt to self-denial and free-flowing contributions to the great benevolent enterprises of the church. Nothing so promotes generosity as the grace of God in the heart. Hence, when a church is aflame with revival power, it is seldom difficult to raise money from it for any worthy object. When believers are fully consecrated to God and in the enjoyment of religion, there is then no holding back of a "part of the price," and their purses readily fly open in response to appeals for the advancement of God's kingdom. Consecration and benevolence ever go hand in hand.

Hence, the best way to induce church members to contribute liberally to the support of its institutions and its benevolent enterprises is, first, to get them soundly converted, and then keep them in that blessed state of grace. Believers whose love has grown cold, or who never had much love to start with, may contribute to the Lord's cause sparingly and spasmodically, especially under the influence of persistent personal solicitation; but scarcely any will contribute according to ability unless prompted thereto by fervent piety. Collecting money for great benevolent enterprises from unconverted or backslidden church members is usually an up-hill business, and requires no little grit, as well as grace, on the part of the collector. If, however, Methodists can be made, as they once were, "Christians in earnest," then they will become "cheerful givers" to every good cause.

A sweeping revival in every charge would mean the speedy success of our educational and missionary plans during this season of preparation for the dawn of the new century. Let us, by the help of God, do our utmost to leaven every church in Southern Methodism this year with the power of godliness, so that we shall have a membership fully dedicated to God, baptized with the Holy Spirit, and awake to every divine call to "go forward." Let there be earnest prayer and united effort for the deepening of the spiritual life of our people.

The editor of Zion's Herald forcefully says: "Faith, feeling and finance have very close connections. If all of them can be magnified and multiplied, as they should be during the next two years, then truly will the century close in a blaze of glory."

A MISAPPREHENSION.

In order to correct a misapprehension, we will state that in our "Honor Roll" we do not give the names of all brethren who send in new subscriptions each week, but only the names of those not previously mentioned. A number of brethren have sent in new subscriptions every week since our special offer was made; yet their names have appeared in the "Honor Roll" only once. It would take a great deal of space to repeat week after week the names of all our brethren who are working for the ADVOCATE.

WHAT SUBSCRIBERS SAY.

The following are a few extracts from letters recently received from subscribers. They are samples of the tone of a large number.

"The dear old ADVOCATE gets better all the time." "I have been taking the ADVOCATE for twenty-five years, and I enjoy it now more than I ever did." "The ADVOCATE is a great help to me in my religious life." "Your editorial on 'Spiritual Expansion' was superb." "I have read the ADVOCATE many years. It was never better than under your able editorship."

A NEW BOOK.

THE QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. A Drama by Miss Mary V. Duval, Sardis, Miss. The Citizen Print Pulaski, Tenn.

The above-named work is a pamphlet of 24 pages. The author is widely known both as a teacher and as the author of a History of Mississippi. The play was written for representation before an annual reunion of the Confederate Veterans of Tennessee at Pulaski, Tenn., in October, '98, and with no thought of publication. Its representation, however, aroused such enthusiasm from the veterans that they asked for its publication and recommended that its sentiments be embodied in a text book for use in Southern schools. The salient characteristic of each of the States of the Southern Confederacy are presented in a very striking and forceful way. Its tone is praiseworthy throughout. We predict for it an extensive circulation. It can be had of the author at Pulaski, Tenn., at the following prices: Single copy, 25 cents; one dozen copies, $2.50

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. H.

We are in receipt of an illustrated pamphlet entitled, "Ceylon a Key to India," published by the American Board, Boston, Mass. This pamphlet is a new departure in missionary literature, and is the first of a series of twenty, each one of which will describe and illustrate one mission of the American Board.

The Gentlewoman, for March, gives views of the Cornelius Vanderbilt palace on Fifth avenue, New York. A new serial written shortly before her death by Mrs. Lynn Linton begins in this issue, which contains the concluding chapters of Julian Hawthorne's latest romance, "Forgive Us Our Debts." A new department, "The Comedy Corner," relieves the seriousness of such study departments as those connected with "The Kindergarten," which are unquestionably of real interest to every American mother, with "The Art of Making a Dress," which, it is needless to say, also interests all women readers.

TO LOUISIANA LEAGUERS.

The Louisiana State League Conference at Alexandria, last year, adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That this Conference request the delegates to the Conference of '99 to come prepared to render statistical reports, in order that the Conference may ascertain which is the banner League of the State—the winning League to hold the banner until the next Conference."

Let the Leaguers throughout the State take notice.

L. ADA BLACK,
Sec. La. State League.

Mr. W. C. Everett, who will be in charge of the branch Publishing House at Dallas, Tex., is a man in every way well qualified for the place. His long and thorough business training will prove a fine preparation for the duties of his new position, and his devotion to the church will also help to give him success. Young, strong, consecrated, he is bound to do good service for the church in that broad field. It will not be necessary for the Texans to take him on probation. He has already been tried and found entirely worthy.

Whatever else you may skip in this issue, do not fail to read our offer, "The ADVOCATE for One Year Free."

A SUGGESTION

TO THE EXAMINING COMMITTEES OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN: The Nashville Christian Advocate heartily commends the proposed Summer Institute for the instruction of undergraduates and candidates for admission on trial, to be held by the examining committees of the Tennessee Conference next June, at Vanderbilt University. The design of the Institute is not for the purpose of examining the undergradnates and candidates, but to assist them in preparation for the examination at Conference.

Let some central point, like Jackson, be selected, easy of access, where board could be obtained for one dollar per day, where examiners and students can associate together for a week.

Let the date for holding the Institute be fixed at such a time that, after giving due notice, the various candidates shall have sufficient time to give their respective books at least one careful reading. Thus they will be familiar to some extent with the subject-matter, and will be able to indicate what they do not understand.

For instance: the writer examines on Tigert's Logic. In previous examinations it has been customary to omit all exercises in Mediate Inference, on account of the difficulty they offer to minds untrained to habits and methods of study. Such omission emasculates the science. As well examine on grammar and omit all exercises in parsing and the analysis of sentences. These so-called difficulties are not to be slurred over, but are to be mastered by patient, persistent study. The lawyer well knows the value of a practical knowledge of logic. Surely the preacher, whose business it is "to persuade men" to forsake evil and follow righteousness, ought to cultivate an acquaintance with a science so indispensable to forensic skill.

All such difficulties would be removed by the plan indicated, which, if adopted, would at once give an impetus to preparatory study. Both the examiners and those to be examined would be brought into sympathetic touch with each other, and the latter would return to their homes with definite ideas of what is expected of them at Conference.

The writer would be pleased to hear from the brethren at their earliest convenience, in order that an organized mode of procedure may be adopted. Fraternally,

C. F. EMERY.

Edwards, Miss., March 15, 1899.

We most heartily endorse Bro. Emery's suggestion. We believe that such an Institute would prove of incalculable service to many of our undergradnates. Only one difficulty suggests itself, viz.: the expense. But this can, doubtless, be overcome. Some plan can be devised for defraying the traveling expenses of both the undergradnates and the instructors.

"THE BOOK OPENED."

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TRY IT.

We would like to send to every preacher who wishes to work for the ADVOCATE a sample copy of our Combination Bible to be used in canvassing. It can be returned at our expense, if not disposed of.

INFECTION THROUGH NORTH ATLANTIC PORTS.

The President of the State Board of Health has addressed to the health boards of all Atlantic ports notes, asking that all persons and baggage arriving from West Indian and other places subject to yellow fever, and bound for destinations in the Southern States, shall be properly disinfected before being allowed to leave the ports where they landed.

It has been demonstrated that persons from places in Cuba where yellow fever prevailed were allowed to land at New York without the slightest care as to disinfection, and in two days they were in this city. Fortunately their arrival was known, and their baggage and clothing were at once taken in charge and properly disinfected. In view of such facts, it is plain that yellow fever can be spread all over the country by persons arriving at Northern ports, where no precautions against the introduction of infection are taken, and thence traveling to interior destinations. It is earnestly hoped that some co-operation may be secured from Northern health officers; otherwise they will unwittingly spread disease in all parts of the country where it can propagate.—Picayune.

NOTES.

Mrs. J. O. Keener is making her home with her father, Dr. John Mathews, in Nashville.

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Dr. E. D. Beach, of this city, is on his feet again after a serious and protracted attack of grippe.

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Rev. R. H. Wynn will begin a meeting next Sabbath. He will be assisted by Rev. G. D. Parker.

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The commencement exercises of the Mansfield Female College will be held from June 11 to 14, inclusive.

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Rev. Henry B. Carre is spending the six weeks of his Spring vacation in touring Switzerland, Italy, and Greece.

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Be sure to read our "Special Offer on Minion and Emerald Bibles." This is a rare opportunity that will soon pass away.

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In a private letter Rev. B. H. Sheppard writes: "May God bless you in your work! The ADVOCATE grows better with each issue."

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Rev. W. T. Griffin writes that Dr. Atkins is expected at the Lamberton Sunday-school Conference; also either Dr. Hammond or Bishop Candler.

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Rev. J. B. Kent and Rev. R. P. Howell, who are in the city attending the Sunday-school Convention, honored the ADVOCATE office with a call.

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Dr. John Mathews, of McKendree Church, Nashville, Tenn., will preach the baccalaureate sermon at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.

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The meeting at Louisiana Avenue closed on Sunday night. While the statistical results were not large, the church was blessed and much good was accomplished.

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A meeting is in progress this week at Parker Memorial Church. The pastor, Rev. P. H. Fontaine, is assisted by "a noted preacher from England, Rev. T. B. Clifford."

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Rev. M. J. Jenkins passed through a storm a few days since and came out not only unhurt, but actually delighted with the experience and entirely willing for history to repeat itself.

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The ADVOCATE office was honored this week with a call from each of the following distinguished layman—President T. S. Sligh, of Mansfield College; Prof. J. M. Sullivan, of Centenary College, and A. M. Mayo, president of the Louisiana State Sunday-school Convention.

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Dr. James L. Andrews and Miss Mamie Elizabeth Armistead were married last evening, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's father, K. R. Armistead, on Mississippi avenue. The wedding was arranged to be a quiet home affair, only a very few special friends being invited. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, the Rev. C. G. Andrews, of Meridian, Miss. Dr. Andrews occupies the responsible position of chief of the sanitary force of the City Board of Health, and is a promising young physician. He is a thorough and efficient officer, and has won the approbation of his superiors for the manner in which he administers the affairs of his office. The bride is a gifted and attractive young woman, and has a large circle of admirers.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal, of March 8.

The commencement sermon of Vanderbilt University will be preached by Dr. James W. Lee. The annual address will be delivered by Hon. J. P. Dolliver.

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It is stated that Dr. E. E. Hoss has been tendered the presidency of the University of Georgia, and that he has the question of acceptance under consideration.

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The Woman's City Mission Society of New Orleans held its quarterly meeting in Carondelet Street Church on Friday, the seventeenth. An account of it will appear in our next issue.

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Rev. E. B. Craddock, of the North Mississippi Conference, has built one church since Conference and expects to build another very soon. The people have shown their appreciation of their enterprising pastor by raising his salary.

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Mr. Wilkes Henry, a noble layman of the Madison charge, Mississippi Conference, died in his home at Pocahontas, Miss., on the evening of March 14, after an illness of only a few days. He was in the prime of a useful life, and will be greatly missed by his family and the church.

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Writing from Mayersville, Miss., under date of March 14, Rev. W. T. Griffin says: "On Friday, the tenth, we buried the remains of Bro. Wm. Purnell in Vicksburg, Miss. The loss to the church is great. A good man has 'fallen on sleep.' He had led an exemplary life, having been a Christian since sixteen."

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Rev. J. W. Ramsey, of the North Mississippi Conference, says: "We are getting on nicely at Pontotoc. Men are at work on our church, painting inside and out, and also putting in a new pulpit in modern style. When it is completed, we will have the best and prettiest church in our little city."

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Rev. W. L. Blackwell, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "The outlook for a successful year on Vancleave circuit is very fine. We have already paid $30 on the Conference fund. We expect to raise all our assessments in full. May the Lord bless you in your work! I think the ADVOCATE gets better every week."

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From a private letter from Rev. W. G. Evans, of the Louisiana Conference, we quote as follows: "We are being well taken care of, and the work is progressing finely. I have taken six persons into the church, and have the promise of ten or more in the near future. I am organizing a church at Ash Point. I will have the whole of the foreign missionary money in hand this week."

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We were honored on Monday last with a call from our genial friend, Rev. J. S. Oakley, of the North Mississippi Conference, who was en route to Bay St. Louis and other towns on the Mississippi coast, where he will spend a week or ten days for rest and recuperation. Though much improved, he has not entirely recovered from the effects of his icy fall some weeks since. He attended the Preachers' Meeting, and received a cordial welcome from the brethren.

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We are indebted to the courtesy of the secretary, Dr. J. T. Sawyer, for a copy of the Minutes of the Fifty-third Session of the Louisiana Annual Conference, held at Mansfield, Dec. 15-19, '98—a pamphlet of fifty-odd pages from the press of Hopkins, New Orleans. As far as we are able to see, it contains all the matter properly belonging to such a publication. The secretarial work seems to be done with that painstaking care which past experience has taught the brethren to expect from Dr. Sawyer.

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Rev. H. C. Morehead writes: "This had been one of the most difficult and trying seasons to do church work I remember to have seen. Notwithstanding the severely cold weather, the awful condition of the roads, and swollen streams, every quarterly meeting to date has been held. The pastors—a noble, self-sacrificing set of men—are all at the post of duty. Bros. Calloway and Gore have been much hindered by sickness, as well as bad weather, etc., in their work. With the blessings of Him who has promised to be with us always, even to the end, we expect success."

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

The Epworth League Union of New Orleans met in monthly session Tuesday evening, March 14, in Felicity Street Church.

Engagements in revival services in another part of the city precluded the possibility of our presence on this occasion.

The meeting was both pleasant and profitable to those in attendance, and we herewith publish account as it appeared in the Times-Democrat, of March 15:

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE CONSIDERED.

"The Epworth Leaguers of this city, as well as those in the towns of the State, and particularly along the line of the Southern Pacific railroad, are growing more enthusiastic daily over their Annual Conference, which is to be held in Crowley, April 20-23. The Union Epworth League, of New Orleans, met last night at their regular monthly reunion, in Felicity Street Church, where the State Conference was the principal topic of the evening. The Southern Pacific railroad has reduced the fare from every point along its road to Crowley to just one fare for the round trip, which will naturally increase the attendance. The fare to Crowley and back from New Orleans for the Conference will be just $5."

"State President H. H. Ahrens, in stating these facts last night, said further that this was the biggest reduction that road had ever made for a religious convention. He reported from Crowley that the town was preparing a royal welcome for the convention; will entertain everybody that comes, and will provide one of the best programmes ever had. The printed programme is not yet ready for publication, but it is understood that there are to be a number of the 'big guns' of Southern Methodism there, and music is to be furnished by a trained choir of fifty voices. A special coach-load is looked for from New Orleans. President Ahrens is advertising the Conference all over the State, and is in correspondence with other railroads with reference to a reduction of rates on their part."

"The result of all this talking up of the Conference was that the Union elected two special delegates to represent their body—Rev. P. H. Fontaine and Miss Fanny B. Patterson."

"The other matters that came up before the Union were comparatively small ones. There were the usual monthly reports from the ten different Leagues in the Union, and the reports from the secretary and the treasurer."

"President George Parker wants the Leaguers to remember that their mission is located at No. 2509 Tulane avenue, and is in need of their presence and financial assistance."

"By action of the Union the office of Union editor of the Epworth League column in the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE was abolished, as the State editor is able to do all the work."

[Let not the Leaguers forget that we need their help. Send in your reports.—EDITOR.]

"The meeting ended with a very entertaining programme and the serving of refreshments. Among those whose talents added to the evening's enjoyment were Messrs. G. S. Brown, R. F. Harrell, Emerson Bentley, Louis Connce and Rev. J. F. Foster, in a sacred song; little Masters Guy and Beverley Brown, in a missionary song; Miss Willie Seymour, in a recitation; Rev. Thos. W. Carter, with an account of his trip through Europe; by Miss Meyer, with a recitation."

The Leaguers in Mississippi are stirring themselves in arranging for their State Conference, to be held in West Point, June 22-25.

We gladly publish a piece contributed by our fair friend, Miss Vio Thompson, anent this coming Conference.

Intelligent and enthusiastic League workers have been secured for the occasion. We trust the Mississippi League will appreciate these arrangements in their behalf and attend en masse.

We hope soon to be able to give details as to program now being planned for the Louisiana State League Conference, to be held in Crowley, La., April 20-23.

MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

At a recent meeting of our State League Executive Committee the program for our State Conference at West Point was arranged, and the date changed to June 22-25. Acting upon the suggestion received from the Georgia State League Cabinet, it was decided to omit the customary addresses of welcome, etc., and, instead, open with a consecration service, thereby giving out at the beginning the key-note to the entire Conference. We want this meeting to be an occasion for an outpouring of God's Spirit—a baptism of power from on high—and request that the Leaguers throughout the State pray earnestly to this end. The general topic for the Conference will be, "Twentieth-Century Methodism," with these sub-divisions: 1. "Its Spirituality," 2. "Its Missionary Impulse," and, 3. "Its Educational Feature." It is our purpose to secure the very best speakers possible for this occasion, and I'm confident that our Leaguers will feel that the success of the Conference will be safe in the hands of those already secured, namely: Bishop C. B. Galloway, Dr. H. M. DuBose, and Bro. Joe Ramsey, State League organizer for Tennessee. Bro. Ramsey will make an itinerary in our State prior to the Conference, beginning June 4. We are sure to be greatly benefited by his work among us, and as soon as his itinerary is arranged, I'll ask for the publication of the same for the benefit of the Leaguers.

Aside from the discussion of the subjects already named, we have arranged for a School of Methods, in which we hope to have the most successful workers in our State give their plans of work in the different departments. In accordance with a resolution passed at our last State Conference, we are endeavoring to have the young Leaguers take part in this School of Methods. The number to be used from each district has been apportioned according to the League membership of same. We hope to make this work instructive and practical, and request every Leaguer to have a note-book and pencil, so as to carry away such instruction as will manifest itself in practical working power.

Another helpful feature of the occasion will be the singing, which we hope to have under the direction of Mr. W. A. Hemphill. Realizing that in the world's history, both sacred and secular, no factor has played a more important part than music, and that an outpouring of God's Spirit upon any place and people is always accompanied by glad and joyous outbursts of song, we feel that nothing will add so much to our Conference as to place a talented and consecrated man in charge of the music. Hence we hope to have Mr. Hemphill with us.

We request that each and every person in our State interested in this great young people's movement begin at once to talk, work and pray for our fifth State League Conference.

VIC THOMPSON,
Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., March 6, 1899.

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R E. Rutledge,
W. G Evans,
C. D. Fonat.

NOTICE.

MR. EDITOR: Please say for me through the ADVOCATE that my postoffice address is Escatawpa, Miss., and not Moss Point, as the Minutes have it. W. J. DAWSON.

Escatawpa, Miss., March 15, 1899.

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Yours truly, REX.

Natchez, March 10, 1899.

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He always studied hard at school,
And got his lessons right;
And chopping wood and milking cows
Were papa's chief delight.

"He always rose at six o'clock
And went to bed at eight,
And never lay abed till noon,
And never sat up late.
He finished Latin, French and Greek
When he was ten years old,
And knew the Spanish alphabet
As soon as he was told.

"He never grumbled when he had
To do the evening chores,
And ne'er in all his life forgot
To shut the stable doors;
He never, never thought of play
Until his work was done;
He labored hard from break of day,
Until the set of sun.

"He never scraped his muddy shoes
Upon the parlor floor,
And never answered back his ma,
And never banged the door;
But truly I could never see,'
Said little Dick Malloy,
'How he could never do those things,
And really be a boy.'"

—New York Advocate.

HUNGRY FOR A HANDSHAKE.

He was sitting in a park. He looked downhearted and despondent. His clothes were dusty, but not ragged. There was a look of despair on his boyish face, almost a look of desperation. Some one, noticing his despondent look, sat down by him, saying, "I judge you are a stranger in the city; I want to shake hands with you."

Only a word, you see, but a bright look came into the young man's face, and he eagerly held out his hand. "O," he said, "I am so hungry for a handshake. I left my home about a week ago with the prayers and best wishes of my friends. Times were hard, and it seemed necessary for me to go into the world to make a living for myself. I supposed there was lots of work for me in this city, but I don't think there is anything, and I am discouraged." He bit his lip hard as he said this, and his mouth quivered. "I will try again," he went on to say, "since some one cares enough for me to shake hands with me."

That handshake was the beginning of his success. Downhearted and discouraged before, feeling that there was no one who cared for him in a great city, his heart was made glad by that simple thing, a handshake, and he took courage and soon found employment.

There are people on every side of us, perhaps not in these exact circumstances, but who are discouraged and depressed, who need a handshake, a friendly word, a kindly interest. As servants of that Christ who went about doing good, shall we give it?—Union Gospel News.

THE MIND MUST BE PURE.

The youth who would succeed must keep his mind pure. God and the successful man know how necessary this is. Thoughts of envy and unrighteous scheming, and lust, and to be dreaded even more than all others, thoughts of impurity, must be avoided. An impure thought is like a piece of sponge crushed tightly in the hand, which, when the pressure is relieved, expands to a size many times larger than the hand itself. It is a deadly poisonous weed, easiest to spring up and hardest to root out. Without a pure life there can be no real success.

How many young men, in moments of despondency and defeat, have not stopped and asked themselves: "Is the struggle worth while, after all?" But in every true man is planted an ambition, a consuming fire that will not let him rest where he is, but goads him on to better and higher things. His spirit cries out: "Excelsior!" In the morning he can hardly keep from crying aloud in the street his absorbing hope and ambition. He is on fire with his thought and his purpose. "Is it worth the while?" The mind is exhausted or diseased that asks it. It is worth the while and the effort. It is life itself. It is what we live for; and, if a man fall short of always doing his duty, and making the best possible man of himself, he is a failure, and no other failure is so great.—Success.

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"Did you, grandpa?" exclaimed Sam, glad to have some one stand by him.

"I mean to say I thought you thought so," replied his grandpa. "I enjoyed it because my appetite was whetted for it before I went to church. While the minister was preaching I noticed it was just the other way with you."

"Just the other way, how?" Sam demanded.

"Why, before you went," answered grandpa, "instead of sharpening your appetite for the sermon, you dulled it by reading the trashy paper. Then instead of sitting straight up and looking at the minister while he preached, as though you wanted to catch every word he said and every expression of his face, you lounged down in your seat and turned half way around. I never knew anybody who could hear a sermon right from the side of his head. Then you let your eyes rove about the church and out of the window. That dulled the sense. You dulled your ears by listening to a dog that was barking, and the milkman's bell, and the train puffing into the station. You dulled your mind and soul by thinking you were a terribly abused boy for having to go to church and stay through the sermon, and so you made yourself a dull listener. And I never knew it to fail in my life that a dull listener made a dull sermon."—Morning Guide.

OLD-SCHOOL MANNERS.

When one speaks of a lady or a gentleman of the old school, the idea conveyed is at once that of somebody stately, courteous, and somewhat formal. One can not conceive of a person distinguished by the gentle breeding of the old school as flying to and fro in a hurry; as rushing about over the affairs of the day, fussy, fidgety, or impatient because these are not going as they should; as interrupting conversation, as arriving too late to keep an appointment, or as in any small way violating the rules of politeness. It is characteristic of old-school courtesy that it has leisure to be considerate, and perhaps it would be well for us who belong to a newer time to return to some of the beautiful observances which were once enstomary among highly-civilized people.

The curt phraseology of the day has in a measure dropped even the beautiful words, lady and gentleman, substituting man and woman in very clumsy and awkward connections. Man as the name of the species, woman as its feminine, are appropriate terms, and there are certain situations in which it is right to speak of men and women. But when we are alluding to people in society, people who have certain relations to sustain to one another, we should say lady and gentleman, and it is not too much to exact of these the refinement, the good taste, and the freedom from hurry which are distinguished marks of those who have been brought up in a polite school.—Christian Intelligencer.

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IF YOU WOULD BE HAPPY.

Keep your temper. Gain a little knowledge every day. Make few promises, and speak the truth. Give full measure, and weigh with a just balance. Consent to common custom, but not to common folly. Be cautious of believing ill, but more cautious of reporting it. Have courage to wear your old clothes until you can pay for new ones. Think of heaven with hearty purpose and strong hope to get there. Do good to all, that you may keep your friends and gain your enemies. Count your resources, find out what you are not fit for, and give up wishing for it.—Selected.

Hygiene.

WHY HE BROKE DOWN.

Everybody wondered why Mr. Roe broke down. He had a magnificent constitution, and was perfectly temperate. If any man was ever made for hard work, Mr. Roe was that man. He delighted in hard work. Sunday he was always found in his place in Sunday-school and church. He was treasurer, and took charge of the church collections and kept the accounts. He was trustee, also, and invariably present at the meetings of the trustees. He was auditor of the public school accounts, and present at all school meetings. He was always wanted to be on committees of various sorts, to be judge at fairs. He was prominent among the alumni of his alma mater. All these activities he gave his evenings to.

In the daytime, six days in the week, he was at his desk in the city, and pushing with all his might the very heavy business interests of the firm with which he was connected. After the business day came the social day, and if he wasn't at some trustee or school or committee meeting, he was entertaining friends at his own home or being entertained in somebody else's home. So he rarely got to bed before eleven or twelve o'clock, and the breakfast hour was eight. As he felt that he must have exercise, and as he delighted in gardening, he was often up at six o'clock in the morning in the warm season, running the lawn mower, pruning and cultivating his trees and vines, or hoeing in the garden.

If he felt a little dull, an extra cup of coffee at lunch would brighten him up for his afternoon work, or at dinner for his evening outing. So he burned the candle at both ends till there was little but snuff left.

General Grant is reported to have said on one occasion that, if he could have nine hours' sleep every night, any amount of work could be piled on him during the rest of the twenty-four hours without hurting him. Probably the same amount of sleep taken regularly, minus the coffee, would have kept Mr. Roe in good working condition indefinitely or till age set in; or if he could have taken naps at intervals during the day, he might have stood the strain. Josephine said that the impression that Napoleon slept only three or four hours in the twenty-four was erroneous; that he refreshed himself with brief periods of sleep during business hours. Napoleon seems to have been able to sleep at will. He said his mind was like a bureau, and he could shut up its various drawers and go to sleep when he pleased.

Achilles had given him to choose a life short and glorious, or long and uneventful. There is no evidence that he shortened his life by overwork, and it is a serious question whether any man has a right to do this. A valuable man like Mr. Roe is always in demand, and will be continually tempted and urged to load himself down so heavily with various obligations and enterprises that a little thing apparently will cause his overladen bark to founder and go down.—New York Advocate.

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The Midway Church, of which she was a member, has sustained a very heavy loss; her pastor a warm friend and ardent supporter. She was an intelligent Christian—modest, unassuming. The good she did was, perhaps, felt more than seen. In a judicious way she was always helpful to her pastor. If anyone spoke complimentary of him, she made it convenient to inform him—a thing that a great many Christians do not think of. She was a regular attendant and a real worshiper at the preaching of the Word. By her genial and responsive face she actually aided her minister in delivering his message to the congregation.

God had a wise purpose in taking Sister Thomas from us, but it was indeed sad to part with her. The writer conducted her funeral in Delhi, and, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, a large crowd was present, both at the church and the grave. She leaves a brother in Georgia and a sister in Texas, and a host of friends, to mourn her loss. "Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in." Yea, the King of glory came in, and flooded her soul with his gleam. She is gathered unto God. May the Lord, who comforteth those who are bereaved, pour forth his divine consolation upon the grief-stricken ones in this time of need!

Her pastor, JAS. M. MARTIN.
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PORTIS—MARGARET MARIA PORTIS, wife of Rev. J. C. Portis, of the Congregational Methodist Church, was born in Newton county, Miss., near Union, Feb. 23, 1841; was married to Rev. J. C. Portis, Sept. 27, 1860, and died at her home at Union, Miss., Feb. 21, 1899. She had lived in and around Union all her life; loved by all who knew her. She lived a sweet-spirited life, but did not attach herself to the church till about the year 1890, under the ministry of Rev. J. G. Cammack. She joined the M. E. Church, South; she lived a consistent life till death.

Just before the end came she gave full directions for burial, etc. "Don't hurry," was her request. So, on the evening of the twenty-third (her birthday), assisted by Rev. J. M. Bolen, pastor of the Congregational Methodist Church at Union, we laid her body to rest in the cemetery near Union, in the presence of loved ones and a host of friends. The universal belief is, "All is well with Sister Portis." She leaves three children (one son and two daughters), six grandchildren—all present when the end came.

Bro. Portis finds comfort in the gospel of Christ, which, for years, he has preached to others. Looking far beyond this dark hour, he has a glimpse of glory. Press on, dear brother, and you shall meet her. God bless the bereaved ones, and bring them all home at last!

R. S. GALE, Pastor.

BLACKBURN—ARTHUR BLACKBURN was born in Belfast, Ireland, Nov. 6, 1825; died at Newton Station, Newton county, Miss., Feb. 6, 1899; married to Margaret Collville in Drumbo Church (Belfast, Ireland), Nov. 30, 1847; emigrated to Vicksburg, Miss., in 1848; remained there two years, then removed to Scott county, Miss., where he remained one year; then to Newton county, where he lived till death. He was reared a member of the Episcopal Church. There being no church of that order in Newton county, he joined first the Congregational Methodist Church; afterward joined the M. E. Church, South.

Bro. Blackburn for years was a member of this circuit (Decatur), where he has many kindred and loved ones. A few years since he moved his membership to Newton Station. I never knew him, never saw him, till I laid his form in the grave; yet I feel that I do know him through his many friends here. He lived a consistent Christian life; was ready when the end came; had not lived his life in vain. At Conehatta, surrounded by friends and loved ones, on the twenty-fifth of February, 1899, we tenderly placed his body in the grave. His aged wife, children and grandchildren mourn, but not without hope. They, too, are passing on in his footsteps. God's grace is sufficient for them.

R. S. GALE.

TURNER—Mrs. CAROLINA MATILDA TURNER (nee Kinchen) was born in Livingston parish, La., Nov. 14, 1817, and died at Denham Springs, La., Jan. 22, 1899, in her eighty-second year. In 1834 she was married to W. H. Pendleton. To them were born four children, two of whom survive her. She was afterwards left a widow, and was married the second time to Cyrus Turner, of Massachusetts. This union was blessed with five children. Two of these preceded her to the other world, thus leaving five children, thirty-three grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren to mourn her departure. Most of her life was spent in East Feliciana parish, where she has a host of friends. Early in life she united with the M. E. Church; was happily converted, and always had a bright Christian experience.

Sister Turner was a Methodist of the old type. She could relate many wonderful things incident of early Methodism, of the good old camp meetings and glorious revivals seventy years ago. She endeavored to "rear up her children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." She "endured afflict on" with patience and Christian fortitude; spent much time in prayer and devotion; had a faith that took "no denial at the throne of grace." When the summons came she was ready. May her God comfort the broken-hearted, and may her Christ be their Savior!

J. M. ALFORD.

CORKERN—Mrs. INEZ M. CORKERN (nee Carter) was born at Franklinton, La., Nov. 2, 1881, and departed this life at Denham Springs, La., Feb. 7, 1899. Two years ago she was married to Stephen D. Corkern, of Washington parish, La. To them was born one child, which survives her. She was the daughter of Hon. Printess B. Carter and J. C. Carter. Her mother preceded her to the better land several years. She was a model character; identified herself with the cause of Christ; became a member of the Methodist Church under the pastorate of Rev. W. H. Benton, at Franklinton, La., before her marriage, in which she remained a consistent member, devoted and earnest worker, until her death. As she had lived, so she died; yea, in an enduring and ever-abiding faith in her Lord and Master. She was called away just as she was entering a life of usefulness, filled with hope and ambition to live for others and for the glory of God. She was gentle and amiable, daily exhibiting in her life the noblest Christian virtues. She was loved by all who knew her; was an obedient child, and proved to be a devoted wife. God bless and comfort the heart-broken husband, the grief-stricken father, step-mother, and relatives. And may they so live as to meet her in heaven!

J. MARTIN ALFORD.

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McLEOD—Another good woman gone. After a short illness Sister ELIZABETH A. MCLEOD (nee McGraw) died Jan. 19, 1899. She was an Alabamian by birth, but came with her parents from Atauga county to Mississippi at about ten years of age (1815). She professed religion while young; afterwards joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she was an humble follower of the "Man of Galilee" as long as she lived.

Sister McLeod will be greatly missed at church. She was always at her place when circumstances would at all admit. She was a faithful, obliging neighbor; a wife unswerving in her duties as a companion; a careful and painstaking mother, seasoning her instructions to her children with prayer, all of whom, six in number, live to remember a loving mother's counsels except one.

She was happily married to J. Murry McLeod, Nov. 25 1858, whom she leaves to sorrow, not as those who have no hope, but leaning on the promises of God, expecting to meet the companion of his youth where "all tears will be wiped away." So mote it be.

D. W. BANE.

GROUT—Died on Thursday, Feb. 9, 1899, at the residence of Mrs. A. D. Ewing, Brookhaven, Miss., ROBERT EVERETT, son of Edward Everett Grout and Mattie Dennett Ewing.

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If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within and all God's workings see,
We could interpret all the doubt and strife,
And for each mystery find a key!

But not to-day. Then be content, poor heart!
God's plans, like lilies, pure and white, unfold;
We must not tear the tender leaves apart;
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.

And if, through patient toil, we reach the land
Where tired feet, with sandals loosed, may rest,
When we shall clearly see and understand,
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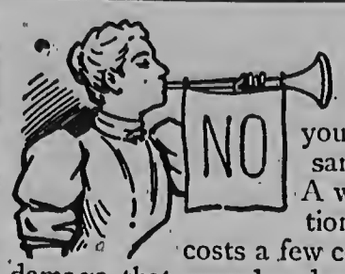

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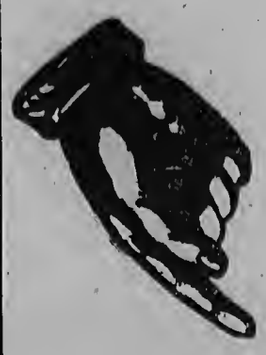

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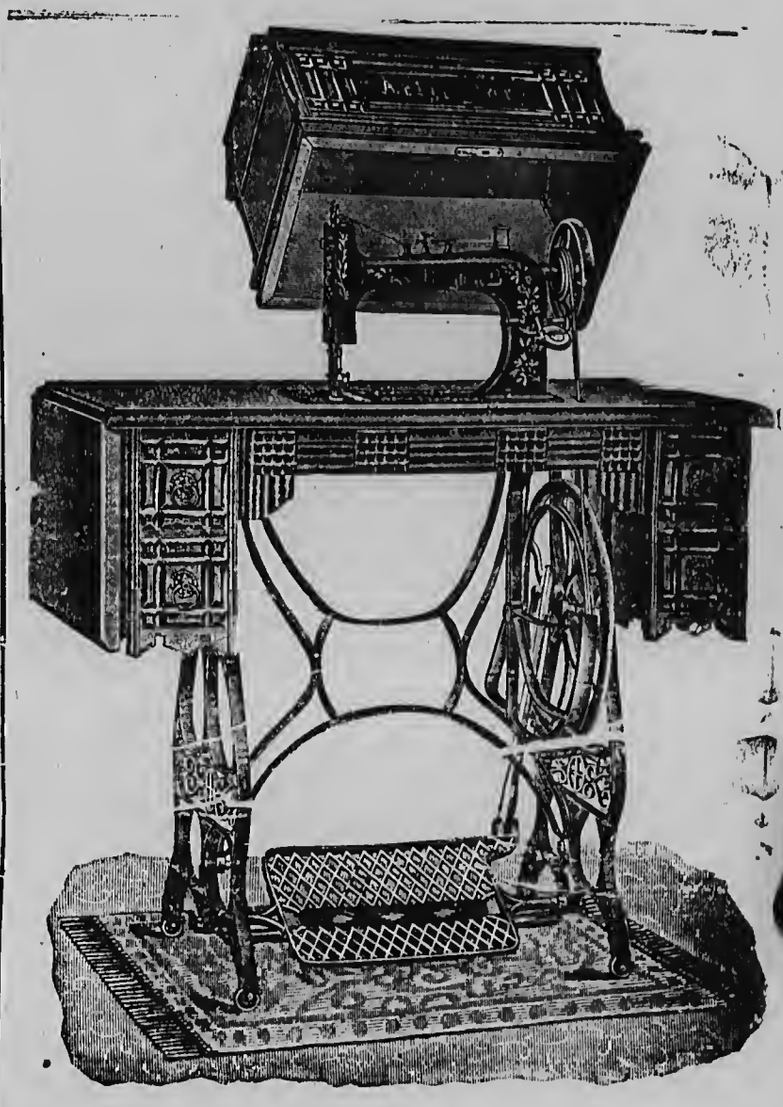

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Second Louisiana Regiment sailed from Havana to the United States on Monday.

On Monday, at Sing Sing, New York, Mrs. Martha Place was electrocuted for a most atrocious murder.

A small measure of woman suffrage granted in California is an enactment permitting women to vote in school elections.

The governor of Oklahoma has vetoed the bill aimed at Christian Scientists, on the ground that it interfered with religious liberty.

Business had to be suspended in Owensboro, Ky., on a recent day because of the smoke from a burning tobacco factory.

The cyclone in Alabama was more serious than at first reported. Ten persons were killed outright and over a score badly injured.

The Windsor Hotel, New York City, was destroyed by fire on March 17. Sixteen bodies have been found among the ruins, and a number are unaccounted for.

United States troops have been ordered to assist the civil authorities in Laredo in enforcing sanitary laws. Mexicans refuse to be vaccinated or to be quarantined.

Although there is no immediate alarm, it is generally felt that the Pope's life is ebbing away. Communications have recently passed between the different cabinets relative to the eventuality of a conclave.

The marine corps is to be commanded by a brigadier-general and their number increased to 6,000 men. Since the marines made the first landing in Cuba, and successfully fought for it through several days and nights, their value for hot work is appreciated.

As a result of his action in occupying the Pasig river line and in controlling the Laguna de Bay, General Otis has divided the insurgent forces, and, upon the arrival of additional re-enforcements, will send out columns sufficiently strong to destroy each division.

Mrs. Ella Knowles Haskell, of Helena, Mont., who has just retired from the assistant attorney generalship of that State, was the first and only woman to hold that place. She was elected by the Populists, is a native of New Hampshire and a graduate of Bates College.

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General Otis is rapidly carrying out his plans. The insurgent forces have been divided and demoralized. Americans are following up their advantages so quickly that Aguinaldo's men have not time to recover from one blow before another town has been attacked and captured.

The recent announcement of the British naval programme for the current year, showing an increase over the preceding year of $15,000,000, due entirely to increased building of new ships, serves to call attention afresh to rapid strides being made in naval armaments in Europe.

Prominent citizens of Washington are planning to get Admiral Dewey there on May 20. The Secretary of the Navy will be asked to authorize the admiral to accept an invitation from the city of Washington to be the guest of honor at the peace festival which is to be held there the latter part of May. The request will be submitted to the President.

Senor Silvela, Spanish premier and minister of foreign affairs, has had a conference with the French ambassador regarding the liberation of Spanish prisoners in the hands of the Filipinos. Spain, it is reported, has determined to protest to the civilized world against the attitude of the Americans in hindering the efforts of General Rios, Spanish commander in the Philippines, to liberate the prisoners. The government will demand a credit for the payment of the interest on the Cuban debt.

A riot in Havana, Saturday night, between the police and the populace resulted in the wounding of a large number of persons, some of them seriously. A disturbance of this kind has been feared for some time past. The situation in the Cuban capital has been growing more strained from day to day, with two ugly features to still further stir up riot and mob violence—the quarrel between Gomez and the so-called Military Assembly, and the weakness or ignorance of the police in dealing with mobs.

Under a clause of the Treaty of Peace the United States is obliged to pay the claims of American citizens for losses sustained in Cuba by acts of the Spaniards. The number of claims already filed call for about $20,000,000, the claimants being largely naturalized Cubans. It is probable that a commission will be appointed to adjust these claims. The claims are, many of them, extravagant, and will be cut down. Two widows ask $100,000 and $75,000 respectively for the killing of their husbands, and $100,000 for a son. Most of the claims relate to sugar destroyed or seized.

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The Sunday school Convention of the Mississippi Conference will convene at Lumberton on the twenty-ninth instant. Let me say to every town in the Conference which is large enough to take care of us, that invitations to meet with you next year are now in order. Write to me or W. T. Griffin at the Conference, or send your invitation by your delegates. Each invitation will be considered by the Executive Committee, who will decide where the Conference will meet next year. The place and time of meeting next year will be fixed during our meeting at Lumberton.

We hope everybody who expects to attend the Conference will be there to hear the opening sermon by Dr. J. M. Weems, Tuesday night, the twenty-eighth.
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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

West Point	Mar. 25, 26
Tibbee	Apr. 1, 2
Cedar Bluff	8, 9
Starkville circuit	15, 16
Starkville station	22, 23
Lagrange	29, 30
Sturges	May 6, 7
Columbus circuit	13, 14
Columbus station	20, 21
Wiustonville	27, 28

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DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Ethel, at Shady Grove	Mar. 25, 26
Eupora and Maben, at Maben	Apr. 1, 2
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	8, 9
Pickens, at Pickens	15, 16
Ackerman, at Weir	22, 23
Durant station	29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge	May 6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland	13, 14
Tumnolen, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
Belzena	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June 3, 4
Louisville	10, 11
Salem	15

The Preachers' Meeting will be held at Sallis, April 5 and 6.

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CORINTH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Ripley and New Albany	Mar. 25, 26
Booneville circuit	Thurs.. 29
Blue Springs circuit	Apr. 1, 2
Kossuth circuit	Fri.. 7
Corinth circuit	8, 9
Saltillo circuit	15, 16
Guntown and Baldwyn	night.. 16
Jonesboro circuit	Fri.. 21
Ripley circuit	22, 23
Marietta circuit	29, 30
Brown's Creek circuit	Fri.. May 5
Belmont circuit	6, 7
Jacinto circuit	13, 14
New Albany circuit	20, 21

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SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Nesbit	Mar. 25, 26
Arkabutla	Apr. 1, 2
Scuntobia	2, 3
Batesville and Wesley	8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando	15, 16
Cockrum	20, 21
Wall Hill	22, 23
Courtland	29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May 6, 7
Tyro	12
Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Orwood mission	19
Eureka	20, 21
Longtown	27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

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GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Cleveland	Mar. 26, 27
Merigold	25, 26
Greenville	Apr. 1, 2
Clarksdale	8, 9
Friar's Point	15, 16
Lula	22, 23
Belen	23, 21
Jonestown	29, 30
Robinsonville	May 6, 7
Austin	13, 14
Sherard's	20, 21
Lacoma	27, 28
Gunnison	28, 29
Rosedale	June 3, 4
Bolivar	10, 11
Lebrton	17, 18

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GRENADA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Water Valley—Wood Street	Mar. 11, 12
Water Valley—North Main Street	12, 13
Coffeeville, at Goshen	18, 19
Oxford station	25, 26
Grenada station	Apr. 1, 2
Grenada circuit, at Bethel	8, 9
Water Valley circuit, at Taylor	15, 16
Tatum circuit, at Gore's Chapel	Fri. 21
Charleston circuit, at Tillmieba	22, 23
Toccopola	29, 30
Banner, at Salem	May 6, 7
Parla, at Tula	13, 14
Strathmore	20, 21
Ellzey, at George's Chapel	27, 8
Pittsboro, at Tabernacle	Tues.. 10
Chapel Hill, at Mars Hill	Thurs.. June 1
Slate Springs, at Spring Hill	3, 4

The District Conference will be held at Toccopola, April 27, 28, 29, and 30. Program will appear later.

H. C. MORRHEAD, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Holly Springs station	Mar. 26, 27
Abbeville circuit, at ——	Apr. 1, 2
Potts Camp, at Myrtle	8, 9
Pontotoc, at Ebenezer	15, 16
Holly Springs circuit, at Union	22, 23
Olive Branch, at Oak Grove	May 6, 7
Byhalia, at Emery	13, 14
Waterford, at Harris' Ch	20 21
Mt. Pleasant, at Early Grove	27, 28
East Holly Springs, at Fountain Grove	June 3, 4
Red Banks, at Red Banks	10, 11
Ashland, at Sulom	17, 18
Conversville, at ——	24, 25

District Conference convenes at Pontotoc, April 27, at 9 A. M.

J. W. HONSOLL, P. E.

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BATON ROUGE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Baker circuit, at Baker	Mar. 25, 26
Zachary	26, 27
Baton Rouge and Antioch, at Baton Rouge	Apr. 1, 2
Baton Rouge station	2, 3
Bluff Creek Camp Ground..preaching, Fri., 11 A. M.	7
East Feliciana, at Bilead	8, 9
Port Vincent, at Bluff's Chapel	15, 16
Pine Grove, at Pipkin Chapel	22, 23
Live Oak, at Beech Grove	29, 30
Ponchatoula, at Hammond	May 6, 7
Amite City, at Kentwood	10, 11
Franklinton, at Magee's	13, 14
Slaughter, at Betuvillo	20, 21
Clinton	21, 22
St. Helena, at Center	23
Wilson, at Pisgah	27, 28
Jackson	28, 29
St. Francisville, at Tunica	June 3, 4

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Vernon, at Long Straw	Apr. 1, 2
Calhoun, at Indian Village	3
Downsville, at Mt. Nebo	5
Farmerville, at Ebenezer	6
Ruston	7
Simsboro, at Antioch	8, 9
Lisbon and S., at Harmony Chapel	15, 16
Lanesville, at Grand Bayou	22, 23
Minden	28
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	28
Flat Lick, at Mimms' E. House	29, 30
Gibbsland, at G	May 6, 7
Arcadia	13, 14
Homer, at Homer	20, 21
Haynesville, at Mt. Zion	27, 28
Gansville	June 2
Bienville	3, 4

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Port Gibson	22, 23
South Warren, at Asbury Chapel	29, 30
Mayersville, at Beulah	May 6, 7
Flora, at Livingston	13, 14
Bolton, at Clinton	20, 21
Edwards, at Learned	27, 28

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Forest, at Homewood..preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon., 9 A. M.	Apr. 8-10
Raleigh, at Trieity	Thurs.. 11
Trenton, at Pollkville	Thurs.. 13
Morton, at Lindsey Chapel..Sat. and Sun	15, 16
Clarksburg, at Lodebar..Sun. P. M. and Mon A. M.	16, 17
Carthage, at Rocky Point..Sat. and Sun	22, 23
Walnut Grove, at Pine Grove..Thurs.	25
Hillsboro, at Good Hope	Thurs.. 27
V. and Heidelberg, at Good Water.. preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon	May 6-8
N. and Hickory, at Newton..preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon	13-15
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 20, 21
Loke, at High Hill	Thurs.. 25
Montrose, at Montrose..Sat. and Sun.	27, 28
District High School at Montrose, annual sermon	28
Rose Hill, at Hopewell	Wed.. 31
(Punkey, at Sageville..Sat. and Sun	June 3, 4
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Thurs.. 8
Neshmba, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 10, 11
Decatur, at ——	Wed.. 14

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Vimville, at Marion	Mar. 18, 19
North Kemper, at Hopewell	25, 26
Meridian—East End	Sun. A. M., Tues. P. M. Apr. 2, 4
Meridian—Central	Sun. P. M., Mon. P. M. 2, 3
DeKalb, at Pleasant Ridge	8, 9
Meridian—South Side, at S. S	Sun. A. M, Wed. P. M. 16, 19
Meridian—West End	Sun. P. M., Mon. P. M. 16, 17
Porterville, at Mt. Hebron	22, 23
Winchester, at Goldwood	Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M. 29, 30
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. 30, May 1
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	6, 7
Landerdale, at Lockhart	13, 14
Pachuta, at Pachuta	20, 21
Middleton, at State Line	27, 28
Matherville, at Andrew Chapel	Sun P. M., Mon. A. M. 28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. June 4, 5
Shubuta, at Shubuta	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. 11, 12
Daleville, at Llewood	17, 18
Bunsville, at Bunsville	24, 25

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

The Seashore District Conference

Will meet at Biloxi, April 27, at 10 A. M. The first day (Thursday) will be given to Epworth League and Sunday-school work. All Sunday-school and Epworth League workers are invited to be present the first day.

COMMITTEES.

License to Preach—G. H. Galloway, G. P. McKeown, G. R. Ellis.
Admission on Trial—W. H. Huntley, H. B. Trevillion, W. H. Lewis.
Deacon's Orders—W. J. Dawson, N. B. Harmon, W. G. Forsythe.
Elder's Orders—B. F. Jones, J. E. Carpenter, J. P. Drake.
Opening sermon Thursday, 11 A. M., by W. J. Dawson.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

MARRIAGES.

WALLACE—BRINSON.—At the home of the bride's mother, near Calo, Miss., Feb. 26, 1899, by Rev. Paul D. Hardin, Mr. Walter D. Wallace, of Puckett, Miss., to Miss Mattie Brinson.

FREES—ANDREWS.—At the Duckworth House, Mississippi City, Miss., March 9, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Pugh, Mr. Charles R. Frees, of McHenry, Miss., and Miss Mary C. Andrews, of Marsden, Michigan.

BOND—SWITZER.—At the residence of the bride's parents, March 12, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Pugh, Mr. Robert Bond and Miss Sarah Daisy Switzer.

COWART—RICHARDS.—At Coalville Church, March 8, by Rev. Geo. W. Huff, Mr Willie Cowart and Miss Mary Richards.

HARTMAN—CANFIELD.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Webster parish, La., March 15, 1899, by Rev. H. Armstrong, Mr. W. Henry Hartman and Miss Carrie C. Canfield.

RAY—SMITH.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Y. Smith, at Wayside, Feb. 15, 1899, by Rev. J. E. Cunningham, Mr. J. B. Ray to Miss Florence Smith, all of Washington county, Miss.

ESTES—COUNTISS.—At the residence of Mr. J. B. Countiss, the bride's father, near Pittsborn, Miss., March 5, 1899, by Rev. H. C. Morehead, presiding elder of Grenada district, Rev. Harry D. Estes, pastor of Bannor charge, and Miss S. Docia Countiss.

DICKEY—GUESS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Osyka, Miss., Feb. 23, 1899, by Rev. J. A. B. Jones, Mr. Vince H. Dickey and Miss Edna Guess.

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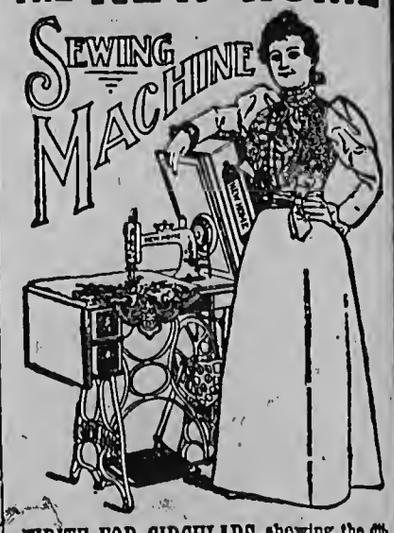

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HIS WILL.

If the dear Lord should send an angel down,
A seraph radiant in robes of light,
To do some menial service in our streets
As braying stone, we'll say, from morn till night—
Think you the faintest blush would rise
To mar the whiteness of his holy face?
Think you a thought of discontent would find
Within his perfect heart abiding-place?

I love to think the sweet will of his God
Would seem as gracious in a seraph's eyes
In the dark, miry, crowded lanes of earth
As in the ambrosial bowers of Paradise;
That those fair hands which lately swept the lyre
Would not against their lowly work rebel,
But as they ever wrought his will in heaven,
Would work it here as faithfully and well
—Anon.

Communications.

OUR OPPORTUNITY.

The subject of education is engaging the attention of the world as never before. The question of every parent worthy of the name is, How can I give my child the best educational advantages? The State makes this answer, Give me your child, and he shall be educated, and an enlightened citizenship is the only charge we make. The church of Christ sees the breakers ahead—dangers threatening State and society—and the church says, Give me your child, and there will be an effort made to bring your child into harmony with the principles of our holy religion. "The true purpose of education is to cherish and unfold the seed of immortality already sown within us; to develop, to their fullest extent, the capacities of every kind with which the God who made us has endowed us."

The State may have the money and the accomplished faculty, but it is not in the province of the State to teach religion. It remains for the church to furnish lofty ideals, the spiritual teachers—the open Bible, the social environments calculated to lessen the temptations of college life. The teacher must not only have an interest in the mental development of the student, but there must be a profound solicitude for the student's spiritual progress.

The Christian college emphasizes character and the duties of Christian citizenship. If the greed of materialism is to be checked, the liquor power destroyed, the ballot-box made sacred, lofty character the goal of ambition, the Christian college must be placed on basis of permanent prosperity.

OUR ABILITY.

Louisiana has vast resources of wealth. With much of her soil as fertile as the famous valley of the Nile, with her inviting sugar farms, the productive rice farms, the immense cotton plantations, the forest of oak and pine, the Louisianian has everything to create hope, industry, and prosperity.

The Methodist Church having a membership of over 30,000, many of the members enjoying comfortable fortunes, while a large number are able to contribute liberally, and still leave something for a "rainy day," we have a right to expect our people to make the twentieth century movement mark an inspiring era in the history of education in the bounds of the Louisiana Conference.

Let there be the widow's mite, those sums ranging from $1 to $25,00. It is not a question of ability, but one of willingness to honor Christ with our substance.

OUR NEEDS.

As we have to compete with State schools, we must furnish as broad curriculum and a faculty as equally competent. Centenary's faculty will compare favorably with that of any State institution of learning. Last year, when the celebrated Tyne wanted a Greek professor, the trustees elected Rev. Thomas Carter. This noted scholar had been at Centenary for several years on a small salary. Why the small salary? Because our college has no large endowment to supplement the small tuition fees. Centenary has had some true friends, but there ought to have been one hundred where there have been ten. Let us have $100,000 endowment for Centenary College. We need it. Who will be the first to start the movement of a permanent endowment? We could use five thousand dollars in building a spacious dining-hall, and making other necessary improvement on our buildings. Let some generous friend give us this amount.

To the members and laymen of the Louisiana Conference: I appeal to you in the name of Christ, whom we love, to help us to place Centenary College on a basis of permanent and glorious success. "Education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is at once best in quality and infinite in quantity."

I. W. COOPER.

CARING FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

The helplessness of the orphan children in Cuba must appeal to every sympathetic heart. A consecrated layman, Mr. E. E. Hubbard, of New York, has been so impressed by their need that he has gone at his own expense to open an orphan asylum. He has connected himself with our church, and is in fullest sympathy with our work and workers. Mr. Hubbard is a graduate of Ann Arbor University, a gentleman of ability and culture, and was for several years a teacher in a government school in Japan, where, as he had opportunity, he tried to bring the students to Christ. With the true missionary spirit, with a heart full of tender sympathy, he is now in a position to save hundreds of these little ones, body and soul.

We give below a recent letter from Mr. Hubbard, which shows how this work is opening up and what are its needs:

"The municipal authorities have agreed to put in repair, at a cost of six or seven hundred dollars, a house large enough to accommodate one hundred children, and turn it over to us, and we are to pay $30 a month rent for it. They want us to take at the start 70 or 80 boys from the overcrowded asylum here, and the number will probably soon be increased to a full hundred. Major Ives tells us that the United States Government will supply us with rations and medicines. Possibly we can get cots and bedding from the War Department, but the Major could not promise that.

"We believe that the Lord wants us to take up this work, and we are going forward trusting that he will supply all our needs through the voluntary contributions of his people. I have $300 that I can use where it is needed, and when that is gone, I am sure more will come.

"We shall need a large amount of light clothing for boys from ten to twelve years old, bedding, towels, soap, etc. As soon as I find out more definitely what we shall need in this line, I will let you know. I think we shall arrange to have supplies sent in care of some city official. Money contributions ought to be sent to Bro. H. W. Baker, who will act as treasurer.

"You will please call the attention of our people to this work and its needs through the church papers, or through such other means as you think best.

"For a time, or until the Cuban assistants can be thoroughly trained to the work, I shall need two American lady assistants—one who will have the oversight of the mending, sewing, washing, bed-making, sweeping, dish-washing and nursing, a lady of much experience, and if she is a trained nurse, so much the better; and another who can take charge of the educational feature of the work. She ought to be able to play the organ or piano, and teach the boys how to sing; and it would be a great advantage if she had some training or experience as a kindergarten teacher. This leads me to say that we shall need a supply of kindergarten materials, or something of that nature, to entertain and instruct the children.

"Of course, these assistants will have to come, as I have come, at their own expense and without salary, except as their friends or the church will furnish the means. On account of the climate, it would be an advantage to have one who has lived in the southern part of the country.

"Besides having a general oversight of the work, I can look after bathing the boys and their personal cleanliness, and superintend the preparation of the meals and the gardening, etc. We shall try to find suitable Cuban assistants in the persons of needy widows, or husband and wife who have no one dependent upon them; but I feel it would be too much for me to attempt this work with only native helpers. Please see what can be done in this matter as soon as possible. I think the house will be ready in about two weeks, and the boys ought to be put into it at once. We went through the asylum where the boys are now this afternoon. The Sisters are doing all they can for them, but from being overburdened with 175 where they have room for only 100, and from lack of resources and lack of knowledge of sanitary acquirements, they come very far short of giving the boys what they ought to have. A few weeks' delay would undoubtedly mean the loss of more than one of these precious little lives. It was pitiful indeed to see the little wasted forms lying on the cots, and to feel that the needed remedies, sufficient and proper care, could not be administered at once.'

May the Great Head of the church, whose compassionate heart is ever moved by earth's sorrow and suffering, cause our people to heed this cry for help! Let us give the Lord of his own, and let us give quickly.

WALTER R. LAMBUTH.

Mission Rooms, March 16, 1899.

TEMPERANCE.

Every white ribboner throughout the land, and all of the noble brothers-in-law of the W. C. T. U. in our loved America, must be rejoicing with exceeding gladness over the news that our chieftain, Frances E. Willard, has been so greatly honored by the Legislature of her home State, Illinois. The bill to provide for a statue of Miss Willard in Statuary Hall, at the National Capitol, Washington, passed the Senate by a unanimous vote, and passed the House with few dissenting votes, and has been signed by the governor.

How glad and grateful we are that since men have not thought to accord this distinction to any woman heretofore, our beloved leader should be the first to receive this noble recognition of an illustrious citizenship! The men of Illinois have honored themselves, their State and all womanhood in this deed. We must feel now that when our St. Frances takes her place, even in marble or bronze, among that company of the great, the dawn of the twentieth century is indeed brightening along the eastern horizon of time, and will bring to the world a fulfillment of prophecy, a fruition of hope, and the glad inauguration of "sweeter manners, purer laws" for all mankind.

We have further cause for thankfulness and encouragement in the final outcome of the Army bill amendment, which provided for the prohibition of liquor selling in the army and all military posts. The amendment originated in the House, and was passed by an almost unanimous vote. In the Senate it was threatened with defeat, as the committee having it in hand reported it unfavorably, and offered a substitute allowing the sale of beer in the "canteens" and elsewhere. But a great pressure was brought to bear upon the senators from different sources, especially from many of their constituents, and the amendment passed. There were members who favored this action from the first, and would have voted for it without a doubt, but a reply that one senator made to Rev. W. F. Crafts, when the latter expressed appreciation and pleasure concerning this victory for sobriety, gives the real key to the situation: "Oh, we didn't do it because you asked us. We have heard from home." Our white ribboners all over the country well know the meaning of that "hearing from home," and numbers of them had a hand in the "hearing." Let the faint-hearted have more courage henceforth, and be not slow to use their influence, at least, in getting the power of constituencies trained upon the votes of their congressmen, so that laws may be written upon our statute books "for God and home and native land."

Now, it is in order for the earnest, grateful temperance men and women of these United States to write their sincere thanks to the men who voted for this righteous measure. We hope they will not fail to let our law makers know that we watch them all the time, look to them, and rejoice when they take any step forward and upward for the good of our common country and the race.

Secretary Long has issued an order abolishing the sale and use of beer on all ships of the navy. He says he did this at the request of the officers in command, and for the sake of the boys and young men who have enlisted on the men-of-war. This is a great victory also. On land and sea the white banner of temperance will evermore float by the side of the "Stars and Stripes." Now, then, both in the army and navy, "three cheers for the red, white and blue!"

MAY RUSSELL.

Humphreys, Miss.

Correspondence.

ARCADIA DISTRICT.

MR EDITOR: I have just finished my first round on the Arcadia district, except Arcadia. Am here next Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Davies has a firm hold upon our people here, and the outlook for a prosperous year is encouraging. He has sent in a good part of his missionary assessment.

I commenced my first round at Calhoun first Sunday in January, where Bro. Wafer is commencing his second year, we trust, under favorable conditions.

Next charge visited was Lisbon and Summerfield, where the energetic B. H. Sheppard is serving his third year. He has secured a long list of subscribers to the ADVOCATE, and has a large part of his missionary assessment in hand. The outlook is good.

On my way home I take in the Simsboro quarterly meeting, where studious, ever-willing and devoted H. W. Ledbetter is serving his second year. His people love him, and he loves them. Success will follow.

Next we are on the Vernon circuit, where the sturdy, easy-going W. A. Clark is serving his second year. He has a large circuit and a good people, and it is to be hoped that all church interests will be advanced.

On to Ruston, where we find the firm, quiet, steady-moving A. J. Nocentine with all his work well in hand, and his missionary assessment in full at this writing. We expect full reports from Ruston at Conference in Monroe.

Next I find myself on the Downsville circuit, with the tall, slender, scrawny, but never known to tire or falter in his work, Robt. W. Vaughan. He also is serving his second year. Had a good year in '98, and outlook is good for '99.

On to Farmerville, where I find the painstaking, investigating, everything connected with his work, Hyden B. Thomason, who has been well received, and expects to accomplish a good year's work.

On the first Saturday and Sunday in February I am with that true and tried, sweet-spirited, much-loved and lovable N. S. Cornell, on the Haynesville circuit, where the people are delighted with their pastor. All know what to expect in N. S. Cornell.

On my return I take in Homer, where is Rev. W. F. Henderson, who is the embodiment of brotherly love and good cheer, a first-class man, and has good people to serve. Everything promising in that field.

Well, after this—zero, and ten days at home trying to keep warm.

Next Lanesville, where Charlie Staples is serving for the third year. He is comfortable in his new parsonage, built last year. He is not the man to stay much in a parsonage. He is much on the move, in the interest of his work, and I look for the best year of the three. Charlie and his good wife are happy over their new baby boy that I was instructed to call John Wesley when I baptized him. May he be in the succession!

After all the above I find myself in the Valley circuit with Bro. H. Armstrong, whose people are delighted with him. His is a railroad circuit of four appointments—all near the railroad stations. His work has a saw-mill that cuts 100,000 feet of lumber per day. A part of the company are Methodists. They have built a church, and Bro. Armstrong lives at the mill, where everybody loves him, and he will accomplish much for the Master.

From there I go to the Flat Lick circuit, a new work made out of a part of the Minden charge, and one appointment from Valley (Bellview), and Evergreen, formerly of the Haynesville circuit. There I have Floyd A. Vaughan, a local preacher, young, active, and energetic, already got a hold on the people, and the people say that he will succeed. He has organized classes and appointed class leaders. Why not every preacher do this? It will pay; try it.

Now, I drop back to Minden, where our transfer from Baltimore Conference, Courtland P. Smith (the only "Smith" in the Conference, and I am glad that I have got him) is situated. Well, he is full of snap. In two months after he arrives all his collections secured, all salaries full and ahead, the church moving up and on. May all the preachers and people in the district catch the inspiration!

Next comes Bienville, where Bro. J. M. Franklin has charge, with his keen eye on all the field. He has been well received, and will succeed in doing much good.

From there on to Gansville, where Bro. H. M. Banks has been busy in his work. He has started well; knows how to use the pruning-knife to purge the church; spiritually-minded, preaching good sermons, loving everybody, but not afraid to do what ought to be done in his work.

Now, after three weeks away from home, except three days and a half, I rest for a while, hold Arcadia Quarterly Conference and Preachers' Meeting, and rejoice that I serve as good and true preachers and people as can be found in Louisiana. North Louisiana is blessed with some of the truest laymen I have ever known. May God help us all to do our duty, and witness the best year in all our history!

B. T. CREWS.

P. S.—This may be an item of news: A former member of our Conference, but now a member of the M. E. Church and Louisiana Conference, has been sent up here as a missionary in the bounds of Arcadia district. They have no church nor a single member in this country. We have six thousand Southern Methodists in this district, and yet our big sister of even age must send a missionary among us, and a man that, at the last Conference he attended before leaving us, was complained of by his presiding elder, and barely passed muster. Selah! What shall we expect next?

B. T. CREWS.

Arcadia, La., March 15, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Pastors and Sunday-school Workers of the North Mississippi Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: The watchword for our church work on all lines this year is, "Forward." Particular emphasis is being put upon Christian education, and special efforts are being made for the promotion of this great interest. But while thus engaged, it should be borne in mind that the Sunday-school is an essential factor in this service.

When we seriously consider the true purpose and great possibilities of our Sunday-school work, we can not but be impressed with the fact that it deserves, and should have, our most diligent watch-care and earnest effort, with a view to greater results than hitherto attained. Therefore, let us devote ourselves with renewed ardor and activity to the study and advancement of this cause within our bounds during this year.

According to the statistical reports made at the last session of our Conference, we had as follows: Pastoral charges, 140; churches, 522; Sunday-schools, 470; church members, 45,047; Sunday-school members, 24,966. Thus we see that there were 52 fewer Sunday-schools than churches, and 20,081 less in numbers in the Sunday-schools than there were members of the church. Of the 140 pastoral charges, 58 reported as many schools as churches; 31 reported 38 in the aggregate more schools than churches, while 51 reported 96 churches without a school. Only one charge made no report. There were 29 charges which made no report of Children's Day collection.

With these facts before us, and with a consciousness of obligation upon us for the enlargement of this all-important work in sphere and efficiency, let us, as co-laborers together with God, adopt the following as our aim for this A. D. 1899:

1. A Sunday-school in every church or congregation

2. A competent superintendent for every school.

3 A trained and qualified teacher for every class.

4 An ample supply of lesson literature, a circulating library, and Children's Day observance in every school.

5. The Holy Spirit using all for the glory of the Master in the conversion and spiritual edification of men, women, and children.

The Sunday-school Board continues the offer of $1 for every $2 raised by the Sunday-schools for libraries; also to aid needy schools in procuring Bibles and lesson literature.

Children's Day programmes will be sent to the pastors in due time, without order.

As your fellow-laborer for Christ and souls, I am at your command for any information or service that I can render.

Yours in the work,

G. W. BACHMAN.
Sunday-school Agent.

Winona, Miss., March 23, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Mississippi Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: Permit me to call your attention to the following extract taken from the report of the Joint Board of Finance, made at the last session of our Conference.

"This Board calls the attention of our presiding elders to ¶ 327. The moneys collected for Bishops must be sent to the treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance. Hereafter this Board will not recognize receipts from the Agents of the Publishing House. The funds must go through the proper channel."

I call your attention to this, thinking it may have escaped your attention, and to avoid any confusion in the future. Bro. W. M. Thornton, at Lake, Miss, is still our treasurer.

GEO. H THOMPSON,
Sec. Joint Board of Finance.

THE LAW OF LOVE.

BY R. C. TRENCH.

Make channels for the streams of love,
Where they may broadly run;
And love has overflowing streams
To fill them, every one,

But, if at any time we cease
Such channels to provide,
The very founts of love for us
Will soon be parched and dried.

For we must share if we would keep
That blessing from above.
Ceasing to give, we cease to have;
Such is the law of love.

—Exchange.

Communications.

FROM THE PARSONAGE.

I am the home of the Methodist itinerancy of Hard-times circuit, in Post-Oak Conference, and having many friends who I know would like to have a message from me, I am going to send you a few lines of my history for some eight or ten years past. I am not well cared for in my old age—a fact which will grieve some of my former tenants, for they took good care of me. I am slowly tumbling down. The marrow in my bones is thin, but I am still cheerfully giving partial shelter to my beloved children, and they say if they could get a little help from the people, they would fix me up, replace the gallery pillars which time (not Sampson) has pulled down, wash my face, and improve my general appearance—a thing much needed if we would have our Methodism respected.

I am a strong advocate of honest pride, and I am never so well pleased as when my master goes forth to his pulpit looking as well dressed and finished as any man to whom he may preach, and I whisper in his ear not to forget the text, "Cleanliness is next to godliness;" but I must say that in some cases he has not heeded as he should, and I hung my head in shame. But enough on this line.

Some ten years ago a grand, real good man was sent to my shelter, and I did welcome him with open doors and heart, for he was all that I could wish for as God's servant. He had nine blessings, counting his dear wife and six children. He enjoyed these blessings, too, the six days as well as the seventh, which is more than I can say of some that followed. Well, they were considerate of me, and never were thoughtless or unfeeling in their treatment of me. When, after four years, they were taken away, and I heard their dear voices no more, oh, I was so lonely! They respected my pride and left me with a clean face and neat appearance.

My next tenants were a dear old brother and his good wife, who constituted his second blessing. They were kind and appreciative of my meager accommodations. They, too, were called away, but left me with an all-over bath and an inviting appearance for my next occupants, who came in with such a rush and commotion that I was overwhelmed, for there were a number of the children, and they were a noisy family; but not in many years have I heard so much religion talked, prayed and sung as by that family. They seemed brimful and running over all the time. They, too, were glad of my shelter, and offered to repair my damaged parts, if the material was furnished; but it was not, and they left me as they found me, but considerably the worse for wear. I do not remember ever to have felt as lonely as I did when their happy, singing voices were all gone. Oh, how they could sing, "Old-time religion, it's good enough for me!"

They were succeeded by a family so quiet and indifferent to church duties, so far as the young members of the home were concerned.

My next master came in with such a sweet, pretty young wife. She was refined and elegant in her manners, but she did not take the interest in home affairs that she should, and I blushed at my neglected appearance. She, too, was unwilling to bear the burdens of motherhood which at the same time is the crown of womanhood.

It is the duty of every minister's wife to make the parsonage look its best, and present a nice appearance, if our Methodism (specially in towns) is to remain at par; but I must say from sad experience, but in all kindness and love, that this is not always the case. In the system of regular moving they forget sometimes that it is their home, and should be so cared for. The minister's wife should take interest in the Parsonage Society, and urge and help the good women in everything they undertake for such as myself.

Just here I think of a nice parsonage larger than myself, which chanced to be occupied by a minister with a young family. They had no special use for the parlor (?) (strange to say in a town of 5000 thousand population), and what do you think they did? Rented it to a family who cooked and ate in it all the year, and when, after Conference, the next minister came in, he found the matting, put down barely one year before by the ladies themselves, ruined, and had to be taken up; also the wall re-papered in order that there might be a respectable reception-room—a thing as necessary in every parsonage as the pastor's study.

Now, was not this an outrage? I assure you, the "Ladies' Aid" of that church were not encouraged to buy and work for the parsonage to have it so abused and ill-treated. I hope, dear children, that you will be careful about such matters.

But to return to myself. When this couple left me people came and peered through my windows in curiosity, having heard of the shameful condition in which I was left. Everything was disarranged; not a floor swept, and the dishes left on the table just as they had been used. When the new pastor came and saw me, he refused to bring his family to such a place, and moved elsewhere.

What would dear Bro. Christian Keener think and feel if he could know of this neglect? I am now the home of a noble young man and his faithful wife, who are doing all they can for me, and I begin to look like a home should.

Dear children, I have rambled over these years with a few memories, and now I close with a prayer that you will work and care for the preachers' homes, for they deserve this consideration. PARSONAGE.

"SUCCESS VS. FAILURE."

We not only have different environments, but also different classes of talent, and then several talents in different proportions. We would judge from some people's statements that it was a crime not to have all the talents in the greatest degree. Like Procrustes and his iron bedstead, they are the standards of all excellence, and all who do not just as they do, and accomplish just what they do, are weaklings and unnecessary factors in the great work.

But our heavenly Father has informed us in his Holy Word that he is the author of all classes and degrees of talent. (Read I. Cor. xii.) He says all gifts are by the same spirit. Whether it be wisdom, faith, working miracles, or whatever it be, it is the gift of God. And our blessed Lord has given us the parable of the talents—one, two, and five. So we must accept our place in the church as given us by our heavenly Father, with the assurance that it takes all these different classes and degrees of talents to complete the body of Christ. The head can not say to the feet, nor the eye to the ear, "I have no need of you," for one can not do the work of the other. The body is not complete without all the parts, and we are told that the part that may seem to us to be more feeble is necessary; not hanging on for its own benefit, a kind of burden to the stronger or more successful members, but actually a necessary member. If any member of the body be absent or crippled, so it can not perform its very small function, the whole body suffers loss. And it seems that our itinerant system, in its connectionalism, is wonderfully adapted to the divine plan, the working and developing the great body of Christ—a body in parts, yet members one of another, so closely united that if one member suffers, all suffer with it; and if one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it. We are told that there should be no schism in the body. The big head should not be used to abuse, crush, or crowd out the little feet; the big hand should not be used to blacken the dim eye, nor bruise the dull ear, but to the contrary. "Ye that are strong bear the infirmities of the weak," and each esteem other better than themselves. Because the great talent finds itself in the environment of success, it should not berate the little talent that, perchance, finds itself in the environment of failure, but the strong should sympathize with and help the weak. "Weep with those that weep, and rejoice with those that do rejoice."

Our system can well adjust the preacher to the charge. For instance: A charge is doing nicely in the spiritual interest, but is far behind in financial work. They need a preacher with a talent to bring up collections, and if the collections are usually in full, but the charge is growing formal and cold, spiritually, they need a revivalist; and if they are in a disorganized state, but are well indoctrinated, they need the special talent of a pastor; and if they are well organized and working smoothly, but are getting shaky on doctrines, they need a theologian; and so on, each charge with the preacher that will specially tone them up in that that they are most wanting in.

Our system is beautifully adjustable, not only in the classes of talent, but in the degrees and strength of talent also. For instance: If a charge is well up, financially, but is getting a little indifferent, spiritually, they need a revivalist, but a one-talented revivalist can do their work; if the charge is in good shape with its collections, but is considerably run down, spiritually, they need a two-talented revivalist; if the charge is getting along nicely with its collections, but is all gone to the bad, spiritually, they need the five-talented revivalist; and if, on the other hand, a charge is getting along nicely in its spiritual interest, but the collections are a little uncertain, a one-talented collector will do their work. If, however, the spiritual interest is good, but the collections drag very slowly, they need a two-talented collector; if their spiritual interest is good, but is almost impossible to raise their collections, they need the five-talented collector; but if the financial talent is continuously sent to charges where the financial interest is in good condition and always in full, and the great revivalist is constantly shifted where the spiritual interest is good. Each class of preachers will begin to think that if all the other preachers would adopt the plans by which he works, they would all be the success he is, while he is really only half a success—that is, a success in only one line of work, and part of that attributable to his environments, and he will be fortunate if he does not grow to think that his special class of work is the great thing needful, and he develops to be a crank, rides a hobby, and probably gets crusty and sour, and the churches constantly served by one class of talent develop one-sidedly, become freaks of deformity, and are subjects of ridicule. But if it be said that the great talents of any class can not be sent to poor mission works, well, I would ask, Why? If it be alleged there is not a living there for them, I answer that men of as large families as they have have been serving those charges; and if a one-talented man can live there, surely a five-talented man ought to, particularly if the talents are of the financial class. Surely the economy of grace would be to send the greatest talents where they are needed most. But it will be seen that all talents are largely subject to their environments, and the so-called great financial talents dread to undertake the unpromising places, for the results would be largely the same that they had been there before. But if it is asked, What about the well-rounded men, who have all classes of talents in the greatest degree, I answer: They exist only in fancy. Our heavenly Father has planned it differently. "Shall the thinly formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?"

Brethren, let us find our place in the church of the living God, and by his grace do the best we can, and trust him for results, and with brotherly love weep with those that weep, and rejoice with those that do rejoice, and by and by, when heavan sings harvest home, go rejoicing together, carrying our sheaves with us.

J. H. SMITH.

(To be continued.)

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

MR. EDITOR: I do not wish to stick myself up as a target to be shot at, but, as there has been much said of late in regard to our domestic missions, I wish to say a few words. Two years ago I served a work which had the small sum of seventy-five dollars appropriated to it by our Board of Domestic Missions. In the bounds of that circuit are Methodists who are worth thousands of dollars. They have found out about this appropriation business. I fully believe that if they knew there was but ten dollars appropriated to it, that many of them would hide themselves behind it, and take it for granted that when the Conference meets the preacher will be paid something to make up what they fail to do. Many of them will look you in the face and ask you, "How much will the Conference pay you?" Many of them will say to the stewards when he presents his claim to them, "He (the preacher) will be paid when Conference meets." So things drag along from year to year. Some of our best people of this charge feel they are discounted by being partially supported by a Mission Board. I have heard them talk along all these lines. I was called before the Board of Domestic Missions one year ago. I said emphatically that I did not believe that this work would ever be developed with this pitiful appropriation to it, and asked for it to be taken off last year. I served Marietta circuit with seventy-five dollars appropriated to it. I made the same statement to my presiding elder that I did to the Board. He said I was right. The appropriation was taken off. My people seem delighted that they are expected to stand alone, self-supporting, and now I meet with one other trouble. Around me on three sides are circuits, some of which are far more wealthy than Marietta circuit, and those circuits have appropriations, and those preachers are perfect heroes, and need every dollar they get, and their families need it, and so does my own; but the question is, Will these circuits ever be developed? Now, my trouble is, when I put my domestic mission claim before my people, and am forced to explain what it is for, they tell me, "Let them support their own preacher like we do." Will some kind brother tell me what to say? W. R. WILLIAMS.

Marietta, March 18, 1899.

"KICKING ITINERANT" KICKED.

In the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, of March 9, a brother signing himself as above gets after the secretaries with a sharp stick because of the delay in the publishing of the Annual Conference Minutes. His cause is a just one, and calls for an explanation from those charged with this trust, which, fortunately, it is easy to give. It is evident, though, that the justness of his cause is only exceeded by the profoundness of his ignorance.

In the first place, the secretaries are not, as he affirms, "remunerated for their arduous labors." I have been doing the statistical work for a number of years, and I have yet to receive the first farthing for my services. Who among us has ever heard of the Annual Conference agreeing to raise a fund to pay the secretaries (they sometimes take up a collection for the sexton), or even by a vote of thanks call attention to their "arduous labors?"

Now, mark you, the secretaries do not ask this. They are only doing their just part of the work of the Conference, and that is no more than is asked of many other laymen and preachers who serve on the various boards in responsible places.

That Dr. Sawyer, as editor of the Minutes, may make a few dollars out of the advertisements, may be possible, but, then, who would be small enough to begrudge him that? (See Luke x, 7.)

In the second place, the secretaries are not responsible for the publishing of the Minutes. Their work is done when they have put the necessary information in the hands of the editor of the Minutes, who, in this case, is the secretary of the Conference.

In regard to the delay: It is due to several causes which Dr. Sawyer will, no doubt, explain, if he thinks best.

Now, in regard to the editor of the Minutes: As I am the author of the resolution that brought him into existence, I want to say just here that the sole object was that we might get the Minutes at the earliest possible date. The original plan was to so word the resolution that the secretary would be instructed to furnish him the necessary data, and then to further define the duties of editor; but, on account of the lengthy debate of a few days previous, I decided to avoid controversy and insure its passage by putting the resolution in the simple form in which it was acted upon, and leave it to the man elected to work out the details.

It was hoped by those who signed the resolution that the man elected would make all his arrangements for publishing the Minutes before the convening of the Conference, and by making his contracts with printers for a term of four years, cut down the cost of the work.

It seems to me that at the next Conference we should make provision for facilitating the work of the editor by requiring that all reports, resolutions, etc., be furnished in duplicate, one of them going to the editor of the Minutes, the other to the secretary; also requiring all statistical reports to be filed by noon of the second day of the Conference, and then forbidding any changes to be made. In this way the statistical tables could be turned over to the printer on the close of the Conference session.

It might also be well to, as is done in other Conferences, relieve the editor of the Minutes of all other work, and give him a table on the platform where he could better attend to his important and "arduous labors."

Respectfully, WM G. EVANS.

Bayou La Chute, La.

NEW ORLEANS CITY MISSION SOCIETY.

The Woman's City Mission Society of this city held its first quarterly meeting for the year at Carondelet Street Church, on Friday, March 17. It was what is called an "all-day meeting," beginning at 11 A. M., and closing at 4 P. M., with an intermission of two hours for lunch and social enjoyment.

The president, Mrs. E. A. Carre, presided with her usual dignity and grace. Reports from the various auxiliaries were presented.

The secretary, Miss Lizzie G. Wasson, presented a report giving a resume of the work of the society since its organization a year ago, calling special attention to Tchonpitoulas Mission.

Mrs. F. A. Lyons gave a talk concerning the "Educational Loan Fund," showing its purpose and the work it is accomplishing. Mrs. Florence Ross gave an account of the work of the recent Conference at Alexandria. Miss Mary Werlein presented her report as organizer. Dr. W. H. LaPrade talked upon the importance of parsonages. Mrs. Meekin, city missionary, presented an itemized report of her work for the quarter, the report showing her to have been abundant in labor.

Rev. E N. Evans and Rev. F. B. Clifford also took part in the programme. The exercises were interspersed with delightful music.

A toothsome luncheon was served in one of the rooms of the church. The social feature of the occasion was very enjoyable.

TO MEMBERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

During the closing hours of the late session of the Mississippi Conference, held at Hattiesburg, Miss., I was informed by Bishop Galloway that the Conference had passed a resolution requesting that I prepare for publication in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE the substance of the remarks made by me in open Conference (by permission of the brethren) relative to my early life, call and labors in the ministry. If left to my own judgment, this I would not do, as many in the audience that listened to my talk were fully acquainted with my forty years' service as an itinerant, and all knew of my physical disabilities, and all in full sympathy, while the unknown audience before whom I now appear will wonder why such valuable space in our Conference organ is devoted to personal reminiscences of a superannuated preacher. I find also a great difference between the permission of Bishop Galloway, "Make any remarks you choose," and the warning of all good editors, "Boil it down." Immediately after Conference I wrote to Bishop Galloway, offering to prepare an autobiography in full, with request that he edit such data that in his judgment would edify the ADVOCATE readers; but, owing to pressure of more important duties and expected absence from home, he regretted it would be impossible to undertake it. Since Conference I have been unsettled and incapacitated by care of my afflicted wife, and threatened loss of sight, from any attempt to prepare anything for publication; but, as Spring advances, I will try to comply with the Conference request, and have Bro. Black to eliminate any feature he may deem unsuitable for his paper. R. B. DOWNER.

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It is very gratifying to receive the following encouraging reports:

Miss Mary Lee Farish, Sec, Capitol Street Auxiliary, W. F. M S., Jackson: "With much pleasure I write to you again. Regardless of the drawbacks of the year, we find at the close of our missionary year we made very good collections. We opened our mite-boxes at a missionary tea at Mrs. Sharkey's, and found $22. We made our ever-faithful recording secretary, Mrs. Enochs, a life member. We now have five, with 29 regular and 1 honorary. We raised during last quarter $37.20.

"We will have our regular monthly meeting Wednesday, and elect officers for the year. We have 10 subscribers to our Woman's Missionary Advocate, and 4 new subscribers to the Evangel.

"At our 'tea' Mrs. C. B. Galloway, Mrs. West, Mrs. Cavitt and Mrs. Sharkey had papers on our school work in China. After they were read questions were asked and each school discussed. All enjoyed it and were benefited.

"So many of the ladies expressed their regret at our tea that they did not read your article in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. Many thanks for your kind words. All hope to have you with us very often in the future."

Mrs. Clara B. Drake, Bay St. Louis: "We held our anniversary meeting of the W. F. M. S. at the parsonage this afternoon (March 13). Quite a number were present. We had refreshments and a very delightful time. Re-elected officers and transacted a great deal of business."

We appreciate the kind invitation by Miss Sallie Smylie and Mrs. Scott Phillips, Vicksburg, to be present at the district meeting to convene at Port Gibson, March 31. Mrs. Phillips, the district secretary, wrote that the "Vicksburg auxiliary is hard at work, and will compete for the banner of the Conference." Rev. A. F. Watkins will preach and assist in the meeting. Miss Sallie Smylie is "anxious to meet as many members of the district as possible."

MRS. E. D. JONES.

March 15, 1899.

The Christian Life.

HE COULD NOT FORGET.

A captain of an ocean vessel, one day as his ship was speeding through the waters, saw a signal of distress some distance off. A glass was turned to the spot, and it was seen that there was only one man on a piece of wreck. To go to his rescue the ship would have to be stopped and turned back in her course, losing much time.

"No," said the captain, "some other vessel will pick him up." He speeded on, was in port in good time and was commended for his swift passage. But he could not get out of his mind the memory of that signal of distress out there on the wild seas, and the sight through the glass of that one man on the piece of wreck, left there to perish. By day and night that picture haunted him.

As we are hurrying on these busy days, do we see no signals of distress on life's broad sea? Do we hear no cries, no bitter wails from souls that are out on the angry waves? Do we heed the signals and hearken to the cries? Do we turn away from our business, our pleasure, our ease, our money-getting, our petty ambitions to rescue those souls that are perishing, or that are in sorrow? Or do we hurry on and say we have no time for these things, no time to save our brothers, no time to lift up fallen ones, no time to wipe away a tear? If we do not turn aside to help or save, may not our deepest sorrow in eternity be the memory of cries of distress unheeded? May not the visions of the perishing ones who called to us for help, and got no answer, whom we have left unhelped out on the wild waves, haunt us forever?—Mrs. C. H. Buchanan, in The Review of Missions.

We can never see this world in its true light unless we consider our life in it as a state of discipline, a condition through which we are passing to prepare us for another state beyond.—J. W. Alexander.

"He That is Warm Thinks All So."

Thousands are "cold" in that they do not understand the glow of health. This implies disordered kidneys, liver, bowels, blood or brain. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes "warm" because it gives all who take it perfect health.

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For the ADVOCATE.

GOD HELP ME TO RESIGN!

BY M. L. GUSTINE.

O! pure and snowy lids
Closed over violet eyes!
O! beauteous waxen hand
That on the still breast lies!

O! lips that erst did smile,
Robbed of their rich life-hue!
O! darling that could wile
My heart from all untrue!

Cold is thy marble brow;
Thy cheek, how cold and pale!
It is not strange my stricken heart
Should never cease to wail.

Ah! what can ere replace
The soul so pure and fair?
That ever sweetly bade me hope
When tempted by despair!

On all thy loving ways
My tried heart dwells with pain;
I almost long—rebellious thought!—
To have thee back again.

God help me to resign
My darling to her rest,
Feeling assured that she is safe
Within thy loving breast!

Belle Alliance, La.

DISGUSTED.

I was visiting a family lately, and the preacher came to the house to spend a few hours. The weather was cold, and after supper we all gathered round a nice wood fire, thinking we were going to have a good time; but the preacher took a big chew of tobacco, and he would spit in the fire, and it would string down over the wood and looked so nasty I just got so sick I wanted to leave the room. The man of the house afterwards said he was disgusted with preachers; moreover that man needs the prayers of good people.

I love the Methodist Church and have been a member for twenty-seven years, but I never saw a Methodist preacher chewing tobacco before. I give the tenth of my income to the cause of Christ, but I will not give it to a preacher who uses tobacco, if I know it.

Brother, can't you give it up for Jesus' sake? It is impossible for you to have the good influence you should while you are defiling your bodies and disgusting people with your tobacco chewing. I pray God may soon send the day when we will have the right kind of a ministry, and none of our preachers will be so foolish as to use tobacco and set an example of such a hurtful and filthy habit before our young men and boys. METHODIST.

We invite special attention to our sewing machine offer. Take notice that the machine is sold under a guarantee. If, after a ten days' test, the machine is not found satisfactory, the money will be refunded.

A QUOTATION WORTH STUDYING.

"A church is not likely to find scriptural sermons unappetizing so long as its faith in the Bible is warm; only when that faith begins to cool does the church begin to grow clinical in its requirements. It has no longer a healthy spiritual appetite, but requires that its scriptural palate shall be piqued with all sorts of spices of artificial pulpit condiments."—New York Advocate.

There is a vast difference between character and reputation. Reputation is what men think we are; character is what God knows us to be. Reputation is seeming; character is being. Reputation is the breath of men; character is the breathing of the eternal God. One may for a time have a good reputation and a bad character or the reverse, but not for long. What is in will come out. It is impossible for any man long to play the hypocrite. No man falls suddenly, except in the eyes of his fellowmen. The man who falls has long been leaning in the eyes of God.—R. S. McArthur, D. D.

What more dost thou want when thou hast done a man a service? Art thou not content that thou hast done something conformable to thy nature, and dost thou seek to be paid for it? just as if the eye demanded a recompense for seeing, or the feet for walking.—Marcus Aurelius.

Praise is God's due. It is comely to celebrate his goodness, to extol his majesty, to magnify his excellence and to sound his glories. No more acceptable employment can engage mortal man. No sweeter music can charm God's ear. It is of the same purport and worth as the melody of heaven.—Presbyterian.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, Mansfield, La., March 16, 1899: "The outlook for this charge is hopeful. Congregation large for this place; good prayer meeting, well attended; both Senior and Junior Leagues doing good work; Senior League has the Missionary Library; foreign missionary assessment all forwarded to our Conference treasurer; domestic mission assessment all subscribed and being collected; pastor's salary paid in full to date; our parsonage property greatly improved, and we hope soon to begin needed repairs on our church. The college was never on a better basis, and never did better work than is now being done. A very decided increase in patronage since the meeting of our Conference here in December."

Rev. N. J. Roberts, Franklinton, La.: "While the condition of this charge is far from being satisfactory, some advances have been made, and we are still endeavoring to go forward. Our first quarterly meeting was held Feb. 2. Our presiding elder, Rev. R. W. Tucker, was present, looking after all of the interests of the church. He is proving the wisdom of Bishop Hargrove in appointing him to this responsible position in the church. The stewards made a liberal assessment for the support of their preacher. We have not had such a storm as some of our preachers have written about, but a steady breeze, wafting us favors of many kinds, and that breeze keeps stirring once in a while, bringing us tokens of Christian fellowship and good-will. Success to the ADVOCATE."

Rev. R. S. Isbell, Natchitoches, La., March 18, 1899: "We arrived here Jan. 3, and were cordially received by our brethren and friends. Glad to say, we are gaining friends all the time, and the people say the work is progressing. Have large congregations and interesting services at every service. Have received several into the church at Natchitoches and other appointments; several good and true men. We have no parsonage here, although we have had a church here for twenty years. I have bought a beautiful lot for a parsonage, paid the cash, and expect to have a parsonage during the year. My people are very much enthused, and the ladies of our church have gone to work with renewed energy. We are living in a very neat and handsome cottage, and comfortably fixed up in every way. We are encouraged to look forward to a glorious year all along the line. Expect to send you some subscriptions to the ADVOCATE soon. Will begin a protracted meeting in Natchitoches, April 1. Bro. T. B. Clifford will assist me. Expect a glorious meeting. More anon."

Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, P. C., Crowley, La., March 20, 1899: "We have just closed a glorious meeting, Bro. H. D. Knickerbocker, of Weatherford, Texas, assisting me as evangelist. There were thirty-five professions of conversion and reclamation, and twenty accessions to the church by profession of faith. We have had since Conference twenty-five accessions by profession of faith and twenty-five by letter, making fifty accessions. We are planning to raise all of our Conference collections in April, and also a debt on the parsonage, so that we may have the coast clear in the Fall for commencing the building fund for our new church. We have added a hundred and forty chairs to the seating capacity of the house; now have a capacity of four hundred and ten. We need a new church that will seat at least six hundred and fifty. With God's help and the people's help we expect to begin the building next Fall. We now have a membership of three hundred and ninety. God is blessing us in all of our services. Sunday night service is a grand rally service in the church. We have a house crowded. Wednesday night from about 100 to 150 as regular attendants. More anon."

Rev. W. B. Van Valkenburgh, Winnfield, La.: "Our first Quarterly Conference has come and gone. Dr Parker presided to the satisfaction of all. He preached us three most excellent sermons, which were highly appreciated by our people, the town people being very favorably impressed with his services. I should not neglect to mention just here a special lecture on 'Our Duty to Our Newly-Acquired Possessions,' delivered at the court-house on the Monday morning after the Conference at the earnest solicitation of several of our best citizens. The Doctor 'knows how' both to instruct and entertain. On Sunday evening, with Miss Eva Machen, the talented daughter of our district judge (Hon. M. F. Machen), at the organ, the Doctor gathered the Sunday-school children around the instrument, and they sang with him (892),

'Around the throne of God in heaven
Thousands of children stand,'

the Doctor singing the chorus. It is needless to say that we raised our presiding elder's collection in full. By the by, I should like to say that if any of the brethren wish some good singing in their churches, that if they can secure the services of Miss Machen at the organ and the Doctor to do the singing, that they will have it at least; so our people here have conceded. We have added six new members up to date to the roll at this place, with as many more soon to follow. The prospects are bright, and this scribe is hopeful. Pray for us, brethren."

Rev. B. W. Lewis, Chunkey, Miss., March 18, 1899: "Our first Quarterly Conference was held at Suqualena. Our 'beloved' presiding elder was on hand, and preached two splendid sermons, which we enjoyed very much. We like his plan of carrying on the business of the Conference. Every item of interest was looked after with the greatest of care. The assessment made upon this work by the district stewards for the district parsonage was paid, and we are in hopes that we will have the same success with the other assessments. I know that if the preacher and people will come as near looking after every interest entrusted to their care as he who, in the providence of God, has been placed over us as our spiritual guide, that every collection will be overpaid. The assessment made upon this work by the district stewards is very small, and if we don't pay up, it will be because we need more of the love of God. But I believe that the people of this work will be among the first to pay up their assessment. Let us attend to this matter at once, and get the collections off our hands. Let every member of this work who reads this try and be ready to pay up their Conference collections the next time your preacher calls. Two made application for membership last Sunday. May the Lord bless them and prepare them for the taking of the vows of the church! It would be well for every member to have a Discipline, and read and study it next to their Bible. I find so few who have the Discipline, and those that have them keep them hid away, or upon some shelf, and if you should pick it up, you would see that there was a collection of dust of long standing. We have the best church government in the world. Let us be loyal to it. Success to the ADVOCATE."

PORT GIBSON, MISS.

Despite the rainy weather, we have been going on with our revival services since last Sabbath morning. Our morning congregations have grown from 12 souls to 35 in 3 days. The first night without rain we had largely over one hundred. The people seem hungry for the Word of Life. They are deeply impressed with the truth. I am running this meeting alone—i. e., "without an evangelist"—not that I am opposed to evangelists, for I am not in any sense. I believe in them. While it may be true, as some contend, that "every preacher ought to be his own evangelist," it has never been so in the history of our church. John Wesley himself was nothing short of the grandest evangelist the world has ever known. However, let everybody think about that as he may think best for himself and his charge, but for me I have always found the evangelist a very great help to myself and my people. God bless the evangelists, especially the one who, about five months ago, in Yazoo City, brought me the news of a full salvation. Praise God for entire sanctification! Oh, that the brethren would quit theorizing about this blessed truth, and enter into the precious experience! May the brethren I love so devotedly "groan after it" till they obtain it. I believe God sent me to Port Gibson to tell our people of this pearl of great price.

We expect to go on with our meeting here for some time. We are confident God is going to do a great work in this place in the next few weeks. Our foreign and domestic missions will all be paid by the first of April. I must not fail to say Bro. Ellis did a good work here. May God bless him in his new field of labor! We hope to report shortly many conversions, reclamations and many who have entered into the experience of "entire sanctification." The ADVOCATE shall not be forgotten. Pray for us and our meeting. We had more than one hundred out this morning (March 17). L. S. JONES.

Men of tender heart and loving sympathy and gentle touch are wanted to give comfort to the world's sorrow, to help other tempted men in their battles, to rescue the perishing out of their bondage.—J. R. Miller.

Nearly all women look forward to the ordeal of motherhood with so much dread and anxiety that only after the baby has safely arrived and made a warm little place for himself in the mother's heart, does she fairly realize that it was indeed a good angel who brought this wee nestling to brighten and sweeten her life.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1899.

"Could we with ink the ocean fill,
Were the whole earth of parchment made;
Were every single stick a quill
And every man a scribe by trade,
To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry;
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,
Though stretched from sky to sky."

He is bravest who dares to speak the truth to himself.—Selected.

There is no such thing as a church without the Holy Ghost; they are only so-called churches.—Rev. F. M. Hussey.

A holy life has a voice; it speaks when the tongue is silent, and is either a constant attraction or a perpetual reproof.—Hinton.

O that men would hasten to become as good as they want all their neighbors to be! The millennium would almost be upon us.—Churchman.

The errors and blunders that we make, and the sins into which we fall, ought to teach us to be very gentle in judging our brother-men.—Selected.

Intemperance is a hydra with a hundred heads. She stalks abroad in company with impunity, anger and the most infamous profligacies.—Chrysostom.

The only possession we can carry over from earth to heaven is a Christ like character. Is it not worth while to seek that more earnestly than gold or silver?—Exchange.

To live in the presence of great truths and eternal laws, to be led by permanent ideals—that is what keeps a man patient when the world ignores him, and calm and unspoiled when the world praises him.—Balzac.

God as frequently and as abundantly blesses in withholding some things as in giving others. Much time is wasted in complaining of those things we have not rather than in thanking God for those we have.—Selected.

The great means of doing good, though we can not tell why or how, only because God so directed it, is by example. We are to be ourselves what we would have others to be. And this not only when others know it, but in all places; for I believe that even what we do in secret affects others.—Mary Lyon.

Whatever mitigates the woes or increases the happiness of others is a just criterion of goodness, and whatever injures society at large, or any individual in it, is a criterion of iniquity. One should not quarrel with a dog without a reason sufficiently to vindicate one through the courts of morality.—Goldsmith.

There are many more shining qualities in the mind of man, but none is more useful than discretion; it is this, indeed, which gives a value to all the rest, which sets them at work in their proper times and places, and turns them to the advantage of the person who is possessed of them. Without it, learning is pedantry, and wit, impertinence. Virtue itself looks like weakness; the best parts only qualify a man to be more sprightly in errors, and active to his own prejudice.—Addison.

SPIRITUAL SOMNOLENCE.

One of the sure signs of decadence of spiritual life is sleepiness of soul. Here is where nearly all backslidings begin. First a little indifference to the things of God, a slight slumber of conscience, the entrance and entertainment of a feeling that religion, after all, is not so important as some other things—this is often the origin of spiritual decline, which is followed by spiritual darkness and death.

Satan is too cunning to tempt the Christian to commit gross sin. He makes his first attack, perhaps, by suggesting that it is not well to be "righteous overmuch;" that inasmuch as we are to serve God all our days, we might as well take things easy. And so, unless we are fully awake to his devices, we yield in a measure to a spirit of slumber, and our zeal for God suffers serious abatement. The peril of spiritual somnolency is thus depicted by Martin Luther: "The devil held a great anniversary, at which his emissaries were commanded to report the result of their several missions. Said one: 'I let loose the wild beasts of the desert on a caravan of Christians, and their bones are now bleaching in the sands.' 'What of that?' said the devil. 'Their souls were all saved.' 'I drove the east wind,' said another, 'against a ship freighted with Christians, and they were all drowned.' 'What of that?' said the devil. 'Their souls were all saved.' 'For ten years I tried to get a single Christian asleep,' said a third, 'and finally I succeeded and left him so.' Then the devil shouted, and all the wicked spirits sang for joy."

One of the greatest misfortunes that can befall any church or community is for the members thereof to become sleepy of soul. When this is the case, piety languishes, the work of the Lord is neglected, and sin and vice flourish like a green bay tree. What multitudes of professing Christians do we find who are thoroughly alive to every other interest, but asleep as to their duty to God and humanity. Though wide-awake as to every opportunity of enjoyment, of money-making and self-advancement, they manifest an alarming stupor as regards the opportunities and the obligations of grace.

The tendency to indulge spiritual drowsiness is felt by all more or less, and is one that must be resisted, if we would be true disciples. If men were half as apathetic in business as the average Christian is in religious matters, ruin would soon stare them in the face. And yet nowhere is there so much at stake as in the realm of religion.

"Go to the ants; for one poor grain,
See how they toil and strive;
Yet we who have a heaven to obtain,
How negligent we live!"

Well do the Scriptures say of many in our day, "God hath given them the spirit of slumber; eyes that they should not see and ears that they should not hear."

Sleepy-souled Christians are not only in danger themselves, but, alas! their attitude endangers the spiritual welfare of others, who are thus encouraged to be "at ease in Zion," or at ease in their sins. The direful influence of a slumbering disciple—who can estimate it? And when a community or commonwealth reaches a condition of Gallio-like indifference to questions of right and wrong, then no prophet's eye is needed to foresee a plenteous harvest of vice and woe. "If the salt hath lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted?"

The more drowsy a Christian is, the less he likes to be disturbed, the more unwelcome to him are words of warning; and the same is true of a church, or a community. But, wherever there are the signs of spiritual torpor, nothing will suffice save the strong stimulants of unvarnished truth, and the burning declaration of the wrath of God against lukewarmness and all unrighteousness. Church members often clamor for sedative sermons when they need pungent eye-openers, red-hot, but loving proclamations of the fate and folly of neglect and sin. Spurgeon once said, "A pulpit on fire quickly raises the temperature of the pews." This is to a large extent true. The converse is also true. If the pews are on fire, the pulpit is apt to feel the heat. A Yorkshire minister, being asked what a congregation should do that had "a dry stick" of a minister in the pulpit," replied, "Clap on more fire in the pews; you know dry sticks burn easily."

The great need of the church is members who are fully alive to their duty, and who are on fire with love of God and man. "Therefore, let us not sleep as do others, but let us watch and be sober."

AN EDITOR'S FUN.

While editors have some peculiar trials and tribulations, it is our belief that they have much more than an average share of fun. For instance: We received recently a postal card from a personal friend, which we here copy, making some omissions and alterations which do not affect the point at issue.

"Can you give me the rule in grammar which permits or requires the use of a verb in the singular number when it has for the subject, or subjects, two nouns connected by the conjunction 'and'? I think I wrote, 'Every preacher and member are expected,' etc. I notice that 'is' has been substituted for 'are' It is an offense that merits the death penalty."

Now, any brother must have fallen into the decadence of old age who does not remember the syntactical rule which says in substance (we have no text-book before us): "Two or more singular nouns preceded by each, every, no, or as-well-as require a singular verb" Under this rule exercises in false syntax are usually given similar to the following: "'Each bird and beast cower before the storm.' 'Cower' should be 'cowers.' 'Every man, woman and child on board were lost.' 'Were' should be 'was.' 'All work and no play make Jack a dull boy.' 'Make' should be 'makes.' 'John, as well as James, go to school.' 'Go' should be 'goes.'"

We are sincerely sorry for those who have reached the memory-obliteration stage of senility. We shall probably be there ourselves in a half century from now.

Another case in point. Some time since a college graduate criticised this editor because he had changed "Between you and I" to "Between you and me." Of course, there would be as much propriety in saying "Go with I" as in saying "Between you and I."

These are fair samples of the character of many of the kicks which an editor gets. We pity the occupant of the tripod who gets no fun out of such things. His lot is a hard one. We have many a hearty laugh which we would be glad to share with our readers, if we could

Before giving a kick it is well to examine one's boots.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

The commencement sermon of Millsaps College will be preached by Bishop W. A. Candler. The annual Y. M. C. A. sermon will be preached by Dr. W. A. Bolling, of the Louisiana Conference. The literary address will be delivered by Bishop Candler. We hope a large number of the preachers in the two Mississippi Conferences will make arrangements to attend. Some who can not well be present on Sunday can come on Monday. Those who do so will be amply rewarded. Both in the pulpit and on the platform Bishop Candler is "a master of assemblies." On the subject of "Education" he is especially strong. We are sure he will use this occasion to blow a bugle blast that will stir the heart of the church in behalf of the "Twentieth Century Educational Movement."

A NEW CHRISTIAN ENTERPRISE.

A new interdenominational enterprise has been projected at Newton, Miss., called "The Bible Institute for Christian Workers." The "Advisory Board" is to be composed of two ministers from each of the five denominations represented, viz.—Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Cumberland Presbyterian and Christian. The members of the Board from the Methodist Church are Rev. J. M. Weems, D. D., and Rev. W. M. Sullivan. The Presbyterian Church is represented by Revs. R. E. Janes and R. E. Campbell. Other representatives are L. S. Foster, Baptist; A. M. McBryde, Cumberland Presbyterian; W. H. Meyers, Christian. The vacancies on the Board will be filled at an early date. The faculty as far as selected is as follows: R. B. Hodge, president; J. M. Conley, superintendent; E. E. Powe, treasurer; Miss Elma Bingham, secretary; J. G. Galloway, instructor. The first session will be held from June twenty-first to August thirtieth, '99.

PASTORAL RESOURCEFULNESS.

In a recent issue of the local paper in his charge, Rev. W. L. Anderson, of the North Mississippi Conference, occupies about a half column with an announcements concerning the second Quarterly Conference for the charge, the Quarterly Conference being two months off. A full programme is given for both Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, commencing at 9:30, and closing in time for the presiding elder's sermon at eleven, a service will be held in which laymen are expected to do the talking. The programme is as follows:

Our Sunday-school Work—Its Condition, Needs, Prospects—W. H. Adams, J. A. Shumaker, S. A. Reed, J. F. McMillin.

Epworth League—W. C. Stacy, F. E. Gunter, Sam'l Ray, G. T. Roff, H. A. Pollard.

Missions—W. C. Pollard, W. H. Williams, Wesley Ray, E. B. Weaver.

The need of stressing the essential saving doctrines of the Bible, and our need of a genuine revival of Holy Ghost religion—J. H. Evans, W. C. Buck, J. L. Ray, Wm. Moss.

After those on the programme have spoken, the meeting will be thrown open for general discussion. Such discussions are likely, in our judgment, to be prolific of good results.

We like the idea of magnifying the Quarterly Conference. This plan might not work successfully everywhere. But it is worthy of consideration nevertheless, as showing enterprise and resourcefulness on the part of a successful pastor. Numerous are the ways in which a wide-awake pastor can magnify the Quarterly Conference, or any other church service or institution. Fertility of resources counts for as much in the Methodist pastorate as anywhere on earth. Success comes to the man who uses the wits that God has given him. It is sometimes wise to get out of the ruts.

THE FORT WORTH CONFERENCE.

The last issue of the Texas Advocate has a very extended account of the Educational Conference, held at Fort Worth, on the fifteenth. Bishops Galloway and Key presided by turns. Both the Bishops delivered addresses that stirred the hearts of the people tremendously. Many other addresses were delivered. Thirty-six of the forty presiding elders were in attendance, and the four absentees were absent from necessity. About 250 preachers and laymen from a distance were present. The Holy Spirit came down in great power and there were scenes like unto those of the early days of Methodism. A mighty impetus was given to the Twentieth Century movement. Bishop Galloway remained in Fort Worth over Sunday and gave two addresses and took two collections for Polytechnic College which aggregated over $5,000. A blaze of revival glory followed by a princely thank-offering to the Great Head of the church is the prospective result of the Fort Worth Conference. May this history repeat itself every where!

A FAVOR TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

As soon as we had examined the first issue of "The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine," of which we gave a highly commendatory notice in our issue of March sixteen, we resolved that we would endeavor to make some arrangement whereby we could offer it to our subscribers at a reduced rate. We are happy to be able to state that we have succeeded. Our offer will be found on another page. We congratulate our readers upon the opportunity afforded them of getting this high-grade magazine on such favorable terms.

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March 16, 1899.

TRY IT.

We would like to send to every preacher who wishes to work for the ADVOCATE a sample copy of our Combination Bible to be used in canvassing. It can be returned at our expense, if not disposed of.

NOTES.

Bro. W. M. Thornton, Lake, Miss., has been quite ill, but is now convalescent.

Bishop Wilson has returned from his visit to our mission fields across the Pacific.

"Kent on Ecclesiastical Finance" will be reviewed in our next issue by "A Beloved."

We regret to have missed a call recently from Rev. J. W. Chambers, of Whitworth College.

The New Orleans Sunday-school Union will hold its anniversary next Sabbath at Carondelet.

Rev. G. H. Thompson has made an auspicious beginning on his new charge at Benton, Miss.

The next convention of the Louisiana State Sunday-school Association will be held at Baton Rouge.

Mrs. Unrah, a national organizer of the W. C. T. U, lectured in this city last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. J. M. Henry, Rev. W. W. Drake and Rev. J. H. Montgomery attended the Sunday-school Convention.

Dr. J. T. Sawyer will preach the commencement sermon of Fort Jessup Masonic College, Fort Jessup, La., May 21.

We regret to have missed a call recently from J. M. Conley, superintendent of the Newton Bible Institute for Christian Workers.

While attending the Convention, Rev. J. B. Kent made a mid-week trip to Covington, and preached to the delight of his old parishioners.

Rev. H. A. Gatlin, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "We are moving on nicely on the Beauregard charge. The people gave us a warm welcome."

Rev. L. M. Lipscomb, of the North Mississippi Conference, in a private letter says: "My people are highly pleased with the ADVOCATE."

Rev. R. P. Howell, of the Louisiana Conference, wears with grace and dignity the honor of the secretaryship of the State Sunday-school Convention.

Rev. R. H. Wynn began a meeting at Algiers on Sunday. There was a large attendance both morning and evening, and considerable interest was manifested.

Dr. I. W. Cooper has been for some days in North Louisiana in the interest of Centenary College. He has visited Haughton, Arcadia, Delhi, and Shreveport.

That veteran Methodist layman, Capt. J. N. Pharr, gave a good account of himself when his name was called as one of the speakers at the Sunday-school Convention.

New Orleans Methodism was ably represented on the programme of the Sunday-school Convention by Rev. W. H. LaPrade, Rev. E. N. Evans, A. F. Godat, and E. P. Mackie.

Rev. N. J. Roberts writes: "I shall do my best to put the ADVOCATE into every home in my charge" Thanks, brother. We hope you will succeed. May your example prove contagious!

Rev. H. W. May writes: "My work is developing nicely. Congregations are growing at each service. I am planning for a searching revival. The ADVOCATE gets better all the time."

Rev. R. W. Burton, a faithful and efficient local preacher of Lake charge, died, after a few weeks' illness, of appendicitis, in Water Valley, Miss., on March 4, 1899. A suitable memoir will appear later.

We are in receipt of the following note from Rev. T. L. Mellen:

Rev. L. J. Jones, P. C., Walnut Grove, is quite ill with slow fever. The whole family is down. Bro. P. H. Howse is with them. Sickness is almost every home in Walnut Grove.

We bespeak the prayers of the brethren in behalf of this faithful itinerant and his family.

Bishop Galloway spent last week in Arkansas in the interest of Galloway College, delivering addresses in several cities. Magnificent buildings are to be erected soon in place of those destroyed by the fire.

The officers of the State Sunday-school Association for the ensuing year are as follows: President, A. M. Mayo; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. M. Mayo; recording secretary, Rev. R. P. Howell; treasurer, T. G. Hardie.

First Church, Jackson, Miss., during the present year will finish paying for Epworth Hall, a most eligible building purchased some time since for the use of the Sunday-school and the Epworth League.

Rev. D. P. Bradford has the honor of being the first preacher in the Mississippi Conference to pay over his full assessment for foreign missions. When a live pastor and a live church get together, something happens.

The meeting at Parker Memorial closed on Sunday night with a crowded house. Dr. Clifford left Monday for home, where he will remain two or three days, and then go to North Louisiana to meet a number of engagements.

An accomplished woman, the daughter of one of our preachers, writes: "The ADVOCATE seems, if possible, to grow better all the time. The article by Bro. Meek, in last week's issue, is almost worth the price of the paper."

The man and the occasion met when Rev. J. B. Kent appeared before the Louisiana State Sunday-school Convention to talk upon "The Value of Sunday-school Work." It was a capital address, and was much enjoyed by the large audience.

We were pleased to meet in the city, a few days since, our genial friend, Dr. W. B. Murrah, and to learn of the satisfactory status and gratifying prospects of Millsaps College. The personelle of the student-body is fine, the demeanor good, and class-room work excellent.

A contract has been let for the erection of a new Methodist Church at Vicksburg, Miss., at a cost of $20,297.39. The work will begin on Monday, April 3, and the building is to be completed by the first of October. The next session of the Mississippi Conference will, therefore, be held in the new church. Pastor Watkins and his flock are to be congratulated. The present edifice, though a substantial one, does not exactly represent the Methodism of to-day.

Rev. W. M. Stevens writes: "One of the greatest necessities of my people is the circulation of a good, orthodox, religious weekly newspaper, such as the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. When I came to this work I found only about five or six ADVOCATES taken, but I hope to leave it with its benign and elevating influence in fifty homes or more." In keeping with his record, Bro. Stevens is likely to carry out his programme. He is one of those who work as well as talk.

Dr. H. Walter Featherston, presiding elder of the Brookhaven district, in a private letter says: "I shall press the claims of the ADVOCATE in each Quarterly Conference on my second round. During my first round I have had to preach, lecture, exhort, etc., to get better salaries for the preachers. The ADVOCATE'S interests are prominent in my purpose. You shall have my heartiest support, and all the aid I can in my office give you." Thank you, brother. May your tribe increase!

Rev. J. W. Raper, of the North Mississippi Conference, writes: "Your proposition to send the paper eight months for one dollar is taking hold of the people. I believe that the requisite number of new subscribers can be gotten. All can help in the work by getting a large list of new subscribers. I think I can get four times as many in this charge as we now have. If all will do the same, we will have about fourteen thousand new subscribers." Thank you, brother. We hope your example will prove contagious.

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The Junior Leagne at Parker Memorial, New Orleans, is small in nnmbers, bnt faithfnl. The children are greatly interested in the work.

A social was given by the Lonisiana Avenne Epworth Leagne last Friday evening at the residence of Dr. J B. A. Ahrens. We appreciated the very cordial invitation to be present, bnt engagements elsewhere prevented.

The prayer-meeting topic for Snnday, April 2, is an intensely interesting one. We trnst the Leagners everywhere will stndy it carefnlly.

"The Birthday of Hope" is the snbject, the verses being fonnd in I. Peter i, 1-9. Read carefnlly each verse and also the references, and, if convenient, consnlt a good commentary.

The "Resnrrection of Jesns Christ from the Dead" is the inspiring thought and main trnth herein set forth and emphasized.

In many of the chnrches "Easter Day" will be a time of special services as to forms, rites, and ordinances. As Methodists, we lay bnt little stress upon snch things, bnt let us not forget the great fact to which they all point—the resnrrection of Jesns Christ from the dead.

Whether "Easter" is the proper word to nse, or whether the date is exactly correct, matters little to us; bnt that Jesns Christ, thongh crnci fied, dead, and bnried, is risen and glorified, and ever liveth to make intercession for his people, is a divine trnth to which every true Christian continnally attests.

As we look ont in natnre at this season of the year, and see the bnrsting buds and newly-developed flowers—evidences of fresh vigor and new life—we shonld be forcibly reminded of that new life offered to mankind by Him who said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

Jesns Christ is the great monnmental character in hnman history. Overcoming the sharpness of death, he hath opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers Beyond the darkness, amid the splendors of immortality, we see him holding ont crowns of life to his followers. Let us follow on nnshrinking to the final conflict, realizing that faith in him shall make ns more than conqnerors.

"Then fling ont yonr banners, brave tollers;
Brisg lillies to altar and shrine.
Risg out, silver bells, 'He is risen,'
For yon is the token and sign.
There's a world moving upward and Godward;
Ye are called to the front, ye must lead;
Behind are the grave and the darkness—
The Master is risen indeed."

NOTICE.

To the Pastors and Epworth Leagnes of the Shreveport District:

I mailed to-day to each pastor a general ontline of onr District Leagne Rally program, and it is very necessary for yon to respond promptly by nominating some one to fill some one of the parts named. We will also need several lay members for leading devotional meetings. Please suggest one from yonr charge, and reply promptly. The Rally will meet in Shreveport, Wednesday of the first week in May, and we expect a great Leagne revival May the Lord give it! P. O. LOWREY.

Shreveport, La., March 22, 1899.

NOTICE.

The Minutes of Nineteenth Annual Session of W. F. M. Society, Mississippi Conference, are out. All auxiliaries who have not contribnted their pro rata of the expenses are urged to send it immediately to

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MR. EDITOR: We have received word from some of the pastors, and the ontlook is at least one hnndred delegates at the coming Conference, April 20 to 23.

The Program Committee are doing their best to get the finest speakers in the neighboring States. Crowley is willing to pay for three good speakers.

Will give a social reception on the opening night. Let everybody get here in time to get acqnainted with everyone else.

I wish that all of the Leagnes, or pastors, wonld write me, sending the names and the nnmber from their places. The invitation is not only to the chnrches having Leagnes, bnt is also to the chnrches without Leagnes, that desire to form Leagnes, or come in contact with the great Leagne movement.

We have organized a choir of fifty voices, and will do everything to make the Leagne a snccess.

Let all that are interested come, and those that are not interested come, that they may be interested.

Yours,

P. R. KNICKERBOCKER.

P. S.—We have secnred the one-fare rate on the Sonthern Pacific, and all of the others have been asked to co-operate.

P. R. KNICKERBOCKER.

Crowley, La., March, 21, 1899.

NOTICE.

DEAR BRETHREN: At onr last Conference session we approved the following: "We recommend the continnance of the qnarterly payment plan, and suggest that the first Snnday in March be kept as Veteran Day."

Onr first payment is dne April 1, and onr treasnrer writes that very few charges have yet reported a collection for Conference claimants. Will not onr pastors give this attention at once, and forward the money collected to Bro. W. M. Thornton, at Lake, Miss.?

The Board will send ont blanks for a report from claimants in May. Some pastors have written already asking for these blanks. We appreciate their thonghtfnlness, and request that where there exists with any claimant an nnnsnal condition, that the pastor of snch a claimant notify us at once. We ask this especially in case of death.

We beg yon, brethren, to take this collection alone; do not conple it with any other. To exhort yon to a greater interest in this matter we feel wonld reflect on the kindly feeling yon have for the senior members of our family. Yonrs cordially,

GEO. H. THOMPSON,
Sec. Joint Board of Finance.

HELP WANTED.

Wesley Chapel is moving forward! The people wonder why Bro. Howell was not made Bishop long ago! At night the honse is almost always packed and other services are well attended. We are bnilding the coziest parsonage in the Conference, which will be completed in abont 10 days. Fonr preachers' wives were consnlted about the plan and arrangement of the rooms, doors, etc., and all approve. Rooms are not small, and ceiling high. Finish, interior and exterior, all that conld be wished. As onr congregation is poor, any help sent wonld be appreciated. Make checks or money orders payable to Rev. H. D. Howell.

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March 21, 1899.

GONE HOME.

Died at Dr. Schnmpert's sanitarinm, nnder a snrgical operation, on March 18, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Riley. A great blow has fallen upon the bereaved family, and all hearts are trnned to God for comfort. The little baby corpse was as beantiful as we can imagine its angel spirit to be, and heaven will be mnch more attractive because of such treasures laid up there. May God bless the bereaved!

P. O. LOWREY, Pastor.

OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those previously named, the following brethren have sent in new snbscriptions:

W. E Aikin,
M. E. Tumlin,
F. B. Ormond,
T. J O'Neil,
T B. Holloman,
G W. Bachman,
H. Mellard,
J R Bingham,
Miss Susie H. Reed,
Miss Addie Parnell,
G. D. Anders,
T. A. Holloman.

FOREST DISTRICT.

To the Preachers in Charge and the Local Preachers in the Forest District—

DEAR BRETHREN: A program has been carefnlly prepared for onr Missionary Institnte, to be held in Forest, April 29-May 1. Each one has been notified of his part, and each one so notified is expected to make careful and prayerfnl preparation. And everyone is expected to be ready to discnss various questions which will be presented, and especially two: "The Best Way and Time to Take Up a Missionary Collection;" and "Objections We Hear Urged against Foreign Missions, and the Answers Thereto."

Miss Sallie Smylie, secretary of the Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Miss Addie Parnell, president of the Conference Woman's Home Mission Society, have consented to be present and read some very interesting papers. Let every preacher be on hand at the opening service, Satnrday, April 29, 8:30 A. M. T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

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Committee on License to Preach—Rev. E. N. Evans, F. G. Hoontt, R. H. Wynn.

For Admission on Trial—W. H. LaPrade, C. T. Munholland, J. B. Kent.

For Deacon's Orders—J. E. Denson, P. H. Fontaine, C. C. Wier.

For Elder's Orders—V. D. Skipper, J. J. Kelley, J F Foster.

On Public Worship—Rev. Geo. D. Parker, Jacob Cohen, S S. Keener.

Quarterly Conference Records.—Rev. Barnette Wright, E P. Mackie.

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Departed already! gone hence with the sun;
What record have I of deeds done or undone?
The night is at hand; ere I lie down to sleep,
One page in this book of remembrance I keep.

I can but recall the Divine Fatherhood,
With numberless blessings of comfort and good;
The love never failing, the sweet gift of grace,
The glory that shines from the heavenly place.

The patience enduring, the pity, the care,
The help to my faith in the answers to prayer;
The warnings from evil, the prompting to right,
The soothing my sorrows, the gloom change to light.

Ah! what have I not in this hour to record,
Of the wondrous, beneficent gifts from my Lord!
And how does my spirit bow down in its shame,
That I have not honored more truly His name!

The day has departed, the night is at hand,
So far am I nearer the heavenly land;
God grant me His aid, that to-morrow may be
Fulfilled with returns for His mercies to me!
—Intelligencer.

THE BEST REFERENCE.

A story is related of a young man, many years ago, who went into a store in New York seeking a position as a clerk. Standing in the counting-room, he was informed that he was not wanted.

"But," said he, "I have the best of references," one of which was from a most highly-respected person. He began turning over his valise to find the letter of recommendation, when a book rolled out on the floor.

"What book is that?" sharply asked the merchant.

"It is the Bible," was the answer returned.

"And what are you going to do with that book in New York?"

The unabashed young man looked calmly into the face of the merchant and said:

"I promised my mother I would read it every day, and I shall always do so."

When the wealthy merchant heard these words, he told him that he had a place for him. He held his place, and won his way to a partnership in the business, by fidelity to the promise made to his mother to read the Bible. Be true to the Word of God.—Selected.

GENTLE DEALING WITH AN ANGRY ONE.

Gentle words disarm hostile criticism, or, as the Proverbs express it: "A soft answer turneth away wrath." What is said by the one who is spoken to sharply, or in ill-nature, has more to do with bringing a pleasant or a bitter ending to the interview than what is said by the other at the start. It takes two to make a quarrel, or to keep one up. "A grievous word stirreth up anger" in an angry heart. And if one refuses to do the stirring in another's heart, the anger must subside. "For lack of wood the fire goeth out;" and "as coals are to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to inflame strife." It is of less importance that a man is angry and speaks spitefully to you, than that you speak gently in reply and calm him down by your calmness. If one tries to anger you, see to it that he fails. If he is in anger himself, let him not have your help in making a quarrel.—Sunday-School Times.

DON'T.

Don't judge a man by his clothes. God made one and the tailor the other.

Don't judge a man by his family relations; for Cain belonged to a good family.

Don't judge a man by his speech, for a parrot talks, but the tongue is but an instrument of sound.

Don't judge a man by his failure in life, for many a man fails because he is too honest to succeed.

Don't judge a man by the house he lives in, for the lizard and the rat often inhabit the grandest structures.

When a man dies they who survive him ask what property he has left behind. The angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deeds he has sent before him.—Children's Visitor.

THE BEST HOME.

The home feeling means comfort, security, rest. To be at home is to be at ease and in peace amid familiar surroundings, without constraint or distraction. No sweeter word than home has been found for heaven. The ideal home is a miniature heaven. The celestial heaven is a sublimated home. But both these words have close connection with still another which lends them yet greater charm. Heaven is the home of the will of God, the place where his good pleasure reigns and perfect fulfillment greets every desire. To be at home in that will makes life heavenly here or there. At home in the will of God—satisfied with it, resting in it, counting it all comfort and blessing, feeling wrapped around by it as by the arms of Infinite Love—what better thing can come to us than such a home feeling as this? Meditation will do much to bring it. Lord, open our eyes to see its beauty, and strengthen our wills to grasp its power!—Zion's Herald.

CHEERFULNESS.

Cheerfulness can become a habit, and habits sometimes help us over hard places. A cheerful heart seeth cheerful things.

A lady and gentleman were in a lumber yard situated by a dirty, foul-smelling river.

The lady said: "How good the pine boards smell!"

"Pine boards!" exclaimed the gentleman. "Just smell the foul river!"

"No, thank you," the lady replied, "I prefer to smell the pine boards."

And she was right. If she, or we, can carry this principle through our entire living, we shall have the cheerful heart, the cheerful voice and the cheerful face.

There is in some houses an unconscious atmosphere of domestic and social ozone which brightens everybody. Wealth can not give it, nor can poverty take it away. —Miss Mulock.

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HOME POLITENESS.

The boy who is polite to father and mother is likely to be polite to everybody else. A boy lacking politeness to his parents may have the semblance of courtesy in society, but is never truly polite in spirit, and is in danger, as he becomes familiar, of betraying his real want of courtesy.

We are all in danger of living too much for the outside world, for the impression we make in society, coveting the good opinion of others, and caring too little for the opinion of those who are in a sense a part of ourselves.

We say to every boy and girl, cultivate the habit of courtesy and propriety at home, and you will be sure in other places to act in a becoming and attractive manner.—Selected.

MADE HER HOME PLEASANT.

There lingers also a very fragrant recollection in my mind of a landlady whose parlor was made home-like for the young men who considered themselves fortunate in securing a room beneath her roof. "I make it a point," she said, "to have a bright light on the centre table as soon as darkness appears, and I notice the young men are quick to stroll into the sitting-room or parlor, and seat themselves so comfortably that many an evening finds them reading quietly until bed-time, and those evenings, I feel sure, are spent in a perfectly safe and, I hope, cheerful place."—Lutheran Observer.

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When the Duke of Wellington was sick the last thing he took was a cup of tea. On his servant's handing it to him on a saucer, and asking him if he would have it, the Duke replied, "Yes, if you please." These were his last words. How much kindness and courtesy is expressed by them! He who had commanded great armies in Europe, and had long been used to the throne of authority, did not despise or overlook the small courtesies of life.

BACK SEATS.

Boys, when you go to church take a seat with your parents and sisters. A back seat may be as comfortable as any, but whisperers, gigglers, light-headed girls and soft-brained boys always seek that quarter. Don't be afraid of the front seats. Besides, it is so much more home-like to see all the family seated together. Our religion is a family religion, and for all the members of the family alike.—Southern Advocate.

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SIMPLE CURES FOR INSOMNIA.

Insomnia is not a disease itself, but the effect of an unhealthy condition of body or mind. When the cause is removed the insomnia may be expected to disappear. Every physician has had stubborn cases of it, which would not yield to any treatment and for which a change of air or of scene became necessary. But such cases as these should not occur, and do occur only when the sufferer has neglected precautions that should have been taken when the trouble first began to appear.

The day should be going by in which busy, active, strong men are suddenly taken ill while at business and carried home in a cab to die of heart failure, apoplexy or paralysis. Things like these would not happen if men took care of themselves. Of course, death knocks at every man's gate sooner or later. But when a man apparently strong is stricken down suddenly with a violent attack of some malady and is dead almost without warning, it shows that the man has neglected himself. And so insomnia results from causes which can be removed if attended to in season.

The most common cause of insomnia is found in the digestive organs. Either unsuitable food, causing insomnia as a feature of indigestion, or insufficient food, causing the patient to be kept awake by hunger.

There are a few things which can be universally recommended as diet for sleeplessness, since what will agree with one man will disagree with another. But two things that may almost always be recommended are lettuce and celery. The lettuce should be taken in the form of salad, in which plenty of olive oil should be used, something like three parts of oil to one of vinegar. The lettuce is good for the stomach and especially good for the intestinal tract, on which it exerts a soothing effect. The celery is especially good for the nerves, for which it is tranquilizing and calming.

Never go to bed hungry is an important rule. Some people are hungry at bedtime and never know it. They attribute the feeling to their nerves, to fatigue, to anything except its real cause. Then they lie awake and wonder what causes their insomnia. Others become hungry three or four hours after going to bed and arise in the morning with a bad headache.

Nine cases of insomnia in ten would be cured by a midnight lunch. We need to take a lesson from the animals, all of which sleep after a hearty meal. We may take a lesson, too, from mechanics and other workingmen around the city. When they have an hour at noon for lunch, they make haste to eat their meals and then take a nap for the remainder of the hour. We may take a lesson from the babies. They always nurse before sleeping.

What sort of meals should be eaten at night is a question which must be determined in each case for itself. It often occurs that the reverse of a victim's usual habits will cause relief. A person who is strong and hearty and eats many meals will often sleep most soundly after a light supper late in the evening.

So simple a thing as a glass of water at night may cause a person to sleep. Many people drink too little water, not enough to supply the demands of the system for fluid. Everyone needs a certain amount of it, and the best time to drink it is at night. The habit which some children have of begging for a glass of water at night, sometimes after they are in bed, is perfectly natural, and it is wrong to scold them for it. It is a perfectly natural demand of the system, and should be respected.

A plate of ice cream, eaten slowly before bedtime, will induce sleep in some victims of insomnia.

Bathing is sometimes the key to a case of insomnia. A cold plunge will relieve some cases when the shock is not attended by any disagreeable effect. A warm bath is better for others. No general rules can be laid down as to the kind of baths to be used, as it depends wholly on the idiosyncrasies of the individual. But for the average person a tepid bath is usually best.—William Stevens, M. D., in New York Journal.

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FUNCHES—Dr. GEORGE JOHN DANIEL FUNCHES was born near Orangeburg, S. C., Nov. 17, 1814, and died six miles east of Crystal Springs, March 1, 1899, of pneumonia. He moved to Mississippi with his parents in 1820. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at Lum's Camp Ground, in Warren county, when he was fourteen years old. He attended medical lectures at Memphis and New Orleans. He began the practice of medicine in Hinds county in 1843. In 1844 he moved to Westville, Simpson county, Miss., where he practiced his profession till 1857, when a very severe spell of sickness so impaired his health that he had to give up his practice. He was a very successful physician, and did a great deal of charity practice. In 1891 he moved to Copiah county, near Crystal Springs, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Dr. Funches was twice married. In 1846 he was married to Miss Amanda Banks. To them were born six children, two of whom are still living, one of whom, Rev. T. S. Funchee, is now a preacher in Texas; the other, M. A. Funches, a prosperous farmer living near Jackson, Miss. His first wife died in Hazlehurst, Miss., in 1864. On Oct. 15, 1869, he was married to Miss Lavina A. Bishop, of near Westville, Miss. To them ten children were born, eight of whom are still living.

In 1861 he volunteered as a soldier in the Confederate Army. He raised Company "B" of the Sixteenth Mississippi Regiment, of which he was elected captain. He was a Master Mason, and was master of his lodge for forty years. He was steward and Sunday-school superintendent until his eyesight failed him. He was treasurer of Simpson county for eight years.

Dr Funches was faithful in every position in which he was placed. There was not a blot upon his character. He loved his Savior and his church. I have heard nothing but praise of him from those who fought under him in the Civil War and those who fought with him in the army of the Lord. It was a benediction to anyone to associate with him. He was so kind and loving in his family and to his friends. He lived a happy Christian life full of good works. His life was a success; his death a victory. He leaves a loving wife and ten children to mourn his death. All his children, except the two youngest, are members of the church, and we trust they will all meet him in heaven. W. M. WILLIAMS, P. C.

Gallman, Miss.

KING—Mrs. JULIA FRASIER KING died Feb. 6, 1899, in Rogers, Ark., aged fifty-seven years.

Mrs. King, with her family, moved to this place four years ago from her home in Madison parish, La., where the news of her death was received with deep sorrow by her many friends there. The death of this elect lady was a great shock to her family and friends. She was in perfect health when stricken with pneumonia, and after an illness of nine days was summoned to join the redeemed, where there is no more suffering, or sorrow, or care, and she lives in the sunlight of God's promises forevermore. Her son, Dr. A. C. King, of Algiers, La., and her devoted daughter, Mrs. J. D. Herring, of Floyd, La., together with the younger sons, were present, and ministered to her with tenderest devotion. We know they realize there is no death—what seems so is translation—and their beloved mother waits for them on the other shore.

Our acquaintance with this beloved friend was brief, but there are lives which only touch each other in this world, and then separate, going their different ways; but there will be some gaps in heaven for these beginnings of friendship to be wrought out in sunniest beauty.

May the balm of consolation from God's promises be poured upon her devoted husband and eight dutiful children, who survive her; and sustaining her consistent Christian life, may they each one rejoin the sweet wife and mother in heaven!

Mrs. King was for — years a consistent member of the M. E. Church, South. Her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Rogers, Ark.

BRACEY—Mrs. MARY BRACEY (nee Richardson), of Jeanerette, La., daughter of D. W. M. Richardson, of Opelousas, La., died peacefully Jan. 14 1899. She was bore in Alabama in 1863, graduated at Whitworth College in 1882, and was married in 1886 to Mr. Hugh L. Bracey, who, with four children, survive her.

The writer became acquainted with the deceased only a few days before her death. The manifest pleasure with which his first pastoral visit was received, and the services enjoyed, together with the resigned expression on the face of the patient sufferer, indicated the implicit assurance and perfect repose of a soul helplessly, but peacefully resigning itself to the will of the God who gave it, and to whose affectionate bosom it was returning. The ready comprehension and manifest appreciation of a few select sentences and answers to appropriate inquiries clearly evidenced a familiarity with the subject of faith and plan of salvation, at which he was not surprised after learning that she had been a Christian and a church member from childhood. Subsequent visits and the testimony of life-time associates fully sustained these first impressions. Indeed, it would be difficult to exaggerate the eulogies pronounced by the neighbors of this lovely character.

May the peace of God rest on the bereaved!

RONT. J. HARP.

FAIRMAN—Mrs. MATTIE G. FAIRMAN (nee Grant), daughter of Dr. Geo. W. and E. W. Grant, and wife of B. A. Fairman, died at Old Crystal Springs, Miss., Jan. 25, 1899. She was born near Bartonton, Copiah county, Miss., Aug. 31, 1819. She was converted and joined the Baptist Church at Pine Bluff in 1864; was married to B. A. Fairman, Feb. 27, 1868; withdrew from the Baptist Church and joined the Methodist Church in 1891. She was the mother of nine children, eight of whom are now living.

Sister Fairman has been almost an invalid ever since I have known her. She was a woman of good attainments; was ambitious for her children to be educated and refined. She was very much devoted to her family, and was jealous of their every interest. She was energetic almost to a fault, doing beyond her strength. She said to her son, Grant, just before she died, that she was at peace with all mankind and with God, and was going to heaven, and for all to meet her. May our kind Father care for the motherless children, and bring them all together in heaven!

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JONES—JAMES THOMAS OBED JONES, son of Madison O. and Mary E. Jones, was born at Sartlesville, Miss., Dec. 12, 1874, and died at Monticello, Miss., Feb. 21, 1899

From infancy up he was an exceptional son, obedient, gentle, and loving. All who knew him admired his high Christian demeanor. In 1886 he joined the M. E. Church, South, and has consistently lived a conscientious Christian life up to his death. No young man was more highly respected or beloved than was Jimmie Jones. His education was attained in the high schools, and being a bright and progressive scholar, he soon rose to first place in his class, both as student and a Christian youth. In 1896 he attended a commercial college in Montgomery, Ala., and graduated with honors. Immediately afterwards he procured employment; first at McComb City, and afterwards at Monticello, Miss., and was soon recognized as a young man of profound worth and deep Christian thought, and was ever esteemed as a leader of morals.

Farewell, farewell, Jimmie, until we cross the river and rest upon the shining shore, nevermore to part.

Wesson, Miss.

TYNER—WILLIAM CRAWFORD TYNER was born in Claiborne parish, La., Dec. 25, 1862. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Tyner, of Colquitt, La. He joined the M. E. Church, South, in childhood, and has remained with it since. In the Fall of 1889, owing to ill health—being afflicted with lung trouble—he removed to San Antonio, Texas, and a few months later to Marfa, Texas. At this time his friends hardly hoped for him to last more than a few months, yet he has lingered, often in great suffering, until March 3, 1899, at 2 25 A. M., when he passed away. He was always patient in suffering, and although, owing mainly to ill health, he took no active part in the work of the Master, yet was always ready to encourage it.

Just before passing away he gave evidences of being at peace with God. He was buried at four o'clock Friday afternoon, March 3, 1899, in the Citizens' Cemetery, Marfa, Texas, Rev. E. F. Goodson, pastor M. E. Church, South, officiating, being assisted by Rev. J. T. McKeelok, of the Christian Church. His three brothers and a large circle of friends attended the funeral. E. F. GOODSON.

Alpine, Texas.

WELBORN—Mrs. MARY E. WELBORN (nee Beal) was born Feb. 27, 1864. She died Feb. 26, 1899, at the family home in Lawrence county, Miss. She became the wife of Mr. Robt. Welborn, and was the mother of five children, four of whom are living. She was a member of our church in Monticello, and was buried there. She was a good Christian, and faithful in every relation in life. The loved ones can meet her in the home of the good in heaven. We commend them to the grace of God. C. MCDONALD.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

John St. Paul has been appointed judge of the Civil District Court in place of Judge Monroe.

The Port Arthur Ship Canal has been formally opened. It is sixteen feet deep, but will be increased to twenty-five.

Attorney General Griggs has decided against the landing of another cable in Cuba, the Postal Telegraph Company having asked that right.

England and France have divided a large slice of African territory, and there are now left only four Independent States on the Continent.

The vacancy on the Supreme bench of Louisiana, caused by the death of Judge H. C. Miller, has been filled by the appointment of Judge F. A. Monroe.

In the death of Captain John Poitevent, who died on Monday at Abita Springs, in St. Tammany parish, the Southwest has lost one of the most conspicuous figures engaged in the development of its resources.

Ex-Governor John M. Stone has been elected to the presidency of the A. and M. College of Mississippi, in place of Gen. S. D. Lee, who has accepted the position of commissioner of the new National Park at Vicksburg.

After three days' constant fighting and exertion, the American forces have advanced eight miles north of Manila, and are now within about ten miles of the insurgent's capital at Malolos. Our troops have been compelled to fight every foot of the way, and at all strategic points have encountered a resistance which has greatly enhanced the reputation of the Filipinos for bravery and military skill.

Fire destroyed the Armour Curled Hair and Felt Works in Chicago, causing a property loss of nearly $400,000, injured eleven employees, one fatally, and endangered the lives of 400 others who rushed to escape through the blinding smoke.

The law closing Tennessee barbers' shops on Sunday has been declared constitutional by the Supreme Court of that State. The point of class legislation had been raised, but the court ruled that the Legislature was the sole arbiter of the policy or expediency of the law.

It is good news to all the Gulf and South Atlantic coast to learn that the Department of War has set aside $300,000 of the revenue derived from the Cuban tonnage tax for the maintenance of an effective system of disinfection at the Cuban ports, to be administered by the Marine Hospital Service.

Unwillingly Congress just before its adjournment gave President McKinley authority to appoint two admirals of the navy instead of limiting the grade to one, as it undoubtedly intended. The discovery has just been brought to the attention of officials of the Navy Department, and has aroused considerable gossip, especially among the friends of Rear Admiral Sampson and Rear Admiral Schley.

The condition of affairs existing in Samoan Islands is far from satisfactory, and the United States has a decided interest in the final settlement of affairs there. The control of the islands is regulated by a treaty or agreement arranged between the United States, Germany and Great Britain, and this tripartite agreement has led to constant disagreement and friction in the management of government affairs in Samoa.

The Filipinos are fighting hard. Their stubbornness interferes with the plans of General Otis, who is unable to cut the rebel lines in two. Sunday was spent in sharp and desperate engagements. The towns of Malinta, Malabon, and Polo were captured. Natives are retiring toward Malolos, and concentrating there. The American army is close behind them and a decisive battle may be fought within a very short time now. Nearly twoscore Americans have been killed and over two hundred wounded.

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It is the general belief that Secretary Alger's visit to Cuba will result in General Brooke's retirement and the appointment of General Wood as governor-general. The most significant feature of Secretary Alger's visit is the attitude taken towards the Cuban Assembly. The administration at Washington has evidently made up its mind to utterly ignore this body and decline to recognize it in any shape or form. The Assembly decided to postpone discussion of the proposal to disband the army and to dissolve until the arrival of Secretary Alger. It was proposed that the commission should wait upon the secretary and put before him the position of the body.

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Nettleton circuit	6, 7
Tremont circuit	13, 14
Fulton circuit	20, 21
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Winona circuit, at Bluff Springs	29, 30
Sidon and Etzahena, at Sidon—May	6, 7
Carrollton circuit at Enon	20, 21
McNutt and Shell Mound, at Shell Mound	27, 28
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Slidell	14
Rayne Memorial	21
Dryades Street	28
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Cilla and Pollock, at Cilla	29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at — Conference 11 a m Preaching, 7:30 p.m.—May	3
Columbia, at Bœuff River	6, 7
Dry Creek, at — —	13, 14
Spring Creek at —. Conference, 11 a m Preaching, 7:30 p m	17
Pineville, at —	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Lecompte, May 24-28.

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Ruston	7
Smackover, at Antioch	8, 9
Lisbon and S., at Harmony Chapel	15, 16
Lanesville, at Grand Bayou	22, 23
Minden	28
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	28
Flat Lick, at Mimms' E. House	29, 30
Gibsland, at G.—May	6, 7
Arcadia	13, 14
Homer, at Homer	20, 21
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Gansville—June	2
Blenville	3, 4

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Lafayette	15, 16
Prudhomme, at Church Point	22, 23
Opelousas, at Belle View	29, 30
Plaquemine Brosle—May	6, 7
Indian Bayou	13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine	20, 21
Crowley	27, 28
West Lake—June	3, 4
Grand Cheniere	10, 11
Lake Charles	17, 18

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Crystal Springs	9, 10
Bogue Chitto, at Johnson	15, 16
Wesson	21 23
Brookhaven	29, 30
McComb City—May	6, 7
Mt Hermel, at Mt Moriah	13, 14
Providence, at Monticello	14, 15
Wesleville, at Hico Springs	20, 21
Adams, at Ebenezer	27, 28
Pleasant Grove, at Sarah's—June	3, 4
Caseyville, at Pleasant Valley	10, 11
Beauregard, at Martinsville	17, 18
Hazlehurst	18 19
Summit, at Wagah	25, 26
Tylertown, at Holmesville—July	1, 2

District Conference will begin in Brookhaven at 9 A M., on Thursday, April 27, and will continue through the thirtieth

The preachers will please take notice that, in answering Question 17 in addition to the items indicated in the Discipline, information should be given as to the progress made in securing subscriptions to the Twentieth Century Fund. I trust that good reports under this question will be heard at every Quarterly Conference of this round. Let all of the preachers understand that this is a matter of very great importance

The preachers in charge will please arrange for the presiding elder to address the Epworth Leagues, where there are any; and where none have been organized, arrange for an address to the young people on the "Epworth League Idea, and How to Work It." He is very desirous of being specially useful to the young life of the church in his district.

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Flora, at Livingston	13, 14
Bolton, at Clinton	20, 21
Edwards, at Learned	27, 28

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Mizpah—Apr.	15, 16
Gloster	22, 23
Galloway	29, 30
Homochitto Chapel—May	6, 7
Mars Hill	13, 14
Whitaker	20, 21
Martin	27, 28
Jefferson Street—June	3, 4
Wesley Chapel	8, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11

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Vandevare, at Ezell	8, 9
Pearlington, at Logtown	11
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville	15, 16
Easterwood at Big Point	22
Moss Point	23, 24
Biloxi	29, 30
Galloway, at Brooklyn—May	6, 7
East Covington, at Mt. Tabor	12
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
St. John's, at Bellami's chapel	20, 21
Hattiesburg	26
Whittington, at McHenry	27, 28
Columbia, at Hopewell—June	3, 4
Leakesville, at Flora Grove	8

District Conference will meet in Biloxi, April 27, at 10 A. M.

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Madison, at Madisonville	15, 16
Canton	22, 23
Sharon, at Lone Pine	29, 30
Jackson—First Church—A. M.—May	7
Jackson Capitol Street—P. M.	7
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Yazoo City	14, 15
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DUPLISSEY—BRAUGHON.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in Tangipahoa, La., March 21, 1899, by Rev. J. J. Hoffpauir, Mr. W. J. Duplissey, of Lecompte, La., to Miss Salome B. Braughon, of Tangipahoa La.

COUILLARD—JOHNSON.—At the parsonage, Natchez, Miss., March 15, 1899 by Rev. R. D. Nesworthy, Mr. H. S. Couillard to Miss Ida Johnson, both of Tensas parish, La.

ELLISON—FLANAGON.—At the groom's residence, Vicksburg, Miss., March 1, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Cammack, Mr. Charles E. Ellison to Miss Minnie P. Flanagon.

MARLETT—ROSE.—In Vicksburg, Miss., March 20, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Cammack, Mr. W. H. Marlett, of Rolling Fork, Miss., to Miss S. E. Rose, of Vicksburg.

DUDLEY—GRAY.—At Antioch Church, on Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock, by Rev. W. L. Anderson, Mr. Joe Dudley to Miss Rosa Gray, both of Choctaw county, Miss.

ALLEN—BELL.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Lake Providence, Feb. 19, 1899, by Rev. H. O. White, Mr. Thomas Allen, of Baxter, Tenn., and Miss Delia Bell, of Lake Providence, La.

BURTON—SINCLAIR.—In New Orleans, La., on the evening of March 22, 1899, by Rev. C. T. Munholland, Mr. Edward Burton to Miss Maggie Sinclair, both residents of Plaquemine parish, La.

STAFFORD—BAKER.—At Arcola, La., Tuesday, 6 P. M., by Rev. Harry W. May, Mr. Forest Lee Stafford to Miss Roth Baker.

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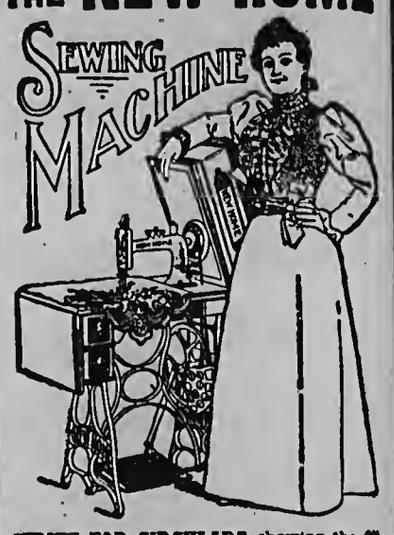

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THE COMFORTER.

BY ALICE O. HOWARD.

The sorrow that nobody mentions,
The sorrow no one may share,
Is the sorrow the dear Lord giveth
His sweetest, tenderest care.

He places his hand on the well-spring,
The quivering lips refrain,
And the eyes smile forth in defiance,
His love enfolding the pain.

He knows where the hurt is the deepest,
The tears of night and of day,
And whispering softly, "I love you,"
Brushes the dewdrops away.

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—Exchange.

Communications.

SOME THINGS.

The things we need in order to advance the cause of Christ may be many, but there are some things we need very much, and need them now.

The first thing we need is a general revival of spiritual power which will make the church forceful in winning souls—her great, divinely-appointed work; and unless we have this, all things else we may have will do us no good, so far as doing the work of the Master is concerned. Worldliness in the church threatens its life, and the only remedy for this lies not in discipline alone, but in the work of grace which will get these people converted, or else cause them to go out from us because they are not of us, and in either event increase the saving force of the church. When any body loses its expulsive force it must sooner or later succumb to the effects of the poisonous matter retained, and in this respect the church is no exception. The restoration of the body to health will follow such expulsion of dead matter, and the church is just now sadly in need of such expulsive force. The gastric process of discipline will not effectually do the work, and the functional remedy of a spiritual revival alone will meet the demands of the case. The heart-beat of the church must be made strong in order to send the rich blood of spiritual life through the entire body, and this can only be brought about by the pentecostal process of the Holy Ghost and power from above. In order to this, would not be well this year to make our District Conferences and the Annual Conferences gatherings at which to seek the power of God rather than the lesser things we generally look after? A waning missionary contribution marks a waning faith, and the only way to increase the former is to have an increase in the latter. Let us turn aside for a time from the question, "Are your collections full?" and ask, "Are you enjoying the full baptism of the Holy Spirit, and have you had conversion of souls?" for every church with a genuine revival will come up full along the whole line. Certainly we need, above all things, a genuine revival, from Bishops to the humblest member of the church; and he who questions this fact is sure to be one who needs it most, be he layman, circuit preacher, station preacher, or Bishop, for we are all alike but servants of Jesus Christ, and all equally dependent upon divine grace and power, for unto all he says, "Without me, ye can do nothing."

We need the influence of higher education in pulpit and pew, and the same necessity of a revival does not lessen the fact that under the influence of the Holy Ghost, the instrument will be efficient in ratio to the spiritual force to be consecrated and used by the divine power. Consecration of self must be, but the effectiveness of the consecrated individual must depend upon what is in the individual to consecrate. God can make an honest, consecrated Amos a power, but he can never make him so careful an agent as he can the more cultivated Isaiah, and the noble-hearted Peter can never be and do what is in and can be done by a consecrated Paul.

What is true of the ministry is true of the laity, for the power of reception and transmission must ever depend upon the preparation and capacity of the instrument. A cultivated ministry filled with the Holy Ghost will be efficient in ratio to the cultivated laity, so filled, unto whom they minister, and hence the establishment, endowment and maintaining of our schools is an imperative necessity for the Methodism of the future. Our sons and daughters should be provided for in district high schools, Conference colleges and connectional university by having them so furnished and endowed as to enable the church to compete with the State along this line, which gives at best but half education in mind and morals, and leaves the higher nature unprovided for. God forbid that the time should ever come when the ministry of the church shall be confined to college graduates; but the furnishing of men called of God should be one of the standing provisions of the church, so that her ministry shall come from the Sea of Galilee or the feet of Gamaliel, as God sees fit to call them to do his work. Every Methodist who loves God and his church should rally to the effort being made this year to raise a million and a half for this purpose. Let the rich give largely of their much, and the poor some of their little, and thus all of us may honor God with our substance, and put in motion waves of influence which will not cease until they reach the shore of eternity, where our "laid-up treasure" will glorify God, and receive us "into everlasting habitations." Let us remember that he who belittles learning belittles him unto whom "all things are known," just as he who belittles the poor belittles him "who, though he was rich, became poor, that ye, through his poverty, might be rich," and who in this world "had not where to lay his head."

We need a more careful training of our children in the doctrines, discipline and work of the church by catechumenal process, for which there is no adequate provision in the Sunday-school or the Epworth League. In one the Word, save in the lesson helps, and the catechism are well-nigh neglected entirely, while in the other the course is too far advanced for the little people, and we can not restore the Smaller Catechism any too soon for the good of the future church, for unless our children are instructed in this, our young people, growing up in ignorance of our peculiar faith and discipline, can not be made interested in our League work in the literary department, which is now the most difficult to work, because of a want of an earlier cultivated taste for this line of thought. The Catholics and Presbyterians are wise in the early doctrinal training they give their children, and unless we are to be content with an uninstructed and, therefore, an ignorant membership, liable to be "carried about by every wind of doctrine," we need to provide for the early instruction of our children in these things, and it is to be hoped that our Sunday-school editor will look to this matter.

I have briefly sketched three things it seems to me we, as a church, need, and do so with the hope of arousing action rather than discussion, and with only love and loyalty to our dear old church.

W. T. BOLLING.

PRESIDING ELDERING IN THE SNOW.

"First it blew, then it snew; then it friz, and then it thew"—and then there was mud; such mud. And such a time as the "beloveds" had on their "first round," this one has never experienced before. Well, it was fully set forth as to mud in Bro. Mellen's letter in the ADVOCATE, of Feb. 23. "Gilderoy's" article, in the same number, was full of kindly sympathy for the presiding elders. He had been along there, and knew from experience their toils and turmoils. If Bro. Mellen will imagine himself two or three degrees nearer the north pole, and his prairie mud frozen hard, and then covered with ice, sleet and snow, he may form some idea of what his co-beloveds have had to encounter in North Mississippi.

Here is a sample trip: I left home by rail, and was at Coldwater in good time for Bro. Jacobs' quarterly meeting at Arkabutla, ten miles away. No conveyance. Jacobs had provided, and a buggy was in waiting for me the evening before. But the letter written to notify me was found in Jacobs' coat pocket on this same Saturday morning. He was sorry, and so was I. However, a good horse and buggy from the livery stable got me through the mud-holes and tough places. There were many of them, very muddy and very tough, and I was in time for service. But it had been growing colder, and I was too much chilled, benumbed and be muddled to go at once into the pulpit; so I went into the parsonage, thawed up a little, got off some of the mud, and thinking Jacobs could do his own preaching this morning, I presently went into the church to find him "in medias res," preaching a good sermon to a faithful few. We held Quarterly Conference after dinner; every church represented. Saturday night a blizzard from the north brought rain, freezing as it fell. Sunday morning a sheen of ice covered streets and sidewalks, and walking was perilous. A moderate congregation heard a sermon from the "beloved," in quantity sufficient for a Summer day.

Monday morning the icy, frozen mud had received a covering of sleet and snow. "Better not try it," suggested Bro. McGaha. "But I must make Coldwater, and will, if my horse can keep his feet, and my out fit holds together." The sleet pelted and bounced upon my horse's back, and rattled upon the top of my buggy, as we rumbled along over the hard, frozen, and icy road. My rig held together, my horse kept his feet, the sleet held up, and in due time I was comfortably housed in the Coldwater "manse" with Dr. Cameron and his hospitable family.

Tuesday morning found me on the train, going north, to hold quarterly meeting at Nesbit. "The ground was all covered with snow," but the bright face of the genial pastor, Charlie Moss, was like sunshine. No service, no stewards, save one (Dr. McKinnie, resident in the town). In the comfortable home of the Doctor and his excellent wife the presiding elder, preacher in charge, and our one steward, reinforced by several visitors, held Quarterly Conference about two hours long, went over all the ground, and planned for the year.

Next Saturday morning the ground was still covered with ice and snow. Snow was sifting softly from the bleak clouds above, and the mercury was dropping towards zero. Two quarterly meetings ahead of me—Pleasant Grove and Longtown; the nearer one ten miles distant. No, I shall not go. Bros. Jaco and Newsom will have to "wait a time with patience."

Next morning (Sunday) the mercury was so far below zero (6° or 8°) as to suggest a collapse of the bulb. I spent the day with "the folks at home." It was a quiet, restful, reading day, extended by the light of a lamp to a late hour in the night.

But time and the reader's patience, as well as space in the ADVOCATE, would fail me to tell of other rough experiences in the saddle, borne along safely by my plucky and faithful horse, "Jeff Davis," over frozen and glazed roads, through slush and mud; of the warm hospitality of the people, and of the preachers, all at their posts, working and preaching as they were able—a noble band of toilers in the Master's vineyard. "Going forth weeping now, they shall, doubtless, come again with rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them."

It was a record-breaker, that first round, for the severity of the weather and the difficulties attendant upon the work of the preachers. But out of all the Lord has brought us by his grace, supplying health and strength for our labors. And now that warmer days have come, with springing flowers and singing birds, we are entering upon the second round with brightening hopes and a stronger faith for better results for the time to come.

T. C. WIER.

REV. JOHN WHITE DAVIS.

My nephew, Rev. John White Davis, was born in Lincoln county, Tenn., Jan. 20, 1859, and died in great peace March 5, 1899, at the parsonage on Indian Bayou charge, Delhi district, Louisiana Conference. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church under the ministry of his brother, Robert, in Caldwell parish, in the year 1870. He was educated principally by his mother, who was a school teacher for many years. He also attended school at Centenary College. He was licensed to preach April 17, 1880, under the ministry of Rev. D. M. Rush, D. D.; admitted on trial in the Louisiana Conference in January, 1882; received into full connection January, 1884, and was ordained deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh at the same time. His first work was Sugar Town circuit. In 1887 he was transferred to the Texas Conference, and served the Dodge, Deanville, Cameron and McDade circuits. He was ordained elder by Bishop Duncan at Huntsville, Texas, November, 1888; was transferred back to the Louisiana Conference in 1891, and sent to the Black River circuit; then served the Gilbert work two years, Bienville one, Harrisonburg two, and closed his career after serving the Indian Bayou charge for a little more than one year.

On Sept. 14, 1885, he was united in wedlock to Miss Gypsie E. Holyland by the writer. They had born to them five children. One went to heaven ten years ago. The four living are: Hazel, 12; Duncan Kavanaugh, 9; Lucille, 7, and John Frederick, 3 years of age. The two eldest are members of the church.

He is not a stranger in the better land. Many of the family relations have gone before, and, doubtless, he is enjoying their companionship now. His people were very kind to the family, taking charge of his corpse, and at their own expense giving it a nice burial near the church at Indian Bayou. His widow is a well-educated, refined Christian woman, solely dependent on her own self to clothe, feed and educate the three children left with her. I would ask the brethren, in her behalf, to help her get employment as a teacher in some good school, and thus, with the pittance she will receive from the Conference, be enabled to give them a good Christian education.

His uncle, B. F. WHITE.

Correspondence.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

MR. EDITOR: A recent visit to Centenary College, for the purpose of placing my son under the wise and religious tutorage of Dr. I. W. Cooper and his corps of consecrated teachers, revealed some very hopeful and gratifying things. The magnificent improvements on the property have added very much to the appearance and comfort of the school. An introduction to the several professors was very much appreciated, and, I dare say, a more thoroughly competent body of men would be hard to find.

Should I attempt to speak of the sixteen young preachers who are there preparing to bless the church and the world, and should I speak of half my hopes and joys as I looked into their manly, happy faces, time would fail me, or I would consume all your space.

There I found the sons of a number of our hard-working, self-sacrificing preachers—Randle, Heffner, Tucker, Banks—and more than one hundred fine-looking, promising young men who are to go out into this and other States with the benediction of such a school as Centenary upon them. No man can estimate the value of such opportunities; no man can compute the good these boys may do.

Centenary College is, no doubt, doing the best work of any school in the land for the preachers and young men of limited means. I was glad to find some young men whose expenses are met by some Methodist laymen who have sense as well as money. An investment in a worthy young man pays a larger dividend than an investment in corner lots and sugar farms.

My visit has increased my interest and hope in Centenary a hundredfold, and I heartily recommend it to my friends in North Louisiana, hoping to assist them in getting their sons into such an institution.

The following is taken from a letter just received from my son: "We are having a good meeting in the church; considerable interest. But the best meeting that I was ever in was at the college Y. M. C. A. Hall, Saturday night. We had fourteen conversions. It did me good; it was good to be there."

The moral tone of the school has always been the best. The time is at hand when it will not be behind in anything.

A word to the preachers, and I have done. My brethren, we can, if we will, put Centenary College in the front rank of the educational work in the Church, South. Let us, therefore, remember that our responsibility is commensurate with our opportunity. "For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance; but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath."

Talk it up, pray it up, put it before our people; they are ready to respond. "Have faith in God," have faith in our own institution; they are the best for us. Success is written on our banners. Join the procession and march on to greater achievements. Yours in Christ,

HARRY W. MAY.

Amite City, La., March 24, 1899.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The outlook in every way has not been better for a good and prosperous year.

Columbus station, under the energy and wise leadership of Bowen, is moving in every way to success.

Johnson and Columbus circuit are a happy fit. The people love him, and he is doing a good work.

Crawford, with Duncan as pastor, is in fine condition. Parsonage newly painted, plan for a new church at Artesia, and all departments of church work in good condition.

Lewis proves to be the right man in the right place at Brooksville. Notwithstanding the charge has suffered greatly on account of the death and removal of six of the strongest men of the charge, the people are in good hope of a great year.

Thames is in high favor at Macon. A new parsonage is the thing that is to be secured soon; then Macon will be one of the very best charges in the Conference. Though Thames had been a presiding elder for sixteen years, he is as much at home in the pastorate as if he had not been anywhere else.

The people of Starkville hear the strong and deeply spiritual sermons of that most brilliant and energetic preacher, R. A. Meek, with great interest and profit.

Under the ministry of S. A. Brown the Starkville circuit moves forward. Some conversions and additions to the church already crown his work.

Shuqualak, with Tumlim for the third year, is steadily moving up. Good houses of worship and an improved parsonage, with increase in financial matters, are some of the evidences of his success.

West Point is in a revival all the time. McIntosh knows how to bring the lost to Christ and keep the church at work.

Spraggins, for the third year, is keeping everything in fine trim on the Tibbee charge.

Barnes has had mud, mud, but the people love him. The outlook is good.

Tucker is in great favor with the people of the Cedar Bluff charge.

Massey is doing the best he can for Sturges charge.

Bros. Hall and Barentine, as supplies, are doing well.

I have filled all the appointments of the district save one, where I was prevented on account of small-pox. Our motto this year is at least 1,000 souls and all the assessments in full, with one dollar per member for the Twentieth Century Fund.

R. A. BURROUGHS.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The Century Magazine, for April, contains an article of extraordinary interest and importance entitled, "The Atlantic Fleet in the Spanish War," by Rear-Admiral Sampson. Major-General Green gives a full account of the actual capture of Manila, and John T. McCutcheon describes the surrender of Manila as viewed from Admiral Dewey's flagship. Prof. Peckham's article on "Absolute Zero" gives an account of recent inventions for the production of liquid air. Mr. Ford's biographical serial of Benjamin Franklin treats of "Franklin as Printer and Publisher."

The April Cosmopolitan Magazine opens with a beautifully illustrated article entitled, "Napoleon at Moscow Portrayed by Verestchagin." A new novel by Count Tolstoy, illustrated by Pasternak, appears in this number. "The Building of an Empire," a series of articles by the editor, J. B. Walker, reaches its third installment. F. W. Morgan treats of "Recent Developments in Industrial Organization." "The University and Democracy," by President Harper, of the University of Chicago, is the title of a splendid article in which he shows the relation between the university and democracy, and also the relation between the university and life. Besides a number of other interesting articles, there are several poems and short stories.

"Easter in the Church," picturing some churches most artistically decorated for Easter, appropriately opens the April Ladies' Home Journal. Three articles of peculiar interest are entitled: "How to Be Pretty, Though Plain;" "About Men," emphasizing the evils of flirting, and "What It Means to Be a Housewife," showing the demands and requirements of the vocation. There is the usual amount of fiction.

According to the late statistics the churches of the United States are increasing in membership more rapidly than population. The membership in all the churches for 1898 was 27,741,523. This is an increase during the year of 862,300, or over 3 per cent. The membership of the Roman Catholic Church is put down at 8,395,178. But this includes the Catholic population. The Methodist Church, communicants of only 5,808,094, with a gain of 162,196; the Baptist Church comes next, with 4,364,427, with a gain of 131,465.—Wesleyan Advocate.

SELF-DENIAL.

We have two things to do, to live and die:
To win another and a longer life
Out of this earthly change and weary strife;
To catch the hours that one by one go by,
And write the cross upon them as they fly.
So shall they lay their burden gently down,
Sinking, perchance hard by, beneath the throne,
Withdrawn anew into eternity.
'Tis hard to live by youth's fast-bubbling springs,
And treat our loves joys, hopes as flowery things,
That for awhile may climb the boughs, and twine
Among the prickey leaves of discipline,
Yet would'st thou rise in Christ's self-mastering school,
The very heart itself must beat by rule.
—Faber.

Communications.

"THE NATURE AND FUNCTIONS OF CONSCIENCE."

BY REV. WM HAZELMORE VAN VALKENBURGH

"And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offense toward God, and toward men."—Paul, in Acts xxiv, 16.

I. In discussing this subject of conscience, we shall endeavor to keep before our minds especially the scriptural and higher conception of conscience and its office. With the relation that psychology has assigned to conscience in its connection with the mind, or in its supremacy over matter, as related to the will, we have nothing to do. Paul's endeavor here, in the passage quoted, is, that he may place before his hearers, in its proper light, a picture of the conscience in its normal condition of righteousness, in its right relations both to God and man.

(2) That God intends that man should acknowledge allegiance to a Divine Being, and that from this acknowledgement should flow a corresponding responsibility to his fellowman, seems evident. Paul exercises himself (endeavors) to have a good conscience. "Men and brethren," says he, "I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day." (Acts xxiii, 1) Paul's was an intelligent preparation. He won his acceptance into divine favor by (or through) his strenuous efforts at meeting the requirements of the divine law. "For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified." (Rom. ii, 13) Paul exalts the office of conscience in that he lives up to the dictates of an enlightened one.

II. We, therefore, draw this conclusion: That obedience to a good conscience brings to its possessor peace, joy, and a large sense of freedom. Even so, yet this sense of freedom is equivalent to an assurance of qualifications sufficient to meet life's responsibilities, and accordingly energizes and stimulates for the conflict. Thus Paul exercises himself (endeavors). Properly-directed endeavors, then, cost time, and a reasonable outlay of strength-investigation; but such endeavors pay dividends on the bank of heaven—interest-bearing notes that guarantee the perpetuity of Christian character. "Yet many go wrong who follow conscience."

III. This leads us to examine into "the nature and functions of conscience." (a) Properly instructed and developed, and in its normal condition, conscience is unerring. That conscience is always an unerring guide need only to be so stated, and is thus refuted. Instances of demoralized consciences abound both in heathen countries and in our own land. The heathen votaries bowing to a god of wood or stone, or celebrating a festival in honor of characters of lewdness or of licentiousness only goes to prove that conscience is not an infallible guide.

(2) Conscience in the New Testament has separate meanings. (a) First: Conscience is used as "an inward moral impression of one's actions and principles." But the ability to estimate the moral worth of acts, and of principle, does not entirely answer the ends of the case in this instance, for Paul exercises himself—endeavors to maintain that dignity of Christian character which will enable him to have a clear conscience; that shall guarantee to him that he is in harmony with the purposes of the divine will, and in sympathy with the life of his fellow-man. (b) Again: Conscience is used as "the inward moral and spiritual frame." And yet Paul hardly has reference just here to a frame in which he remains so much as he does to a condition which, by exertion, he achieves. (c) The other definition we give here is that conscience is "the inward faculty of moral judgment." We prefer, however, to revise this one, and to say that "conscience is the inward faculty of spiritual and moral judgment." And by spiritual judgment we simply mean a spiritual discernment. (d) And thus, then, combining the first and last definition in the order given, we have as conscience, and within its scope of action, the ability to determine one's condition before God, as well as its own relation to, and capacity for, governing the actions, the conduct of man.

(3) A certain writer has felicitously contrasted the attributes of the mind, the judgment, the memory, and the reason, to a court of hearing; then, in an emergency, when temptation arises, and the functions of the mind are brought into play, the judgment, memory and reason each happily performing their offices, the conscience represents the sheriff, and not the judge—its office being to bring the derelict to justice, and not to judge of his condition. The Greek word here (suneidasin), meaning void of offense, conveys the idea of a stumbling-stone or rock of offense. And Paul is careful that the way between himself and God be not blocked, and also that he and his fellow-man are at peace one with the other. He is careful that he, at least, is not himself the cause of offense. A mind in accord—yea, more, a mind in unison—with the divine one is Paul's constant endeavor. (a) "But," says one, "you say many go wrong who follow conscience." "Yes, some do; yet not all." Conscience is our best guide, and yet not an infallible one. Conscience, when it speaks, must be obeyed at the cost of liberty, and yet, to be a faithful coadjutor in working out man's salvation, it must reign in a well-instructed, a carefully-developed mind. "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" (says the Lord, Amos iv, 6). And by a well-instructed and carefully-developed mind I simply mean this: that it is a sensitive one; sensitive to the leadings of the "Holy Spirit," and instructed in the things of divine revelation. The direction of Paul's exercise was intelligent preparation for the conflict of life, supported upon his part by a constant effort to know the mind of God.

(4) Conscience, then, assumes the attitude of monitor rather than that of teacher. Its function is positive in that its demands are explicit; obedience to its laws must be absolute, and yet negative, in that it simply holds its own, stands guard over one's moral and spiritual life, and is not heard unless its laws are violated, or unless its edicts are ignored. Like a consistent sentinel, it stands guard over the precinct assigned it. In the sublime grandeur that attaches to the functions of its office, it demands obedience. (a) It is more strictly a prompter, and not a guide. The earnest promptings of this deeper nature are heard more plainly when one's most alone, and yet are heard just as positively when one is in the busy marts of trade.

IV. Thus, how careful one should always be that the smallest whisperings of conscience might awaken the proper response within one's breast; that the finest treble strings of the soul should vibrate as readily to the divine touch, and that they should convey as sweet strains of heavenly love to one's self, and in as full harmony with the divine plan and mind as the louder and coarser symphonies of the bass. Surely, if there is a divine plan, which, as law, is controlling the universe, and is ruling in and regulating the constellations of the heavenly world, there is also such a divine plan upon which, as psychological law, the most delicate organisms of the human soul have been constructed, and in which realm the harmonies of the divine law form diapason strains in honor of the Creator's name.

Winnfield, La., Feb 5, 1899.

A SUNDAY WITH THE MOUND BUILDERS.

Last Sunday morning was cool and exhilarating, clear and bright and inspiring—an ideal Sabbath of quiet and calmness and golden sunshine after weeks of blow and bluster and cloud and rain. God seemed to be especially near, and to fill the broad disk of our hopes with the transcendent glory of his present and future reality. It is easy to feel devotional and reverent and buoyant when the Shekinah rests in a glow of fervid and conscious fire upon the humble heart turned upon thoughts of God.

Under these hallowed influences I started out to my appointment, eight miles away, but found I could only get within three miles of the church, on account of high water. The bridge spanning the bayou was afloat and parted asunder in the midst, so I had to give up my cherished desire of preaching Christ to the people on that lovely day. I took dinner with one of my members, and went out in the beautiful afternoon to visit and study the prehistoric mounds near by, of which there were five in number. These are all situated in close proximity, so that you might stand upon any one of them and converse in medium tone of voice with a person on either one of the others. They form a kind of town, though they seem to observe no regular order. One towered high above all the rest like the imperial Cheops among the pyramids. It covers, I suppose, a half or three-quarters of an acre of land, and after centuries of storm and blast and constant corrosions of the seasons, it rises 30 or 35 feet above the common level. It is built in the exact form of a pyramid, with a broad and substantial base, and gradually narrowing with beautiful and artistic symmetry to the top. No large trees have ever grown upon it, but it has a miniature forest of its own. One of these mounds right near the house of the man who owns the place has been plowed and worked down for many years. A part of it lies in the garden, and is as rich as cream as all of them are. This gentleman told me about two skeletons he had plowed up on this mound. These were whole skeletons, and all the bones were in their place. Besides these, which were very large and gigantic, he had unearthed innumerable parts of skeletons of different heights and sizes, such as skulls and arms and legs and jawbones and teeth, etc. And besides the wrecks of human bodies, he had unearthed shells and rocks of different shapes and colors and artificial design, such as were never seen in nature. Then he exhibited several little curios he had exhumed, one of which was a little dish wrought into the shape of a wild duck. There was the neck with the natural curve and grace of a duck swimming in the water. Then there was the broad bill and proud head almost perfect. This figure of a duck was made, as was revealed by close examination, of the mussel shell reduced to very fine particles, then mixed with clay, and burned by some process which rendered it invulnerable to the attacks of time. There was a bowl also of peculiar interest which he had plowed up. It was beautiful in shape and finish, about 8 or 10 inches across the top, and about 5 or 6 inches deep. It was painted in red and white stripes alternating, and the stripes widening as they approach the top or broader surface, and vice versa as they reach the bottom. Inside the bowl was painted red to within an inch of the top. Its composition was the same as the other article, the fine shell shining and glistening like isinglass or pearl dust. Another culinary vessel was found, a small pot, shape and legs all just like the pot we use. In the vicinity of these mounds a large green tree was uptorned by a storm, and under the tap root was found another article almost the shape and size of a saucer. Walking over the mound, we picked up numbers of pieces of skulls, occipital and parietal plates remarkably preserved. We picked up bones of the arm and upper and lower leg; finger bones—lots of them. The middle bone of some of the fingers were almost as long as my entire finger. Some of them were large and thick, and looked like they might have come from the hand of a giant. Others were small and tapering, like the exquisite finger of Gotham's immortal society belles. We found the upper and lower jawbones, and one piece of the superior maxillary, with four sound, white, pretty teeth in it—three of the molars and one eye tooth; so, whoever the mound builders were, they cut their eye teeth before they died. The enamel on these teeth was white as pearl, and without a crack or a particle of discolor. Whatever they had, or did not have, they didn't have toothache or dentist's bills to pay.

I could not describe my feelings as I stood in the midst of this ghostly desolation of human beings. Every bone and finger seemed to tell its own story; every tongueless, hairless skull spoke from out the dark, unknown past. Who were the mound builders? From whence did they come? What was their condition, mental and moral? are questions that can not be answered yet. Like the moth, they seemed to burst into life under the glow of the sunbeam, and expire with the lulling zephyr; no past, no future. I thought of the prophet who stood in the midst of a similar scene—"the valley full of bones." "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live!"

"Behold this ruin!
'Twas a skull once of eternal spirit full.
This narrow cell was life's retreat;
This space was thought's mysterious seat.
Nor love, nor joy, nor hope, nor fear,
Has left one trace of record here."

What a strange, uneventful life was that!—their minds not occupied with the thoughts of a coming kingdom or a better day. They did not see the light coming up the steps of time, nor the old world growing brighter. They did not see its day dawn sublime, nor did high hopes make the heart beat lighter. How much better are thousands of people of this time, with all their added advantages! All life is strung upon the idea of a kingdom to come. It rules the world from Alpha to Omega, and takes in all from zenith to nadir. Let us learn that God delights not in the legs of a man.

L. M. LIPSCOMB.

Belzona, Miss.

POLYGAMY.

I saw an article in the ADVOCATE recently concerning polygamy as practiced by Mormons. I want to say something on the same subject. The facts for this article are gathered from a letter written by Prof. M. E. Jones, Salt Lake City, Utah, and published in the New York Independent.

We can not understand the position of polygamy in Utah without a statement of the way marriages are performed. Almost anyone can perform the marriage ceremony, and these ceremonies take place in Mormon temples, where no Gentile is ever allowed to enter. They are secret and oath-bound, and the records of such marriages are secret, and, therefore, never given to the law. When officers of the law have demanded these records in court, the temple custodians have invariably perjured themselves under oath, saying the records were not kept, or could not be found. (See trials for polygamy in '85 and '86) Ninety-nine out of every hundred polygamists, when brought to trial, commit perjury without hesitancy, and are advised to do so by the church leaders. (Address of "Apostle" J. H. Smith, at Beaver, Utah, in '86) They have gone so far as to compel polygamous wives to swear they did not know who were the fathers of their own offspring. (See trial of Parry, in November, '86.) Perjurers, instead of being discredited, were rewarded by higher offices in the church, and occupy them to-day, as well as continuing to live in polygamy.

Senator George Q. Cannon, in the Forty-third Congress, swore thus: "I deny that I live in violation of the laws of the United States. I deny that I have four wives." At another time, in the same contest, he swore thus: "I admit that I have plural wives who have lived with me a number of years." So it would seem that Roberts is not the first man with plural wives to be elected to Congress. Perjury has been the rule in Mormon history, and has been justified by the Mormon Church.

Social vice is rampant, and chastity is the exception, not the rule. (Prof. Jones, in New York Independent.) There is no law in the State against adultery and polygamy which is enforced. These against incest and fornication are not enforced except against Gentiles. Nearly all the officers are Mormons or Mormon sympathizers. No law, however stringent, can be enforced. The correctness of this statement may be seen from the fact that the prosecuting attorney of each county has the exclusive right to originate all cases, and he, being a Mormon, would effectually block all prosecutions. Why are the laws against polygamy not enforced? The above answers that question forever, and we need not be deceived by a lying Mormon footpad with reference to the present practice of polygamy in Utah.

The relation of polygamy to Mormonism is necessary, vital to its integrity, fundamental to the coherence and consistency of Mormon faith. I here present some facts which evidence the indispensability of polygamy to the Mormon creed.

1. On May 2, '85, the Mormon people assembled in a mass convention at Salt Lake City to prepare a "Declaration of Grievances and Protest" against the prosecution of polygamists by the Federal courts. This "Declaration" was presented to Cleveland by Jno. T. Caine, Utah's representative in Congress, asking the kindly offices of the Executive in behalf of polygamy, because it was a "vital religious doctrine." The declaration stated that "one of the doctrines of our church is plural marriage. This is a vital part of our religion." This "protest" became a State paper, thus committing the Mormon Church to polygamy forever.

2 He who was not only Redeemer, but example also, was a polygamist. "One thing is certain: that there were several holy women who loved Jesus, and he loved them, and associated with them much. If all the acts of Jesus were written, we, no doubt, should learn that these women were his wives." ("The Seer.")

3 Polygamy is necessary to man's exaltation. He who refuses to enter this relation can not be deified.

4. Polygamy is indispensable to Mormonism in order to the extension of the divine domain. By providing spirits with bodies they become gods, when they can create worlds for their descendants. Thus planet is added to planet and system to system eternally, and the empire of God (Adam) extends itself in direct ratio of the multiplication of his increasing posterity. The more rapid this evolution of gods and worlds, the more rapid the expansion of his empire.

Enough has been said to show the necessity of polygamy to the integrity of the Mormon creed; to show also why polygamy was not abandoned when the Woodruff manifesto was issued; to explain why the Mormon Church has not disciplined one member for the practice of polygamy, and why Mormon "Bishops" have blessed plural wives when bringing their unlawful offspring to the altar, calling them "daughters of Zion," and is an explanation of why children are constantly born to plural wives since Statehood came. It is their religion.

JOHN W. RAMSEY.

Correspondence.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT PREACHERS' MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The Preachers' Missionary Institute of the Natchez district convened in the Methodist Church at Centerville, Miss., Wednesday morning, March 16, in response to the call of our faithful and wide-awake presiding elder, Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt, who was present and acted as chairman. The following brethren were in attendance, namely: Revs. R. D. Norsworthy, H. D. Howell, J. T. Abney, C. C. Griffin, R. A. Breland, J. E. Gray, M. M. Black, and M. H. Moore.

The opening sermon was preached by Bro. R. D. Norsworthy, who gave us a very stirring, instructive, and thoughtful discourse, based on Mark xvi, 15. We wish every congregation in the district could have heard it.

On Wednesday night Bro. H. D. Howell preached a strong and persuasive sermon to a well-filled house, using as a text I. Tim. i, 15.

The following topics were discussed during the session of the Institute, several of them at considerable length: (1) "How Shall We, as Preachers, Become More Thoroughly Imbued with the Spirit of Missions?" (2) "How Shall We Imbue Our People with the Missionary Spirit?" (3) "What Are Efficient and Well-Ordered Plans for Raising Our Missionary Assessments?" (4) "The Providential Call of the Twentieth Century to the Church of the Nineteenth for Enlarged Liberality and Effort in Mission Work." (5) "The Work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society." (6) "Our Duty to the Colored Race in the South."

No little interest was aroused by the discussions, and much light was shed upon matters of vital importance as regards the success of our missionary plans and the discharge of our missionary obligations. Unless we are mistaken, the missionary zeal of each brother present was greatly stimulated, and valuable hints were gained that are sure to bear fruit in the near future.

The attendance on the part of the Centerville people was surprisingly small. However, there was no lack as regards entertainment. The Institute adjourned on Thursday, at one P. M. Unfortunately, several of the pastors could not be with us, and so missed a great means of inspiration.

M. M. BLACK, Sec'y.

Gloster, Miss., March 28, 1899.

The Christian Life.

THE HABIT OF DEVOTION.

In the hour of justification and conversion the human soul comes into the originally contemplated filial relation with the divine Father. Reconciliation is complete. The habit of devotion is in its incipiency. A new life dawns. To broaden and perfect this life the habit of devotion is indispensable. Devotion develops strength and joy. Such energy and bliss are powerful factors in the enlargement and refinement of the soul. We would emphasize the necessity for fostering and solidifying this freshly-acquired habit. It must be fed, stimulated, and enriched. Left to itself, it will droop and die like a flower bereft of sunshine and rain. It will perish like a forsaken nursling. The first acts of worship must be repeated. The means of grace must be utilized continually. Then the timid, tentative approaches of the soul to God will become fixed traits of character, and what might have proved superficial and evanescent will become deep and lasting ingredients of the spiritual life. But if this habit should be once thoroughly incorporated into the soul, the happy possessor thereof would have one of the mightiest moral safeguards and one of the richest fountains of peace and joy. Such a habit is unspeakably blessed—strength and rapture incomparable.—Texas Christian Advocate.

LOVE'S MISSION.

Love is always building up. It puts some line of beauty on every life it touches. It gives new hope to discouraged ones, new strength to those who are weak, new joys to those who are sorrowing, thus enabling them to go on in life's ways when, without the cheer, they must have sunk down in their disheartenment. It helps the despairing to rise and start again. It makes life seem more worth while to everyone into whose eyes it looks. Its words are benedictions. Its every breath is full of inspiration. It does good and never evil all its days. It is like God, whose name is love. It carries in its influence a perpetual revealing of God. It goes through the world like an angel of joy and peace, singing into human hearts the song of heaven, scattering everywhere good seeds which shall yield a harvest of righteousness.—Westminister Teacher.

Religion is a thing for the whole year. There may be a Summer type of it, but it must in one form or another be characteristic of the whole of life. The Christian is never off duty. Opportunities to serve the Lord may everywhere be found. Seashore and mountain may be recognized as a sanctuary, and every secluded nook where tired humanity rests for a season become an oratory where praise, albeit silently, perpetually ascends to the great Creator, who hath "made Summer" as well as Winter, and who never ceases to expect and crave the homage of those who love him.—New York Observer.

What we all want is inward rest—rest of heart and brain; the calm, strong, self-contained, self-denying character which needs no stimulants, for it has no fits of depression; which needs no narcotics, for it has no fits of excitement; which needs no ascetic restraint, for it is strong enough to use God's gifts without abusing them: the character, in a word, which is truly temperate, not in drink and food merely, but in all desires, thoughts and actions.—Kingsley.

There is so much to be set right in the world, there are so many to be led and helped and comforted, that we must continually come in contact with such in our daily life. Let us only take care that we do not miss our turn of service, and pass by those to whom we might have been sent on an errand straight from God.

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WINONA DISTRICT, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Thursday, May 18, will be observed as Epworth League and Sunday-school Day.

PROGRAM FOR SAME.

What Is the Purpose and Aim of Our Sunday-school Board? What Is Being Accomplished By It?—Paper by Rev. G. H. Lipscomb; discussed by J. B. Streater and others.

Should Small Children Be Kept After Sunday-school for Preaching? If So, How Can It Be Accomplished?—H. H. Estes and H. T. Cunninghnm.

Our Sunday-school Supplies: What of Their Merit, and How Do They Compare with Those of Forty Years Ago?—Paper by Rev. J. B. Stone; discussed by J. R. Bingham and others.

How Can We Make the Epworth League Help Us as Pastors, and Lighten the Burden of Our Stewards?—Paper by Rev. J. H. Mitchell; discussion led by J. H. Bass.

Review of Sunday-school Agents' Work from 1887 to Present—Paper by G. W. Bachman, followed by discussion.

How to Organize and Make the League Go in Country and Town—Rev. W. H. Sanders and Rev. W. C. Lester.

How to Attract and Hold Young Men and Ladies to the Sunday-school—A. H. George and Miss Carrie Gillispie.

The Lesson Taught—By J. B. Streater.

Best Way to Interest the Little Folks—Paper by Mrs. J. B. Stone; discussed by R. Thayer.

How Does Our Children's Knowledge of the Doctrines of Our Church, and the Teachings of the Holy Bible, Compare with That of Former Years?—Paper by John Richey; discussion led by T. G. Freeman and others.

The Ideal Superintendent—J. R. Bingham and R. T. Jones.

Bro. J. B. Streater will form the audience into a Sunday-school at 11 A. M., Thursday morning, and show us how he teaches the lesson. If you are not satisfied with your knowledge of how to impart the lesson, you would do well to hear him.

Preaching Thursday night by J. H. Bass.

District Conference will meet at 9:30 A. M., Friday, May 19. Bishop Chas. B. Galloway is expected to be in the chair. J. H. Mitchell will preach at 11 A. M., Friday morning.

Carrollton is expecting a large delegation, and we hope they will not be disappointed. We have made an effort to arrange for these meetings so as not to conflict with other district meetings, that our connectional men might be able to attend more of our District Conferences; and we will expect you, Doctor, for you are a part of us. Drs. Murrah, Malone, Bachman and Burton are expected to be on hand.

Committees: License to Preach—John Richey, J. F. Evans, H. T. Cunningham.

Admission on Trial—J. H. Mitchell, W. H. Sanders, G. H. Lipscomb.

Ordinations—J. B. Stone, W. C. Lester, B. B. Sullivan.

W. S. SHIPMAN.

Winona, Miss., March 24, 1899.

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PROGRAM.

Preachers' meeting of the northern part of the Greenville district, to be held at Belen, Miss., the first Sunday in May. Sermon at night by J. J. Brooks.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Meeting opens at 9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises conducted by W. McN. Campbell.

Ques. I. What Is Due by the Preacher in Charge to His Successor?—A general discussion.

At 11 A. M., experience meeting, led by W. McN. Campbell.

EVENING SESSION.

Meeting opens at 2:30 P. M. Devotional exercises conducted by Q. A. Oats.

Question: Our Present Methods of Evangelization—Are They Successful?

Preaching at 7:45 P. M. by J. E. Cunningham.

W. McN. CAMPBELL, Sec.

NOTE.—Preachers will get off train at Coahoma, Miss., and take mail hack from there to Belen.

Come up, Mr. Editor. We will give you a hearty welcome, and do what we can for the ADVOCATE.

REV J. D. NEWSOM.

Rev. J. D. Newsom's interesting letter in this week's issue takes me back forty years to the time I first heard him preach. Being a young teacher, and among entire strangers, he sent me a word of counsel by a mutual friend, which proved very beneficial to me; and when I left the community, all seemed to be my warm friends. What a brave, industrious "soldier of the cross" he is! Would that every young preacher would ponder well his words! He's the only man I ever saw, the expression of whose countenance constantly made me think of Moses—he looked so meek. In 1880 I heard him again at Whitworth College, the same expression of face and zeal for Christ characterizing him then. God grant him many friends in his new home, and may they not only "hold up his hands" in his noble work, but also relieve his feet from too much walking! How ecstatic the enjoyment of such a man will be in the "New Jerusalem," where he can "see Him face to face" whom He has served so faithfully, and "will know as he is known!"

METHODIST.

Jackson, Miss., March 25, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Sam Q. Bass, Corinth, Miss., March 27, 1899: "I am ready to respond to any call the pastor may give me. I'll go to any point on the globe to help a faithful pastor. I see letters in the ADVOCATE from some of the preachers that make me feel like I want to start to help them to-day. May the Lord bless and help them in their work! The church at this place is moving on and upward. Bro. Lance, the pastor, is a noble man, a fine preacher, and greatly beloved by everyone. The Corinth district, under the wise leadership of Bro. Ramsey, is getting on nicely. Bro. Ramsey fills the bill as a presiding elder. There is nothing like harmony between presiding elder, pastor and local preacher."

REPORT FROM THE COLUMBIA CHARGE, ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

This will inform you that if my name is George D. Anders, I am in Columbia, La.; if not, I have found a town on the Ouachita river. If my mind serves me right, I am from the Baton Rouge district. The good people of this charge gave us a cordial reception, and we are domiciled in a good parsonage, and am thankful to say that it is well furnished. We are fortunate, or unfortunate—I can't say which—in having five kinds of Methodists in this charge. They are as follows: Northern Methodist, Southern Methodist, Free Methodist, Protestant Methodist, and Methodists that protest.

This state of things places me in the condition like the Southern man during the late war. When the Union soldiers were present he was a Union man, and when the Southern soldiers were present he was a Southern man. It happened one day that the Blue and Gray were both there at the same time. They jointly said to him, "What are you to-day?" He said, "I am nothing, and mighty little of that." When the Free Methodists ask me if I believe in entire sanctification, I say, "Yes;" and when they ask me if I believe in the second blessing, I say "Yes," provided you don't get the second blessing first.

The work is moving on nicely. We have made seventy visits. There have been two accessions to the church and one bright conversion. We have organized three Sunday-schools. Dr. J. A. Parker was on hand the first quarterly meeting, and made a good impression on the people. We enjoyed his visit so much. G. D. ANDERS.

SATARTIA, MISS.

We have been hindered no little by the cold, snow, and mud; not as much, however, as some of the "beloveds." It was very interesting to read the experiences of the cold and mud bound "beloveds." The press is a wonderful medium. If it were not for the papers, we would not be half so wise. By means of the press we learn all about our new officers, who they are, what kind of offices they fill, etc. It's a good thing to know men and their whereabouts.

Our first Quarterly Conference has come and gone. Our "beloved" was on hand. He did not come, however, in that fast style that tells of the rapid progress of the nineteenth century, as many of the beloveds want to do, but he came by the good old-time way—on horseback, with the old-time saddle-bags. The old-time style did not diminish his worth; neither did it lower him in the eyes and hearts of our people.

We had a very interesting Quarterly Conference, indeed. The beloved seemed to be fully at himself; preached with that same ease and presided with that same ability that is characteristic of Dr. E. H. Monnger, presiding elder of the Vicksburg district. We all love our presiding elder, and think he is the right man in the right place.

Most all of our stewards were on hand, and made a liberal assessment for the preacher in charge. Noble band they are. Our presiding elder told us that, as yet, we were in the lead, in point of finances, in the district (Vicksburg station not excepted). This made us take on quite a swell. However, there will be plenty of time for the swell to get off. Our stewards were very much stimulated by their first report, and, no doubt, they will put forth extra efforts to keep up their reputation.

Our people are hopeful. The prospects are good for a fine year's work. I have never served a more loyal people anywhere. They seem to be willing to stand by their pastor in "every good word and work." We have been with this people for more than two years, and they continue to show very great appreciation for us. May we ever be found ready to minister to their needs as they are to ours!

God bless you, Mr. Editor! Let the good work go on for the ADVOCATE.

C. C. EVANS, P. C.

March 27, 1899.

LAKE PROVIDENCE, LA.

We are getting along very well on the Lake Providence circuit in many ways. We arrived here Saturday, the last day of December, 1898, about five o'clock in the morning. The night had been stormy, and snow was on the ground. It was a very disagreeable night, but when we arrived at the parsonage we found our much esteemed brother, Prof. Dudley, expecting us. He soon had a fire, and we were comfortably housed. We found that the good people of our church had made preparation for our comfort, and after we had eaten breakfast, Sister Dudley turned over the premises to us. We found quite a supply of provisions—some cooked, some not cooked, but all very acceptable to this preacher in charge. We have had good congregations all the year; have filled every appointment except one Sunday night, when the mercury was four degrees below zero. There is very considerable improvement in some lines, especially in the spirituality of the church. We have forty to sixty at our prayer meetings on Wednesday night, and there is great interest manifested in the church for a revival of religion, which we hope to see soon.

On Wednesday, the twenty-second, wagon after wagon, and porter after porter, came to the parsonage, bringing something for the pastor's "store-room;" one-half barrel of flour, hams, breakfast bacon, sugar, coffee, rice, grits, canned goods, etc., until thirty, or more, different kinds of useful and necessary things were piled on the gallery, or in the store-room, so that I think that, although our family numbers six, and all pretty good eaters, we will have enough to run us in this line for weeks and weeks; but this is not all. They have paid money enough to keep us from going in debt; so that, all together, we feel that we are doing well.

The roads have been impassable in the country, and I have not been in the Pecan Grove neighborhood yet. We are in a bad condition down there. No house to hold service in, and membership scattered, and roads so very bad that if we had a good church, we could not have service. My predecessor, Bro. F. S. Parker, secured lumber and subscription for a church. The lumber is on hand, but the money has not been collected. We sold the old church two or three years ago. One hundred dollars was paid, and notes given for the remainder; but, although the notes have been due for a year, or two, they have not been paid, and only this morning have we been able to find where the notes were. As soon as possible we (myself and committee) will see what can be done about collecting the notes and the subscription. We have some hope of building in the near future.

The river is just getting out of its banks. We don't know what will be the condition of things a little later on. In 1882 I was pastor here, and we were nearly washed away by the overflow, the levee breaking just in front of our house. I hope we will not have that experience repeated this year. H. O. WHITE.

March 24, 1899.

The time of seed-sowing passes quickly. Ere it be gone, let me consider closely, "Have I sown the seed of all I purpose to have?" For as is the seed-sowing, so must be the Summer glory and the Autumn fruition.—Sarah Smiley.

When a man is struck down by a poisoned arrow tipped with the venom of the deadliest of serpents, he knows that his time has come. Death is only a question of moments; but not one man in a thousand realizes that when a little extra bile gets into his blood his whole system is being poisoned just as truly as if a venom-tipped arrow was sticking in his vitals.

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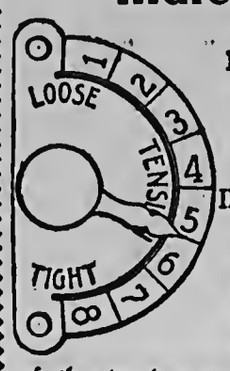

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"I am God's son," my joyous spirit sings;
I soar sublime above earth's dust and care,
And wing my way to heaven with flight divine.

Happiness is a roadside flower, blooming on the highway of usefulness.—Anonymous.

If you want to do substantial work, concentrate: and if you want to give others the benefit of your work, condense.

Whenever you see a man who is successful in society, try to discover what makes him pleasing; and, if possible, adopt his system.—Beacons field.

"If one is to-day more patient, more serene, more loving, more sympathetic than he was yesterday, then is he truly advancing; then is his life a success."—Selected.

Come, take that task of yours which you have been hesitating before, and shirking, and walking around, and on this very day lift it up and do it.—Phillips Brooks.

Do not offer to God a spirit dreaming of the great things you could do or may do at some future time, but offer to him your wakeful, rejoicing, present energies.—"Helps by the Way."

That was a fine motto found in the pocketbook of an aged and wealthy merchant who had been accidentally drowned: "If your hands can not be usefully employed, attend to the cultivation of your mind."

Let me give you De Tocqueville's words for a motto: "Life is neither a pleasure nor a pain. It is serious business, to be entered on with courage and in a spirit of self-sacrifice."—Frances E. Willard.

Suffer, if you must; do not quarrel with the dear Lord's appointments for you. Only try, if you are to suffer, to do it splendidly. That's the only way to take up a pleasure or a pain.—Phillips Brooks.

There are some men and women in whose company we are always at our best. All the best stops in our nature are drawn out by their intercourse and we find a music in our souls never there before.—Drummond.

The requests we make of God interpret our character. They show us as we are. God reads our character in our prayers. What we love best, what we covet most, that gives the key to our hearts.—Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.

Why wait till your friend dies and then plant flowers on his place of rest while he sleeps on unconscious of your act? Why not plant flowers along his pathway in life? He needs them now—more, possibly than you think—he will not need them then.—Evangelical Messenger.

The great means of doing good, though we can not tell why or how—only because God so directed it—is by example. We are to be ourselves what we would have others to be. And this not only when others know it, but in all places; for I believe that even what we do in secret affects others.—Mary Lyon.

KEEPING WARM.

During the severe blizzard, some weeks since, keeping warm was, for the time being, the chief object of attention and effort. The icy blasts from the north sent the price of fuel surging upward, brought woolens, overcoats and arctics into indispensable requisition, and made a cozy corner by the fire doubly delightful. Never before, perhaps, in this section were people so concerned about keeping warm.

But while all classes endeavor to protect themselves at such a season from the fierce cold that benumbs and imperils the physical man, how few are concerned about protecting the soul from the chilling blasts of temptation and the freezing effects of sin! Keeping the body warm is of small moment as compared with maintaining the temperature of the soul at the point of robust health.

It is amazing how vast the number of professing Christians who seem to be afraid of becoming over-heated spiritually. Alas! the chill of death is on them. Fervent love, burning zeal, warmth of heart they know not, neither desire, and like a man freezing in the snow, they wish to be left undisturbed.

Astonishingly like the effect of cold upon the body is the effect of sin upon the spiritual nature. First, it benumbs, and then it converts into a corpse. The unrepentant sinner is almost as dead to spiritual things as a corpse is to material things. Only the power of divine grace can impart the breath and warmth of spiritual life which begins in regeneration.

Unless there be diligent use of the means ordained to maintain spiritual warmth, the temperature is sure to decline, and danger and loss are sure to be increased. One of the means employed to keep the body warm in Winter is fire. How indescribably cheering and comforting is the glow of a good fire when the Frost King is abroad and the earth is wrapped in an icy mantle! Not less comforting is the warmth that comes from the spiritual fire kindled in the sanctuary where God's children meet together in faith. He who willingly neglects to attend the house of God is certain to become chilled in spirit.

Just as we protect the body from cold and from sudden changes by the use of suitable clothing, likewise we must guard the soul from being chilled by having on constantly the divinely-woven robe of righteousness. However much we may use the forms of religion, our hearts will not be kept warm, until we are willing to become the Lord's, and put on the beauteous garments of holiness and truth. He who keeps on this robe will have a glow of peace and joy, no matter how dark the clouds above him, or how fiercely the winds of trial beat upon him.

In keeping the body warm, another essential is food. How wonderfully an ample meal fortifies one against the cold, and enables men to bid defiance in large measure to the elements!

Thick clothing and roaring fires of themselves, however, are not enough. We must have fuel for the body also, else in a little while the lamp of life will go out. Similarly the soul must be fed upon manna from heaven, or it will shortly succumb to spiritual numbness. To keep warm, spiritually, without nourishing the soul by constant prayer and the study of God's Holy Word, is as impossible as preserving heat and strength in the physical man without food.

Another means of keeping warm is exercise. Though the ground be covered with snow, the average boy has little use for fire or wraps so long as he can throw snow-balls or skate upon the ice. The briskier the exercise, the warmer he gets. Here is a lesson for the Christian. A little vigorous exercise in the Master's service would do more towards warming the heart and reviving the experience of many a chilly Christian than anything else that could be prescribed. If, instead of merely wishing to be saints, we would begin to do the work of saints, our feelings would be more saintly. The man who toils energetically for God and for humanity finds it easy to maintain the warmth and brightness that characterize the life that is "hid with Christ in God."

It is announced through the press that Dr. Hoss has declined the presidency of the University of Georgia.

A THANK-OFFERING BY TAXATION.

A correspondent has something to say with reference to the "Twentieth Century Educational Movement." After speaking of the large number of poor people in our church, he says: "Everyone of these must be taxed one dollar for said fund; and you are doing all you can through the columns of your paper to impose said tax." Our brother is, of course, joking. There is no tax levied on anybody, rich or poor, for the "Twentieth Century Educational Fund." The General Conference, the college of Bishops, the Annual Conferences, the General Board of Education and the Conference Boards have appealed to the church to raise a thank-offering of $1,500 000. As we have about a million and a half of members, the sum proposed to be raised amounts, on an average, to a dollar per capita. But nobody expects everybody to give just a dollar—neither more nor less. There are some among us who ought to give thousands to this cause, and others who ought to give hundreds, while from others a fraction of a dollar, like the widow's mite, would be highly pleasing to the Lord of the treasury. Moreover, the giving is to be purely voluntary—a thank-offering to Almighty God for his manifold blessings to us as a church. The idea of taxation is not in the movement at all.

What a spectacle that would be—a great church raising a thank-offering by taxation! This would be something new under the sun. Any movement of this sort we would condemn most unsparingly. Such a thank-offering would not be acceptable to God, for "he loveth a cheerful giver." Each pastor is expected to try to get contributions, as far as practicable, from his entire membership; but there is a slight difference between soliciting a contribution and levying a tax.

NEW ORLEANS SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.

The Methodist Sunday-school Union, of this city, celebrated its fifty-third anniversary at Carondelet Street Church last Sunday afternoon. As usual, there was a large attendance. The president, A. F. Godat, presided. Presiding Elder Keener made the opening prayer. The annual address was delivered by Rev. E. N. Evans. It was interesting, thoughtful, and appropriate. The secretary, Col. David Zable, read an elaborate report, giving full statistics from the several schools. The banner for the best all-around average was awarded to Felicity Street Sunday-school, the presentation being made by Dr. W. H LaPrade. Parker Memorial has the largest enrolment. The largest attendance is in Louisiana Avenue, the average for the year being 141, exclusive of teachers. The largest attendance in proportion to enrollment is in Gretna, the average being 78 per cent. The largest contribution to foreign missions is by Carondelet—$99.20. Douglass Mission raised the largest sum for Sunday-school purposes—$210. In the number of accessions to the church from the Sunday-school, Rayne Memorial takes precedence, the number being fourteen. There were a few juvenile recitations. The service of song was appropriate and well-rendered.

A QUERY.

A brother wishes us to state how the "Twentieth Century Fund" will be applied—that part of it that is left after Vanderbilt gets its pro rata. He wishes especially to know whether this fund will make tuition free in our colleges. Of course, being an editor, we are supposed to know everything that is knowable. But there are some things that lie beyond even an editor's ken, and one of these is the very thing here inquired about—the details of the use that will be made in future years of a fund yet to be raised. It would be well, however, for those who are dreaming of free tuition to bring the mathematician's art into requisition long enough to ascertain how large an endowment fund would be needed in order to give free tuition to all the pupils in our colleges. If Southern Methodism is to achieve anything so colossal as that during the present century, she needs to increase her speed about a thousandfold, and keep it up to the last second. It is our opinion that universal free tuition in our colleges is not in the thought of "the powers that be," though provision for aiding the poor to obtain an education will doubtless be aimed at.

A GOOD BEGINNING.

Samuel Cupples, of St. Louis, has given $25,000 to Central College. This is so far the largest contribution to the Twentieth Century Education Fund among Southern Methodists. George T. Hoagland, of St. Joseph, Mo., has given $1,000 to our Cuban Mission work. Two Koreans, Gen. Yun and Hon. T. H. Yun, have given $1,000 each to the Industrial School at Songdo, Corea. Let us hope that these are but the drops that precede a copious shower of thank-offerings to God for his infinite mercies.

"THE ILLUSTRATED AMERICAN METHODIST MAGAZINE."

When we gave our notice of the first issue of "The Illustrated American Methodist Magazine," our columns were so much crowded that we could not say all we wanted to say. The editor-in-chief, Dr. James W. Lee, is a prominent minister in the Southern Methodist Church. Echoes from his pulpit in Atlanta and in St Louis have been heard throughout our bounds. In the field of authorship he has a national, and even more than a national, reputation through his learned book, "The Making of a Man." He is also widely known as a lecturer in the North as well as in the South. His name on the editorial page is a guarantee of literary excellence. Thousands of people only need to see this magazine in order to become subscribers. A sample copy can be had for ten cents by writing to The Methodist Magazine Publishing Co., St. Louis Mo.

NEW BOOKS.

THE SCHOOL OF LIFE—DIVINE PROVIDENCE IN THE LIGHT OF MODERN SCIENCE. THE LAW OF DEVELOPMENT APPLIED TO CHRISTIAN THINKING AND CHRISTIAN LIVING. By Theodore F. Seward. 12 mo. 267 pages. Cloth. Price, $1. Paper. 50 cents. New York: James Pott & Co., publishers. Fourth avenue and 22nd street.

It is generally supposed that scientific evolution and Christianity have nothing in common; that between the two there are irreconcilable differences; but the conflict, as Mr. Seward shows in this book, is only seeming, and not real. The author makes it clear that the doctrine of evolution does not involve the rejection of the Bible or the denial of supernatural agency, but, on the contrary, fosters an intelligent belief in the divine immanence. While at one time to be an apostle of evolution meant to be an atheist outright, that day has well-nigh passed, and the hour has arrived when science proclaims in unmistakable tones that the God of the Bible is the Creator of matter and the Source of nature's forces and laws.

Says the author in the preface: "In proving the universality of law, science confirms the doctrine of the omnipresence of God. . . . The doctrine of an immanent God, or what is now known as Christian evolution, affords all the ground that is needed for 'a cheerful belief.' It shows this world's history to be not the melancholy record of a dismal failure, but the normal development of an orderly plan. It is a key to all problems, whether material or spiritual. It embodies the entire philosophy of education, and indicates the lines upon which the education process should be carried out."

The subject of Divine Providence is made luminous and deeply comforting with light from both science and Scripture. As the title would indicate, the author views this world, with its varied experiences and countless vicissitudes, as a school in which man, made in the image of God, is being trained for a higher sphere, science uniting with revelation in teaching that uncertainty, suffering, death, catastrophe and nature—all are our school-masters.

Though philosophical in matter and method, dealing, as it does, with the deepest problems of human life, the volume before us contains forceful and inspiring thought simply expressed, and will be read with pleasure even by those who know little of science. The writer is evidently a devout Christian as well as an able scientist, and in writing this book has done the cause of truth a great service. Without endorsing all the author's conclusions, and while still believing that the evolution theory is far from having been proven, we unhesitatingly pronounce it the most suggestive and helpful book of its kind we have ever read. It deserves to rank along with the productions of the lamented Prof. Henry Drummond, and ought to have an extended circulation.

Among the interesting topics discussed in the concluding chapters, we note the following: "The cruelty of nature's laws;" "Poverty of the masses;" "Are we pilgrims or tramps?" "God's sovereignty and man's free agency;" "Spiritual law in the natural world;" "The Lord Jesus Christ as an evolutionist."

HEREDITY AND MORALS. By James Foster Scott, M. D. E. B. Treat & Co. publishers, New York. 430 pages. Price, $2.

This book contains valuable information concerning a subject with which everyone should be acquainted. The author considers the subject of heredity and morals from a physiological as well as from an ethical and moral standpoint. The work is exceedingly moral in tone. It should be read by everyone who desires to be enlightened on a subject which has so much to do with the happiness and prosperity of humanity. Wholesome truths, which can not fail to interest parents, teachers, physicians, in fact, every thoughtful individual, are presented in a straightforward manner. The author makes a strong plea for social purity, and urges a better understanding of the means by which the health and morals of the race may be improved.

LETTER FROM BISHOP CANDLER.

Rev. J. W. Lee, D. D, St. Louis, Mo—

MY DEAR DOCTOR: I have just received the initial number of "The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine." It is a joy to the eye, the mind, and the heart. If American Methodists do not give you 100,000 subscribers in a year, I shall be surprised, and feel that I have overrated their intelligence and their piety. It ought to find a place at once in every family circle in the land. How so handsome a publication can be issued at the price of one dollar a year I do not understand.

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Yours very truly,
WARREN A. CANDLER.
Oxford, Ga.

A man who might carve statues and paint pictures, spending his life in making mock flowers out of wax or paper, is wise compared with the man who might have God for company and yet shuts God out and lives an empty life.—Phillips Brooks.

In every part and corner of our life, to lose one's self is to be gainer, to forget one's self is to be happy.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

NOTES.

"A Beloved's" promised article on "Finance" has not yet materialized.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Union Epworth League will be held at Louisiana Avenue Church, Tuesday, April 11, at 7:45 P. M.

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Mrs. Beall, wife of Rev. W. T. Beall, M. D., died at Moss Point, Miss., a few days since. She was a woman of fine Christian character, highly esteemed by all who knew her.

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A revival meeting is in progress at Burgundy Street Church. The pastor, Rev. Barnette Wright, is assisted by Rev. R M. Blooker, of Lake Arthur, La., whose strong and striking sermons have attracted large audiences.

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The Wynn-Parker meeting at Algiers is still in progress. The attendance has been large, and the interest great from the beginning. Penitents have been at the altar at almost every service, and a number have professed conversion. There have been seven applications for church membership, with others to follow. The meeting will continue during the week.

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Prof. Leonard Vann, of Birmingham, Ala., a staunch Methodist, amply equipped for the place, has been elected president of Martin College, Pulaski, Tenn. He has far-reaching plans for putting the college in the front rank of Southern colleges. The patrons of the institution are to be congratulated upon the retention of our gifted and scholarly friend, Miss Mary V. Duval, as lady principal.

Rev. Robert Randle, writing from Simmsport, La., says: "My work is moving off well. My people have received me and my family very kindly. I trust that by the help of the Master much good may be done."

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Rev. H. R. Singleton, Helena, Ark., in a private letter, says: "I find a clever people here. We have had a cordial welcome. Congregations large, and constantly increasing. We are perfecting plans for a new parsonage."

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Final services were held in Crawford Street Church, Vicksburg, last Sabbath, Dr. C. G. Andrews preaching in the morning and Bishop Galloway at night. The work of demolishing the historic structure commenced on Monday.

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The Central Methodist has entered upon its thirty-third year. Its founder, Rev. Z. Meek, D. D., is still at the helm. Long may he flourish! The Central is an excellent paper, thoroughly loyal to the church, and unflinching in its support of the right.

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The report of Rev. W. L. Linfield, treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Mississippi Conference, published in this issue, shows $469.80 paid during the first quarter for foreign missions. The amount paid during the first quarter last year was only $360.50.

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Mr. L. Brame, Jr., and Miss Sue Stuart Stevens were married on the twenty-ninth in the First Methodist Church at Jackson, Miss., Bishop C. B. Galloway officiating. To the talented young attorney and his charming bride we extend our heartiest congratulations, and wish them unalloyed felicity through life.

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Rev. T. W. Lewis, of the North Mississippi Conference, stationed at Corinth, has been in doors for more than a month suffering from catarrh and asthma. Yet in his sick-room he has been busy with the Master's work. He has arranged to build a tower and otherwise enlarge the house of worship. There is nothing like pinck.

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Writing from Temple, Texas, under date of April 3, Rev. E. C. Kilgore says: "We are again passing under the rod. My precious wife is in the last stages of consumption. No hope of her recovery. This is my eighteenth day at her bedside." Bro. Kilgore will have the sympathies and prayers of his numerous friends in Mississippi.

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On Saturday, April 8, at 7:30 P. M, Rev. Sam P. Jones will lecture at Washington Artillery Hall, in this city. His subject is announced as "Sawciety." A large attendance is anticipated. Jones has a saying that "people like to see the fur fly, even if they have to furnish the fur." If there is anything in this saying, society circles will be well represented.

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The prospective Denham Springs Camp Meeting, of which we made mention in a recent issue, has, at least partially, materialized. A stock company, called "The Denham Springs Camp Meeting Association," has been organized, and a tract of land comprising 120 acres, including Denham Springs, has been purchased. July 20 has been fixed as the date of the camp meeting. A spacious tabernacle and a number of cottages will soon be in process of erection.

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Rev. J. A. Randolph, of the North Mississippi Conference, recently chaplain of the Third Regiment, Mississippi Volunteers, has been appointed chaplain in the regular army, and assigned to duty with the Sixth Infantry in the regular army now stationed at San Antonio, Texas. Bro. Randolph passed through the city on the first en route to his new field of labor. He will be pleased to hear from his friends at Camp Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

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Rev. W. A. Bowlin, of the North Mississippi Conference, writing from Buena Vista, says: "The ADVOCATE grows better with every issue. My charge is in good shape, and I am planning for a forward move at every point. I have put a new fence around the parsonage, and am preparing to paint two of my churches. Rev. Jesse Lee Guinn, a local preacher of my charge, died on the twenty-fifth instant. A good man has gone and will be greatly missed in his community and by his pastor."

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SOME LIGHT ON OUR DECREASE.

The official statement that we have a decrease of 8,300 in our membership is astonnding beyond expression, especially in view of the fact that we have for ten years reached an average increase of 37,000. I went at once to the statistical tables of our own Conference, and I find that four pastoral charges are blank. The brethren were slow, and the statistical secretary did not wait for them. These four charges reported the year before an aggregate membership of 1,104. Instead of a decrease of 380 in the Mississippi Conference, there should have been reported an increase of 724; and the figures for the whole church are thus changed from a decrease of 8,300 to a lesser one of 7,198.

There is a fact that somewhat changes this statement: a blank in the tables of 1897, which, if filled, would swell the total for that year 886. This makes the real increase in the Mississippi Conference 38. It is possible that something like this may be found in other Conferences.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING.

MR. EDITOR: The District Preachers' Meeting for the Arcadia district, Louisiana Conference, convened at Arcadia, La., on March 21, 1899. The opening sermon was preached at 11 o'clock A. M. by Rev. Robt. W. Vaughn, of Downsville, La. At 2 o'clock P. M. religious services were conducted by Rev. H. W. Ledbetter, of Summerfield, La., after which the meeting was called to order by Rev. B. T. Crews P. E., who addressed the congregation on the object and purposes of the meeting, after which J. M. Davies was elected secretary, and the programme for discussion was taken up in its regular order.

About two-thirds of the preachers of the district were present on the first day; also Bros. J. L. Wright and T. B. White, superannuates; also Rev. H. R. Singleton, of the St. Louis Conference. Deep interest was manifested by the members of the meeting in discussion of the various means of grace needed for a true gospel ministry.

On the second evening of the session Rev. C. P. Smith, of Minden, La., a recent transfer to our Conference, preached a soul-awakening sermon on missions, after which the pastor of Arcadia took up his full missionary collection.

On the second day of the meeting our beloved brother, J. L. Wright, was compelled to leave us on account of his afflictions. He wrote a letter to his brethren expressing his love for them and the great work in which they were engaged, and his regret at having to leave, which was full of faith in God and breathing a benediction upon the members of the meeting, after the reading of which Bro. Crews called on Rev. T. B. White to lead the congregation in prayer for the blessing of God upon Bro. Wright and family, and Bro. Henderson was appointed a committee to voice the love and sympathy of the meeting to Bro. Wright.

The session continued for three days, with preaching twice a day, and the preachers left feeling that their association together fitted and prepared them for the coming revival season. The pastor of Arcadia continued the meeting, being assisted by Dr. Cooper, of Centenary, and Rev. C. P. Smith, of Minden.

J. M. DAVIES, Sec.

NOTICE.

There will be held in Water Valley, Miss., on Wednesday and Thursday, May 10 and 11, the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the "Mississippi Orphans' Home." W. A. GUNNING, Pres.
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Vicksburg, Miss., March 25, 1899.

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OF NORTHERN END OF GREENVILLE DISTRICT, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The latter portion of February, pursuant to a call of a few of the preachers, a meeting was held at Tunica, Miss., for the purpose of organizing an association of the pastors of the northern end of the district. The organization was effected by electing Rev. J. J. Brooks president, and Bro. Campbell, pastor of Austin charge, secretary and treasurer, and this writer vice-president. A program was arranged, and the first regular meeting appointed to be held in Friar's Point, Monday and Tuesday, March 27 and 28. All the pastors, local preachers, Sunday-school superintendents, and one other layman from each charge, constitute the membership—the meetings to be held once each month.

The first meeting has just closed its labors. All the pastors and one lay man were in attendance. The program consisted of a synopsis by each pastor of the sermon preached on Sunday, an essay by Bro. J. J. Brooks on "The New Birth," a sermon by Rev. J. T. Murrah, an essay by this writer on "What Is Necessary to Make a Successful Pastor," and a sermon by Bro. Graves, of Tunica. The essays were followed by general discussion of the subjects, and there were several profitable devotional services, led by brethren appointed on program. The essay by Bro. Brooks, and sermons by Bros. Murrah and Graves, were all excellent in matter, manner, and spirit, and were attended by a deep spiritual effect on all who heard. The essay by this writer will probably appear in the ADVOCATE, as he was requested by a resolution to submit it to the editor, with request for its publication.

All our meetings were attended by a number of the people of the town, and there is good reason to conclude that it was a blessing to our church and the community.

The reason for limiting the union to the northern portion of the district is its great length, and the cost of travel, and the difficulty of securing entertainment for so many in smaller places. We wish to hold the meetings in all the pastoral charges, trusting they may be benefited by them. We trust that our brethren in the southern end of the district will form a similar organization, if they have not already done so.

The next meeting will be held in Belen, May 7. Q. A. OATS.

Friar's Point, Miss., March 28, 1899.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolutions of thanks signed by the members of the second Quarterly Conference of the Ocean Springs and Scranton charge, at Ocean Springs, Miss., March 23, 1899:

Whereas, Bishop Jno. C. Keener has deeded to the M. E. Church, South, at Ocean Springs a neat parsonage, with lot ample for yard and garden, also a beautiful lot adjoining for a church; And, whereas, Said property is most desirably located both for parsonage and church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we do indeed appreciate this most valuable gift, and recognize in it a blessing to Methodism in this place.

Resolved, That we authorize the Board of Trustees to take immediate steps toward moving our church-building to said lot, and, as soon as practicable, take possession of parsonage.

Resolved, That we hereby extend to Bishop Keener our sincere thanks, praying that God may abundantly bless him in these latter years of his life, and finally administer unto him an "abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.,
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OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those previously named, the following brethren have sent in new subscriptions to the ADVOCATE:

T. L. Crowson,
W. A Clarke,
A. S. J. Neill,
R. F. Witt,
Martin Hebert,
W. C. Harris,
C. F. Emery,
I. T. Reames,
C. F. Staples,
V. V. Boone.

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

Bro. W. M. Thornton, treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance, Mississippi Conference, writes me that only one pastoral charge in the Forest district has remitted anything on the assessment for Conference claimants (Shiloh, Rev. P. D. Hardin, P. C.; assessed $40, paid $41 50), and only three other pastoral charges in the whole Conference (names not given me) have made any remittance on the same account! There are 15 superannuates, 28 widows and a number of orphans dependent on this fund for the comforts (and some are dependent for the necessities) of life. Please, brethren, collect and remit to Bro. Thornton, at Lake, without delay. T. L. MELLEN,
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RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Our church has just been relieved of a heavy and burdensome debt; And, whereas, Our Missionary Secretaries have as good as notified us that it will be necessary for them to borrow money from the banks to carry on our missionary work, which undoubtedly means another missionary debt; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we most earnestly protest against going to the banks, and urge our secretaries to appeal to the church in this our time of need.

Resolved, That we make a special effort to have all our missionary money in the hands of our treasurer by May 1.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our Missionary Secretaries, the Nashville and NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATES for publication.

REV. H C. MOREHEAD, Pres.
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Whatever else you may skip in this issue, do not fail to read our offer, "The ADVOCATE for One Year Free."

A REPLY.

MR. EDITOR: I notice that Bro. Crews, in the P. S. to his letter in this week's ADVOCATE—alluding to me—states that I am a member of the "Louisiana Conference, M. E Church." This is a mistake. The "Louisiana Conference" includes the colored work of the M. E. Church in Louisiana, while the Gulf Mission Conference—to which I belong—is composed exclusively of white preachers and members—mostly Southern people, too.

As his remark as to complaint made by my presiding elder affects the reputation of a brother, I feel sure that Bro. V. D. Skipper, pastor of Louisiana Avenue Church—who was my presiding elder at the time—will take pleasure in publishing in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE what my offense was, that the general public may know whether or not I was accused of violating any Commandment of the Decalogue.

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BY MARGARET MAY.

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We walked and talked together, dear,
Still one, your soul and mine.

If in the years you had forgot
To love me, and to care
For joy or sorrow in my lot
Which here you used to share.

I think you would not thus be sent
My suff'ring hours to cheer,
And bring to me such calm content,
And dry the falling tear.

Thank God for angel ministries!
Though noiseless, and unseen,
To teach us they, and we, are his,
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—New York Observer.

PERSEVERANCE IS KING.

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Daniel Webster had no remarkable traits of character in his boyhood. He was sent to Exeter Academy, in New Hampshire, and stayed there only a short time. A neighbor, finding him crying on his way home, and asking the reason, Daniel said he despaired of ever making a scholar. He said the boys made fun of him for always being at the foot of the class, and that he had decided to give up and go home. The friend said he ought to go back, and see what hard study would do. He went back, applied himself to his studies with determination to win, and it was not long before he silenced those who had ridiculed him by reaching the head of the class, and remaining there.

"I have talked with great men," Lincoln told his fellow-clerk and friend, Greene, "and I do not see how they differ from others."

He made up his mind to put himself before the public, and talked of his plans to his friends. In order to keep in practice in speaking he walked seven or eight miles to debating clubs. "Practicing polemics," was what he called the exercise.

He seemed for the first time to have begun to study subjects. Grammar was his first choice. He sought Mentor Graham, the schoolmaster, and asked his advice.

"If you are going before the public," Mr. Graham told him, "you ought to do it."

But where could he get a grammar? There was but one in the neighborhood, Mr. Graham said, and that was six miles away.

Without waiting for further information, says McClure's Magazine, the young man walked immediately to the place, borrowed this rare copy of Kirkham's Grammar, and before night was deep in its mysteries. From that time, for weeks, he gave every moment of his leisure to mastering the contents of the book. Frequently he asked his friend Greene to "hold the book" while he recited, and, when puzzled by a point, he would consult Mr. Graham.

Lincoln's eagerness to learn was such that the whole neighborhood became interested. The Greenes lent him books, the schoolmaster kept him in mind and helped him as he could, and even the village cooper let him come into his shop and keep up a fire of shavings sufficiently bright to read by at night. It was not long before the grammar was mastered.

"Well," Lincoln said to Greene, "if that's what they call science, I think I'll go at another."

He had made another discovery—that he could conquer subjects by sticking to them.

Had Franklin Pierce not been one of the most persevering of men, he would never have been elected President of the United States. When he made his debut at the bar, he broke down completely. Although deeply mortified, he was not discouraged, as many would have been. He said he would try the experiment nine hundred and ninety-nine times more, and then, if he failed, he would repeat it for the thousandth time. Nothing is denied to such perseverance.

No matter what other qualities a successful man may lack, persistency—a dogged determination to succeed at all hazards—is always present. He may lack education, culture, polish; he may have many weaknesses or peculiarities; but, in the successful man, persistence is never absent. No matter how hostile his surroundings, no matter who or what opposes him, or what discouragements overtake him, he always persists. He is not afraid of hard work. Opposition does not discourage, or drudgery disgust him. He may lose his money, his friends, even his health; but, no matter what comes or goes, he always persists. He could as easily stop breathing as stop plodding. It is a part of his nature.

It is not so much brilliancy of intellect, a liberal education, fertility of resource or congeniality of surroundings, as persistency of effort, constancy of purpose, and unconquerable resolution to get on in the world that make a man successful.

Furthermore, persistence gives confidence, credit. It is the poor man's capital. Everybody believes in the man who persists. He may meet with great reverses, may even fail in business, but every one believes that he will ultimately triumph, because they know there is no such thing as keeping him down. The great question which the world asks a man is not, Has he capital? or, Has he friends? but, Has he persistence? Does he keep at it? Does he stick to his aim with a determination which knows no retreat? Even a man with small ability will often succeed if he has this dogged persistence, where a genius without it would fail. Persistence wedded to character is the key to success in life. Money, influence, position are as nothing compared with brains, principle, energy, and perseverance.—Success.

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"With hat in hand, one gets on in the world."—German Proverb.

"There is no policy like politeness," says Magoon; "since a good manner often succeeds where the best tongue has failed." The art of pleasing is the art of rising in the world.

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MY DEAR DR. BYE—Your little short letter received with thanks, and we appreciate your kindness more than words can tell, for you have truly been a friend indeed, as well as one in need. I am almost sorry our correspondence is about at an end. Besides being a pleasant one, it has been so entirely satisfactory, not only to myself, but to my whole family. Did I ever tell you how cancer got rooted in our family? It happened in this way. My great grandmother had children so fast her health failed. She selected a fine young slave for a wet nurse for her three last children. The slave died in middle age with cancer of the breast. The three children she nursed died in old age with cancers. Strange to say, my grandfather's two children who resembled him strongest (my mother and sister) have had cancers. The sister is dead. My mother is cured by your treatment. Please, Doctor, let me implore you, not to let this grand discovery of yours die. When you are gone, leave it as a legacy in Jesus' name, to this suffering, pitiful, miserable world.

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BE PATIENT WITH THE OLD.

There is nothing more beautiful in this world than to observe the tenderness of some girls toward thier aged relatives. Dear grandmother can not thread her needles so easily as she used to do, and is sensitive on the subject, and does not like to be too obviously helped, to have attention called to her failing eyesight, which she so much regrets, and does not like to admit. There are two ways of meeting the difficulty. Mattie, a kind-hearted girl without much tact, will exclaim: "O gran! what perfect nonsense for you to fuss over that needle! You know you can not find the hole where the thread should go in; your eyes are too old. Give me the thing; I'll thread your needles!" The intention is most excellent, but the old lady is hurt, and stifles a sigh. She had young eyes once, and she has the same independent spirit still. Edith, in the same circumstances, manages in another fashion. She simply threads a dozen needles, and leaves them already for grandmamma in her needle-book, saying pleasantly: "It saves so much time, dear, in these busy days, to have one's needles all ready and waiting."—Harper's Round Table.

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JAMES—WILLIAM JAMES, son of William James and Annie E. Fullilove, was born May 23, 1895, and died Feb. 25, 1899, at his father's home in Bossier parish, La.

William was a surpassingly beautiful child, which made him attractive even to strangers, but lovelier far than beauty of form and feature was the gentle disposition which won the fondest admiration of all who knew him.

His affection for his mother, little sister and brother was intense, but his devotion to his father was phenomenal. Toys nor play-fellows, however alluring, could ever entice him from the pleasure of his dear father's very companionship, and the last articulate word on his pale lips was "Papa."

On the Sabbath preceding his death he sat in the congregation at church, silent and attentive, by his mother's side, and who can tell how much of the heavenly message from the preacher found lodgment in the soul of this little one who was "of the kingdom of God!" —for on the way from church he talked much of his beloved grandfather who is in heaven, and with great earnestness wanted to know all his mother could tell him of the home in the skies. He was taken violently sick that night, and after six days of patient suffering, the next Sabbath light shone on the little form still and cold, as near angelic in its marbled beauty as mortal eyes ever beheld. Too precious little "earthly house" was laid in the tomb on Sabbath eve; the tomb, robbed of its gloom since Jesus illumined it with the light of immortality, and the little spirit of our darling was revelling in the perfect understanding of the mystery of redemption. "Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man, the riches which God hath prepared for them that love him."

"Little William died at 4 P. M.," were the words which flashed over the wires, bearing anguish to many hearts in earthly homes. On Mt. Zion the news rang out on the electric telegraphy of heaven, "Another new-born angel with the Father's name in his forehead," and with glad shout the "little one" joined the "hundred forty and four thousand who follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth." "In his mouth is no guile, and he is without fault before the throne of God."

We loved the winsome child, with his intelligent prattle, almost to idolatry, but God doeth well, and we bow in humble submission to his will. The fond parents can not yet see the mercy in their sore bereavement, but they rest in God's promises and kiss the rod. They realize that their darling is God's child in a higher sense than theirs, and somewhere beyond the shining stars they confidently hope to greet their boy again. Meanwhile they know "it is well with the child," for Jesus said of such, "Their angels do always behold the face of the Father." The timid child-spirit felt no lonaliness as it passed through the valley of shadows, for Jesus met it on the borderland of darkness with the assurance, "It is I; be not afraid." The religion which sustains the Christian through bereavement, and enables the breaking heart to exclaim, "Thy will be done!" is a sure anchor for the soul.

May God comfort the lonely father and mother who have so submissively resigned their first-born, and may "the little missionary" draw all the hearts so entwined around his being to a happy reunion in heaven!

"AM-MAMA"

ARMSTRONG—At his home near Snqualena Church, Lauderdale county, Miss., HENRY ARMSTRONG (brother of the late Rev. F. Y. Armstrong) passed from earth in the triumphant faith of a Christian at one o'clock Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1899. He was born Feb. 2, 1824. He was married to Miss Mary Matilda Waits, Dec. 24, 1844, before attaining his majority. After her death he married the widow, Mary Ann Allen, March 4, 1867. Again left a widower, he married, Dec. 24, 1880, Mrs. M. A. Pace, who survives him, and mourns the departure of a true and faithful husband.

Soon after his first marriage Bro. Armstrong, professing conversion, joined the Methodist Church, to which he ever remained attached, his love for the church and her doctrines and her government increasing with his growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He was an efficient steward. He never lost interest in the Sunday-school. He was a thorough Methodist, with a well-defined religious experience. He did not sour with age. He grew gentler, sweeter, mellower. He was ripe for eternity; he was ready to go.

With little or no educational advantages, he made good use of his native talents, and, being a man of prayer, he was a safe counselor. He was brave, and yet prudent. He had the courage of his convictions. He despised meanness. He was a manly man.

As straight as an arrow, with a step swift and springy, simple in his dress, he always suggested the typical pioneer. Sincere and truthful, he could look with his keen, searching glance into the eye of any mortal. Strictly honest, he owed no man anything save love. Industrious and never wasteful, he made and he saved, notwithstanding he was always generous, responded to the calls of the church, and to every cry of need. Houses and fences and lands were kept in order. He thrived while others whined. He thanked God and rejoiced while others murmured. Unblemished in his integrity, he held the respect and confidence of all right-minded people.

In his going the community has lost an upright citizen, who was on the right side of every moral question; the church, a most useful member, watchful of her every interest, and his family a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. But we know where he is gone, and we hope to meet him again in our Father's house. T. L. MELLEN.

TILLMAN—Just six years ago, last November, and one of God's little ones was sent to bless the hearts and home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tillman. As time passed "WILLIE BENNATT" grew in precociousness beyond her years, often almost startling those around her with questions and answers. At school the progress she made was remarkable—in a few months learning to read well, and then the Bible became her chief pleasure, to read and talk of it. From babyhood she was religious; truly a little Christian. Quiet, shadowed, loving, she was loved in return by all who knew her, and the bud gave promise of blossoming into the sweetest, brightest girlhood. But Christ said, 'Suffer little children to come unto me," and after an illness of a few weeks, ending Feb. 19, 1899, despite all that devoted attention and nursing could do, she was taken lovingly, tenderly, into Jesus' arms, and in heaven now awaits the coming of the dear ones left behind.

Willie Bennett, "gone to rest,"
Softly let the words be spoken,
For the hearts that loved her best
Are aching now, and almost broken.

Weep not, dear ones, tho' you loved her,
Loved her more than words can tell;
Remember in your agony,
"God doeth all things well."

The little one you loved so well
Will be the first to shout
A heavenly welcome, when on earth
Your lamp of life burns out.

COUSIN ANNIE.

GURLEY—On the night of March 2, 1899, in the city of Natchez, there was removed from earth to heaven the spirit of Mrs. SARAH GURLEY.

Sister Gurley was nearing her eighty-eighth birthday, and as far back as I am able to learn anything of her, was an earnest and pronounced Christian, and a constant attendant of the Methodist Church. Her familiar form on a front seat, and sympathetic interest in the preacher, will be remembered by all who have attended the Jefferson Street Church, of this city, of which she has been a faithful member for a number of years.

She was untiring and enthusiastic in her efforts to convert souls to Christ, and her familiarity with the Scriptures was most remarkable. She claimed to have the presence of the Holy Spirit with her at all times, and her faith in God's protecting care was very great. Who can tell how much of good she may have done?

Mrs. Gurley came to Natchez many years ago from Sharon, Miss., and I do not know much about her early life. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Lillard, of Concordia parish, La., and several granddaughters. She was buried from the Jefferson Street Church on the evening of March 3 by Revs. R. D. Norsworthy and H. D. Howell, and the following words of one of the hymns sung on that occasion may be justly applied to her:

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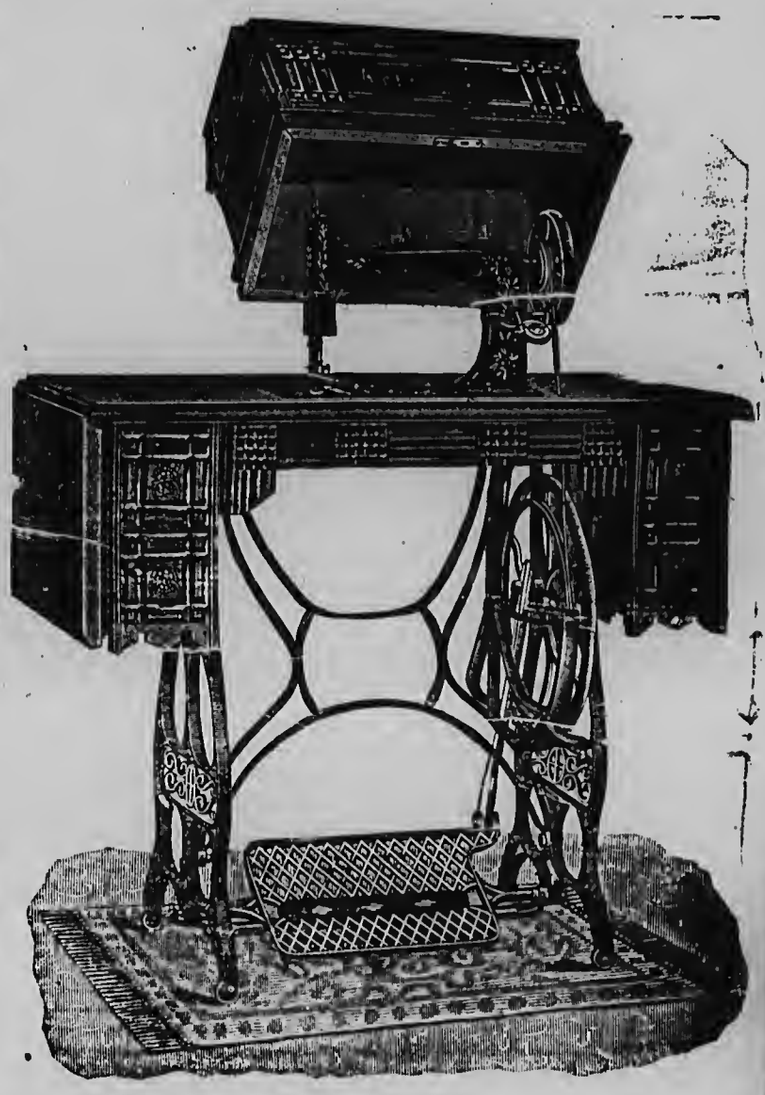

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

C. P. Huntington has brought the Sierra de Mercedi Mountain of iron, near Durango, Mexico, for $800,000.

The New England Cotton Mills have resumed work with an advance in wages, bringing them up to the old standard.

Repeated efforts to locate the insurgent army in front of Malolos have been unsuccessful and our forces are, therefore, still resting in the former Filipino capital.

The overland telegraph line connecting Havana with Santiago has been completed, and Gen. Brooke is now in telegraph communication with all parts of Cuba.

Trouble is expected in Macedonia between the Turks and the Bulgarians, encouraged by Russian influence. The Turks have 100,000 men under arms to repress the anticipated rebellion.

The remains of the American soldiers and sailors who died in Cuba, brought back by the steamer "Crook," will be buried in the National Cemetery at Arlington, April 6, with military honors.

The Philippine Commission, all of the members of which are now in Manila, will issue a proclamation to the natives calling for their subjection to the United States, and saying nothing of independence.

The Cubans, who are under the control of the United States, have been informed by President McKinley that they may buy ships in Europe or the cheapest markets and bring them into Cuban ports, and sail them under the Cuban flag, without paying any duty.

The contract for the construction of the Algiers dry dock has not yet been signed, although the award was made to the Maryland Steel Company several months ago. The delay in signing the contract is explained as being due to some changes in the designs for the dock which the Navy Department has decided to make.

To-day, as under the Spanish regime, bribery and fraud direct the Cuban courts. This is the firm conviction of the military administration. Governor General Brooke is taking the matter up, and intends to clean out the corruption, to revise the judicial procedure, to change the court personnel and to abolish the barbarous practice of incommunicado, by which a judge may imprison for life a person ignorant of the accusation against him and of the names of his accusers.

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Following close upon the heels of the settlement by France and England of disputes over African territory, comes the announcement that England and Russia have arrived at an agreement defining the respective spheres of influence of the two countries in China. Although no details have been made public as to the character of the settlement arrived at, it is safe to assume that Great Britain is to be given a free hand in the richest portions of the Chinese Empire in return for a recognition of Russia's position in Manchuria and on the Liao Tung peninsula, on which Port Arthur is situated.

The delegates of the Cuban Assembly, Messrs. Villalon and Havia, have called informally at the State Department and had a long conversation with Secretary Hay. The affairs in Cuba were freely discussed, and the delegates presented the resolution of the Cuban Assembly. Secretary Hay assured the delegates that the United States Government would not increase the amount to pay the Cuban army above the $3,000,000 already sent to Cuba. He said this morning this could not be further considered. He also informed them that the President would not consent to any scheme for raising money to pay the Cuban troops. Later the Secretary mentioned the call to President McKinley, and the President informed him that there would be no other or further answer than had already been given by the Secretary.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE PROGRAM.

The following is the program for the Grenada District Conference, to be held at Tocopola, beginning Thursday, 9 A. M., April 27, 1899.

First day will be devoted to Sunday-school interests.

I.—The Needs of the Hour:

(1) The Competency and Consecration of the Superintendent and His Relation to the School—T. M. Patterson, Hurvy Woods, O. F. Lawrence, J. L. Collins, Dr. R. W. Jones.

(2) The Teachers: Their Competency and Faithfulness in Duty in and Out of the School—W. M. Dubard, J. G. McGowan, J. J. Hiller, C. E. Lunsford and Gov. G. H. Shands.

(3) The Membership of the Church. Their Relation and Obligation to the Sunday-school—S. S. Spencer, W. M. Furr, J. W. Harris, I. T. Blount, A. T. McElrath, Rev. W. M. Young and J. C. Kyle.

II.—Our Literature—Rev. G. W. Hackman, J. E. Jenkins, Dr. J. H. Bailey, J. M. Byers, J. W. Dubard, and R. R. Riddick.

III.—We Reaffirm the Importance of Emphasizing Our Doctrines and Polity in Our Sunday-school Literature and Teaching—Revs. H. P. Gibbs, J. A. Leach, H. C. Calloway and J. L. Snyder.

Dr. R. W. Jones will deliver a Sunday-school address at 11 o'clock A. M. Educational mass meeting—Revs. J. W. Malone, R. M. Standefer.

SECOND DAY.

I.—Spiritual State of the Church, and Attendance upon the Ordinances and Social Meetings of the Same—Rev. O. L. Savage, M. G. Dubard, Rev. D. M. Gean and T. M. Murphree.

II.—Missions:

(1) Missionary Territory—Rev. H. D. Esthes, J. H. Ramsey, Rev. R. P. Gore, Rev. J. H. Rogers, and J. J. Ward.

(2) Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies within the District—Mrs. W. H. Hartwell, Mrs. M. S. Collier, and Rev. H. P. Gibbs.

(Opening sermon, 11 A. M., by Rev. C. H. Pittman.

III.—American Bible Society, Its Value to Us and Our Duty to Support It—Revs. D. M. Geddie, R. S. Lawson, W. A. Bruner, and J. H. Whitson.

IV.—Finances:

(1) The Obligations of the Church to Support the Ministry—Dr. R. W. Jones, W. M. Dubard.

(2) The Obligations of the Stewards to Do the Work Committed to Them in the Most Systematic and Effective Way—Gov. G. H. Shands, R. H. Riddick, W. M. Furr, E. S. Byers and J. L. Snyder.

(3) The Connectional Collections: Their Importance and the Best Method of Raising Them IN FULL—Revs. W. M. Young, W. W. Williams, J. M. Huggin and E. H. Rock.

V.—The League: Its Relation to the Church and Its Spirituality—Revs. W. S. Lagrone and T. W. Tye.

All are expected to make the very best possible preparations, and to pray most earnestly for the baptism of the Holy Ghost, so that the occasion may be the most profitable of all such to the present.

H. C. MORSHEAD.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Cedar Bluff.....Apr.	8, 9
Starkville circuit.....	15, 16
Starkville station.....	22, 23
[illegible]	3[illegible]
Sturges.....May	6, 7
Columbus circuit.....	13, 14
Columbus station.....	20, 21
Winstonville.....	27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula....Apr.	8, 9
Pickens, at Pickens.....	15, 16
Ackerman, at Weir.....	22, 28
Durant station.....	29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge.....May	6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland.....	13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union.....	15
Chester circuit.....	20, 21
Bolzona.....	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh.....June	3, 4
Louisville.....	10, 11
Salem.....	15

The Preachers' Meeting will be held at Sallis, April 5 and 6.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

CORINTH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Kossuth circuit.....Fri..Apr.	7
Corinth circuit.....	8, 9
Saltillo circuit.....	15, 16
Guntown and Baldwyn.....night..	16
Jonesboro circuit.....Fri..	21
Ripley circuit.....	22, 23
Marietta circuit.....	29, 30
Brown's Creek circuit.....Fri..May	5
Belmont circuit.....	6, 7
Jacinto circuit.....	13, 14
New Albany circuit.....	20, 21

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.
My address is Booneville, Miss.

SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Batesville and Wesley.....Apr.	8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando.....	15, 16
Cockrum.....	20, 21
Wall Hill.....	22, 23
Courtland.....	20, 30
Pleasant Hill.....May	6, 7
Tyro.....	12
Pleasant Grove.....	13, 14
Orwood mission.....	19
Eureka.....	20, 21
Longtown.....	27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Clarksdale.....Apr.	8, 9
Friar's Point.....	15, 16
Lula.....	22, 23
Belen.....	23, 24
Jonestown.....	29, 30
Robinsonville.....May	6, 7
Austin.....	13, 14
Sherard's.....	20, 21
Laconia.....	27, 28
Gunnison.....	28, 29
Rosedale.....June	3, 4
Bolivar.....	10, 11
Lebrton.....	17, 18

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.
Greenville, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Grenada circuit, at Bethel.....Apr.	8, 9
Water Valley circuit, at Taylor.....	15, 16
Tatum circuit, at Gore's Chapel..Fri.	21
Charleston circuit, at Tillatoba.....	22, 23
Toccopola.....	29, 30
Bannor, at Salem.....May	6, 7
Paris, at Tula.....	13, 14
Strathmore.....	20, 21
Elizey, at George's Chapel.....	27, 28
Pittsboro, at Tabernacle..... Tues..	30
Chapel Hill, at Mare Hill....Thurs..June	1
Slate Springs, at Spring Hill.....	3, 4

The District Conference will be held at Tnocopola, April 27, 28, 29, and 30. Program will appear later.

H. C. MORSHEAD, P. E.

ROLLY SPRINGS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Potts Camp, at Myrtle.....Apr.	8, 9
Pontotoc, at Ebenezer.....	15, 16
Holly Springs circuit, at Union.....	22, 23
Olive Branch, at Oak Grove.....May	6, 7
Byhalia, at Emery.....	13, 14
Waterford, at Harris' Ch.....	20 21
Mt. Pleasant, at Early Grove.....	27, 28
East Holly Springs, at Fountain Grove.....June	3, 4
Red Banks, at Red Banks.....	10, 11
Ashland, at Salem.....	17, 18
Connersville, at —.....	24, 25

District Conference convene at Pontotoc, April 27, at 9 A. M.

J. W. HONSOLL, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

New Iberia.....Apr.	1, 2
Lafayette.....	8, 9
Abbeville, at Prairie Gregg.....	15, 16
Prudhomme, at Church Point.....	29, 30
Plaquemine Brusle.....May	6, 7
Indian Bayou.....	8, 10
Opelousas, at Belle View	13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine.....	20, 21
Crowley.....	27, 28
West Lake.....June	3, 4
Grand Chenlere.....	10, 11
Lake Charles.....	17, 18

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Bluff Creek Camp Ground..preaching, Fri., 11 A. M.....Apr.	7
East Feliciana, at Gilead.....	8, 9
Port Vincent, at Huff's Chapel.....	15, 16
Pine Grove, at Pipkin Chapel,.....	22, 23
Live Oak, at Beech Grove.....	29, 30
Pinchatoula, at Hammond.....May	6, 7
Amite City, at Kentwood.....	10, 11
Franklinton, at Magee's.....	13, 14
Slaughter, at Betoville.....	20, 21
Clinton.....	21, 22
St Helena, at Centor.....	23
Wilson, at Pisgah.....	27, 28
Jackson.....	28, 29
St. Francisville, at Tunica.....June	3, 4

R. W. TOCKER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Parker Memorial.....Apr.	9
Gonidaboro.....11 o'clock A. M..	16
Algiers.....7:30 P. M..	16
Felicity Street.....	23
Louisiana Avenue.....	30
Plaquemine.....May	7
Slidell.....	14
Rayne Memorial.....	21
Dryadea Street.....	28
Carrollton Avenue.....June	4
White Castle.....	11
Carondelet Street.....	18
Covington.....	25
Burgundy Street.....July	2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Coushatta, at —.....Apr.	1, 2
Mansfield.....	9
Florine and mission, at —.....	15, 16
Pelican, at —.....	22, 23

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MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

FOREST DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Forest, at Homewood..preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon., 11 A. M..Apr.	8-10
Raleigh, at Trinity.....Tues..	11
Trenton, at Polkville.....Thurs..	18
Morton, at Lindsey Chapel..Sat. and [illegible]	15, 16
Clarksburg, at Lodobar..Sun. P. M. and Mon A. M.....	16, 17
Carthage, at Rocky Point..Sat. and Sun.....	22, 23
Walnut Grove, at Pine Grove..Tues.	25
Hillsboro, at Good Hope.....Thurs..	27
V. and Heidelberg, at Good Water.. preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon.....May	6-8
N. and Hickory, at Newton..preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon.	13-15
Shiloh, at Shiloh.....Sat. and Sun..	20, 21
Lake, at High Hill.....Thurs..	25
Montrose, at Montrose..Sat. and Sun.	27, 28
District High School at Montrose, annual sermon.....	28
Rose Hill, at Hopewell.....Wed..	31
Chunkey, at Sageville..Sat. and Sun.	June 3, 4
Choctaw Mission, at ——....Thurs..	8
Neshoba, at ——.....Sat. and Sun..	10, 11
Decatur, at Union.....Wed..	14

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

DeKalb, at Pleasant Ridge.....Apr.	8, 9
Meridian—South Side, at S. S....Sun. A. M., Wed. P. M.....	10, 19
Meridian—West End....Sun. P. M., Mon. P. M.....	16, 17
Porterville, at Mt. Hebron.....	22, 23
Winchester, at Goldwood..Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M.....	20, 30
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro....Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.....30,	May 1
Wayne, at Liberty Hill.....	6, 7
Laudsdale, at Lockhart.....	13, 14
Pachuta, at Pachuta	20, 21
Middleton, at State Line.....	27, 28
Marthville, at Andrew Chapel..Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M.....	28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise..Sun. A. M., Mon. A M.....June	4, 5
Shubuta, at Shubuta...Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.....	11, 12
Daleville, at Linwood.....	17, 18
Binneville, at Binneville.....	24, 25

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

(In Part.)

Rolling Fork, at Cerey.....Apr.	15, 16
Rocky Springs, at Oak Ridge.....	22, 23
South Warren, at Asbury Chapel.....	29, 30
Mayersville, at Benlah .....May	6, 7
Flora, at Livingston.....	13, 14
Bolton, at Clinton.....	20, 21
Edwards, at Learned.....	27, 28

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following are the receipts for foreign missions for quarter ending March 31, 1899:

J. G. Gallaway, Newton and Hickory....	50 00
W. L. Linfield, Morton.....	20 50
A. T. Bell, Smithdale.....	5[illegible]
D. P. Bradford, East End, Meridian.....	72 00
J. P. Drake, Bay St Louis.....	5 00
B. F. Lewis, Brandon.....	60 00
C. C. Evans, Satartia.....	10 00
J. M. Woods, Central, Meridian	77 40
M M Black, Gloster.....	36 00
C. McDonald, Providence.....	10 00
R. J. Jones, Capitol St., Jackson.....	36 90
R. S. Gale, Decatur.....	10 00
R. D. Norsworthy, Jefferson St., Natchez	15 05
F. L. Crowson, East Covington	7 00
	$469 80

East End, Meridian, and Brandon paid assessment in full.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

C. C. Evans, Satartia.....	6 00
J. P. Drake, Bay St Louis.....	5 00
W. L. Linfield Morton.....	8 00
C. McDonald, Providence.....	5 00
R. S. Gale, Decatur.....	4 50
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Lafayette, Rev. I. T. Reames.....$	10 00
Rayne Memorial Sunday-school.....	14 93
Gansville, Rev. H. M. Banks.....	6 85
Felicity Street, Rev. J. F. Foster.....	31 00
Lake Charles, Rev. B. F. White.....	70 00
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MARRIAGES.

ALFORD—ABRIGHT.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in McComb City, Miss., March 22, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Morse, assisted by Rev. I. L. Poobles, Rev. L. E. Alford, of the Mississippi Conference, to Miss Virginia Abright, of McComb City, Miss.

LEDBETTER—MULLIHAN.—At the residence of Mr. McCarty, Marshall county, Miss., March 28, 1899, at 7 P. M., by Rev. J. R. Wilson, Mr. Millard J. Ledbetter and Miss Mabel Mullihan.

ALLMAN—MOODY.—At the home of Dr. Thos. Moody, cousin of the bride, March 19, 1899 by Rev. H. B. Vandenburg, Mr. Andrew Allman to Miss Belle Moody.

FAUQUIER—FARRELL.—At New Orleans, March 28, by Rev. Wm. H. LaPrade, Mr. Joseph W. Fauquier to Miss Lizzie H. Farrell.

WILLIAMSON—CORLEY.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Lonie Corley, three miles southeast of Ringgold, La., Feb. 26, 1899, at 3 P. M., by Rev. Thos. J. Martin, Mr. A. M. Williamson and Miss Carrie Corley, all of Ilenville parish.

MARTIN—COOK.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. N. B. Cook, six miles south of Ringgold, La., March 2, 1899, at 7 P. M., by Rev. Thos. J. Martin, Mr J. Bryan Martin, son of officiating minister, and Miss Annie Cook, all of Ilenville parish.

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JUST OBEY.

Do as you are told to do
By those wiser far than you;
Do not say,
"What the use of this may be
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Just obey!

Do not sulk and do not sigh,
Though it seem in vain to try;
Work away!
All the ends you can not see;
Do your duty faithfully—
Just obey!

When at length you come to know
Why 'twas ordered thus and so,
You will say,
"Glad am I that, when to me
All was dark as dark could be,
I could trust and cheerfully
Just obey!"

—Exchange.

THE SENATE ON THE WAR CLAIM.

By request we publish the following from the Journal of the United States Senate, Jan. 9, 1899:

Mr. Teller, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

[To accompany Senate resolution No. 456.]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred a letter from the Bishops of the M. E. Church, South, dated Aug. 26, 1898, relating to the claim of the Book Agents of that church, which was authorized to be paid by an act approved March 11, 1898, entitled "An act for relief of the Book Agents of the M. E. Church, South," submit the following report thereon:

The letter is as follows:

[Here follows the Bishops' letter, which is too well known to need publication here.]

The bill referred to provides for the payment of $288,000 in satisfaction of the claim, and after it became a law this committee was authorized to inquire and report the circumstances connected with its passage.

The resolution authorizing this inquiry is as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Claims be directed to inquire and report to whom the money was paid under the claim of the Methodist Book Concern, South, and also as to all circumstances connected with the passage of the bill providing for the payment of said claim, and with the subsequent payment of the money under said act of Congress.

The investigation was made, a number of witnesses were examined, and the committee submitted their report to the Senate on the eighth day of July, 1898.

In the conclusion of this report it is stated:

In conclusion, the committee deem it proper to state that no censure should rest upon the M. E. Church, South, for the acts of its Book Agents. The church has been injured by the misconduct of its Agents, but for such misconduct it is held entirely blameless.

The committee has not thought proper to suggest to the Senate any action concerning this matter, it appearing to the committee that the governing authorities of the church must be allowed to take such measures as it may think proper after it has been fully acquainted with the facts concerning the passage of the bill and the final disposition of the money appropriated by it.

This letter of the Bishops makes it appropriate and proper that there should be an expression of opinion on the part of the Senate in reaponse to the conditional proposition to tender to the government the money paid to the Book Agents under the terms of the said act approved March 11, 1898.

No new facts have come to the knowledge of the committee since their report was laid before the Senate, and in harmony therewith the following resolution is submitted, and the committee recommend that it be adopted:

That the report of the committee made July 8, 1898, be approved, and that no censure should rest upon the M. E. Church, South, for the misstatements and concealments of the Book Agents in connection with the passage of the bill for the payment of the claim referred to in the letter of the Bishops now under consideration; that the injury resulting therefrom affected only the beneficiaries of the fund and not the United States, and the Senate should take no further action in the matter.

Communications.

THE HEART'S CONFLICT.

Those Christians who have carefully studied the deepest exercises of the human heart, and have closely noted the subtle temptations which have operated therein, have observed that the greatest conflict between the good and evil forces in the believer's heart does not arise over minor duties and the incidental requirements which are laid upon him, but rather the major duties and the vital requirements. This, I think, will stand as a general proposition. Quite probably there are a few exceptions to it, but, as a whole, it will abide the strongest criticism. It is perfectly safe to say that the natural heart, the carnal element in believers, is ready, in the great majority of cases, to oppose one's prompt submission to the discharge of those duties which most need to be done by the person himself. As to the easy duties and the superficial requirements, the believer finds but little to object to. Indeed, he will gladly undertake them, and congratulate himself on his being faithful to God. But let him be called to the performance of some command which requires the sacrifice of deep-seated prejudices, which demands the crucifixion of haughty pride, which puts to naught his own notions of right and propriety—then he finds himself rebelling against the command. It may be a most explicit command of God, fundamental in principle and vital to the believer's well-being, yet the probability is that he will seek to persuade himself into believing that the command is of minor consequence, which may be disregarded without serious injury to his soul. It is just here that the emphasis and critical point of the heart's conflict often come. The carnal elements of the believer battle fiercely against that which he most needs to do in order to his immediate growth in spiritual power, his rapid reception of the most valuable wisdom, and his wider attainment of the likeness of Christ.

We may be very certain that the enemy of our souls will induce us, if possible, to stand out against the doing of anything which is vital to our highest welfare. What we are most strongly tempted to not do is the very thing, most likely, that we ought to do. What we most need for our spiritual development and Christian efficiency Satan will keep us from having, if he possibly can. To accomplish this he often works through our prejudices, our natural preferences, and our apathy. Hence we need to fight the devil at the very points where we seem to ourselves to be the strongest, and yet are the weakest. The victory may be ours at every point if we depend on God and fight hard.

C. H. WETHERBE.

Correspondence.

TO THE PREACHERS OF MISSISSIPPI.

The admirable program for Twentieth Century Education Day, suggested by the Executive Committee of the Board of Education of the North Mississippi Conference, and prepared by the General Board of Education, has been mailed to every pastor in Mississippi. With careful preparation and diligent effort on the part of the preachers, the first Sunday in May will prove to be a red letter day in the history of Mississippi Methodism. Begin now to prepare for that day.

At the second Quarterly Conference, April 8, Carrollton, Miss., reported a contribution from 104 persons, amounting to $203 35. Every church can do that much, and many a great deal more. Let no one hesitate because of the magnitude of the work. No one can tell what can be done till proper effort has been made. This incident is suggestive: The committee having charge of the work at Carrollton did not confine their efforts to making appeals to those who were in the habit of giving, or to those accustomed to attend church, but sent a personal letter to every member near and far. By this method responses have been received from 104 persons. A young man living fifty miles away, who had not removed his membership, who was not a contributor, wrote: "I received the letter inclosing envelope for contribution, and send one dollar for the cause, which I am glad to do. I know I am behind with my church dues, and if you will inform me of the amount, I will settle that. I know I have not been faithful, and thought maybe my name had been dropped from the roll. But whether it has, or not, I shall be glad to do anything in behalf of the cause to which I once pledged myself."

So the Twentieth Century Movement has brought quarterage into the treasury of the Board of Stewards.

J. R. BINGHAM.

April 10, 1899.

N. B.—The presiding elders will receive several hundred copies of the program. They will please use these to supply their local preachers serving circuits, whose names and addresses I do not have. J. R. B.

AFTER THE FIRST ROUND.

MR. EDITOR: I have just completed my "first round," and am resting a few days at the old home, where my wife's mother has spent sixty years of her life, and is now nearly approaching the ninetieth year of her age.

I have held all my quarterly meetings, notwithstanding the weather and the roads, and that, too, without breaking a double-tree or a single-tree, or even losing my overshoes in the mud. The last Fall and Winter were unusually wet and cold, the weather becoming notably severe just before the middle of February. I did not go to church on that cold Sunday. In a hospitable home I read at both morning and evening prayers the 147th Psalm, and rejoiced that I was not compelled to try to "stand before His cold." It was a day to study fire-making, and enjoy its results. Fire-making is a useful art, and many persons waste much of their fuel, and unnecessarily burn the brick in the backs of their fireplaces, by making their fires "hind-part before."

Our Preachers' Missionary Institute at Centerville was quite interesting and, I hope, beneficial. A few were providentially kept away. We strove to intensify the spirit of missions in ourselves, that we might infuse it into others. The preachers at home are the stewards of the missionaries abroad.

The books furnished by the Secretary of Education for collecting the great Twentieth Century Educational Fund have been distributed to the preachers, and the elements are brewing for a great collection. There is room in the books for the name and contribution of every member and friend of the church.

I called to see Bishop Galloway a few days ago, and found him full of his work in connection with this collection—as, indeed, every man ought to be full of his work. He is one man who seems to me to be in danger of working too much. I asked him to rest a week, holding my District Conference.

In all these things we are striving to keep in view the important work of saving souls. Our preachers are all at their places, using the divinely appointed means of grace, yet I fear that many of our people have gotten into such habits of looking for evangelists, and other extraneous agencies for revival power, that they have forgotten how to appreciate the regular pastoral service. They do not expect nor work for a revival without an evangelist, and they are not disappointed. Herein probably lies one of the several explanations of our late loss in numbers, but I will not now enter upon the discussion of that question, although adequate explanations seem to me not very far to seek. W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

FROM PRESIDING ELDER HOLLOMAN.

In 1884, while pastor at Yazoo City, this writer began an appointment at 4 P. M. at Lake City, then a community of two or three families, now a village of six white families, with others in adjoining neighborhood. Here also is located the parsonage, where I found the loyal pastor grieving over small congregations, but planning for larger things. The waters were threatening the lowlands, which had its effect upon church attendance. In this parsonage home were evident the lessons learned by the thoughtful wife in another parsonage home.

My next appointment was to Vaughan's, our newest charge, with Golden at the helm, or, rather, at the throttle, making a fine beginning; walking, riding, moving things up.

Our quarterly meeting was held at Vaughan's, was well attended, and while the reports on all questions were good, that of finance was greatly beyond all expectation. For a young charge these are "the liberal who devise liberal things." One year ago the people of this progressive community offered us a new church, provided the Board of Church Extension would appropriate $150 for seating. I doubt if the church has ever made a better investment. Neatly finished within and without, with a capacity of 250 people, it is a thing of beauty. Some will remember Vaughan's Station as the terminus of the stage line to Yazoo City before the building of the railroad to the latter place. As evidence that the discontinuing of this line has not hurt the town, the business and residences have more than doubled. The traveling public may yet find comfortable accommodations. I noticed one large sign thus, "Delmonico's Dining Parlor and Cafe," though the building is closed for the Summer. Vaughan's is awake on all enterprises, and we look for corresponding activity in church affairs.

Next we visit Camden, where, more than twenty years ago, when our Bro. Bradley, just from over the seas, was in charge, the writer assisted in a week's meeting. Some remembered; others had forgotten. Time has wrought some changes. Here we met a novel experience. The wide-awake pastor, with an eye to business, had advertised our coming by regular poster, and its effect was evident in good attendance upon Quarterly Conference and all services.

What now about wisdom of the children of this world?

With an extra appointment at Fannin, made necessary by the weather of some weeks ago, we finish the round. At this place our coming was greeted by an exceptional gathering, and that, too, on Wednesday.

With a sigh of relief we plan for the second. T. B. HOLLOMAN.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The season for the various district meetings is upon us. Missionary Institutes, Epworth Leagues, Sunday-school and District Conferences will be the order for several months. The time for each should be fixed and published as soon as practicable, and with an eye to as little conflict as possible. For the interest of the works to which some of us are assigned, it is important that we attend all of these convocations that we can. But whether present or absent, we shall rejoice to know that all are occasions of great spiritual profit.

I have had the privilege, during the past few weeks, of attending the Epworth League Conference at Starkville; the Preachers' and Missionary Meeting and Epworth League Conference at Main Street Church, Water Valley; the Preachers' Meeting and Epworth League Conference at Okolona, and the Preachers' Institute at Sallis—all of which were occasions of great spiritual power and influence. The preaching, singing, talking and praying in all have been for revival power. Our preachers have never been more unanimous in sentiment and spirit for a general and thorough revival of genuine religion than they are at the present, and our faith is that we shall realize it this year.

We regret to hear of the continued affliction of Bro. B. F. Phillips, who has been unable for several weeks to preach or perform pastoral services. He has the sympathy and prayers of the entire Conference brotherhood. May he soon be restored to health and to his loved employ!

We are glad to note the great improvement of Bro. Oakley's health. He is now able to be about his district work, and his many friends hope that his health will be fully and permanently restored.

Our people in Verona have disposed of their old church, and are building a new one.

Bro. T. W. Lewis and his people in Corinth are moving to enlarge and improve their church-building.

Bro. Gladney reports his work at Eupora "in fine shape."

Children's Day programs have been ordered to the pastors as per instruction of the Sunday-school Board. If any fail to receive their package by the fifteenth instant, or do not receive enough, they will please to notify me. Remember, our motto this year is a Children's Day observance in every congregation.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., April 7, 1899.

PASTORAL AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF DURANT DISTRICT, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

According to programme and date previously published in these columns, this Institute met in regular annual session April 5, 1899, at Sallis, Miss., with Rev. J. S. Oakley, P. E., in the chair. After religious services this scribe was elected secretary. Roll-call of the preachers in the district: it was found that more than half were absent, some on account of afflictions in their families, wherenpon the following resolution was unanimously adopted and ordered published:

Resolved, That we deeply regret the absence of so many of our brother pastors of the district from this meeting, and we assure those in affliction of our warmest sympathy.

Rev. T. G. Freeman, of West station, and family were present, mingling with their old parishioners and enjoying the meeting. Rev. H. P. Gibbs, of Main Street, Water Valley, represented our Orphan Home, on account of the enforced absence of the manager. These brethren contributed much to the interest and richness of the occasion. Assigned subjects were ably presented by those present, and general discussion was warmly participated in by laymen and preachers. Certainly no meeting of our church is more mutually helpful to pastors than these "Preachers' Meetings" springing up voluntarily in many parts of the connection. Could the absentees have partaken with us of the spiritual renewing of the last afternoon, surely they and the entire district would have been the richer. It was like the best wine saved for the last, and was indeed exhilarating to the soul. The burden of every prayer was for a "Holy Ghost revival in every charge and in every heart." So mote it be. Now, as never before, does our church need to agonize for the Spirit's power. May future historians have to record the remainder of this decade "the awful pentecostal age!"

Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, was devoted to "The Twentieth Century Educational Fund." Able and inspiring addresses were delivered by Rev. W. T. J. Sullivan, D. D., of Koscinsko, and Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D., president of Millsaps College. These will bear fruit in the district. "May their tribe increase!"

Dr. Sullivan's missionary sermon on Thursday, at 11 A. M., was both exegetic and prophetic on the great subject of the coming kingdom.

Our beloved presiding elder, with characteristic dignity, elegance and sociality, was the presiding genius. He maintains his inimitable spirit of good cheer, notwithstanding his recent confinement, from which he so slowly recovered.

Rev. A. T. Buck's presentation of "The Pastor and the Evangelist" provoked much decided, positive statement condemning the habits and methods of the modern evangelist, whose chief glory is the pelf that is in the work for him. The sentiment was unanimous in favor of pastors employing brother pastors in revival meetings. In fact, it was agreed that the novel methods of these men largely account for the indifferent spiritual state of the church in recent months. God has to humiliate many people, Methodist pastors among others, before they will learn to depend on him. The Holy Spirit can make revivalists of us all.

Sallis was at her best in hospitality, which means that we "fared sumptuously every day." The usual vote of thanks expressed the happiness the visitors realized in receiving such tender ministrations.

Koscinsko gets the next session, and it is intimated that the programme will consume three or four days. W. L. ANDERSON.

Chester, Miss., April 7, 1899.

AN APPEAL.

To the Laymen of the Mississippi Conference—

BRETHREN: The Wesley Chapel Church, of this city, under the pastorate of Rev. H. D. Howell, through Dr. J. C. Ballard, has erected a beautiful and convenient home for the pastor. Though Dr. Ballard has succeeded beyond our most sanguine expectations (for which the Methodism of Natchez owes him a lasting debt of gratitude), we still need two hundred dollars.

I write this appeal to you, whom God hath blessed. I need not explain or urge the necessity for this call. Brethren, help now. Send money to Dr. J. C. Ballard, Natchez, Miss., and he will send each one, who sends, a photo of the new home of our Wesley Chapel pastor.

Brethren, this is the centenary of Methodism in Natchez and Mississippi. Help us celebrate the event by giving us from one to five dollars.

R. D. NORSWORTHY.

April 7, 1899.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES, 1899.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4.

11 A. M.—Annual Sermon by Rev. E. N. Evans, of New Orleans, La.

8 P. M.—Annual Address of the Young Men's Christian Association by Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, of Crowley, La.

MONDAY, JUNE 5.

11 A. M.—Exhibition of Preparatory Department and Prize Declamation.

3 P. M.—Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

8 P. M.—Literary Address by Dr. E. H. Monnger, of Port Gibson, Miss.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6.

11 A. M.—Annual Meeting of Alumni Society. Address by Rev. W. W. Drake, of Franklin, La.

8 P. M.—Joint Oratorical Contest between the Literary Societies.

9 A. M.—Meeting in Union Hall.

4 P. M.—Meeting in Franklin Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7.

11 A. M.—Graduating Exercises.

Senior Class: Albert Simon Lutz, John Magruder Pearce, William Henry Pipes, George D. Pickles, William Leonard Covington Wailes, George Gilden Zenor, Jr.

HELPING THE WEAK.

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

If there be some weaker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blinder soul there be,
Let me guide him nearer thee.
Make my mortal dreams come true
With the work I fain would do.
Clothe with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant.
Let me find in thy employ
Peace that dearer is than joy:
Out of self to love be led,
And to heaven acclimated,
Until all things sweet and good
Seem my nature's habitude

—Exchange.

Communications.

"SUCCESS VS. FAILURE."

I guess we have about disposed of the question of preachers succeeding and failing. Let us now ask, Succeed and fail in what? And, of course, the answer would be, In financial interest. This is the question we started with, and it has come to be (without anyone intending it) the standard of excellence, even in the ministry of the gospel. The men of great spiritual power, the "sons of thunder," are crowded to the wall, and men skilled in managing societies and bringing up collections are brought to the front. In our annual convocations leading questions are plied to the successful and the unsuccessful—how one succeeded, and why the other did not succeed. Plans and methods of making collections a success are compared, and exhortations made to take the collection for each interest separately, and let each stand on its own merits, and to begin early in the year and work diligently throughout the year, and so on; and no difference, if a preacher reports hundreds of conversions, if his collections are not in full, he is depreciated. No plans and methods compared about the best way to reach the lost and win them to Christ; no exhortation to begin to pray and expect conversions early, and continue to point to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world throughout the year. And the preacher begins to soliloquize, What did the Lord call me to do? Preach the gospel. What did the church license me to do? Preach the gospel. What did the Conference ordain me to do? Preach the gospel. For what was my education, preparation and expectation in life? To preach the gospel. And what does the church now demand of me? To take care of the societies and take collections. The societies are all right; wish they were better managed than they are. The collections are all right; wish we could collect ten times as much for each interest as we do. They have a very important place in the plan of salvation, but the preacher is not the man to manage them. We forget that he is the only man in earth or heaven who has this commission, and the Lord has ordained, by the foolishness of preaching, the world shall be saved. The plans we try to impose on our church and preachers would be laughed to scorn in any enterprise of the world. Suppose one man of large mercantile business were to undertake to sell the goods, keep the books, be porter and cash boy, and all the rest, even to the drumming for his house, because these were necessary to the success of his business—of course, he would inevitably fail. Suppose the owner of a great steamship should undertake to be captain, engineer, fireman, pilot, cabin boy, and all the rest, who would start on a voyage aboard his vessel? Yet this is just what the church requires of its pastors, and the only reason for so doing is, that they are necessary to the success of the gospel. So the merchant might reason in reference to his business; so the steamboat man might contend in reference to his vessel; but the moment one man left his place to attend another, he would endanger the whole interest, and the more important his place, the greater would be the wreck should he leave it. So it is with the church; and the preacher, by common consent, has the most important place. He is specially charged with preaching Christ crucified to a lost and ruined world. By his special work souls are to be born of the Spirit, live in the Spirit, and at last have eternal life in the spirit world; and the moment the preacher turns aside to attend to any other part of the work, however important, his work must stop. The apostles corrected this error in the early church. They said, "It is not meet for us to leave the ministry of the Word and serve tables." So, by the help of the Holy Spirit, they selected a number of laymen, who were to have charge of the financial interest, while they gave themselves continuously to the Word of God and prayer. We have abundant evidence that the apostles' plan was the correct one.

Spirituality has well-nigh gone from our church, except in a very few instances. It is an exception now if we find family worship. When a home without prayer was once the exception, nearly all our members used to lead in prayer. Now it is only a few who will attempt it. Our preachers were once all evangels of truth and mercy, men of power; now it is the specialist.

Now, the great question with us is, how to reach the masses, and what to do with worldliness in the church; and as a man does not stand on his preaching ability, preaching is not the great thing needful, is of small importance, and, of course, there is a demand for short sermons, as they are not expected to accomplish much. We have overwhelming evidence that the old-time power in the preached Word is gone—in the few converts we report. For several years we have been falling off in the increase of members, until last year we only reported 19,000 for the whole church. At this rate it would take a preacher and 150 members and $15,000 six months to make one convert, and can we think to live at this poor, dying rate? But the worst is, that some fear, for the year just closing, we will have to acknowledge a decrease. Surely we have lost favor with God and with men.

Let's give the financial interest—surely a very important interest—to consecrated laymen, who would be glad to find a place to use their God-given talents to serve the church and advance the cause of Christ, and our finances will be better managed than they now are, and the preacher's hands will be untied, and they can go, as "sons of thunder," to call sinners to repentance, and bind up the broken-hearted, and Zion's wheels will be unchained, and the power of God will come back to us as in days of yore. Then, I believe it is as true of churches as of individuals: that if we "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, all these things will be added unto us." If the whole church—preachers and laymen—were more spiritual, depended more on the Spirit, we would not only have more spirituality, but the finances, too, would be more successful. True, in many material ways our church is better equipped than ever before in all its history. We have more church and school property than ever before, more and better schools, better church-houses, more and better parsonages, better publishing interests, and so on. More elements are being organized to usefulness, the women and the young people are recognized as never before, and we have a better-educated ministry, which is no mean advance, and nearly every agency of work and means of grace—at least, on the human side—seems to be in much better condition than ever before; yet it is a sad commentary on our machinery that year by year we are losing in spirituality. May it not be true that we are depending on material things and human skill too much? Let us give the preacher and his work all the emphasis of importance it is in our power, and emphasize spirituality, submit ourselves to be used by the Spirit of God, and work in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, and the Lord will again use us to call the wanderers home, as in the years gone by. The splendid lines of Dr. Watts would be a good prayer for us now:

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quickening power;
Kindle a flame of sacred love
In these cold hearts of ours.

In vain we tune our formal songs,
In vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues,
And our devotion dies.

And so on. J. H. SMITH.

(To be continued.)

A RED LIGHT.

It is a fact known to every believer in the propagation of the gospel who has ordinary intelligence that we, as a church, need a deeper and a more general interest in the cause of Christian education. It is the duty of every Christian to aid in a forward movement in this holy work to the extent of his ability. We, as a church, believe in an educated ministry, and we are devoutly thankful to God that we have an educated ministry, with a few exceptions. Many of our worthy leaders and people are wisely striving for higher and better educational advantages for the coming generations. I pray God to crown their efforts with great success. Whoever heard of a Methodist preacher's opposition to Christian education?

But there is danger of becoming so zealous in the accomplishment of some ends as to lose sight of the conditions upon which the thing itself is accomplished. There is danger of putting the emphasis of our needs under the wrong heading. Therefore, by the indulgent permission of the editor, I wish to hang out a red light—a danger signal. We are all passengers on the same ship, bound for the same point of destination, but we need steam power.

Deeper spirituality is the main question upon which all real success depends. A genuine widespread revival of pure religion throughout the church is our first and greatest need. This will result in and open the way for the greatest possible measure of success in all secondary and temporal matters. A large number of our most godly church people of to-day did not enjoy the advantages of early collegiate training. Of course, this is regarded as their misfortune. In many cases it is a misfortune. Ignorance is not a virtue. Nor is education alone any part of the condition of salvation. Many of our less educated members are among those from whom we are to collect one million and a half dollars for educational purposes. How this money is to be collected from the prejudiced and worldly minded church members who have no spiritual life I can not tell. The whole truth is, where there is no revival the money goes into the treasury of the Lord slowly.

Our first and last chance is a revival. This fact is too prominent not to be seen and felt by our preachers and people everywhere. When the church of God (and I mean especially the Methodist branch of it) quits her idols and goes down upon bended knees in humble confession, repentance, and prayer to Almighty God, and continues to pray in the "upper room" until the lost power returns, we will have a revival. We have too much of the wrong kind of pride. We need the spiritual life which made our fathers and mothers and grandparents shout the praises of God under bush arbors and camp-meeting tents fifty and a hundred years ago. Then the wheels of the church will be unclogged and put back into her original channel and providential mission, and move forward on her happy march in the evangelization of the world.

Our church machinery is all right. But machinery, however grand, without the necessary steam power to move it, is worthless. We need, as a church, a fresh "baptism with the Holy Ghost and with fire." Then move our machinery out on the main line of the great commission, and, having as our headlight spiritual fire, laying aside all worldly pride, jealousies, and criticisms, putting our hands to the plow, and in the name of Christ turn the world upside down. Thus, recommissioned and flying at full speed, the spiritually sleeping nations would soon hear the sounding trumpets of Christ's flaming ministers as they were never heard before, and backsliders would feel the mighty power of Zion's rolling wheels.

I love and honor all of the true ministers of God of every name and order. I have no harsh criticisms for any of them; but if I had to show who is responsible for our decrease in membership of late years, and our lack of spiritual power, I would put it all, with a loving heart and hand, into one sentence, and print it in golden letters, and throw it upon the shoulders of God's ministers, "Like people like priests." (Hosea iv, 9.) This whole chapter is to the point, provided it be applied in its deep spiritual meaning. I do not mean that our ministers are not good men. I think they are the grandest class of men on earth to-day. I do not think anyone will occupy a higher seat in the kingdom of glory than an humble, faithful preacher. I love them from the least to the greatest. Yet I am placing the burden of the responsibility of our spiritual condition where I think it belongs. The ministers of God are the leaders of the people. They have more influence than all other men put together as a class in lifting the world to God. It is not enough for a pastor to content himself with the mistaken idea that his special mission is to feed the flock of God, instead of leading sinners to Christ. It requires the same power to herd the sheep as it does to lead lost ones into the fold. A man who can not preach in power, call penitents to the altar, and talk to mourners, has sufficient ground to doubt his call to the ministry altogether; or if he has ever been called, and finds himself in this condition, he has fallen from grace to an extent that disqualifies him to properly feed the church of God. Nothing feeds a church quicker than an altar full of praying penitents. Because a pastor sends off and employs a brother pastor, or an evangelist, does not signify that he can not hold a meeting himself, but it only means that he wants help in doing the work of God.

We have a Holy-Ghost, evangelistic pastor at Corinth—Bro. T. W. Lewis. He is doing a great work here. He has received above sixty members by letter (some on profession of faith) since Conference. I do not see any reason why he should not have two hundred additions during the year. He contemplates holding a revival soon. The ADVOCATE is better than ever. W. D. BASS.

Corinth, Miss.

A TRUE PARISHIONER.

On a former charge at one church they adopted the assessment plan, and one brother agreed to pay fifteen dollars for the support of the preacher in charge. His financial condition was such that the year passed away, and he did not pay a cent. The pastor left the work at the end of that year, and in April of the next year he received a check for fifteen dollars from that brother. This is what we call an honest parishioner.

F. A. WHITSON.

Correspondence.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Aberdeen District League Conference held its annual session at Okolona, March 31-May 2, Rev. J. M. Wyatt presiding. Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, the district secretary, not being present the first day, Misses Corra McDonald and Lutie Stevens were elected secretaries pro tem. After the organization and appointment of committees, the printed program was followed with but few exceptions.

Rev. Eugene Johnson preached the opening sermon of the Conference. He impressed upon the Leaguers the necessity of preparation for and the privileges of active Christian service. Bro. Johnson was formerly a member of this Conference, and we were glad to have him with us again.

A cordial welcome was extended the Leaguers by Miss Corra McDonald, Prof. J. T. Conneli, and Mr. W. J. Stockett, to which Miss Maude Fearington, of Verona, responded. Following which, Rev. J. A. Lowe delivered a truly spiritual and soul stirring address on "The Importance of Putting the Young People to Work."

The special work of the State League for the Orphans' Home at Water Valley, and for Dr. and Mrs. Fearn in China, was taken up, and after some discussion resulted in the Leagues of this district pledging themselves to raise the amount of $100 toward that fund before the meeting of the State Conference in June.

Having but one League in the district organized for missionary work, we had the pleasure of having Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, of Corinth, with us, who read an excellent paper on "The Missionary Work of the Epworth League." Miss Sallie is president of the Senior League and superintendent of the Junior League at Corinth.

The Conference was treated to an excellent talk by Miss Jennie Dyer on the "Devotional Work of the League." Miss Dyer is, indeed, a nobly-gifted woman, and we were fortunate to have her with us. She also addressed the Sabbath-school Sabbath morning and the League Sabbath afternoon. The Conference was truly grateful to Miss Dyer for her deeply spiritual talks, and the sweet influence of a life "hid with Christ in God." She possesses rare intellectual and spiritual powers, and she is nobly using these talents for God. We hope to hear her again at the State League Conference.

Rev. W. W. Woollard clearly brought out the special work of the League in each of its three departments.

Saturday, at eleven, Rev. R. A. Burroughs, of Starkville, preached a most excellent sermon, showing the universality of the atonement, and the importance of a thorough preparation for the preaching of the gospel, and the responsibility resting upon the church to send the gospel to every nation.

Space forbids my entering further into the details of the Conference. Other interesting papers were read and talks were made by Misses Sallie Kilpatrick, of Verona; Maude King, Fannie White, Katie McDonald, Mary Scott, and Rev. J. W. Anderson and Mr. J. H. Woodard, of Starkville.

Thanks are due Bro. Jones and his committee and the good people of Okolona for entertaining us so cordially. The Conference is indebted to Miss Sallie Kilpatrick for her faithful and efficient work during the year, and for her untiring and unselfish labor in preparing for the Conference.

Rev. R. A. Meek and Miss Vio Thompson, members of the State League Executive Committee, each gave a talk in regard to the State League Conference, showing that active preparations are being made by way of making this fifth State Conference the greatest gathering of young Methodism in the State. The co-operation and assistance of the pastors and Leagues in the Aberdeen district was earnestly requested. Bishops Galloway and Hendrix, Dr. H. M. DuBose and Rev. Joe Ramsey were mentioned as being the prominent speakers secured for the occasion. The music is to be under the direction of Mr. W. A. Hemphill, of Texas, who desires a choir of 150 voices composed of the best musical talent that can be furnished by the Leagues of the State.

Rev. J. M. Wyatt preached an Easter sermon at eleven o'clock, Sunday, to a large and appreciative congregation.

The following visitors were present: Rev. G. D. French, Nashville; Rev. R. A. Meek, Starkville; Rev. G. W. Bachman, Winona, and Rev. R. A. Burroughs, Starkville.

It is hoped the Leaguers who attended this Conference were benefited spiritually by the fellowship of kindred minds and hearts. Let us keep constantly before us our motto, "All for Christ;" so that the Christ-life shall be magnified in our lives; then each of us may be able to say with Paul, "For to me to live is Christ." LUTIE STEVENS,
Sec. pro tem.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. (Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

To the Members of the Woman's Home Mission Society, North Mississippi Conference:

'Tis said, "Death loves a shining mark," and surely this was exemplified when our beloved Conference secretary, Mrs. J. S. Featherston, was taken from us. Closely identified with the society as its corresponding secretary since 1893, her whole being has been devoted to its interests, and much of the prosperity attending it has been due to her unremitting labors. Bright and attractive in her person, clear and forcible in her arguments, her presence gave an added charm to every meeting. As our representative to the General Conventions, she has invariably reflected honor on our body. As she lived, so she passed away. One very dear to her writes: "The last days of her life were so beautiful that death has lost its horror to those of us who were with her. She was calm and composed all day while bidding loved ones farewell. Early on the morning of March 9 her pure spirit winged its way to the Master's throne."

Her place in our society is left vacant, but we who are spared must put forth greater effort, for the work must not suffer. While God has taken away one of our strongest pillars, we must lean the harder on him, and seek the wisdom that cometh from on high, to guide us aright. May this dispensation of his providence result in good to the society! As with tear-bedimmed eyes and sorrowing hearts we look up, may we be enabled to say: "He doeth all things well. Our Father doth not willingly afflict the children of men."

MRS. S. T. WALKER, Pres.
MRS J. B STONE, Vice-Pres.
MRS. ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Rec. Sec.
MRS. WALTER TROTTER, Treas.
MRS. WALTER WITTY, Auditor.

The Christian Life.

BE JOYFUL.

Rejoice! Be glad! Be cheerful of a meek countenance, of a smiling face! Be of good courage—never somber, sad or gloomy! Let the joy of the Lord be your strength. Bubble up and run over with joy; let it well up from a great heart of love like a reservoir of God from which you and everyone else can draw its exhaustible supplies. Make everybody happy, be full of exultant joy. Your business is to bless; your mission is to bind up the broken-hearted, to lift up the fallen, to inspire and encourage the despondent and faltering, to make everyone to be glad and to rejoice.—The King's Messenger.

Cleansing is the divinely prescribed preparation for service. The writer of the sublime Epistle to the Hebrews recognizes the fact that moral purification, however necessary and desirable, is not the end, the final aim of redemption. The blood of Christ cleanses the conscience from dead works to serve the living God. In coming to God we must believe that he is, and that he is the rewarder of them that diligently seek him. He is not indifferent, unfeeling, impassive. He feels, wills, acts. Infinite energy radiates from him. To a living God, through a living Savior, by a living faith, believers are to offer themselves a living sacrifice. Everything pertaining to God is full of life. His word is quick, that is, living; the way into which he brings redeemed ones is a living way; the sustenance he provides is living bread and living water, yea, fountains of waters of life; believers come to a living Stone. We serve the living God. His service is perfect freedom. The very highest conception of the life of the redeemed in glory is that God's servants shall do him service, they shall see his face, his name shall be in their foreheads.—The Indian Witness.

At a Methodist love-feast a good brother had indulged in a long, complaining strain of experiences about the trials and difficulties in the way to heaven. Another of a different spirit followed, who said: "I see our brother who has just sat down lives in Grumbling Street. I lived there myself for some time, and never enjoyed good health. The air is bad, the houses bad, the water bad; the birds never came and sang in the street, and I was gloomy and sad enough. But I flitted. I got into Thanksgiving Street, and ever since then I have had good health, and so have my family. The air is pure, the water good, the houses good; the sun shines in it all day; the birds are always singing, and I am as happy as I can be. Now I recommend our brother to 'flit.' There are plenty of houses to let in Thanksgiving Street."—Christian Intelligencer.

If all the promises in the Bible were written in a book, they would make a good-sized volume. They are exceeding great and precious. Every inch of the way from where we sit and stand to-day to the heavenly city is covered over and over with promises. But it is not the number and vastness alone that makes them so valuable, but their immutability. Heaven and earth may pass away, but not one jot or tittle of these precious promises can fail. Those who stand by faith on them are just as safe as though they were in heaven.—Southern Advocate.

A cheerful, hopeful religion is the need of the hour. We do not need the grace of God to enable us to find fault; but we do need it much to help us to exercise charity and to put us in a hopeful mood. Of doubt and disparagement there is enough; of faith, hope and charity there can not be too much.—Churchman.

To say that you can not forgive an injury is the same as to say that you can not do to others what God has done to you, or, more correctly still, that as you have not tasted of the Lord's goodness and grace, you are unqualified to exercise it towards others.—Churchman.

Do your duty to-day and let tomorrow take care of itself, for we may not live to see it.—Rev. John Heim.

The first wisdom is to retain the tongue.—Cato.

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n feel thy presence, Father,
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PROGRAM FOR THE MONTPELIER CIRCUIT QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

1. Will the Execution of Civil Law Prompt Men to Repent?—T. P. Beasley and J. A. McArthur.

2. What Church Members Ought to Read—Miss Belle Owen, Allie Dexter, Nannie Crose.

3. Why Church Members Ought to Take Part in the Music of Their Church—J. S. Lewis, Miss Lena McArthur, Miss Ella Dexter.

4. Are the Ministry and Laity as Faithful to Each Other as They Should Be?—J. A. Lewis and C. C. Crose.

5. The Past, the Present, the Future of Our Mission Work—Miss Lorena Lyles and Miss Mary Ansley.

J. W. RAPER, P. C.

[As will be seen from the above, Bro. Raper believes in magnifying the Quarterly Conference.—EDITOR.]

PARSONAGES.

MR. EDITOR: I have just read an article in the ADVOCATE from "Parsonage," and I was filled with joy as I followed the lines that portrayed so accurately the condition of some parsonages. I have had some experience along that line. I have moved into parsonages that made me blush with shame. I did not want anyone to pass by and see its shameful condition. It burdened my heart and stirred my energy to its highest point, until it could be put into a respectable condition. I do believe that it is as much our duty to keep God's property neat and tidy as it is our duty to execute the work of a minister on other lines. I feel and realize that it is a part of my religion to keep the parsonage in good condition, and as long as the good Lord gives me strength and health, I intend to see to it that the parsonage in which I live shall look decent and inviting.

If some of our brethren had to build two or three parsonages, they would try to take better care of those committed to their care. I trust that some may learn a lesson from the "Parsonage" article. This neglect is doing harm to the interest that lay members manifest in keeping the parsonage in a good state of improvement. "Cleanliness is next to godliness," and should be observed the world over. MINISTER.

Matherville, Miss., March 28, 1899.

Few, if any, persons who persistently sin against themselves, society and God, escape punishment on this side of eternity. A man's worst tormentor is his own guilty heart. "Be sure your sin will find you out" has been proven solemnly true by many an unregenerate sinner who perhaps has avoided public condemnation.—Selected.

The Judge of all the earth will do right. No human being will suffer more than he deserves, or more than his own conscience will recognize as just.—Charlee Hodge.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Jno. A. Miller, Patterson, La., April 3, 1899: "We closed a very interesting meeting here last Wednesday night. It continued eleven days. Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard was with me eight days, and preached real, pure gospel-searching sermons. He captured our people. Much good was done and seed sown that will bring fruit."

Rev. T. J. Noreworthy, Camden, Miss.: "We will send you at least a dozen new subscribers during the second quarter. Our first Quarterly Conference was held on April 1. Bro. Holloman was present, presided with dignity, and gave great satisfaction both in the chair and pulpit. Camden circuit will always hail his coming with delight. Financee well up, one-fourth of the presiding elder's salary being paid, and nearly as much of preacher in charge. We would be glad indeed, Mr. Editor, to welcome you to this, your old home. Can't you come?"

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Rev. P. D. Hardin, Chapman, Miss., writes: "We are moving along very nicely on the Shiloh charge. Since the weather and roads have gotten better congregations are large and everything seems to be taking on new life. We have collected and forwarded [illegible] dollars and fifty cents for the conference claimants, which is one dollar and fifty cents more than our full assessment. Our first Quarterly Conference was held at John's, March 18 and 19. The attendance was good. Our new presiding elder, Rev. T. L. Neilen, was on hand, and preached two fine sermons. He captured all of us, and, as a token of our appreciation, we paid him one-fourth of his entire assessment. We also paid our assessment for district parsonage repairs. The stewards made ample provision for the pastor's support this year, with a good per cent. paid up to date. Everything indicates a successful year. The ADVOCATE gets better all the time. I am trying to increase its circulation among my people. They need it. They can't afford to do without it. Oh, that we may succeed in obtaining the requisite number of subscribers to reduce the price to one dollar per annum! May God bless you in your glorious work!"

WINNSBORO CIRCUIT, LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

Our first Quarterly Conference convened March 25, but our "beloved," Bro. J. D. Harper, to the disappointment of all, was sick and unable to be with us. Our reports are not as encouraging as some I see in the ADVOCATE, but we all think we are doing tolerably well. We have four appointments now and will have another a little later. Have one Sunday-school working well and another in "Winter-quarters" that will come out soon. I hope to organize one or more Epworth Leagues during the year. We have also a local, not connectional, Woman's Home Mission Society doing good work. Their topics for their regular meetings are, usually, mission topics.

This (Franklin) parish "went dry" at a local option election last year; consequently all saloons were closed Dec. 31. We have had one "blind tiger" in Winnsboro since the prohibition law became effective, but he has been arrested, and tried, and is now serving out an eight months' sentence in the parish prison with five other bills of information reserved against him for the future. Public opinion is decidedly against liquor selling in this parish.

My predecessor, Rev. I. L. Bronson, and his estimable wife, both Pennsylvanians, are held in high esteem by these good people. Many are the expressions one hears concerning his good work, especially in repairing the church-buildings and purchasing and improving the neat, comfortable little parsonage. We are working, praying and hoping for advancement on all lines this year.

A. S. J. NEILL.

CARROLLTON, MISS.

We have had a great meeting at Carrollton, Miss. Our pastor, the Rev. H. T. Cunningham, began special services on Wednesday night, March 15, and preached every day till the following Monday, when the Rev. J. E. Thomas, of Greenville, came and preached twice each day till the following Friday. Bro. Thomas made a profound impression on our community, and many were the regrets that he was called home by sickness in his family. He was followed by the prayers of our people. On Saturday the Rev. B. B. Sullivan preached, and on Sunday the Rev. W. W. Whitfield, of the Baptist Church, gave us two discourses. Our pastor preached again on Monday, and on Tuesday the Rev. W. M. McIntosh, of West Point, came and preached twice daily till Friday night. The church was wonderfully revived. All the preachers remarked they had never seen such large congregations as assembled each day at eleven o'clock A. M. during the entire meeting. Besides the ministers mentioned above we had the assistance of Rev. Mr. Snell, Episcopal rector, who frequently led the congregation in prayer.

On Easter Sunday we had a great congregation and received into the church on profession of faith fifteen persons, all of whom had been taught in our Sunday-school. This is specially refreshing and encouraging to our Sunday-school workers.

Rejoicing in this spiritual awakening, I am gratified to be able to add this paragraph: According to previous purpose and prearranged plans we added thirty-one names to our "Twentieth Century Paid List," and $33.65 to the fund, which amount has been forwarded to Bro. Park, making a total of $195.25 from Carrollton. We are yet after those who have not yet paid, and will continue our work. I hope to receive after the first Sunday in May many similar, but better reports. Let every preacher in Mississippi bestir himself to make the best report possible. Begin now to make adequate preparation for Twentieth Century Education Day, the first Sunday in May. Geo. Heagland and Samuel Cupples, of Missouri, have recently given four thousand and twenty-five thousand dollars, respectively, to this fund. We hope to record similar gifts in Mississippi. In the meantime let us not fail to get small gifts from the many. J. R. BINGHAM.

April 3, 1899.

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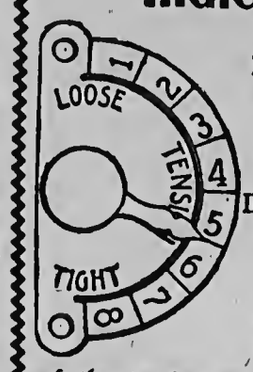

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THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1899.

The little worries that we meet each day
May lie as stumbling-blocks across our way,
Or we may make them stepping-stones to be
O! grace, O Lord, to thee!
—A. E. Hamilton.

The know-nothing, the do-nothing and the be-nothing scheme of life can only end in outer darkness and ineffable distress.—Joseph Parker.

The crown of patience can not be received when there has been no suffering. If thou refusest to suffer, thou refusest to be crowned.—Thomas a Kempis.

Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might.—Phillips Brooks.

A soul occupied with great ideas best performs small duties; the divinest views of life penetrate most clearly into the meanest emergencies.—James Martineau.

Get one little line of loveliness into your disposition, and that may be the beginning of a spirit which will at last include "whatsoever things are lovely."—J. R. Miller.

The attempt to serve God without love is like rowing against the tide. Love makes duty sweet. The angels are swift-winged in God's service because they love him.—John Watson.

To deliberately reject the evidence of any truth or fact is to do such violence to the mind that, if continued in, it will destroy the power to perceive the truth.—United Presbyterian.

Vigilance is in watching opportunity; tact and daring in seizing upon opportunity; force and persistence in crowding opportunity to the utmost of possible achievement.—Austin Phelps.

Never to tire, never to grow cold, to be patient, sympathetic, tender; to look for the budding flower and the opening heart; to hope always, like God; to love always—this is duty.—Amiel's Journal.

Never mind others' ingratitude. Shine on, O noble soul. "It never troubles the sun that some of his rays fall wide and vain into ungrateful space and only a small part on the reflecting planet."—Selected.

Whatever your sex or position, life is a battle in which you are to show your pluck; and woe be to the coward. Despair and postponement are cowardice and defeat. Men are born to succeed, not to fail.—Thoreau.

The every-day religion of doing good and loving one's neighbor is simply achieving spirituality of life. And it is spiritualization, not religion merely, that the world needs. It is the result of which any religion may be one of the processes of aid.—Lilian Whiting.

Write it in your heart that every day is the best day in the year. A day is a more magnificent cloth than any muslin; the mechanism that makes it is infinitely cunninger, and you shall not conceal the sleazy, fraudulent, rotten hours you have slipped into it.—Emerson.

THE SABBATH QUESTION.

The church of to-day has before it no problem of more vital importance than that of the preservation of the Christian Sabbath, with its hallowed influences and measureless benefits. When we consider the increasing inroads that are being made upon its sanctity and privileges by the selfish and godless of this generation, we confess to a feeling of alarm. Corporations and individuals, church members in great numbers, and sinners—all seem bent on converting it either into a day of toil or a day of amusement, and thus are undermining the very foundation-stone of public morality as well as of Christianity. That there is a vast amount of indifference among professing Christians as regards the proper observance of the Sabbath is so plain as to need no demonstration; but, alas! the evil does not stop here. An astonishingly large proportion of our church people not only fail to keep the Sabbath holy by observing it as a day of worship, but, on the contrary, desecrate it in a multitude of ways. Not until Christians everywhere become more strict in their views respecting the sacredness of the Sabbath, and more devout in observing it, can we expect to make substantial headway against the tide of worldliness and greed that threatens to sweep away the Sabbath, with all the high and lowly things it stands for.

As Dr. Alexander Southland, of Toronto, Canada, points out in his recent work, "The Kingdom of God and Problems of To-Day:" "A vast amount of work is now done on the Lord's day that was not done on that day thirty or forty years ago, and forms of Sabbath amusement and dissipation are common now that public opinion formerly tabooed. The operating of railways entails a vast amount of Sunday labor, the greater part of it entirely unnecessary. In like manner the carrying and the distribution of mails, the running of a certain class of factories, the publishing of Sunday newspapers, telephone and telegraphic communication, Sunday street-cars, Sunday excursions, open saloons, a hundred things besides, have all become common within a generation, involving the compulsory labor of tens of thousands for no better reason than that they may minister to the selfish greed of some and to the selfish pleasures of others."

In view of all these encroachments upon the quiet and rest of the Lord's day, many of them being entirely without excuse or justification, it is our deep conviction that it is high time to call a halt, for if we allow the Sabbath to become secularized, we lose the most sacred and efficient of all religious influences, and open, as it were, the very flood-gates of iniquity. Scarcely any other sin is followed by a more numerous or appalling train of evils than that of Sabbath-breaking. Indulgence therein speedily blunts the moral sensibilities and obliterates all religious impressions. If it be said that modern civilization demands a more lax observance of the Sabbath than was formerly the case, so much the worse for modern civilization. The premium it puts upon the profanation of God's holy day is in no small degree an element of danger and disintegration.

The physical and social being of man, as well as his spiritual welfare, demands the preservation in its integrity of the Christian Sabbath. It has been demonstrated time and again that men and animals can do more and better work by laboring six days and resting one day in seven than by laboring every day without cessation. Said Dr. W. F. Tillett, of Vanderbilt University, not long since: "In no way does the Christian religion show itself to be the real friend of the poor and laboring classes more than by insisting on the universal observance of the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship. An association of twenty physicians all voted 'yes' to the question as to whether or not men who labor six days in the week will be more healthy and live longer, other things being equal, than those who work seven, and that they will do a larger amount of work." Wage-earners who do Sunday labor soon find out that they must do seven day's work for six days' pay.

It is an ominous sign that the Sabbath is by a large class coming more and more to be looked upon, not as a "holy day," but as a "holiday"—a day meant principally for amusement and recreation. Instead of being devoted principally to religious uses, it is by not a few church members given over to pleasure-seeking and lounging. While city dwellers are usually supposed to be the greatest sinners in this regard, their rural neighbors are far from guiltless. The Sunday visiting and feasting which characterize many communities in the country are shameful and sinful because of the burdens imposed upon housewives, who are thus denied church privileges, and because of the frivolity and misuse of the Sabbath's precious hours occasioned by such a custom. The church member who patronizes a Sunday excursion, or boards a Sunday train, merely for convenience or profit, soon comes to regard Sunday as no more than any other day, and away goes his religion. The Sunday reading of a large number of professed disciples scarcely differs from that of non-professors and worldlings. Is it any wonder, then, that their piety is of the milk and water type!—that their convictions are all on the surface! "But," says the devotee of pleasure, "the Sabbath was made for man, and not men for the Sabbath." So be it. But what is man's chief good? If it be physical and intellectual enjoyment, then our would-be sage is right in clamoring for the Sabbath as a day of amusement and revelry. But if man be not a mere animal, but a spiritual being, endowed with godlike faculties, and ordained to inherit eternal life, then the chief design of the Sabbath is religious, and whatever does not harmonize with the spiritual object is a profanation. There is far less danger from Puritanism (now regarded as the synonym of excessive strictness in Sabbath observance) than from too great laxity with reference thereto.

It is often pleaded in extenuation of certain forms of Sabbath desecration, that the majority practice these things, and that one's abstaining therefrom would make little or no difference. One might as well argue that because others commit murder it is of no use for him to be law-abiding and life-respecting. Shall we follow a multitude to do evil, because, forsooth, we can not induce them to walk in right paths? Unquestionably there is great need that parents and religious teachers everywhere should put strong emphasis upon the necessity of a right observance of the Sabbath. The safety of the nation and of the church demands it. Unless there is determined and united effort in this direction, heaven only knows how far we shall drift from the moorings of righteousness and truth. The law of the Sabbath has not been abrogated, and he who violates it does so at the peril of his soul.

A LEGISLATIVE FIASCO.

By request of the Secretary of War the Attorney General has interpreted the "Anti-Canteen Act," recently passed by Congress. According to his interpretation, the law does not abolish the canteens; it only prohibits their being kept by soldiers. The army dram-shop is to go on with its deadly work as aforetime; but it will be operated by a fellow that does not wear the blue. And this is what we temperance folks have been jubilating over as a great temperance victory! Did the congressman who drew the bill "play sharp" on the temperance crowd, and catch them napping? So it seems. Who is responsible for this disgraceful fiasco? This question will, doubtless, be answered in due time.

A NEW BOOK.

SPIRITUAL SANCTIFICATION: AN ATTEMPTED SOLUTION OF THE HOLINESS PROBLEM. By the Rev. Jno. R. Brooks, D. D., of the Western North Carolina Conference. With an introduction by Jno. J. Tigert, D. D., LL.D., Book Editor M. E. Church, South. Publishing House of the M. E. Church, South: Barbee & Smith, Agents, Nashville, Tenn.

The above-named work lies upon our table by courtesy of the author, whom it is our privilege to count on our list of personal friends. The scope of the work is well presented in the following extract from the introductory chapter: "We have tried to harmonize as far as possible the apparently conflicting theories touching the nature of this great blessing and the time and condition of its development. We have tried to show that there is a broad scriptural and conservative platform on which Christians of all parties can consistently stand. To what extent we have succeeded in this object the public must determine. We frankly confess, however, that we are not sanguine about conciliating or convincing extremists on either side of this question. Indeed, we have scant hope of such result. It has not been our purpose to bewilder the reader with pages of speculation, but to keep as near as possible to the teaching of Scripture, to our own experience, and to the testimony of others on whom the Holy Spirit has poured his illumination. . . . We have read more or less thoroughly some fifty or more volumes devoted to this theme, trying to get the best thought on every phase of this many-sided subject. . . . We have tried not to follow blindly the teaching of anyone. On the contrary, we have endeavored to test the soundness of their teaching by the Word of God, reason and experience. We rejoice at the general attention that is being drawn to this and kindred truths. Christians of all schools of thought seem more inclined to magnify the work of the Holy Ghost in his baptismal and anointing power, which, as we think we have shown, is substantially the same as the Pauline, Johannean and Wesleyan doctrine of entire sanctification, or perfect love. It is our ambition in some small degree, at least, to increase the momentum of this movement."

This introductory promise is liberally fulfilled. The author's investigation has been painstaking and thorough. The spirit of the work is most admirable. All phases of the many-sided controversy are presented with the utmost fairness, and there is an utter absence of the intolerant spirit which characterizes a large part of the recent controversial literature on this subject. The work is worthy of careful study by all who are interested in this question. The paper, typography and binding are good. Although only a few weeks have elapsed since its publication, the first edition of one thousand copies is almost exhausted. We bespeak for it an extensive sale.

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LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The leading feature of the April number of St. Nicholas is a new serial by Emelia E. Barr. The serials of Mr. Henty, Miss Carolyn Wells, and Mr. Howe, are continued, and, as usual, the magazine abounds in pictures and verse, which add to the interest of this popular periodical for young folks.

In the Woman's Home Companion, for April, the second paper of the Southern Confederacy, by Edward Page Gaston, describes the inauguration of Jefferson Davis. Another subject of national interest is Mrs. Valentine's account of the "Women Who Grace Cabinet Member's Homes," illustrated from recent photographs.

We are in receipt of a very unique and interesting booklet entitled, "The Philippines and New Possessions," edited by W. J. Seawright, and published by The R. H. Woodward Co., Baltimore, Md. The book contains many photographs, and much valuable information in regard to Spain, Cuba, Porto Rico and Hawaii.

The Critic is a very interesting monthly review of literature, art, and life. The April number has an unusually attractive table of contents, which includes an article on "The Evolution of Henry James," by Cornelia Atwoot Pratt; a sketch of the little Jewess recently discovered by Zangwill, and a charming essay on M. Rod, by Th. Bentzon.

The Midland Monthly Magazine, for April, has a splendid article on "Newspaper Poets," illustrated with some good portraits. V. L. Drain describes "An Experiment in Communism," and John W. Emmerson continues his history of "Grant's Vicksburg Campaign." H. A. Crafts tells of "Some Peculiar Irrigating Methods in Colorado."

In the Open Court, for April, Prof. L. Levy-Bruhl, of the University of Paris, writes on Jean Jacques Rousseau, the founder of modern pedagogy. The Education of Parents by Their Children is the subject of an essay by Dr. Paul Carus. The Origin of Speech is treated by Prof. Th. Ribot. Current questions are discussed by the editor under the headings of Americanism and Expansion, and Americanism in the Roman Church.

In McClure's Magazine, for April, Cleveland Moffett gives an account of his journeys on the engines and in the postal cars of the Fast Mail, at a rate of upwards of ninety miles an hour. The article is splendidly illustrated by W. D. Stevens with drawings made from life. The reminiscences of Lincoln from Charles Sumner, Carl Schurz, and others, embodied in Miss Tarbell's account of Lincoln's attitude and relation to emancipation, give the paper much historical value as well as add greatly to its interest.

In Ainslee's Magazine, for April, appears a curious article on some Indian picture writing recently discovered, which tells the story of the Custer Massacre as it appeared to the Indians. The strange and intricate workings of the United States Secret Service have been studied and mastered by Mr. Arthur Henry, who contributes to the magazine the story of this great system. There are other articles of interest, notably a graphic study of Joseph H. Choate, our new Ambassador to England, by Theodore Dreiser, and a paper by Chauncey M. Depew upon "What the Twentieth Century Offers to the Young American."

The contents of Self-Culture, for April, include, among other instructive reading, thoughtful papers on subjects of national import. Of these the following will be found well worth perusal: "The Newer Citizenship," by Pres. Henry Davies, Ph.D.; "Municipal Misrule: Its Causes and Remedies," by Prof. F. Spencer Baldwin, and "Constitutional Government Imperilled," by Edwin Burritt Smith. Prof. Goldwin Smith contributes an informing article on "Ritualism in England," and Prof. J. G. Hibben, an interesting illustrated paper on "Princeton University." Among the descriptive articles in the number are two, on "The Hawaiian Islands" and "The Canadian Rockies."

Scribner's Magazine, for April, is an Easter number with a special colored cover, designed by Maxfield Parrish. A literary feature beginning in this number is the first serial story in an American magazine by Quiller Couch, with the poetic title, "The Ship of Stars." Colonel Roosevelt reaches the climax of his narrative of the Rough Riders in the description given in this number of the battle of San Juan Hill. Senator Hoar gives political reminiscences of the early days of the Free Soil party, continuing into the formation of the Republican party, down through the administrations of President Grant. William James, the eminent psychologist, writes an essay of direct practical application, entitled, "The Gospel of Relaxation." It is a special plea for a more intelligent use of energy.

Can not American Methodists partition out our Spanish possessions, so that each denomination can co-operate and not compete. Why not let Cuba come to the Southern Methodists, Porto Rico and the Philippines go to the North? Here is a test of our talking of fraternity—"federation." This one division of the field between Paul and Barnabas, not after "a sharp contention," but much "Blessed-be-the-tie" would roll a joy over the millions of Methodists in America. Let's part the land in love.—Richmond Advocate.

Suffer, if you must; do not quarrel with the dear Lord's appointments for you. Only try, if you are to suffer, to do it splendidly. That's the only way to take up a pleasure or a pain.—Phillips Brooks.

NOTES.

The distinguished journalist and author, Charles Dudley Warner, seriously ill in this city.

Rev. J. L. P. Shoppard and Rev. W. G. Evans, both of the Louisiana Conference, sent in their full assessment for foreign missions several weeks ago.

We learn from the Nashville Advocate that Bishop Fitzgerald is again in feeble health, so that he will have to desist from pulpit and platform work for a time.

On account of impaired health Rev. Barnette Wright has been compelled to give up the pastorate of Burgundy Street Church. He will spend the remainder of the year with his parents in Kentucky.

Rev. J. W. McGee, of the North Mississippi Conference, has been quite ill, but is now on the road to recovery, and hopes soon to be able to do full work. Even during his illness he has not forgotten to work for the ADVOCATE.

Bishop Galloway is now in New York attending a meeting of the trustees of the Slater Fund. En route he lectured at Knoxville, Tenn. He spent Sunday and Monday in Washington, the Baltimore Conference being in session there.

Dr. W. B. Lafferty, a talented young physician, son of Rev. J. B. Lafferty, D D., editor of the Richmond Advocate, was killed by a train on the C. and O. R. R. on the tenth. We deeply sympathize with our brother in his sore bereavement.

The Midland Methodist is authority for the statement that Vanderbilt University has received a donation of $100,000 from W. H. Vanderbilt. A good beginning for our "Twentieth Century Fund." This should be a stimulus to our people everywhere to contribute liberally to this cause.

Rev. W. L. Blackwell, of the Vancleave circuit, Mississippi Conference, writes: "I have had my second Quarterly Conference, the eighth and ninth. Bro. Sharp was with us, and preached two edifying sermons. The occasion was indeed a spiritual feast. The people were very much edified."

Rev. S. P. Jones lectured to a large audience, last Saturday night, in Washington Artillery Hall. He preached on Sunday morning in Carondelet and in the afternoon in Rayne Memorial. On both occasions he had a crowded house. His efforts were in his own unique and itable style. From here he went to Texas, where he has several engagements.

On reaching his office one morning recently, Dr. E. N. Evans, pastor of Carondelet Street Church, was surprised to see that some one during his absence had, without leave or license, taken possession of it and covered the floor with a brand new carpet. The Doctor took no offense at the trespass. He would be pleased to be willing for the first of April to be often oftener than once a year.

From a private letter from Rev. F. Watkins we quote as follows: "Last Sunday was a great day with us. The exercises began with a special missionary program in the Sunday-school. Then, at 11 o'clock, Dr. Andrews preached to a fine congregation, and at night Bishop Galloway preached an eloquent sermon to a crowd that packed the house and thronged the church and vestibule."

MR. EDITOR: Bro. J. A. Lee, of the Holly Springs circuit, Mississippi Conference, is at the point of death of consumption and requests me to ask the ADVOCATE the prayers of the readers of the Conference; but his end will come before this reaches you. J. H.

The above will be read with painful interest throughout the Mississippi Conference. Let prayer be made that the life of this faithful itinerant may be spared to the church.

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The Shreveport and Arcadia districts will shortly hold League Conferences within their bounds. We appreciate the invitations to be present at each and fill a place on programme, and regret that previous engagements preclude the possibility.

In a letter recently received from Rev. Paul M. Brown, Conshatta, La., he states that, ere long, two Epworth Leagues will be organized in the bounds of his charge. So mote it be!

The March-April number of the Methodist Magazine is bright and interesting. On first page is a good picture of "the most prominent Methodist layman in America."

The first article, entitled, "Backward California Glimpses," is contributed by Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald in his own delightful style, which makes everything he writes so readable.

It is significant to note that President McKinley and Bishop Fitzgerald, who thus figure prominently in this popular magazine, are ardent friends of the Epworth League movement, and have each been potent factors in the organization and development of the work.

The work in Mississippi grows apace. We know of no State in the South in which the interest has increased so rapidly and the work so materially developed.

Many young men and women hitherto comparatively unknown in church work have been developed and brought to the front till they have become "workmen that needeth not to be ashamed." What the League has done for the Mississippians it can do for the young people of other States.

"When weary in the strife I faint,
When pours my soul her deep complaint—
Her warfare but begun;
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What pow'r to live and wait impart,
To hear that word, "Well done!"

NOTICE.

The Southern Pacific railroad, through Mr. L. J. Parks, informs me that the rate for our Conference is fixed finally for one-fare round trip. I have received the names of some eighty delegates. I will be compelled to have the names before the Conference, so that arrangements may be made for them. Let everyone expecting to come write me through their secretaries or inform me themselves at least four days before the Conference. If necessary to reach me a day or so ahead, let them telegraph their names.

PERCY R. KNICKERBOCKER, P. C.

Crowley, La., April 6, 1899.

RESOLUTION.

The Board of Trustees, at a called meeting on yesterday, passed the enclosed resolution and instructed me to forward same with request for publication. JNO. W. GRIFFIS,
Sec. Bd. Trustees.

April 7, 1899.

Appreciating the importance of our educational interests, we heartily endorse the Twentieth Century Fund, and request that all the preachers of the North Mississippi Conference observe the first Sunday in May, and carry out the programme as furnished by the General Board of Education.

GLEN MARTIN CHURCH.

As I move over my district, I find that there are, here and there, new churches and parsonages, some already completed and others nearing completion. Others of these buildings, so necessary to a live Methodism, are being planned and steps taken for their erection in the near future.

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THE REASON WHY.

BY PRISCILLA LEONARD.

I know a little maiden who is always in a hurry,
She races through her breakfast to be in time for school;
She scribbles at her desk in a hasty sort of flurry,
And comes home in a breathless whirl that fills the vestibule.

She hurries through her studying, she hurries through her sewing,
Like an engine at high pressure, as if leisure were a crime;
She's always in a scramble, no matter where she's going,
And yet—would you believe it?—she never is in time!

It seems a contradiction, until you know the reason;
But I'm sure you think it simple, as I do, when I state
That she never has been known to begin a thing in season,
And she's always in a hurry, because she starts too late.

—Christian Advocate.

BE BRIEF.

I saw one excellence was within my reach—it was brevity; and I determined to attain it.—Jay.

Many a youth has failed to get a situation because he talked too much when making his application. Business men have no time to waste, and they appreciate brevity. Brevity of expression always makes a favorable impression upon a good business man.

When you have occasion to call on a man during business hours, stick closely to the matter under discussion, and use just as few words as possible, and get away as quickly as you can. Every moment of his working hours is valuable, and he has no time for useless conversation.

Many a writer has had his manuscript returned "with thanks," or without, because he did not express himself briefly and pointedly. Editors have no time to rewrite articles, and often return valuable material because the ideas contained in it are too long drawn out. One of the greatest helps to success in any walk in life is to learn to think concisely and to express oneself briefly. Rufus Choate would convey in a minute's conversation what his contemporaries would require an hour to state clearly. Then he returned to his work. While a correspondent would devote a column of the paper to an important article, Thurlow Weed would treat the same subject in a few words in the Albany Evening Journal, and put the argument into such shape as to carry far more conviction.

"I am surprised that we lost our case," said a lawyer to his client. "I said all I could for you." "That was the trouble," replied the convicted man. "You said too much. Your long argument will hang me."

"Wasn't that a finished sermon?" asked a lady of a friend, as the two were going out of church. "Yes," was the reply, "but I thought at one time it never would be, and I forgot the first of it before the middle was reached."

"Be brief," Cyrus W. Field once advised a friend. "Time is very valuable. Punctuality, honesty and brevity are the watchwords of life. Never write a long letter. A business man has not time to read it. If you have anything to say, be brief. There is no business so important that it can't be told on one sheet of paper. Years ago, when I was laying the Atlantic cable, I had occasion to send a very important letter to England. I knew it would have to be read by the prime minister and by the Queen. I wrote out what I had to say; it covered several sheets of paper; then I went over it twenty times, eliminating words here and there, making sentences briefer, until finally I got all I had to say on one sheet of paper. Then I mailed it. In due time I received the answer. It was a satisfactory one, too; but do you think I would have fared so well if my letter had covered half a dozen sheets? No, indeed. Brevity is a rare gift."

A. T. Stewart regarded his time as his capital. No one was admitted to his private office until he had stated his business to a sentinel at an outer door, and then to another near the office. If the visitor pleaded private business, the sentinel would say, "Mr. Stewart has no private business." When admittance was gained, one had to be brief. The business of Stewart's establishment was dispatched with a system and promptitude which surprised rival merchants. There was no dawdling or dallying or fooling, but "business" was the watchword from morning until night. He refused to be drawn into friendly conversation during business hours. He had not a moment to waste.

If you want to do substantial work, concentrate; and if you want to give others the benefit of your work, condense.

"Genuine good taste," says Fenelon, "consists in saying much in a few words, in choosing among our thoughts, in having order and arrangement in what we say, and in speaking with composure."

"If you would be pungent," says Southey, "be brief; for it is with words as with sunbeams—the more they are condensed, the deeper they burn."

"When one has no design but to speak plain truth," says Steele, "he may say a great deal in a very narrow compass."

The fame of the Seven Wise Men of Greece rested largely upon a single sentence by each, of only two or three words.

"The wisdom of nations lies in their proverbs."

"Have something to say," says Tryon Edwards; "say it, and stop when you've done."

Gems are not reckoned by gross weight. Mere words are cheap and plenty enough; but ideas that rouse, and set multitudes thinking, come as gold from the mine.

Begin very near where you mean to leave off. Brevity is the soul of wisdom as well as of wit. —Success.

"I do not mind in the least," said a conscientious mother one day, "when I see my little daughter making mud-pies and soiling beyond wearing the frock that was clean an hour before, but my heart is full of solicitude when I see her unwilling to share some plaything with another child. I do not care at all when I see her toss off her hat and run bareheaded into the sunshine that is turning her as brown as a berry, but I am grieved unspeakably when I know that she has told me the least bit of an untruth."—Exchange.

A Hopeless Case From Virginia. The Family Doctor Could Do No More.

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DEAR SIR—I have delayed to write until to-day, wishing to give a full account. The cancer on my wife's face had to be treated the second time on about one-third of the original sore. Our family doctor had given up the case, saying he could do no more. From appearances, the sore is healed, and we hope permanently. Thanks, many thanks to you and your remedies. Yours most truly,

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BY PERMISSION WE REFER TO THE EDITOR OF THIS PAPER.

Individuals are largely influenced by what they read and the conversation they hear. It enters into the very life and finds expression. First, in their words; second, in their actions, and, third, in the very expression of the countenance. How careful, then, should we be in the selection of the literature we read and the company we keep. "Of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."—Rev. J. G. Reed.

LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT,

Malaria creeps into the system and leaves a poison which saps its vitality until the well-known symptoms of CHILLS AND FEVER, INTERMITTENT FEVER, CONGESTION, BLOODY URINE, etc., will show their snake-like heads. Fortunately there is an antidote in DICKS' CHILLIFUGE, which absolutely exterminates Malaria in a few hours; so pleasant to the taste that children love to take it. It banishes fevers like mist before the morning sun; brings as a gift rose cheeks, health, happiness, and makes life worth the living

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THE VALUE OF FRESH AIR.

The admitted advantage of an outdoor life in many morbid conditions, and notably in consumption, seems to point to the conclusion that there is something definitely injurious in the indoor life which is now the common mode of existence among civilized people.

It is a striking and startling thing that the mere removal of a patient into the open air should lower his fever, should remove his night sweats, and take away his hectic, and it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that if these symptoms are removed by the purity of the air outside, they must have been largely caused by the impurity of the air within the house.

Nor have we any right to assume that it is the consumptive only who suffers. Doubtless the healthy struggle against and overcome evil influences before which those who are tuberculosis succumb, but that is not to say that in the struggle we do not suffer, and, indeed, the facts recently brought forward are sufficient to show that the stuffy life of warmth and comfort which civilized man now "enjoys" is bad for the health even of the healthiest.

We make our windows fit, we pad our doors, we shiver at a draught, we surround ourselves with woolen curtains, dusty carpets, and fluffy, luxurious upholstery; we breathe the same air over and over again, and then we wonder that we are not strong and vigorous. The fact is, we are daily using up the exuberant vitality with which nature has provided us in struggling against artificial conditions.

How powerful for evil, how deteriorating these conditions are, is shown by the fact that their mere removal gives back to the consumptive that vitality which enables him to overcome the seeds of disease within him.

Fresh air is not a thing to be taken in little doses once a day, but a thing to live on.—London Hospital.

LEARN THIS FACT.

The body is constantly trying to throw off waste matter. This waste matter is intended, by nature, to be taken care of and carried off by the bowels, the kidneys, and the myriads of pores of the skin. If the bowels do not move daily or oftener; if the kidneys are not flushed by generous draughts of pure water, drunken midway between (not during) meals; if the pores of the skin are not kept open, then the waste matter, which should be thrown off, is cooped up in the system and poisons it.

It is often offered as an argument against the necessity of daily baths that our ancestors had no bath-tubs, and bathed infrequently, but they were much in the position of the laborers of to-day.

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CLARK—Dr. CHARLES BUFORD CLARK was born at Attalaville, Attala county, Miss., Sept. 18, 1858; graduated in medicine at the University of Maryland in 1882; located in Kosciosko, Miss., for the practice of his profession in 1881; was married to Miss Lily B. Weems, of Durant, Feb. 10, 1886, who only lived two years after the union, and left a little girl; which followed its mother in a few months.

January 14, 1896, Dr. Clark was married to Miss Mattie Ballard, of Grenada, Miss., with whom he lived most happily until his death, which occurred Feb. 7, 1899.

The above is that chronological record which appears, with some variations, in every life, and can not indicate the character whose mortal life they bound.

Dr. Clark's life was marked by a strong and sturdy character. He yielded himself in early childhood to the careful training of a cultured Christian mother. Early her ideals became his models, her opinion his law, her life his pattern; and in all his life he adhered to the course she had planned for him. In his manhood his convictions were strong, his courage in the right unfaltering, his devotion to duty unwavering. The strength and beauty of his character were manifest alike in his home life, his social indulgences, and his professional experiences. No man who knew him would question the sturdiness of his private character. His earnest devotion to his profession was one of the marked characteristics of his life. He held his talent and attainment (as physician and surgeon) as the gift of God, practiced medicine for humanity's sake, followed his profession with that enthusiastic, self-sacrificing interest which is only born of such a high conception of a calling in life. It was this that made him a minister of mercy, mitigating human misery with a satisfaction and joy that charmed all who knew him in his professional life. It is understood that he sacrificed his life to his profession. This strong life was the outgrowth of a conscious Christian experience. He loved God, loved the church, loved Christian associations, loved a sin-tarnished populace. Loyal to all claims of life, this allegiance manifested itself in his church relation, both in his private membership and public service as steward in the M. E. Church, South.

A whole county gropes in the gruesome gloom of grief, a church is clad in the crape of mourning, a family—a wife and two children, a devoted mother, a loving sister and brother—bears the burden of a great bereavement; but a soul, made in the image of God, fashioned after the similitude of holiness, the inhabitant of a partially frail body, whose every day of earthly life has been spent in the strain of service, now "rests from his labors, and his works do follow him."

The writer, for three years his pastor, feels a sense of personal grief in his early ascension.

J. C. PARK.

EASTERLING—OLIVE EASTERLING was born in Crystal Springs, Miss., Oct. 5, 1873, and died in the same town on the morning of Feb. 1st, 1899. She was a child of affliction all her life. In her girlhood, under the ministry of Rev. T. B. Holloman, she gave her heart to God, and joined the church. She was blessed with one of the best of mothers, who took great interest in her religious training, and, with other relatives and friends, encouraged and helped her in her religious life.

About three years ago, while the family resided at Bogue Chitto, Olive became deeply interested on the subject of Christian perfection. She hungered and thirsted after righteousness, and for a time her soul was in a great agony of prayer. Under the counsel of a dear friend, and by the aid of her Bible, which was her daily companion, she surrendered all at the feet of her Savior, and, by a living faith in him, she came into the rich experience of perfect love, and from that time her life was a beautiful exemplification of Christian holiness. Her sweet spirit, her patience under suffering, her deep concern for the salvation of others, her love for the house of God, her abiding faith, her good works and her constant joy in the Lord, were the outward manifestations of this deeper work of grace within, of which she was the happy subject. She loved good books, and read a great deal. Her mind was well stored with useful knowledge; but her Bible was pre-eminent with her. She read and studied the Word of God as few Christians do. It was her daily food. She had a good understanding of its teachings, and she grew strong in her faith under its inspiring influence. Few women of her age had made such attainments in Christian knowledge, experience, and character, and fewer still had labored under the difficulties that so greatly hindered her progress. Her life, though brief and full of suffering, was one of singular beauty and of rare usefulness. She was pure gold, refined in the fire. A child of God, dear to the heart of her Father in heaven, she has been taken to his bosom. Her mother had been taken before her, and now, while their bodies sleep together in the beautiful cemetery at Crystal Springs, Sister Easterling and Olive are together in paradise.

W. B. LEWIS.

MCDANIEL—We deplore the sudden and untimely death of Bro. R. C. MCDANIEL, who perished in the flames of the great compress fire at West Point, Miss., on the sixth of March. He was cotton weigher at the compress, and in attempting to save some of his effects, he was caught in the terrible flames and perished in sight of some of his friends, who could lend him no aid.

Bro. McDaniel was one of the stewards and a very consistent member of the M. E. Church at West Point. His seat in the congregation was never vacant when it was possible for him to fill it. He was a kind, good-hearted gentleman, who, so far as we know, had no enemies. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him. I have known him for forty-eight years, and never heard aught against him. He had lived in the neighborhood nearly all his life; a true, patriotic Mississippian to the manner born, with heart open to help the afflicted and the poor. He was a great lover of children (for he had none himself), and always met them with a kind and gentle greeting. They all knew Uncle Bob, and knew they had a friend in this good man. He was a man of robust health, and as active and industrious as a bee. He leaves his dear wife free from want. He is gone to the bosom of the Savior to await her coming in the sweet hereafter. God help her, with us all, to meet him again in the land of the good!

JOHN MATTE:.

RIGGS—DAVID RIGGS was born near New Iberia, La., Feb. 3, 1828, and died in said place Jan. 6, 1899.

Bro. Riggs was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at New Iberia in 1857, and was ever afterwards an efficient and devoted member thereof.

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The writer was Bro. Riggs' pastor for three years, and he has never known a more active and zealous man, nor one who was more nearly always in readiness to do anything possible for Christ. He was a laboring man and a man of business, but was always at the mid-week prayer meeting and the week-day services of the church. He was always ready, too, to "give a reason for the hope that was in him." He frequently related his experience, and constantly lived up to his religious profession. He leaves no children, but a large family connection, who, while they regret their loss, "mourn not as those without hope." He died as he lived—in great peace with God and all mankind.

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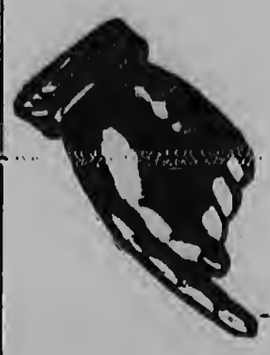

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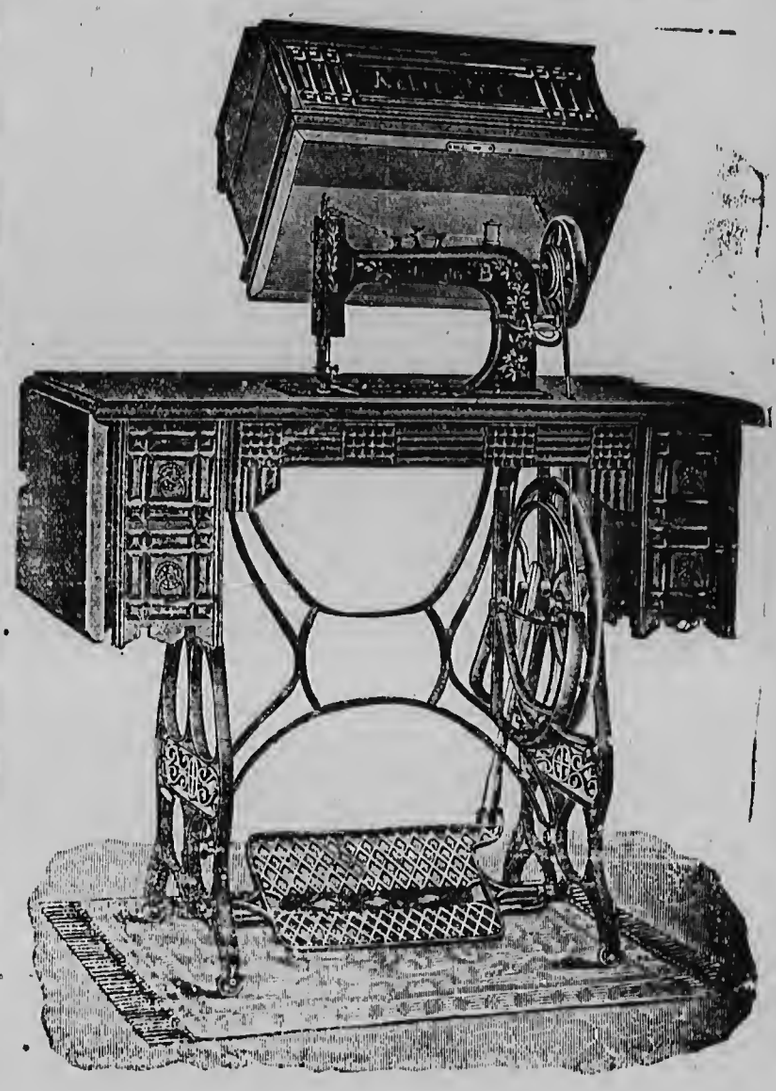

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A disastrous fire occurred in New York City on April 7. Thirteen persons were burned to death.

President McKinley, who has been invited to open the State Fair, which begins, in this city, on May 8, has declined the invitation, saying he can not spare the time.

Emperor William has expressed to the United States ambassador his high satisfaction at the appointment of the American delegates to the Peace Conference at the Hague, especially Captain Mahan.

An indeterminate sentence law enacted in Colorado provides for a minimum and maximum sentence, and gives the penitentiary commissioners the right to parole prisoners after the minimum term has expired.

Aguinaldo has issued a decree directing that Spanish shall be the official language throughout the archipelago, and protesting against the American pretension to force the use of English on the natives, who do not know it.

Miss Elizabeth Plankinton, of Milwaukee, has made a proposition of a gift of $100,000 to build a home for the Young Women's Christian Association of that city. The gift is conditional in that a suitable site must first be obtained.

The steamboat "J. K. Speed" sank at Louisville on April 9. The big Mississippi river steamer may be lost. Many persons on board, but all were saved. The boat was valued at about $25,000. The probable loss on the cargo is estimated at somewhat under $100,000.

General Lawton has captured Santa Cruz, at the extreme end of the lake. He drove the rebels, who were commanded by a Chinaman named Pao Wah, into the mountains. The Americans had six men wounded. The rebels lost sixty-eight men killed and had forty men wounded.

There were handled by the Union Passenger Station in Chicago last year 7,500,000 passengers without accident and $50,000,000 worth of baggage without the loss of a single piece. This is the third successive year in which there has been no claim for lost baggage of any kind at this station.

The Cabinet was in session on April 7. The method of making the payment of $20,000,000 to Spain was talked over, and, although no conclusion was reached, it is expected that the transfer will be made by a draft on the treasury to be delivered to any representative whom the Spanish Government may designate.

Under the new army bill each regiment of infantry and artillery will have a band of twenty-eight pieces, maintained at the expense of the government. Heretofore the army had no music of its own, except at the expense of the officers and the men, as the pay of the band was only that of privates, except as this was supplemented from these sources.

Although no extensive operations have been undertaken in the Philippines since the capture of the rebel capital Malolos, the American army has not been idle. General MacArthur's division has pushed northward from the recent rebel capital, in the direction of Calumpit; while within the past few days a strong expedition, under General Lawton, crossed the sheet of water known as "Laguna de Bay" and attacked the rebel position at Santa Cruz. This last expedition, which was a complete success, extends the operations southward from Manila.

According to the account of the recent hostilities in Samoa, the shelling of the natives by the American and British warships in Apia harbor was due largely to the action of the German consul in advising them to resist the proclamation of the American admiral calling upon all persons to return quietly to their homes and submit to the ruling of the chief justice.

Orders have been issued by the Navy Department, directing that the repairs to the cruiser "New Orleans" be completed by May 7. The expedition of the vessel's repairs was made upon the request of the delegation of New Orleans merchants which called upon Secretary Long and informed him that the people of their city desired to present a silver service to their city's naval namesake.

The latest advices from Samoa indicate that German policy and intrigue have received a decided setback, and, as a result, matters have again assumed a somewhat unfavorable aspect. According to a cablegram from Admiral Kautz to the Navy Department, Malietoa Tann has been formally installed as King. This has been brought about by the joint action of the British and American naval commanders, and in opposition to the protests of the German representatives.

Although the promised proclamation to the people of the Philippines has been issued by the special commission sent to the archipelago by the President, promising local self-government and the widest possible liberty short of absolute independence, no appreciable effect has been produced. Aguinaldo is gradually reorganizing his army and is assembling a strong force north of Malolos, evidently with the intention of opposing a further advance by General MacArthur's troops.

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Terry, at Forest Hill	Apr. 8, 9
Madison, at Madisonville	15, 16
Canton	22, 23
Bhoren, at Lone Pine	29, 30
Jackson—[illegible]rcl	A. M.. May 7
Jackson—Capitol Street	P. M.. 7
Yazoo circuit, at Mt. Carmel	13, 14
Yazoo City	14, 15
Brandon	Conf., 18.. 21
Tranquil, at Zeiglerville	Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M	20, 21
Benton, at Midway	Sun A. M., Mon. A. M	21, 22
Silver City and B. L., at Silver City	27, 28
Lake City and Lodi, at Lodi	28, 29
Fanniu, at Union	June 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Bethel	10, 11
Vaughan's, at Union	24, 25
Camden, at Seule Church	July 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Trenton, at Polkville	Thurs.. Apr. 13
Morton, at Lindsey Chapel	Sat. and Sun	15, 16
Clarksburg, at Lodebar	Sun. P. M. and Men A. M	16, 17
Carthage, at Rocky Point	Sat. and Sun	22, 23
Walnut Grove, at Pine Grove	Tues.	25
Hillsboro, at Good Hope	Thurs..	27
V. and Heidelberg, at Good Water.. preaching Sat. and Sun., Quar. Conf. Men	May 6-8
N. and Hickory, at Newton	preaching Sat and Sun., Quar. Conf. Mon.	13-15
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun..	20, 21
Lake, at High Hill	Thurs..	25
Montrose, at Montrose	Sat. and Sun.	27, 28
District High School at Meatiese, annual sermon	28
Rose Hill, at Hopewell	Wed..	31
Chunkey, at Sageville	Sat. and Sun.	June 3, 4
Choctaw Mission, at ———	Thurs..	8
Neshoba, at ———	Sat. and Sun..	10, 11
Decatur, at Unlen	Wed..	14

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference

T. L. MALLAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

(In Part.)

Rolling Fork, at Carey	Apr. 15, 16
Rocky Springs, at Oak Ridge	22, 23
South Warren, at Asbury Chapel	29, 30
Mayersville, at Beulah	May 6, 7
Flora, at Livingston	13, 14
Bolton, at Clinton	20, 21
Edwards, at Learned	27, 28

E. H. MOONGER, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lumberton and Poplerville, at Pep. larville	Apr. 15, 16 22
Escatawpa, at Big Point	23, 24
Moss Point	29, 30
Biloxi	May 6, 7
Galloway, at Brooklyn	12
East Covington, at Mt. Tabor	13, 14
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	20, 21
St. John's, at Holland's Chapel	25
Hattiesburg	27, 28
Whitlington, at McHenry	June 3. 4
Columbia, at Hopewell	8
Leakaville, at Pine Grove	10, 11

District Conference will meet in Biloxi, Aug. 27, at 10 A. M. W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Mizpah	Apr. 15, 16
Chester	22, 23
Galloway	29, 30
Hemochitto Chapel	May 6, 7
Mars Hill	13, 14
Whitaker	20, 21
Mertin	27, 28
Jefferson Street	June 3, 4
Wesley Chapel	3, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Bogue Chitto, at Johnsen	Apr. 15, 16
Wesson	22, 23
Brookhaven	29, 30
McComb City	May 6, 7
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Moriah	13, 14
Providence, at Monticello	14, 15
Westville, at Gum Springs	20, 21
Adams, at Ebenezer	27, 28
Pleasant Grove, at Sartin's	June 3, 4
Caseyville, at Pleasant Valley	10, 11
Beauregard, at Martinsville	17, 18
Hazlehurst	18, 19
Summit, at Plagah	25, 26
Tylertown, at Holmesville	July 1, 2

District Conference will begin in Brookhaven at 9 A. M., on Thursday, April 27, and will continue through the thirtieth.

The preachers will please take notice that, in answering Question 17 in addition to the items indicated in the Discipline, information should be given us as to the progress made in securing subscriptions to the Twentieth Century Fund. I trust that good reports under this question will be heard at every Quarterly Conference of this round. Let all of the preachers understand that this is a matter of very great importance.

The preachers in charge will please arrange for the presiding elder to address the Epworth Leagues, where there are any; and where none have been organized, arrange for an address to the young people on the "Epworth League Idea, and How to Work It." He is very desirous of being specially useful to the young life of the church in his district.

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ARCADIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lisbon and S., at Harmony Chapel	Apr. 15, 16
Lanesville, at Grand Bayou	22, 23
Minden	28
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	29, 30
Flat Lick, at Minnis' E. House	May 6, 7
Gibbsland, at G	13, 14
Arcadia	20, 21
Homer, at Homer	27, 28
Haynesville, at Mt. Zion	June 2
Gansville	3, 4
Bienville	

R. T. CREWS, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Jena and Jonesville, at ———	Apr. 15, 16
Montgomery and Colfax, at M	22, 23
Olla and Pollock, at Olla	29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at ———	Con.
Ference 11 a m Preaching, 7:30 p. m.	May 3
Columbia, at Bluff River	6, 7
Dry Creek, at ———	13, 14
Spring Creek, at ———. Conference, 11 a. m Preaching, 7:30 p. m	17
Pineville, at ———	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Locompte, May 24-28.

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A CORRECTION!

MR. EDITOR: I see from the Minutes hat the preacher in charge of the Lake rthur charge is assessed $837, and paid 526.28, and then at the asterisk I find $120 of this to the junior preacher." llow me, as the well-provided-for junior preacher of said charge, to say that the preacher in charge was assessed at $900, minus $250 allowed the junior preacher, or $650, and that the junior preacher only received $84.50. Not wishing, necessarily, by this statement to dispute Bro. Howell's figures, neither to call attention to his egregious error, but being the man who got the money, to correct a mistake.

WM. B. VAN VALKENBURGH.

MARRIAGES.

DENNY—NEAL.—In the parsonage, Natchez, Miss., April 7, 1899, by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, Mr. C. M. Denny and Miss A. F. Neal.

HOWIE—BOWIE.—At the parsonage at Chester, Miss., April 4, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Anderson, Mr. Marion Howie and Miss Bettie Howie, both of Cheetaw county, Miss.

HOUSTON—MANNING.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Gilbert, Miss., at 8 o'clock P. M., April 2, 1899, by Rev. W. M. Stevens, Mr. Chester L. Houston and Miss Lillie Manning, both of Scott county, Miss.

MERCER—HICKS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Port Gibson, Miss., March 23, 1899, by Rev. A. D. Miller, Mr. E. V. Mercer and Miss Hettie V. Hicks, all of Port Gibson, Miss.

ROBERTS—DREHER.—In the Methodist Church in Zachary, La., March 23, 1899, by Rev. Thos. J. Upton, Mr. Howard G. Roberts to Miss Stella L. Dreher, both of Zachary, La.

SMITH—SAUCIER.—At the residence of the bride's mother, 3640 Camp street, New Orleans, La., at five P. M., April 5, 1899, by Rev. V. D. Skipper, Mr. F. E. Smith, Jr., of Birmingham, Ala., and Miss Alice Saucier, of New Orleans.

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Committees of Examination.

MR. EDITOR: Please announce through the ADVOCATE the following Committees of Examination, Grenada district, North Mississippi Conference:

For License to Preach—Revs. J. W. Malone, W. M. Young, and J. M. Huggin.

For Admission on Trial—Revs. R. M. Standifer, H. P. Gibbs, and C. H. Pittman.

For Deacon's Orders—Revs. T. W. Dye, O. L. Savage, and E. H. Rook.

For Elder's Orders—Revs. W. S. Lagrone, W. W. Williams, and J. A. Leach.

Also announce that special attention will be given to Twentieth Century Education at our District Conference. Speakers from abroad are expected.

H. C. MORGHEAD.

Water Valley, Miss., April 4, 1899.

PAINT TALKS—XV.

A NOVEL PAINT THEORY.

Quite recently a very interesting theory has been promulgated regarding paint. The authors of this theory claim that a paint should crumble off gradually in order to provide a good surface for repainting, and that unless this happens the coating will eventually become too thick. They say that pure white lead, being the only paint that fulfills this condition to perfection, is the only desirable paint.

This theory may be all very well from the point of view of the lead corroder or of the painter—those whose profit lies in the sale and application of paint, but from the point of view of the man who pays the bills and whose property is well or ill protected according to the permanence of the material with which it is painted, the theory is not attractive.

Let those who have to buy paint and pay for its application remember that the fewer pounds of paint at a given price it requires to paint their buildings, and the longer the paint selected will keep these buildings protected from the weather, the better are their interests served.

Pure lead paints certainly chalk off rapidly enough and become porous still more rapidly, so that water is admitted through the coating of paint long before the paint is gone. Another defect is that these paints darken, and white lead destroys the color of many brilliant pigments with which it is tinted.

Combination paints, based on zinc white, on the other hand, do not chalk off, do not become porous, do not darken, and do not affect the color of other pigments combined with them. I have known a building painted with such a combination to stand without repainting for sixteen years, and at the end of that time it actually did not need repainting. If repainting had been desired, however, the surface was in excellent condition for it.

Paint is intended to stay on and not to come off, and the wise house owner will select the "stay-on" kind, regarding his own interests rather than those of the manufacturer or of the painter, whose profits lie in frequent repainting. STANTON DUDLEY.

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THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

By order of the convention body. some account of its proceedings are presented here by the writer for record in the ADVOCATE.

The second Annual Convention of the Sunday-school Department of the Mississippi Conference was called to order at Lumberton on the morning of March 29. Our hospitable little city was expecting it, and had provided homes for nearly 80, whose names we had and whose presence was desired. Forty, or more, of these arrived, with a pleasing number of visitors besides.

The opening sermon, from Rev. J. M. Weems, was apposite and impressive; preached Tuesday night. Rev. W. T. Griffin was, next morning, elected chairman, proving an acceptable one. Miss Annie Mellen, last year's convention secretary, was complimented by re-election to this office, conducting it concisely and with undisturbed dignity throughout the session. Mr. W. B. Jones, a valuable layman from Hattiesburg, was elected recording secretary.

The program of the work out out for the body has been already published in the ADVOCATE. It, no doubt, attracted admiring attention to its range and extent of subjects. The makers of that menu certainly purposed a spread. It seemed an embarrassment of riches for so short a session; but its framers explained its voluminousness. There was method, without madness, in it. "We wanted a large attendance," they said, "and by giving many some thing special to do, we hoped to assure their coming." The germ of progress in church work and all work, exposed in that statement, is receiving culture everywhere. Inoculation with it is encouraging and to be encouraged as the sign of the times.

While all appointed to serve did not attend the Conference, many came, and there were papers and addresses delivered by the following: Rev. Henry G. Hawkins, Rev. J. D. Ellis, Rev. J. M. Weems, Rev. B. F. Jones, Supt. R. A. Magruder, Mrs J. P. Drake, Pres. J. W. Beeson, of E. M. Female College; Prof. Swittenberg, Prof. H. C. Yawn, Miss Pauline Stafford, Miss Annie Mellen, Miss Mary E. Hawkins, Rev. J. P. Drake, Supt. H. S. Gunn, Miss Helen Stewart, Rev. N. B. Harmon, Rev. W. T. Griffin, Rev. H. B. Trevilion.

These were, with little exception, productions of high order and genuine merit. Their value was such as to cause the possession of several of them by the Sunday-school Board to be published and kept for wider service in its annual Register.

Dr. James Atkins, Sunday-school Editor, wondered that so few should have gathered to get the benefit of such excellent discussions. Besides complimenting participants, Dr. Atkins was genial help in many of the discussions. He addressed the convention, laying open clearly many doors which are often too little ajar. He inspired his audiences with his full, ready, sympathetic resources. We hope he will hereafter be on hand at the sessions of the Annual as well as the Sunday-school Conferences. There is space for one of his utterances, which is, substantially, that the time is not far when the Sunday-school Conference will be greater in its demands for auditorium and entertainment than the Annual Conference. There was the claim of prevision, prophetic quality in this remark by Dr. Atkins, and it is recorded here as a witness for or against him in the future.

Dr. John D. Hammond left his busy desk at Nashville to run down and, like his confrere, open to view the plans, powers, possibilities and perseverance of the Twentieth Century Educational Board, of which he is secretary. His confidence in the result cheered all hearts, and certainly tended to simplify the problem of raising the local assessment of the fund. Public gatherings, with addresses from Dr. Hammond, throughout the church are in order, and will be called for.

Great good-will invested the convention from the moment of its organization at Lumberton. The hearty address of welcome from Prof. H. W. Forman—once Missouri's, but now our teacher—consecrated and cultured; the response, in characteristic grace and sincerity of expression, from Bro. B. Frank Jones—these prepared the way for constant, increasing sense of harmony in delegates and residents.

The adjournment, Friday night, was taken, subject to future call of the authorities.

Revision of the Constitution will be noted in the year-book, to be issued.

The election of officers for 1899 1900 resulted in.— (Will the efficient secretary, Rev. D. Scarborough, kindly furnish this item? It is not in hand here.)

We feel, at Lumberton, that the convention was a success, and are vitalized by transfusions from its multi-veined energies into ours. We should like to furnish the permanent seat of the Conference, and here announce accordingly.

Our people rejoice in the pleasure of receiving and entertaining so useful an assembly of workmen and workwomen We are accustomed to workmen in this busy, thriving town, and we know them when we see them. And our verdict was, "Well done," and we sent our guests away friends, co-laborers, and wished them earnest God-speed to their several fields.

POINTS.

There was disappointment at your absence, Doctor. The substance of your card of regrets was reported, but the word in future for you is, Don't do it again.

Dr. W. B. Murrah, of Millsaps, paid a promised visit, and truly delighted the church on Easter Sunday, preaching morning and night. He promises to come again.

Rev. Henry G. Hawkins, invited by the writer, remained a week to assist in protracted services at Poplarville. Results of the meeting will be reported later. He was regretted by us all in his departure from us, endeared to all by his sincere spirit and earnest work in the pulpit.

With electric lights in the pretty church and over the place, and the telephone exchange in operation now, we are increasing intention both to see and hear. Large and handsome rooms are new-finished to the parsonage. All honor to the Ladies' Aid Society, payers of the bills.

I am under special obligation to R. W. Hinton, A. J. Clarke and P. E. Williams for their active work in arranging our visitors in their homes. These brethren were a Committee of Reception, meeting all trains, sending delegates comfortably to comfortable homes. They are happily adapted to such hospitable Christian exercise.

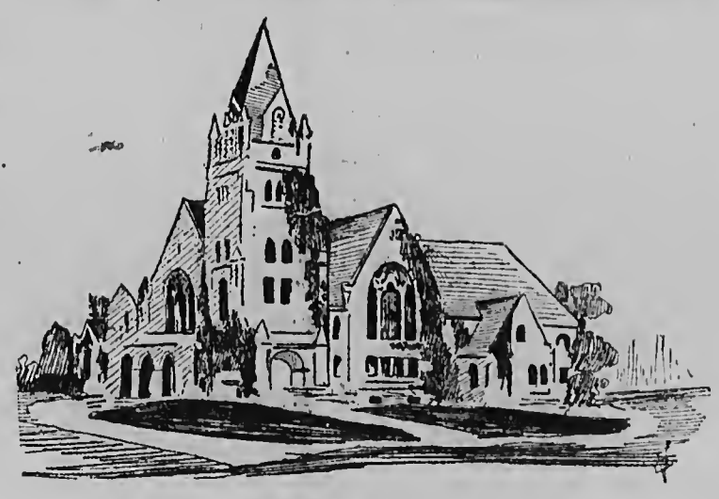
Rev. W. W. Simmons was among the delegates. The folds of the pallium of the Seashore district are fitting him finely. He swings his great circle with the endurance of the veteran he looks and is. Sickness caused his visit to be short, to the convention's regret.

Resolutions of appreciation of railway courtesy were adopted. They were all kind. We may stir uneasily over the rising of some great corporations, but we count the great railroads friends. The G. and S. I. road furnished free transportation one way, and reserved a coach for the use of the delegates along its line, at the junction with the Columbia, Lumberton and Gulf road, for several days. It was sided there to be brought here by our road authorities, who made the like terms for fare. The Conference would cheerfully have recommended that all our people make excursions upon these roads daily, except Sundays.

W. H. HUNTLEY.

Lumberton, Miss.

THE OLD CHURCH.



THE NEW CHURCH.

CRAWFORD STREET CHURCH, VICKSBURG.

The beginning of the Methodist Church in Vicksburg may be traced back almost to the beginning of the town, in 1820. Newett Vick, who owned the land on which the city of Vicksburg now stands, and his son-in-law, John Lane, who laid off the town, were both Methodist preachers, and the latter is said to have preached in a blacksmith shop before there was a church or court-house in the county.

As early as 1826 Vicksburg was a monthly preaching-place on the Warren circuit. In 1831 it became a station, and was served by Rev. J. G. Jones, who was destined soon to become one of the leaders of our hosts in Mississippi.

In the appointments for 1834 there appears for the first time as pastor of the church in Vicksburg the name of C. K. Marshall, the great-hearted and brilliant man and eloquent preacher whom Maine gave to Mississippi, and whose name has become a household word in Southern Methodism. Here he married into the distinguished family after whom the city was named, and here for more than sixty years he lived. Here live his children and his grandchildren, and here, in the calm, sweet peace of Christian old age, still dwells the wife of his youth.

Early in the decade, between 1830 and 1840, the first Methodist Church was erected—a substantial brick building, on the lot at the corner of Grove and Cherry streets, donated by Rev. John Lane. This building was afterward set apart as a preaching-place for the slaves, and was thus used until destroyed by fire.

In 1846 there was deeded to the trustees of the church, by Jno. W. and Catherine Vick, the handsome lot on the southwest corner of Crawford and Cherry streets, where there was erected in 1848 the present brick structure, in which, for more than fifty years, the Methodists of Vicksburg have worshiped. The church was designed and constructed by Thomas Hacket, a worthy member of the church, and for many years one of its most honored officials. It was dedicated in 1850 by the Rev. Wm. Winans, D. D. This old building was the church home of the Methodist people of Vicksburg during the siege, and its walls still bear silent, but eloquent testimony to the ravages of war. In the south wall there is still embedded what is said by many to be the first shell fired into Vicksburg by Farragut's fleet, in May, 1862, and the west wall is said to have been penetrated by a Federal cannon ball during the bombardments of 1863

A glance at the list of pastors of the Crawford Street Church from the early times will show that the Methodists of Vicksburg have received the ministerial labors of some of the best men of this church in the Southwest. Besides the names already mentioned we notice those of Preston Cooper, Thomas Ford, Levi Pierce, George C. Light, W. F. Heer, W. P. Barton, George H. Clinton, Whitfield Harrington, W. E. M. Linfield, Joshua T. Heard, W. H. Watkins, and R. S. Woodward—all of whom have entered into rest; while among the living ex-pastors we find Chas. B Galloway, Beverly Carradine, R. J. Jones, W. B Lewis, and C. G. Andrews. The present pastor is Rev. A. F. Watkins, the son of Dr. W. H. Watkins, who served the church here many years ago. To call the roll of the Official Board of Crawford Street Church from the beginning would be to mention the names of many who would be recognized as honored representatives of the political, social, commercial and religious life of Vicksburg.

The building is Gothic in style, and will be built of gray pressed brick, and trimmed with stone and white terra cotta. The architect and contractor is Mr. W. A. Cann, of St. Louis, and the contract price is $20,297 39 The beauty of the exterior of the building is surpassed by the convenience of the interior arrangement. The handsome auditorium, with seating capacity of 453, will be so arranged that by the use of sliding-doors its capacity may be increased by the addition of the Sunday-school lecture-room, the space thus given comfortably seating over 900 people. The Sunday-school, beside its main lecture-room, is to contain a primary department room, a library, and twelve class-rooms. The building, in addition to these advantages, will include an Epworth League hall, two ladies' parlors, a pastor's study, and other rooms contributing to the convenience and efficiency of the church.

Many influences have contributed to the success that is about to crown the efforts of this congregation to build a new house of worship. Two of these deserve especial mention—the members of the "Church Workers," a society of women organized several years ago by Mrs. C G Andrews, and of which Mrs. Scott Phillips has been the remarkably successful president, and the Building Committee, composed of R. L Crook, A. G Cassell, George B Hackett, S. C. Regan, and Julius M. Klein, who have patiently, persistently, faithfully and successfully worked against the difficulties that confronted them.

(For the above facts we are indebted to our accommodating neighbor, the Picayune.—EDITOR.)

THY FATHER HOLDS THY HAND.

While journeying o'er life's thorny way,
O'er mountains steep, or desert sand,
Fear not, if ever, night and day
Thy heavenly Father holds thy hand!

In times of sorrow or of woe,
When evil stalks throughout the land,
Safe thou shalt be, if, as thou go,
Thy heavenly Father holds thy hand.

When doubts and darkness fill thy soul,
And evil spirits 'gainst thee band,
Press on! thou'lt surely reach the goal!
The mighty Father holds thy hand.

As down the darkening vale of life
Towards Jordan's black and stormy strand
Thou onward goest, midst constant strife;
Rejoice, thy Father holds thy hand!

When o'er thy head the billows roll,
Scarcely thou seest the heavenly land,
Yet praise the Lord, with all thy soul,
Thy loving Savior holds thy hand.

—Christian Observer.

FROM SARDIS AS A VIEW-POINT.

MR. EDITOR: You are to be congratulated on the very excellent paper now being sent out to Mississippi and Louisiana Methodism. The NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, our Conference organ, like old wine, grows better as it grows in age. It has many excellent qualities. It is printed on good paper, with clear type; it comes promptly. I am writing this letter on the night of March 30, and the ADVOCATE, of March 30, is before me, printed more than three hundred miles away. The local Sardis paper, issued on the same day, has not reached me yet.

The ADVOCATE has been rich of late in memorial tributes. Those of Dr. John Keener, president of Southern University, tell us of a strong man fallen at his post in the midst of his days, of his usefulness and promise. A short notice of the death of Hon. H. W. Foote, of Macon, Miss., informs us of the removal of a prominent landmark of Methodism. My acquaintance with him goes back to the days of my boyhood, and my esteem and love for him grew with the passing years. For more than half a century he lived in Macon, successful and honored in Church and State. For more than fifty years he was superintendent of the Sunday-school. He loved his church, her polity, and her institutions. His palatial home was a resting-place for the weary itinerant. A sense of loss comes over us as we remember that Judge Foote is dead. "God buries his workmen, but carries on his work."

The columns of the ADVOCATE have of late also been packed full of other good reading matter—personal notes of many brethren, short, pithy clippings; interesting correspondence, reports from the churches, bugle blasts marshaling the forces for the twentieth century movement, strong editorials, and expressions of commendation from appreciative readers. Bro. Babb's review of a single copy of the ADVOCATE was a unique theme for a very readable paper. "What Subscribers Say," in this issue (March 30), as "sample tones of a large number," must be cheering to a toiling newspaper man. Bro. May, "The ADVOCATE gets better all the time," and an accomplished sister, "The ADVOCATE seems, if possible, to grow better all the time."

What is said under "An Editor's Fun" puts it in evidence that we have an editor who, besides being a vigorous writer, has not forgotten his grammar. You are correct in substituting "is" for "are" in the friendly postal card. The brother should thank you, and go back to one of "the branches of an ordinary English education." I wish, Doctor, you would take in hand and straighten out the grammar of the twentieth question in the order of Quarterly Conference business in our Discipline, "Are there a church register?" etc.

If I thought you were in danger of losing your mental poise, or increasing unduly your avoirdupois, I would send you for publication the Dutchman's admonition against being puffed up. But I think that both editor and ADVOCATE deserve the high commendation and liberal support of every Methodist throughout the patronizing Conferences.

Your proposition to send the paper eight months for one dollar brings the ADVOCATE level to the demands of those who clamor for a paper cheap in price, and at the same time would furnish them a paper of high grade. If our preachers would all believe, take hold, and work like Bro. J. W. Raper, of the North Mississippi Conference, your proposition would succeed. Bro. Raper thinks the requisite number of subscribers can be secured. He says: "I think I can get four times as many in this charge as we now have. If all will do the same, we will have about fourteen thousand subscribers." This would indeed be a grand success, and would demonstrate to the satisfaction of others, besides Bros. T. W. Lewis and J. H. Smith, that "success does succeed."

But my pencil has run away with me, and still runs on towards the "wee sma' hours" of the night. I started out to write something of the veteran pastors—mark you, I do not mean venerable—and of the other faithful preachers of Sardis district; but I have regard for the patience of the reader and of the editor, and so must defer what I wanted to say of these worthy toilers in the Master's vineyard to another time.

T. C. WIER.

NO ANSWER.

MR EDITOR: I have been anxiously awaiting the appearance of the article from the presiding elder reviewing Bro. Kent's answer to my question, as promised; but, as yet, have seen nothing of it. Why this long delay? I hope the beloved brother will not abandon the idea of writing, nor defer it any longer. If the practice of levying any per cent. of the amount collected for ministerial support, either for presiding elder or preacher in charge, be in harmony with the law, I would like to be convinced of it, and hope the article alluded to will soon be forthcoming. I am not aware that it is practiced anywhere in our church, save by the district stewards in two districts of the Louisiana Conference; and if it be unlawful, it should be abandoned immediately. I, with many others, regard it as an unwarranted assumption of power, on the part of said stewards, into which they were possibly led by the presiding elders, and hope they will correct their mistake at the earliest possible convenience. THOS. J. UPTON.

Zachary, La., April 15, 1899.

NOTICE.

I am reliably informed that the corresponding secretary of the Epworth Leagues of Mississippi, Miss Vic Thompson, is finding it extremely difficult to hear from many of our pastors in regard to the State League work. This should not be so. This office entails upon the one who fills it a vast volume of correspondence and an enormous amount of labor, and pays nothing; and when one is willing to devote her time and attention to it gratuitously, surely she should have the hearty co-operation of all our preachers and Leaguers. It is impossible to carry on the work successfully without communicating with our pastors over the State. Let the brethren respond promptly when they are written to. Both courtesy and the good of the cause demand this. R. A. MEEK,

Member State League Ex. Com.

The field is not the church; the church is simply the reapers thrust out into the field. God help us to keep before ourselves the map of his entire extended kingdom, and give us a heart that is willing to go anywhere. Unless we are willing to go anywhere, we are fit to go nowhere. —W. H. P. Faunce.

THE HAPPIEST HEART.

BY JOHN VANCE CHENEY.

Who drives the horses of the sun
Shall lord it but a day;
Better the lowly deed were done,
And kept the humble way.

The rust will find the sword of fame,
The dust will hide the crown;
Ay none shall nail so high his name
Time will not tear it down.

The happiest heart that ever beat
Was in some quiet breast
That found the common daylight sweet,
And left to heaven the rest.

—"Out of the Silence."

Communications.

LOST MEMBERS.

Has there been an actual decline in the membership of the church? A glance at the statistics discloses the fact that at the Conference of December, 1896, 29,280 members were reported, while one year later there were 28,985, and at the Conference of December, 1898, but 27,274. Unquestionably there has been a decline. Neither do omissions, such as Bro. Featherstun refers to, materially affect the matter.

A closer examination of the statistics reveals a fact which is peculiar, to say the least of it. During the year ending January, 1898, 1,949 persons were received into the church on profession of faith, and 1,200 by certificate and otherwise, making a total of 3,149. During the same period 2,389 persons were removed by "death, certificate, and otherwise," leaving a net gain for the year of 760. And yet the Minutes show a decrease of 295. In other words, more than 1,000 members are not accounted for. I am not complaining of the statistical secretaries; I am making no complaint at all. I am asking, Have we gained, or have we lost, members during the year?

Extending the examination, we find that during the year closing December, 1898, 1,128 persons were received on profession of faith, and 1,276 by certificate and otherwise—a total of 2,404; while for the same period 1,412 persons were removed from membership by "death, certificate, and otherwise," leaving a total net gain of 992, and yet by a comparison of totals we find that there was a loss of 1,711 members. In other words, 2,703 persons are not accounted for.

Pursuing the thought a little further, we find that for the nine years ending December, 1898, 17,010 persons were received into the church on profession of faith, and 10,048 by "certificate and otherwise," making a total of 27,058. During the same period 14,260 members were removed by "death, certificate, and otherwise," leaving a net gain of 12,798. According to the report made at the Baton Rouge Conference, December, 1889, there were 19,958 members. In 1894 we received 5,335 members from the Mississippi Conference. Summing these numbers, we find that we should have 38,091, but our last report says that there are but 27,274 members now on the church rolls, showing a leakage of 10,817. More than a 1,000 per year have slipped through our hands—more than ten to each pastor per year.

Pursuing the case a little further still, it appears that these members, unaccounted for, have been lost in the interim between the departure of the preacher for Conference and his return to his charge. Nor is it true that this occurs only when there is a change of pastors. To make my meaning clear, I use a few illustrations: The preachers reported at the Crowley Conference, January, 1898, the total membership of the church in the Louisiana Conference at 28,985. At the Conference, December, 1898, at Mansfield, the preachers, with few exceptions the same men, reported that entering upon the duties of the charge assigned them in January, 1898, they found not 28,985 members, but 26,282, showing a shrinkage of 2,703 while they were away at Conference. In other words: Without intending it, we can see better, and count more, when preparing our reports for Conference than when we get back and begin the new year's work.

I give another illustration: By referring to the Minutes of 1891 and to the statistics of Carondelet, we read, "Total members last year, 745." Now, by referring to the Minutes of 1890, we read, "Total members this year, 809." The pastor of 1891 in the column marked "total members last year" referred to the same total indicated by the pastor of 1890 in the column marked "total members this year," and yet there is a discrepancy of 64. They were counted in 1890; they were lost in 1891.

Another Illustration: By referring to the Minutes of 1891 and the statistics of Felicity, we read, "Total members last year, 451." And by referring to the Minutes of 1890, we read, "Total members this year, 451." Herein the pastor lost no one. It is obvious that at any given Conference the figures given in the column marked "total members last year," should correspond with the figures reported at the previous Conference in the column marked "total members this year."

This does not solve the question of decrease in membership. I did not intend to offer a solution—just another ray of light.

J. M. HENRY.

QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PREACHER.

(MR. EDITOR: Following is a brief paper which I, by request, prepared and read before the Ministerial Association of the Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, at Okolona, March 30, 1899, and which that body, by resolution, requested me to forward you for publication in your paper.)

SUBJECT.

The Necessary Qualifications of the Preacher, or Leader, of the Flock of God.

These are two: manhood and zeal. I say manhood instead of knowledge, because knowledge will not enable a man to preach successfully if he have an impaired and enfeebled physical constitution and lack of physical energy; hence a man, to be able to preach successfully, must have a sound body and much physical energy and endurance. Add to this good common sense, practical judgment, and fairly good educational development, and we have the manhood. But if a man have a sound body, much physical energy, and a sound mind and thorough education, yet without godly zeal to inspire and prompt it to action and effort, he will be a failure, or, at best, a stiff formalist. He must, in addition to his manhood, have zeal for the cause and work, and this is conditioned on love for God and men, and this is conditioned on the indwelling Spirit of Christ; and, again, this is conditioned on a true, comprehensive faith; therefore, in order to success as preacher or leader in the work, we must, first, have a broad and comprehensive faith; faith, not only in God and his power and word, and faith in the atoning merits and intercessions of God the Son, but faith in the immediate and personal work of God the Holy Ghost, who applies the salvation which the Father designed and which the Son executed. I emphasize this because I verily fear that many who have faith in God the Father and in God the Son are skeptical as to personal work of the Holy Ghost. A strong love and comprehensive faith in the Triune God does not only bring the soul into touch with Christ, but opens and makes the heart receptive, and into every receptive heart the Spirit of God enters and abides; and where this Spirit abides he sheds abroad the love of God the Charity, implants the new life, the divine nature, fervent love for God and men, and where this fervent love for God and for man exists in the heart, it begets or inspires a real desire and consuming zeal for the honor of God in the salvation of men, and where this zeal is it absorbs, utilizes and devotes, or consecrates, all the physical, mental and moral powers and capabilities in a persistent effort for the glory of God and the salvation of lost men. This makes the preacher, this makes the lay leader; therefore, it is not knowledge alone that makes the strong preacher, for "though I have all knowledge, and have not charity, I am nothing."

On the other hand, a man may be truly religious, full of faith and the Holy Ghost and consuming zeal to even cry out as Jeremiah, "Oh, that my head were waters and my eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep," etc., and yet, if he lack common sense and practical knowledge of men and things, he may and will, to some extent, be a wild enthusiast. So, just as knowledge wants zeal to inspire and prompt it to action, so zeal wants knowledge to control and direct it.

As a shepherd, we are not only to love the sheep and desire the honor of the Great Shepherd, but we must know the nature, disposition, characteristics, and needs of the sheep. We should know the fold, the way to it, the door by which it is entered, and we should be familiar with the watering-places and the pasture grounds, so that we can lead the thirsty to the fountains of living water and the hungry to the greenest pastures.

To briefly recapitulate the true preacher, or leader, of the flock of God needs: 1. True and comprehensive faith, 2. A large measure of the Holy Spirit, 3. Fervent love for God and men, 4. Earnest zeal for men's salvation, 5. Devotion, or consecration, to this one work, 6. A sound body and much physical energy, 7. A large measure of common sense and practical business judgment, 8. All the knowledge of God and men and books and things that he can reasonably possess.

K. M. HARRISON.

Amory, Miss.

A FEW THINGS.

Mindful of the proverb which says, "He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears," I shall take no part in discussing whether "Nothing succeeds like success" is true or false. Whether that be true or false, it is true that all seeming failures are not real failures. Bro. Lewis will readily grant this; he has said nothing contrary to it. That some preachers really fail Bro. Smith must allow, and some fail, too, not because of "environment," but "because their heart is not in the work"—at least not in the particular "work" (pastoral charge) to which they are sent, and they do not "expect to succeed." While it is much easier to succeed where everybody is pleasant, agreeable, and appreciative, the number of preachers who want to be coddled is too great. If one will take note of the preachers who, on being sent to new works, say, "Well, I can stand it one year," and then begin their work in such manner that it is patent to all that their interest in the work is temporary and slight, he will be astonished at the number. There is growing complaint of the lack of pastoral oversight. Of course, there are always growlers, but much of this complaint is just.

A circuit preacher who lives in town and starts to his appointment at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, reaching there just in time to enter the pulpit, and returns home in the afternoon, is not doing his duty, nor paying his vow to "visit from house to house." Such a charge will run down in spite of all the handshaking excitement he may work up in "dog days." I am not an old man, but I have lived long enough to see preachers grandly succeed who went to their country churches on Friday and remained till Monday, and to see other preachers ignominiously fail on the same charges who went on Sunday morning and hurried away.

An intelligent, observant young layman, reared in the country, recently said to me, "Dr. Jno. Mathews is not only a grand preacher, but he diligently visits his people." And he added with a sigh, "Oh, that some of the less noted ones would learn from him!"

The number of preachers who are not capable of holding successful revival meetings has greatly increased of late years. There are now signs of improvement in that respect. May they continue! An old-time revival is an imperative need; a revival the result of agonizing prayer and faithful preaching of the Word, and a deeper consecration on the part of preachers and the official members of the church and others, and not the result of handshaking and other ecclesiastical drills. This thing of so soon as a meeting is begun to commence with: "All who are Christians, give me your hand;" "All who want to be Christians, give me your hand;" "All who 'ain't Christians, give me your hand," and so on ad infinitum, ad nauseam, has gone too far. Let us get down to real business. It is well that the leaders of the Twentieth Century Movement and the editors of our papers are calling for repentance and a revival. Let every preacher, official and member respond to the full extent of his ability.

OBSERVER.

Correspondence.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING.

The Preachers' Meeting of the Aberdeen district met in the Methodist Church in Okolona, March 30, 1899, for the purpose of discussing methods of church work. The meeting was called to order, and after religious services conducted by the presiding elder, Rev. J. M. Wyatt, Geo. Saunders was elected secretary. Owing to the absence of some of the preachers the regular program was not taken up at the time set. While waiting for the train which was expected to bring some of the preachers of the district, free talks were called for on the "Twentieth Century Fund." Bros. Woollard, Wyatt, and others, made very helpful talks in regard to raising this fund. Bro. Strickland, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and Gavin, of the Baptist Church, were introduced by the presiding elder. The regular business of the meeting was then taken up, and question first was called.

1. The Preacher Is the Leader. How Shall He Be Prepared?

Bro. K. M. Harrison read a very fine paper on this subject, after which several other preachers made interesting and profitable talks. The meeting requested Bro. Harrison to furnish the Nashville and NEW ORLEANS Christian Advocates with a copy of his paper for publication.

After a few minutes' intermission the meeting was opened by singing part of Hymn No. 525, and prayer by Bro. Woollard.

Subject second was then called as announced: My Obligation Growing Out of the Great Commission.

Bro. Craddock read a very good paper on this subject, and several interesting talks were made by others. The meeting then adjourned to meet at half-past two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 o'clock by the presiding elder. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Durritt.

Subject third was then called: The Best Methods of Revival Work.

Bros. Jones, Strickland, Harrison, Bachman, and others, made very interesting and profitable talks and suggestions on this subject.

Question 4 was then called: What Is the Most Effective Way of Creating a Greater Missionary Spirit—One Worth One Hundred Cents on the Dollar?

Bros. Raper, Bell, Jones, Anderson, and others, made very helpful talks on this subject. The meeting then adjourned to meet at 7.45 P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

At 8 o'clock the meeting was called to order by the presiding elder. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Craddock.

The subject of "The Relation of Christian Education to Missions" was then presented to the audience very forcefully by Bro. Woollard. The meeting then adjourned to meet at 8:30 o'clock Friday morning. The meeting adjourned Friday evening in an informal way after the preachers and presiding elder covenanting together for a revival of religion throughout the Aberdeen district.

Brethren, let us pray for this, and remember that the revival must start in and with the preacher. "The Word of God is the power of salvation; the Word of God is the sword of the Spirit."

Brethren, let us pray and agonize for the Spirit of God. Let us, as preachers, shut out the perplexities of social, political and financial life that we can not remedy or change, and strive to know and preach Christ and him crucified.

May God bless the Aberdeen district this year with a gracious outpouring of his Spirit!

G. S. SAUNDERS.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

DEAR SISTERS: Believing that there were many consecrated women in our church, in our own North Mississippi Conference, who would love to know what Miss Lizzie Streater, from our Conference, who was one of the pupils of the Scarritt Bible and Training-school, and is now doing the work of "city missions," employed by the Woman's Board of Home Missions, I asked her to write me of her work. She kindly responded to my request, and has promised to write of the different lines of her work as she can find time.

Her letter was in my column two weeks ago. A week had hardly passed by before I received a sweet letter from a consecrated young lady, asking under what mission society did Miss Streater work, foreign or home missions? Said she was not posted, and wanted all the information I could give; said she had a relative who would love to do this kind of work, etc. Wrote her all that I could to encourage her, and advised her to attend our next Annual Conference, to be held at Maben in the Fall. So one dear "city missionary's" letter has begun to bear fruit already. What a life of constant toil for the salvation of others, and yet such blessed work! Oh, that more of our young women would live for Christ and for the benefit of others, like Miss Lizzie!

The Scarritt Bible and Training-school is ready and anxious to train our girls for Christian work if they will only make use of the opportunity. The programs for the Belle Bennett scholarship have been sent to both Foreign and Home Mission Societies, to raise money to complete this scholarship, which ought to have been finished long ago. Our societies in Sardis will have a joint program later, and hope to realize a nice little sum for the school.

Our Home Mission Conference has been bowed with grief over the loss of one of the pillars in work—Sister J. P. Featherstun—who died March 12 after a month of intense suffering. She had been our Conference corresponding secretary for several years, and was devoted to her work. May God, in his wisdom, raise up one for her mantle to fall on, and may her devoted husband bow resignedly to his will, knowing that "all things work together for good to them that love the Lord!" The golden bowl is broken, the silver chain is loosed—the Master has walked in his garden and plucked one of the loveliest flowers that has ever graced the earth. Sister Featherstun was, in truth, a noble spirit, and I can but feel that God has called her to his happy home, away from the cares and trials of earth. May we all so live as to meet her in heaven!

As editor of the Home Mission column for the North Mississippi Conference, I will be glad to receive reports and letters from the district secretaries and auxiliaries, telling of the work. My effusions will become monotonous; so, for variety's sake, let me hear from you, as well as to stimulate others to good works.

Our Conference recording secretary is now in Asheville, N. C., for her health; hope she will let us hear from her.

Let me hear from you.

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. W. H. WALL.

Sardis, Miss., April 5, 1899.

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DEAR SISTER: Dr. Lambuth just returned from a tour in Cuba. As secretary of General Board, he visited six of the most important cities, with the view of opening missions, and while looking after the affairs of the General Board, he kindly looked after ours. He is fully satisfied that Santiago needs us most, and needs us at once. His suggestions were laid before the Board, which met a few days ago, and endorsed. Dr. Lambuth advises us to put a suitable woman in charge, and at first open classes in English and the Bible for adults. The women are eager to learn our language, and as they are dissatisfied with Catholicism, and anxious for something better, we will have ready access to them, especially to women of the higher classes. Such an opportunity should be gratefully embraced, since access to the better classes at first will make the evangelization of the island more easy. Early in the new year we hope to have some one in Santiago at work. A house has been selected—a house and home advantageously located, both as to sanitary conditions and protection by law. Are you ready for this work? It means more work, larger offerings, more self-denial; but it means going up to the help of the Lord, who asks us, as a proof of our love, that we take this beautiful island for him. We dare not hesitate on the plea that we have already too much to do. What must be done must be done quickly, cheerfully, gladly, for Christ's sake, who has exalted us in privilege, and expects from us ready obedience. Our rest time is not here, and we do not expect it here, except the rest in spirit, because of the presence and approbation of the Father, who has promised to be with us.

One thousand dollars, the amount appropriated to Cuba last year, will not be enough for next year, and all our missions are growing, and need more than we gave them in June last. How glad we should be that God honors our efforts! But we should be diligent, lest what has been so well begun should not be completed. Urge your societies to read more of the work—more of the needs of heathen lands. February number of Woman's Missionary Advocate will be the China jubilee number. The March number will be enlarged for advertisements. "Dawn on the Hills of T'ang" and the "Dora Rankin Memorial" are ready. Help your membership to read our literature. It is cheap and good. Sincerely,

S. C. TRUEHEART.

Box 405, Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 28, 1898.

AS SUGGESTED BY ONE OF OUR DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

"Would it not be advisable for our officers to write to the Illinois Central railroad officials, and try to have them make us a special rate to the annual missionary meeting, which will convene this year at Sardis, Miss.; also for our district secretaries to write to the different railroads leading them to the I. C., and have published in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE the rate given, the number of delegates required to secure rates, etc., several weeks previous to said meeting?" (If the different district secretaries will write me and give rates secured, I will gladly have them published.)

This matter was overlooked last year; consequently, we had no reduced rates. Should this request be granted, it, no doubt, would insure us a much larger attendance; and if our officers have the encouraging presence of some of our returned missionaries and many noted workers to arouse members and send them home with hearts overflowing with genuine missionary zeal, then would not March, 1900, show a grand forward movement and a victory for the Lord!

MRS. J. L. LENOIR.

Meldon, Miss., April 6, 1899.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

FROM MARCH, 1898, TO MARCH, 1899.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Enterprise	$ 83 50	
Enterprise Juveniles	10 25	
Meridian, Central	132 88	
Meridian, Central, Y. P.	3 60	
Meridian, Central, Juveniles	22 80	
Meridian, East End	19 00	
Meridian, West End	11 00	
Meridian, West End, Y. P.	17 75	
Meridian, South Side	39 70	
Poplar Spring	10 00	
Quitman	21 75	
Shubuta	38 50	
Sageville	5 10	
Waynesboro	39 87	
Waynesboro Juveniles	3 90	
Winifred	4 15	
		$ 462 63

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Bolton	$ 28 80	
Bolton Juveniles	7 05	
Bortonton and Carlisle	4 85	
Edwards	19 56	
Flora	10 00	
Mayersville	29 00	
Port Gibson	52 28	
Port Gibson College	5 50	
Rolling Fork	31 90	
Rolling Fork Juveniles	4 80	
Vicksburg, Crawford Street	81 97	
Wesley Chapel	7 25	
		$ 293 04

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Belhaven	$ 6 40	
Canton	18 00	
Camden	10 00	
Livingston	9 15	
Jackson, First Church	113 75	
Jackson, Capitol Street	84 75	
Jackson, Capitol Workers	7 60	
Jackson District Meeting	9 11	
Millsaps	3 70	
Mrs. Fannie Borard	1 05	
		$ 261 01

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Babala	$ 5 75	
Bethesda	12 60	
Bethesda Juveniles	3 30	
Brookhaven	39 55	
Brookhaven Juveniles	3 50	
Brookhaven Epworth League	5 00	
Crystal Springs	16 35	
Crystal Springs	4 95	
Hazlehurst Juveniles	2 15	
Old Crystal Springs	3 20	
Pleasant Valley	5 35	
Wesson	23 75	
Wesson Juveniles	7 45	
		$ 132 90

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Meadville	$ 1 00	
McNair	2 00	
Natchez, Jefferson Street	34 00	
Natchez, Wesley Chapel	5 20	
Nebo	40	
Trueheart Torch-bearers	9 80	
		$ 52 40

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

Bay St. Louis	$ 12 40	
Hattiesburg	6 60	
Lumberton	2 10	
Moss Point	22 85	
Mrs. E. Lee Whyte	1 35	
		$ 44 70

FOREST DISTRICT.

Goodwater Juveniles	$ 1 50	
Montrose	19 05	
Pelahatchie	5 80	
Paulding	8 10	
Paulding Juveniles	2 50	
Vossburg	1 55	
		$ 38 50
Total		$1,285 24

MARY ANDREWS, Treas.

If you and I felt our Lord's anxiety to be serving God and winning souls, we should find refreshment in the service itself, even as he did.—C. H. Spurgeon.

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FROM A SUPERANNUATE.

MR. EDITOR: I see in the ADVOCATE how many of the preachers were received by their new charges. Well, I am so glad that they were so heartily received, with the prospect of good support. There is a class of preachers that is woefully neglected by the church, which is a disgrace and a shame. That poor, old, worn out, afflicted superannuated preacher that bore the heat and burden of the day, and helped to lay the foundation of the church, and brought it up to its present condition by putting himself, horse, saddle, bridle, when young, at a hundred dollars a year; his wardrobe, library, love-letters, and all other appendages. From house to house he went for many long years, until, worn out, he goes to his Conference for the last time. He is told his services are not wanted any longer. They vote him a superannuated relation. He goes out penniless; no house furnished, no committee of sisters to meet and welcome him to his new home; warm suppers, larder filled with good things, wood piled up in the yard; but he will get from eighty-five to one hundred and fifty dollars from the Conference. He can get a home out of that to support his family, pay his doctor bills, medicine, taxes, and insurance, dig his well, put up his fence. He is dropped out, lost sight of; no poundings or marriage fees. There is a problem I would be glad to see solved: If it takes from eight hundred to a thousand dollars to support a pastor, with a house furnished, with all these poundings, marriage fees, goods at cost, many other presents, how much will it take to support a superannuate preacher with as many to feed; he and his old wife both sick; can't help each other, absolutely helpless, needing medicine or doctors, but no money to pay? He has to get his own home, pay his tax, insurance, dig his well, put up his fence, support his family on one hundred dollars a year; no marriage fees, no poundings, no wood piled in the yard, no filling the larder with good things. He is now forgotten, lost sight of. How does he live? Does anyone know? I am a Methodist from the soles of my feet to the crown of my head, except that rotten spot; how the whole church passes it by as though it did not exist. Well, they will die the sooner by it, and be no longer responsible for the blood of these martyrs. Happy day to the church!

I see in the Minutes of the Mississippi Conference a resolution passed that the money for the Conference claimants be raised in the month of March, so they may be paid each quarter; but the time is past, and the pittance allowed them failed to come; not even one-quarter. Why is that so? Won't the people pay it, or have the preachers gone back upon their word? It has been nearly four months since Conference. March come and gone; that old superannuated preacher had to buy something to eat; pledged his word on the faith of those resolutions to pay the money at the end of three months, but the money has not come. Now, what shall he do? He is out of meat, meal, coffee; no money. What shall he now do? Please tell me.

ONE OF THEM.

IDLENESS A CURSE.

In these days of general depression and want, very fortunate are those who have some work to do. At family worship we have heard a father give thanks to God that for that day something to do was given to every one of the household. Be sure the idle member will be the discontented one, and the disturber of the family's peace. Occupation is so essential to happiness, labor is so universal and positive a law that we hold those happy to whom daily work is given. It is something to be thankful for, that, for our own good, and the good of the world, we have some work to do.—Central Presbyterian.

"Many years ago," says Bishop Whipple, when testifying to the honesty of the red Indian, "I was holding a service near an Indian village camp. My things were scattered about in a lodge, and when I was going out I asked the chief if it was safe to leave them there while I went to the village to hold a service. 'Yes,' he said, 'perfectly safe. There is not a white man within a hundred miles!'"

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT LEAGUE RALLY PROGRAM.

FIRST DAY.

Morning devotional services by Rev. M. G. Jenkins.
Address of welcome by Mr. J. F. Foster.
The Use and Development of the Epworth League—Rev. W. G. Evans.
Its Place in the Church, as Relates to the Pastor and Sunday-school—Mrs. Amanda Howell.
The Devotional Meetings of the Church—Rev. M. Herbert.
The Relation of the Pastor and the Church Officers to the League—Mr. Frank Hicks.
Address: How to Make the League Go—Rev. T. B. Clifford.

AFTERNOON.

Devotional services by Miss Della Brown.
A Good President: What He Must Be and Do—Rev. H. W. Bowman.
An Efficient First Vice-President—Miss Ruth Sligh.
A Good Second Vice-President: What He Must Be and Do—Miss Pearl Scott.
An Efficient Third Vice-President—Miss Alice Dunn.

EVENING.

Devotional services by Mr. G. H. Betts.
Our Yesterday of Missions—Miss Lizzie Paxton.
Our To-morrow of Missions—Rev. Elton Wilson.
Creole Missionary Work in Our State—Rev. R. P. Howell.
Address: The Obligation of the Young People of To-day in Missionary Work, and How They Must Meet It—Dr. W. T. Balling.

SECOND DAY.

Morning devotional services by Rev. P. O. Lowrey.
The Ideal Devotional Meeting—Miss Jennie Abbott.
The Spiritual Life of the Leaguer: Its Necessity, and How to Develop It—Rev. J. S. Sanders.
The Trained Worker: His Drill Field and His Battlefield—Mrs. J. F. Foster.
The Leaguer in the Revival—Mr. Mitchell.
Address: Our Motto, "All for Christ"—Rev. P. M. Brown.

AFTERNOON.

Devotional services by——.
How Can We Help the Poor, Both Worthy and Undeserving?—Rev. S. S. Holloway.
Our Obligation to the Sick, and How to Meet It—Miss Edith Davis.
Our Strangers, and How Can We Help Them?—Miss Daisy Lofton.

EVENING.

Devotional services by Miss Lena Hughes.
How Can We Promote the Careful Study of the Holy Scriptures?—Rev. J. M. Brown.
How Can We Promote the Study of the History, Doctrines and Polity of the Methodist Church?—Rev. J. O. Bennett.
Good Literature, and How to Promote Its Study—Mrs. C. P. Myers.
Address: The Epworth League and Education—Bishop Galloway.

THIRD DAY.

Morning devotional services by Rev. G. B. Purcell.
The Importance of the Social Meeting, and How to Conduct It—Miss Myrtle McCutchen.
The Leaguer in the Social Life: With Whom Should He Go, and How Should He Conduct Himself?—Rev. H. J. Boltz.
The Music of the League—Mrs. J. P. Ratcliff.
Address: Our Young Women, Their Place in Our Civilization, and How to Fill It—Bros. T. S. Sligh.

AFTERNOON.

Devotional services by——.
How to Organize and Conduct a Junior League—Miss Birdie Edwards.
How to Extend the Work of the League in our District (1) among Church Members—Mrs. Maggie Foster.
(2) Among Non-church Members—Miss Ella Browne.
Consecration Meeting—Rev. J. M. Williams.

EVENING.

Devotional services conducted by——.
Question-box.
Lecture: The American Youth: Their Opportunities and Responsibilities—Rev. J. T. Sawyer, D. D.

The Rally will meet in the First Church in Shreveport on Wednesday, May 3, and no pains will be spared by our Leaguers here to make those who attend to have an enjoyable and profitable time. We hope to get special rates on the railroads, and you are expected to come and bear and learn, whether you have a League or not. Write to Miss Myrtle McCutchen as soon as possible that you are coming, and what train you will come on, and you will be met and most cordially entertained. We sincerely trust that the pastors will urge their young people to be here to learn and become enthused in this great movement. Please notify and correct those who are kindly asked to help on the program. Letters and delays can be attributed largely to carelessness on the part of some in responding promptly. Make your plans to come and bring your friends if they are interested in the work, and pray for a rich blessing on the gathering.

P. O. LOWREY,
For the Committee.

Shreveport, La.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. R. S. Gale, Decatur, Miss., April 7, 1899: "Our first Quarterly Conference was held in Decatur Church, Saturday, March 25, 1899, Rev. T. L. Mellen, P. E., in the chair. Every interest of the church was looked after, and 'into.' Bro. Mellen is a model presiding elder, we think. His sermon on Sunday, at 11 A. M., on Missions, will bear fruit; has already borne fruit in the heart of the pastor. We are planning a great advance movement on this line. The outlook here is good. Miles traveled, 100; visits, 75; members visited, 145; sermons, preached, 21; lectures (to Sunday-school and Epworth League), 4; collected for foreign missions, $10; collected for domestic missions, $1.50; collected for Conference claimants, $10; collected for district parsonages, $5; collected for Bishops, $5 80; collected for preacher in charge, $65; collected for presiding older, $8; collected for furnishing parsonage, $6.50. Stewards were liberal, and made an advance of $50 on salary of preacher in charge. We hope to bring up a clean and full report at Conference. 'All for Christ.'"

Rev. Jas. M. Martin, P. C., Floyd, La., April 7: "Easter Sunday was a great day for us in Floyd. The church was decorated, and the choir had prepared some beautiful music suited to the occasion, and this scribe preached on the resurrection of Christ. We had two large congregations. At the conclusion of the eleven o'clock sermon I baptized one infant. Our first Quarterly Conference is now a thing of the past. It was held the second Sunday in March. Bro. J. D. Harper, our presiding elder, came Friday preceding the Quarterly Conference, and on account of much rain did not leave Floyd till Tuesday. Bro. Harper is no stranger to the people of this charge, he having been presiding elder of this (Delhi) district eight years ago. Though suffering from la grippe, he preached twice, and our people were greatly pleased with his preaching. He also makes a good presiding officer. We found this charge in rather bad condition, and it will take time and patience to make any great improvement. We expect to soon organize a Woman's Home Mission Society. Our congregations are good at each of three appointments. We are in great need of a revival. It is my purpose to have a camp meeting, to begin the first Sunday in August, at which time I have the promise of the assistance of a 'noted preacher from England,' Rev. T. B. Clifford. Mr. Editor, if you wish to perspire profusely next August, come to the camp meeting, and you and Clifford may alternate in the preaching. The ADVOCATE, in my opinion, is improving. I have already secured several subscribers for you, and I shall continue to press the claims of our church organ. I believe if every pastor in the Louisiana and the two Mississippi Conferences would make an earnest effort, the required number to reduce the price of the ADVOCATE will have been secured by the first of July—perhaps before. Brethren, let us rally to the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE."

Rev. J. O. Bennett, Keatchie, La., April 7, 1899: "I am getting on nicely with my work. My people have furnished the parsonage with two nice bed room sets, chairs, tables, cooking stove, and many other necessary articles which go to make the preacher and his family comfortable. I am pressing the claims of the ADVOCATE as I go round, but with little success; but I shall not let up on this until larger success has been accomplished. I am going to press the canvass with more zeal and earnestness than ever before. I am glad that a goodly number of my people are already subscribers to the ADVOCATE, but I shall not be satisfied until the ADVOCATE finds its way into every Methodist family in the bounds of my charge. It is one of the best church papers in the world, and it deserves the patronage and support of every loyal Methodist in the three patronizing Conferences. My people are, in the main, intelligent, educated people, and yet many of them seem to feel but little or no obligation to take their church papers. We need a sweeping revival along this line, that our people may have a greater thirst for good religious literature. We must keep on pulling until this end is accomplished. I am pressing the claims of the missionary assessments, and I am succeeding very well. I hope to be able to make a full report at Conference, in Monroe, this Fall. I shall do what I can to help raise the amount assessed to my work for educational purposes. I have read with much pleasure and profit (in Texas Advocate) the full account of the Conference of the presiding elders at Fort Worth, and am impressed with the importance of that Conference. Surely great good will result from such a Conference. Why not Louisiana have such a Conference, on the same line? Suppose you exhort the Bishops and the 'beloveds' on the subject. I feel that such a Conference would be helpful, and would do much towards raising the Twentieth Century Fund in our Conference. I hope that the powers that be will see to it that we have such a Conference in the near future."

REPORT FROM COLUMBIA CHARGE.

Yesterday was a grand day at Boeuff River Church. The congregation was large and very attentive. The Holy Spirit was present in great power, and the service resulted in one conversion, and the collections ordered by the Conference paid in full. The revival fire is kindling throughout the circuit. Thank God, we can have a revival at every service. G. D. ANDERS, P. C.

Don't tell the people you are grieved at your appointment—that you would have preferred to have been sent to some other charge.

Don't criticise your predecessor too closely—the way he conducted the affairs of the charge. He has friends, and they will be hurt.

Don't go to dinner every time with the rich of your charge, but go also with the poor.—Christian Neighbor.

Life.

Like the flame on the forge that looked fireless and dark.
Ere the bellows-draft quickened the smouldering spark—
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And life is a flame rising higher and higher.
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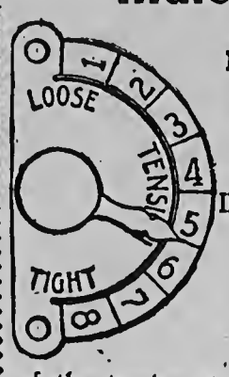

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THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1899.

"I ask not wealth, but power to take
And use the things I have aright:
Not years but wisdom, that shall make
My life a profit and delight."
—Tribune.

Opportunities for doing greatly seldom occur; life is made up of infinitesimals.—F. W. Robertson.

It is not easy to ruin him with whom the pressure of Christ's hand yet lingers in the palm.—J. H. Thorthouse.

Look upon the success and sweetness of thy duties as very much depending upon the keeping of thy heart closely with all diligence.—John Flavel.

The constant duty of every man to his fellows is to ascertain his own powers, and special gifts, and to strengthen them for the help of others.—John Ruskin.

Do not let any of us complain that our circumstances are making us evil. Let us manfully confess, one and all, that the evil lies in us, not in them.—F. D. Maurice.

A man is relieved and gay when he has put his heart into his work, and done his best; but what he has said or done otherwise shall give him no peace.—R W. Emerson.

After all, the kind of world one carries about in one's self is the important thing; and the world outside takes all its grace, color and value from that.—J. R. Lowell.

Of all teachings, that which presents a far-distant God is the nearest to absurdity. Either there is none, or he is nearer to everyone of us than our nearest consciousness of self.—George Macdonald.

Men talk about overwork in the Lord's service. I don't believe in it. It is overworry. That is what frets, and tears, and wears out the worker. You can't have that liberty without the Spirit.—D L. Moody.

Timidity is a disease of the mind, obstinate and fatal; for a man, once persuaded that any impediment is insuperable, has given it, with respect to himself, that strength and weight which it had not before.—Dr. Johnson.

In the management and conquest of the daily disappointments and small vexations which befall every life—the life of idle and luxurious no less than of the busy and struggling—only a devout mind attains to any real success, and evinces a triumphant power.—James Martineau.

Not the number of acres you till, but the quality of your tilling, determines the profit of the harvest in spiritual as in material farming. This standard exacts no promises, but it accepts no apologies, for there is no occasion for apology when you have done all you can, and until that is done no apologies are accepted.—Jenkin Lloyd Jones.

The purest lives I have known have not been those carefully screened from the world, but which, coming up in it, have kept themselves unspotted. The sweetest and truest have grown and ripened under conditions, you would say, most hostile, but which have been wrought into the means of a grandly elevated faith and life.—J. F. W. Ware.

THE CLAIMS OF THE COUNTRY.

Of late years great attention has been given by sociologists, philanthropists, and others, to the grave problems presented by our cities, where all classes and conditions of society are found congregated together, warring elements existing side by side in striking contrast. The elevation of the masses in the great centers of population, the carrying forward of municipal reforms, and the suppression of the drink traffic, are indeed mighty, but highly necessary undertakings, and should, by all means, be encouraged. There is danger, however, that in considering the needs and demands of the cities, we shall overlook the claims and problems of our rural population, who compose the very bone and sinew of the country, and from whose ranks our cities are constantly being recruited.

For a long time the drift of population has been from the country to the cities, which are becoming more and more crowded and unmanageable. The United States Census reports show that during the years intervening between 1870 and 1890 not less than 6,000,000 people removed from country homes to the towns.

In 1870 over forty per cent. of all the people in the United States who were engaged in industrial pursuits belonged to the agricultural class. By 1890 the proportion had decreased to 36.44 per cent. Thus it is evident that an extensive and constant migration from the rural districts is going on—a fact which is far from being an omen of good. That there should be some tendency in this direction is to be expected, for such has always been the case; but there are many reasons for believing that the movement has assumed serious and hurtful proportions. It bodes evil for the future of our nation that multitudes of young men and women are anxious to get away from the farms at all hazards, that discontent is more prevalent among the agricultural class than formerly, and that there is a large number among us who look with contempt or pity upon the unsophisticated tiller of the soil. It is time that more were being done to counteract this unwholesome drift to the towns, and to provide better advantages for the country dwellers.

Several causes are responsible for the growth of the tendency we have noticed, chief among them being the lack of social, educational and church privileges in the country, the introduction of labor-saving machinery, which makes it possible for a smaller number of laborers to raise the food supplies needed for the world's consumption, and the small wages which farm laborers usually receive.

As long as conditions are what they are in many rural regions, we may expect all who can do so to remove as soon as possible to some town or city where there are good schools and churches, and where they may enjoy, in larger measure, the wonderful conveniences and opportunities of modern civilization. "The farmer of to-day," says a recent writer, "needs to learn that the chief end of life is not to raise four-cent cotton to pay for guano and buy mules, with which to raise more four-cent cotton to buy more mules and more guano. He needs to learn that the life is more than meat; that his children are of more value than lands and mules."

Not until people in the country awake to the importance of making farm life attractive, of establishing good roads, of keeping up good schools for six or eight months in the year, and of promoting more general social intercourse, can we hope for the tide of population now setting toward the cities to diminish in volume. Whatever helps to remove the isolation of country life and to furnish opportunities for self-improvement ought to be encouraged. The course of the average country community is the lack of public spirit, the absence of concern or plan for social and intellectual advantages. There is too little thought about keeping in touch with the outer world, and too little union of effort.

Although the illustrated papers of our land seem to take delight in holding the farmers, opprobiously termed "hayseed," up to ridicule, it can not be disputed that the agricultural class are the most sober, industrious and moral of our whole population. Were it not for their conservatism, integrity and diligence, our country would be in a bad way. Talk as we may of the power and glory of our cities, the hope of the nation lies in the sturdy and industrious yeomanry, who, uncorrupted by the snares of city life and unweakened by its dissipations, develop a hardiness of body and manliness of soul that fit them to play a mighty part in the affairs of Church and State. Were it not for the constant accessions of fresh blood it receives from the country, the population of our cities would, ere long, degenerate physically, intellectually, and morally.

Well has it been said, "God made the country, and man made the town." It is in the quietude of the country, amid the uncorrupting scenes of nature, that youth receives its noblest impulses and purest sources of inspiration. It is amid the peaceful pursuits and harmless pleasures of the farm, "far from the maddening crowd's ignoble strife," that character finds its most favorable opportunity for development. The absence of demoralizing influences, the spirit of freedom and self-reliance which farm life fosters, together with the educative value of communion with Nature, all combine to make the country an ideal place, in many (we do not say in all) respects, for the rearing of children.

As the editor of the Religious Telescope pertinently points out: "Nearly three-fourths of the men who have been chosen by the people for the great offices of the nation are men who were familiar with wooded hill and cultivated fields. For example: Washington, Lincoln, Grant, Garfield, Hamlin, Greeley, Tilden, Hayes, Blaine, Harrison, and many others almost equally conspicuous. Henry Watterson spent his early life in rural Kentucky. Murat Halstead was born and lived on a farm in Ohio. Jay Gould spent his early years on his father's farm in New York. Whittier spent his youth in a village, dividing his time between farm employment and his studies. Whitelaw Reid was a boy on an Ohio farm. The reader can add names by the score of successful professional and business men of his own acquaintance whose foundations for success were laid on the farm."

It is plain enough that country life and the industry of agriculture are not looked upon by the general public with that favor which betokens a proper appreciation of their advantages and influences. In our opinion, it is of no slight importance that a reaction in this matter be brought about. The encouragement and elevation of our rural population means much for the good of the whole country, for it is out of this very class, as we have seen, that a large proportion of our leaders are to come, and our citizenship is to receive the most valuable additions. Let our yeomanry become corrupted and dissipated, and the doom of the nation is sealed. Let no man who is doing what he can to enlighten and encourage our rural population imagine that because he labors in obscurity, he is doing an unimportant or a useless work. He is building more wisely than he knows. Nearly all that is best and most enduring in our civilization has been made possible by the homely virtues, industrious habits, and pure ideals fostered by country life. Let it never be forgotten that the country is as essential as the town.

As the editor of the Rocky Mountain Advocate strikingly puts it: "Men can not eat railroad iron and dynamos and the products of sulphuric acid and the electrical shops. We have not yet evolved to a place where we can get on without country schools and the restful monotony of country life. The country is an integral part of our civilization. It is indispensable, and will be for some time to come, unless we all become Christian Scientists, and learn through the unreality of wealth to get along without bread."

THE NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The New Orleans District Conference was held last week at Carrollton Avenue Church, beginning Thursday morning and closing Saturday night, with the presiding elder, Rev. S. S. Keener, in the chair, and Rev. J. F. Foster at the secretary's table. All the pastors in the district were present, with one exception. There was also better than an average attendance of laymen. The presiding elder held the reins well in hand, and dispatched business smoothly and rapidly. The spirit of the Conference was fine, and the session was harmonious and pleasant throughout. Much to the gratification of the brethren, our venerable senior Bishop honored the Conference with his presence on several occasions. President Chambers, of Whitworth College, and Prof. Crisler, of Centenary, were also present. There were two sermons each day. It was our privilege to hear only two—one by Rev. R. H. Wynn and one by Rev. P. H. Fontaine. Both were clear, thoughtful, and well-arranged discourses. We will make no attempt at outlining the work of the Conference, as we were so fortunate as to utilize the facile pen of Rev. George D. Parker to report the proceedings. His report will appear in our next week's issue, it having been received too late for this issue. In accordance with time-honored custom, there was a general swapping of pulpits among the pastors of the city on Sunday.

THE ACTORS' APPEAL FOR SELF-PROTECTION TO THE CLERGY.

Perhaps the most remarkable item in the last number of The American Sabbath is "The Actors' Appeal to the Clergy to Assist in Suppressing Sunday Theatrical Performances." This appeal is signed by F. F. Mackay, president of the Actors' Society of America, and contains many striking sentences, such as these: "The opinion has long prevailed that the actors of this country are in favor of the assignment of Sunday, like all other days of the week, to secular labor for financial gain." "For many years the actors have protested against Sunday theatrical performances of any kind whatever. They have protested against the Sunday performances as a usurpation of right enjoyed by all other citizens—a right to one day of rest in seven."

It is true that the actors take occasion to aggrandize their profession, but they also say, "The Sunday theatrical performance is such a radical wrong—so demoralizing, not only to the actors, but to the community in which the performance is given—that I think it should be the first point of attack."

It appears, too, that the Actors' Society of America, at its annual meeting, passed, by a unanimous vote, this preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The usages of Christian civilization and the custom of our forefathers have ever observed one day in the week as a day of rest; And, whereas, We believe that one day in the week may be, with advantage to the actor, always respected as a day of rest and moral culture; therefore, be it

Resolved, As a society, that we object to theatrical performances at any hour of the day on Sunday; and will always use whatever legal influence we may have to suppress the same.

MANSFIELD, LA.

Last Sunday we were in the bounds of Bro. Sheppard's charge, and found very much indicating a prosperous year for the Mansfield Methodists. Fully up for the quarter on ministerial support, he raised and sent to Bro. Thomson last month his full assessment for foreign missions. The spirit of improvement in material things is upon him and his people, and the church will shortly be thoroughly repaired, painted, and beautified, and the parsonage and other interests looked after. We learned that his congregations are large and appreciative, and the spiritual interest of his hearers is steadily on the increase. It can not be long, unless the signs fail, before the Mansfield Church will enjoy a gracious revival. Sunday night there were many young people at the altar for prayer, and some kneeling in the congregation. The pastor and his flock have good reason to be encouraged. We had the honor of addressing the Epworth League at their devotional meeting, which was conducted with grace and ability by a young lady student of the college.

There are among the pupils of Mansfield College a number of bright and consecrated Christians, competent and zealous in the Master's cause. They are prompt and clear in their testimonies at their League meetings, and they took part in the delightful quarterly love-feast we held an hour before night service. It is at Mansfield where Miss Helen Johnson, gifted in prayer and an earnest Christian worker, is preparing for the mission field. President T. W. Sligh and his accomplished wife, and helpmeet indeed in the work of Christian education, together with a splendid corps of well-equipped and consecrated teachers, have in heart and hand a glorious work for the church and for the young womanhood of North Louisiana. The perfect home-like-ness and genuinely pious atmosphere at Mansfield College is a noticeable and most gratifying feature of the work being done at our only female institution of learning. We feel sure that a girl put there will not only be faithfully and thoroughly instructed in the branches of a useful and liberal education, but the chances are she will be caught for Christ, and go forth at graduation a happy Christian and intelligent worker for God. Mansfield College is doing a grand work, not alone for the girls who crowd her classic walls, but through them, in the years to come, for the church and the communities where their lots may be cast.

JOHN T. SAWYER.

April 10, 1899.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The American Monthly Review of Reviews contains notes on the career of the new French President; a study of the approaching disarmament conference at The Hague, by Edwin M. Bliss; "A Group of Native American Musicians;" a brief illustrated article on "Kipling in America;" a statement of Canada's claims before the Joint High Commission, by Agnes C. Laut; a paper on "The Evolution of the College President," by Dr. Henry A. Stimson, and a review of American experience in the control of Hawaiian "Malays," by Winthrop L. Marvin.

In Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for April, Major-General Wesley Merritt contributes the leading article, entitled, "Our Flag in the Philippines." F. Marion Crawford's "Romance of Rome," also profusely and beautifully illustrated, is another notable feature of the April number. There are illustrated articles upon "Aguinaldo, and the Filipino Envoys;" "Bethlehem, the Headquarters of Moravianism in America," by John P. Ritter; "Our New Colonies, and Sugar," by M. W. Mount; "Through Mexico in a Private Car," by Captain C. H. Wilson; and "Women in the Pulpit," by the Rev. Phebe A Hanaford; complete short stories by Olive Harper and Walter Malone, and poems by Jean Rameau (illustrated by Victor Perard), Louise Chandler Moulton, Minna Irving, Ethel Morse, and Guy Scott.

ANTI-POLYGAMY CRUSADE.

The election in Utah to Congress of Brigham H. Roberts has stirred the Christian public as no event for many years. If this conspiracy of that enormity, the Mormon Church, is successful, then the next Congress will not only stand convicted of being accomplice after the deed in covenant breaking, but give its sanction to that which in every other State is crime. There is not the slightest doubt that he was ineligible to election to begin with, and that he is put forward as the representative of the very thing the Mormon Church professedly abandoned and on the basis of which alone Utah was admitted to Statehood. That Brigham Young's church and people maintain and still practice polygamy, is evident from facts furnished the public by Eugene Young, grandson of the founder of the unsavory, but powerful organization, so strong that the professed politician is ready "to crook (for advantage) the pregnant hinges of the knee." Those who have influence with Congressmen should send personal letters conveying their indignant protest against meditated insult to American womanhood and public faith.—Presbyterian.

NOTES.

From a letter from Rev. C. P. Smith, dated Minden, La., April 14, 1899, we quote as follows:

"To-night fifteen souls came weeping to the altar. Ten of them professed faith in Jesus as a pardoning Savior. The meeting has been in progress just one week. The church has been wonderfully blessed, and the morning meetings have been feasts to the soul. The pastor has done all the preaching, Bro. Clifford being unable to come. But God has used the pastor to the upbuilding of the cause of Christ."

Through a letter from Rev. W. H. Sanders we learn that Sunflower county, Miss., went dry in the local-option election on March 28.

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Rev. T. B. Clifford has been appointed to the pastorate of Burgundy Street Church, in this city, in place of Rev. Barnett Wright, resigned.

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Rev. C. W. Crisler spent Sunday in the city, preaching to the edification of the people at Felicity in the morning and at night at Burgundy.

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We regret to learn that Rev. B. F. Phillips, of the North Mississippi Conference, though somewhat improved, is still unable to fill his pulpit.

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We are pleased to learn that Rev. C. A. Powell, although he has not entirely recovered his health, is able to be at his post in the pulpit and the pastorate.

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Under date of April 10 Rev. J. M. Huggin writes: "The wife of Rev. J. M. Hampton passed peacefully away on the fifth of this month. Our aged brother will have the sympathy of many friends."

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Rev. J. W. Chambers filled the pulpit at Algiers Sunday morning, and at Louisiana Avenue in the evening. On both occasions he magnified his office as a preacher of the Word of Truth.

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Bishop Galloway had a keen perception of the fitness of things when he appointed Rev. T. W. Adams to the pastorate in that educational centre, Brookhaven, Miss. He fits the place admirably.

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We learn that Dr. H. W. Featherston, of the Brookhaven district, wears his new harness as becomingly as a veteran. Both in administration and in pulpit work he measures up to a high standard.

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Bishop Galloway returned from New York a few days since, but is off again to attend an Educational Conference at Little Rock, Ark., after which he will go to Richmond, Va. to deliver a centennial address.

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From a letter from Rev. R. A. Meek, bearing date of April 14, we quote as follows: "Dr. Milburn, chaplain United States Senate, will lecture at Corinth, West Point, Starkville, Carrollton and Indianola this week and next."

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Rev. H. W. Rickey writes: "We have a fine field for Christ-like endeavor at Clinton, and we are full of hope, happiness and heart. Twelve have united with us, and more to follow. The people are kind, and filled with that fine old Southern courtesy."

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Rev. G. W. F. Price, D. D., president of Nashville College for Young Ladies, died on the seventh after a somewhat protracted illness. He was one of our most eminent and successful educators, having been engaged in educational work about half a century.

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The family of Rev. J. A. Randolph passed through this city last week en route to Camp Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. It is probable that the Sixth Regiment will take its departure for Manila about the first of May. So it is likely that, ere long, Bro. Randolph will be in the plight of the rebel soldier in the old war song—"a long ways from home."

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We are glad to receive the following note from Bro. Smith:

MR. EDITOR: Bro. J. A. Poe has rallied, and the doctor thinks if no unexpected trouble arises after some little time, he will be himself again. How kind the parishioners and those good people are to their preacher! Brethren, continue to pray that Bro. Poe may soon be about his loved employ. J. H. SMITH.

Wall Hill, Miss., April 14, 1899.

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The New Orleans branch of the National Woman's Indian Association celebrated its eighth anniversary on the twelfth. The address of the gifted president, Mrs. E. John Ellis, was replete with interesting information concerning the work of the association. Laboring specifically for the education, civilization and Christianization of the benighted tribes throughout our land, this organization merits the confidence and the patronage of Christians of every denomination.

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Rev. E. S. Lewis writes from Brookeville, Miss.: "We organized an Epworth Leagne yestorday with twenty-seven mombers; will have fifty or sixty by May 1. The outlook is fine. Will have several at West Point, June 22."

A card recently received from Rev. J. W. Featherstun, D. D., presiding elder of the Brookhaven district, contains the following: "I have organized three Leagues within the last month—one at Bahala, on the Providence work; one at Fernwood, on the Whitestown work, and one at Magnolia. The pastors have also organized one at Tylertown and one at Brookhaven. This makes five new Leagoes this year for the Brookhaven district."

Rev. J. A. Randolph, president of the Mississippi Leagues, has been appointed chaplain in the regular army, and will shortly leave with the 25th Infantry from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, for Manila.

He, therefore, tenders his resignation as a League officer, and desires, through these columns, publicly to thank the Leaguers of Mississippi for the honors they have in the past conferred upon him.

We take the liberty of quoting several paragraphs contained in his letter: "I desire to go on record as favoring, more than ever, the work among the young people. Seven months' experience in the army has taught me that if a man's faith stands the strain of temptation which comes to those who are thrown with large bodies of men away from home influences, he must have it re-enforced with a thorough drill in the great truths of the gospel and in practical Christian work."

"Almost without exception, I found that the men in the volunteer army who were at all religions were members of young people's societies at their homes. This seems to be of great importance, for it is the character that will stand firm against temptation's shock that we are to build."

"I trust that I shall not be forgot by the many people I have had the pleasure of knowing in Mississippi. I will be glad to hear from any of them. They can address me at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. I shall still hold my membership in the North Mississippi Conference, and hope to attend its sessions."

We hope the Leaguers in Mississippi will read and regard the exhortation of Miss Vic Thompson, corresponding secretary and treasurer, which we print this week in connection with her financial report for February and March.

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Not yet one-half of this pledge has been redeemed, and we only have about two months and a half till the time for our State Conference. May the Leaguers of Mississippi not going up to this Conference without redeeming this pledge. At the Conferences recently held in the Columbus and Aberdsen districts we were taken to the amount of $25 from each of these districts, and I know that the Leaguers were roused to action also in the recent Grenada District Conference, which sickness prevented my attending. Let me urge upon the Leagues in these districts the importance of prompt payment of these pledges. The money is needed, and let us not delay in paying our vows unto the Lord.

VIC THOMPSON, Sec. and Treas.

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THE PROPOSED SUMMER INSTITUTE.

MR. EDITOR: To the suggestion in the ADVOCATE, of March 23, relative to holding a Summer Institute for the instruction of undergraduates and candidates for admission on trial, I have had but two responses. One examiner favors the idea, another does not. Several undergradoates have written me, thanking me for the interest taken in their behalf, and expressing the hope that the proposed Institute may become a reality. With these exceptions, the silence is eloquent.

Early in the year I addressed to ten young men—who I thought were in the class of the fourth year—circular letters containing some practical suggestions concerning the two books upon which I am to examine. Though an acknowledgement was requested, but five of them have written me to date, and some of them are in the class of the third year. The Minutes fail to show who compose the class of the fourth year.

One who has served four years on a Committee of Examination recently remarked to me: "You will find that you will simply have to pass some deserving young men, who, by reason of educational deficiencies and of laborious work on large circuits, are unable to come up to the required standard."

I must dissent from this proposition. These circumstances, and many others, are all well known to our Bishops, who, in prescribing the Course of Study, took into consideration the fact that among candidates for the ministry some were intellectually brilliant, others not so gifted; some were studious, others mentally lazy; some were ambitious to forge ahead to the front rank among their peers, while others were lamentably indifferent alike to success or failure in their life-work. Presumably, the Bishops struck an average. Such is the standard prescribed. No provision is made for failure on the one hand, or for undue favoritism on the other. The undergradnate is expected to expend mental brawn until he is reasonably familiar with the books prescribed in the Course of Study. It is made the business of the Examining Committees to attest that fact when it has been accomplished. They can not truthfully and conscientiously affirm that this has been done, when the written evidence shows the contrary.

In examinations, both in the Civil Service for governmental positions and of teachers in the public schools, the standard of educational qualification is rapidly advancing. The church is loudly voicing the same imperative demand upon the part of her ministry.

Whether or not the proposed Institute is held, I, for one, desire to put myself on record as willing to expend a reasonable portion of my time and substance in assisting this class of my brethren in the ministry.

In conclusion, I make this proposition to the class of the fourth year: Read Hopkins and Tigert carefully, noting what you do not understand. Re-read these books, write out points of insurmountable difficulty, and mail same to me not later than June 30. From these papers I will arrange a symposium, and mail you a typewritten circular letter that will be generally helpful. I can not reply to individual requests for assistance. The above-mentioned letter will be mailed only to those who are sufficiently interested to comply with the conditions.

C. F. EMERY.

Edwards, Miss., April 8, 1899.

OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those previously named, the following brethren have sent in new subscriptions:

H. W. Van Hook,
[illegible],
G. S. Harmon,
R. Roberts.

AN APPEAL.

DEAR BRETHREN: This is a thickly settled community. The people freely attend the ministry. The present building is almost ready to fall, and, besides, will not accommodate one-half the congregation. We have a few faithful Christians, but the mass is godless; yet we have much hope in laboring for a people who will listen to the preached Word. Our work is almost completely hampered at this place (Eminence) for the want of a church. With the exception of a few, who are indifferent and not members of the church, the people are very poor.

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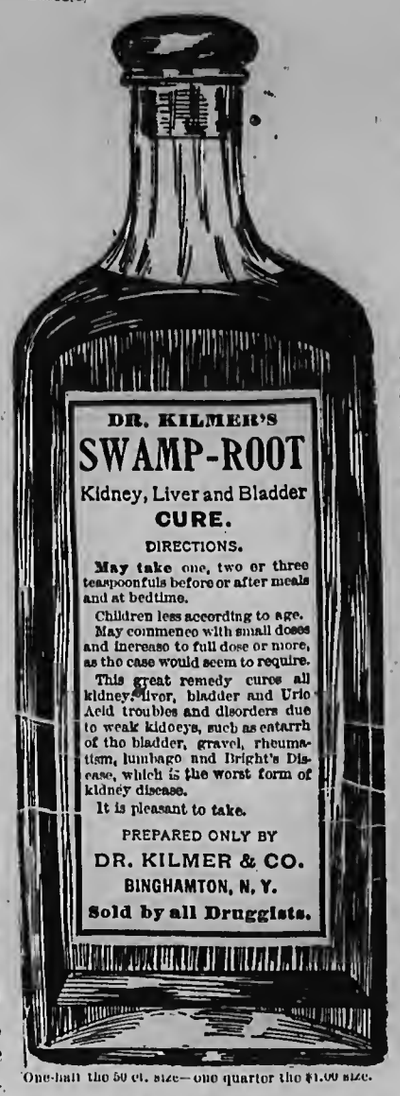
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NOT LOST, BUT GONE BEFORE.

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How many painful days on earth
Their fainting spirits numbered o'er!
Now they enjoy a heavenly birth;
They are not lost—but gone before.

Dear is the spot where Christians sleep,
And sweet the strain which angels pour;
O why should we in anguish weep?
They are not lost—but gone before.
Secure from every mortal care,
By sin and sorrow vexed no more,
Eternal happiness they share,
Who are not lost—but gone before.

To Zion's peaceful courts above,
In faith triumphant may we soar,
Embracing in the arms of love
The friends not lost—but gone before.
On Jordan's banks whene'er we come,
And hear the swelling waters roar,
Father, convoy us safely home,
To friends not lost—but gone before.

—Author Unknown.

THE CHRISTIAN IN ACTIVE LIFE.

Men are asking everywhere this question: "Is it possible for a man to be engaged in the activities of our modern life and yet be a Christian? Is it possible for a man to be a broker, a shopkeeper, a lawyer, a mechanic—is it possible for a man to be engaged in a business of to-day, and yet love his God and his fellowman as himself?" I do not know what transformation these dear businesses of yours have got to undergo before they shall be true and ideal homes for the child of God; but I do know that upon Christian merchants and Christian brokers and Christian lawyers and Christian men in business to-day there rests an awful and a beautiful responsibility to prove, if you can prove it, that these things are capable of being made divine; to prove that a man can do the work that you have been doing this morning, and will do this afternoon, and yet shall love his God and his fellow-man as himself. If he can not, what business have you to be doing them? If he can, what business have you to be doing them so poorly, so carnally, so unspiritually, that men look on them and shake their heads with doubt? It belongs to Christ in men first to prove that man may be a Christian and yet do business; and in the second place, to show how a man, as he becomes a greater Christian, shall purify and lift the business that he does, and make it the worthy occupation of the Son of God.—Bishop Brooks.

CULTIVATION OF RESERVE.

Too much emphasis can not be laid on the importance of winning a child's confidence and encouraging him to talk freely to mother or older sister about his interests, his thoughts, his friends. At the same time, there is something to be said about the cultivation of reserve, especially in regard to other people. Beyond a certain point we have no right to discuss the private affairs of our friends, even in the home circle. Honor requires us to keep some confidences, even from the nearest members of our own family, as sacredly as we should guard family secrets from outsiders. We have in mind a woman who is so interested in her neighbors, and so fond of discussing their movements with the person to whom she chances to be talking, that her friends dare not confide any information which they do not wish to become common property. They know at least that nothing is ever kept from her family. From childhood she has always told every bit of news at home, regardless of whom it concerns, because secure in the assurance that it would not be repeated; but the habit thus formed has developed into a relish for gossip not always kept within safe limits, and this well-meaning and kindly woman is fast losing the sense of honor and delicacy which one desires in one's friends.—The Young Woman.

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EDUCATION FOR GIRLS.

In childhood our girls should have the same preliminary training as the boys. They should be encouraged to play with their brothers. Boys grow more gentle and considerate by this association, while the girls gain in vigor and force. Indeed, this exchange of courtesies we find all through life, first in play, next in the co-educational schools, and, lastly, in the new homes that are made.

If a daughter is delicate, she should not be crowded with work. Let her education take a longer time. There is no need of hurry. Why can not the truth be recognized that the years of training are the most beautiful years of life? They are full of hopes and aspirations which beautify the soul even if they are never fully attained. The wise mother will do all in her power to extend this delightful period.

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SUCCESS LIES IN YOURSELF.

Men who succeed in the world, as a rule, do so not by having extraordinary, but common opportunities. In other words, success is in the man, not in the opportunity. It is not men with extraordinary opportunities who have left their mark upon the world. It is a Euclid with a pair of compasses; a Galileo experimenting with a straw in his prison cell; a Palissy burning his household furniture to develop his enamel; a Franklin with a kite; a Fulton with a paddle-wheel; a Humphry Davy with old bottles and tin pans in an attic; a Whitney with a few tools in a Southern cellar; a Howe with shuttles, needles, and rough machinery; a Professor Bell, poor, and experimenting on the telephone with the simplest apparatus; a Leonidas at Thermopylæ; a Horatius at the Bridge—these are the men who have been the benefactors of their kind. We pity a young man who can read the history of men who have benefited the world with their inventions, and not feel that he, too, can do something; we pity the young man who can read the biographies of successful men and still claim that he has no chance in life.—Success.

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WHAT A SMALL BOY COULD DO.

A lad in Boston, rather small for his age, works in an office as errand boy for four gentlemen who do business there. One day the gentlemen were chaffing him a little for being so small, and said to him:

"You will never amount to much, you can never do much, you are too small."

The little fellow looked at them.

"Well," said he, "as small as I am, I can do something that neither of you can do."

"Ah, what is that?" said they.

"I don't know as I ought to tell you," he replied.

But they were anxious to know, and urged him to tell what he could do that neither of them were able to do.

"I can keep from swearing," said the little fellow.

There were some blushes on four faces, and there seemed to be no anxiety for further information.—Exchange.

THE DELUSION OF GIRLS.

"The most subtle and deceitful hope which ever existed, and one which wrecks the happiness of many a young girl's life," writes Dwight L. Moody, "is the common delusion that a woman can best reform a man by marrying him. It is a mystery to me how people can be so blinded to the hundreds of cases in every community where tottering homes have fallen and innocent lives have been wrecked because some young girl has persisted in marrying a scoundrel in the hope of saving him. I have never known such a union, and I have seen hundreds of them result in anything but sadness and disaster."

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BE NATURAL.

One reason why so many girls and boys are uninteresting is because they try to be like somebody else, some acquaintance whom they look upon as a beau ideal, rather than to remain simply themselves. In nature we never see an oak tree posing as a willow, or a horse as a cow, or a lily as a rose, or a dog as a cat. Be natural and you will possess the charm of individuality. Try to pose as something different from what nature intended you to be, and you will sink to the level of the commonplace.

Hygiene.

ALCOHOLICS AS MEDICINES.

Dr. Sir Benjamin Ward Richardson, F. R. S., the leading authority in England on the physiological effects of alcoholics, says:

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"I have watched the treatment of disease for twenty-five years with alcohol; I have watched it for twenty-five years without alcohol; and, apart from any prejudice or the least bias, I am confident, on a review of the whole of the facts, that if the systems of treatment of disease with alcohol and absolutely without it be compared, the non-alcoholic system leads the way as the safest, the most rapid, and most certain system in curative tendencies."

I have the evidence of my own personal experience and the experience of the enormous numbers of people who pass before me every year, and I state that alcohol is not a helper of work, but a certain hinderer of work, and every man who comes to the front of a profession in London is marked by this one characteristic that the more busy he gets the less in the shape of alcohol he takes, and his excuse is: "I am sorry, but I can not take it and do my work."—Andrew Clark, M. D.

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ANDLE—Miss HATTIE RANDLE, daughter e late lamented Richmond and Mary Ran- of the Louisiana Annual Conference, and r of Robert and Thos. Randle, of the Lou- a Annual Conference, was born Aug. 29, and died at her brother's, Robert Randle, e parsonage, Big Cane, La., Dec. 2 1898, everal weeks of illness. This writer eferred from the Louisiana Annual Con- ce to the Northwest Texas Annual Con- ce in 1875, and she went with us to Texas, usic our house her home. She being my cousin and the only daughter of her par- and her mother the only living sister of ather, made her feel very near to us; and her amiable and loving disposition and like deportment drew us together in such g bonds that she held a relation in our y as a dear sister or child, and we have rned her loss as such, but we are resigned ise we feel that she has gone to meet her dear father and mother in heaven. was a highly cultured lady, a graduate inden Female College, La., and was a er by profession. She taught a part of ears in Texas, then had a call to Millers- Ky., where, I believe, she remained two , and then returned to Louisiana and t for some length of time, and then back xas and taught a session, after which she ined with us in Gatesville perhaps a year, g herself very pleasant and useful, for uld not bear the idea of making herself ien to any family. She was a fine con- tionalist, not a great talker, but well d in the best literature of the day, and ccurate in pronunciation and choice in made herself very interesting. But than this: she conversed well on the being brought up at the feet of such a and useful itinerant preacher as Rinh- Randle, and in the lap of such a mother y Randle. Her mother married her for years in childhood to the old Oak Grove h, to the Sunday-school where she s class, and was really the prominent in the school, and at this church I am ed to think Hattie professed religion, h of this I am not sure. Her whole life aracter bore testimony to the truth of mental godliness. L S SCOTT.
sville, Texas.
—Texas Christian Advocate please copy.

LER—Rev. WILLIAM ARCHIE MILLER, Samuel K. and Sarah S. Miller, was ear Mount Carmel, Miss., Sept. 19, 1875, d Jan. 9, 1899
as in attendance at Millsaps College both years of my pastorate, but ren- sinable assistance during the Summer. e always ready for every good work, ored with me in the sweetest harmony. eching was not ordinary, for the truth ed was accompanied by the Holy in a single service held by him in his urch, where he was brought up, there many as eight professions.
spirit of self-sacrifice was Christ-like. ed passing the final examinations at to wait on several fellow-students protracted spells of sickness., Also, sted away by long and severe hours and our own hearts were melted in by for him, his mind was not upon his rdans, but those of others. He was ed at the thought of giving trouble to and loved ones. About the needs of and about church finances he asked t questions, and gave freely and liber- n money earned by hard labor, even e fatal disease had set in.
stance in affliction was more than for he was buoyed up by the presence ivine Spirit. With hope of recovery— rning to college and completing the of joining the Conference, all gone, aid, "It is all right." His confidence was unshaken.
iller was converted when a boy, and 1897, he entered the experience of sa- tification, which he held to the end. in triumph. JNO. D. CHYMES.

ONG—Mrs. ANNA TERRY HERLONG olest, sweet Christian character. She reat pleasure in doing good unto oth- was gentle in her manner, loving in ion, and pure in spirit. She reflects on the Christian home in which she ed.
thirtieth of June, 1897, she was hap- ried to Bro. H. L. Herlong. Among test blessings that attended this ir was the coming of a beautiful l baby boy. During the yellow fever that occurred at Harriston last Fall est concern of these happy parents yellow fever would almost certainly sweep from their embrace this precious babe. But, alas! the precious mother was stricken with the fever, and after more than a week of patient suffering she received the summons to a home beyond the sky.
Dear husband, parents, sisters, and broth- ers, this is a sad stroke to you; but in heaven God's own hand shall wipe away all tears from all eyes.
In the next world there shall be no night— no night of rest—because none are weary; no night of wailing, because none are sick; no night of terror, because there are none to molest or to make us afraid. In that pure land beyond the swelling flood, where our fountains will be dried, our tears all wiped away, we will gaze undazzled on eternal day.
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ROUSE—GRIFFIN ROUSE, the infant babe of Bro. and Sister H. P. Rouse, died March 12, aged two months and two days.
Mourn not for the departed spirit, loved ones, for it's only a tender bud plucked from your bosom to blossom as the lily in God's bright field of flowers, where there is peace and joy forevermore. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ sustain the bereaved family in the loss of this loved one! "Suffer the little ones to come unto me, and forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of heaven."
This jewel has only preceded you across to the other shore to give you a more glorious welcome when you sail across the river on the old ship of Zion. 'The Lord giveth, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord," were the words of the bereaved parents and family.
W. L. BLACKWELL, Pastor.
Vanclave, Miss.

JERRELL—SARAH ANN JERRELL, daughter of the Rev. Benjamin and Mildred Weatherly, was born in Jones county, Ga., Feb. 29, 1820; died in Holmes county, Miss., Jan. 7, 1899; joined the M. E. Church in Georgia in 1836, at the Marion Camp Ground. Her father was a local preacher. She was married in 1846 to Bethel D. Jerrell, a good, upright Christian. In 1860 Sister Jerrell was left a widow with four children. They became all her care, and she nobly met her responsibility. She loved the church of her choice; was well acquainted with its doctrines and polity, and delighted in all her forward movements. She was a con- stant reader of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE from the first issue until her death. While Sister Jerrell was old, she never became old. Thus has passed away a noble mother and consistent Christian. W. C. LESTER.

SLAY—Died at the home of his parents near Eley P. O., Scott county, Miss., THOMAS ALEXANDER SLAY, infant son of T. A. and Mary C. Slay, March 25, 1899.
The remains of little Tommy were laid to rest in the Cottrell Cemetery, a large crowd of sympathizing relatives and friends attend- ing the funeral service and accompanying the sorrowing parents to the tomb, where the lit- tle corpse was deposited. The body sleeps in the new-made grave, but the spirit has gone to the haven of rest, where it beckons father and mother home.
God knows best; he hath taken his own; his will be done. May he comfort his children in their bereavement! F. J. O'NEIL.

SHELL—Whereas, On the twenty-second of February, 1899, God, in his providence, saw fit to remove from our midst Bro. M. C. SHELL; And, whereas, He has been connected with the Sabbath-school of the Methodist Church at Houston for more than thirty years as su- perintendent and teacher; And, whereas, We deem it meet and proper to express our pro- found sorrow on account of his death, and that we pay this tribute of respect to his memory; therefore, be it
Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Shell the Sabbath-school of the M. E. Church at Hous- ton loses one of its most experienced, faithful and influential workers.
Resolved, That the loss to the minister in charge and to the superintendent, teachers and pupils of our Sunday-school is such as to call forth our deep and heartfelt grief.
Resolved, That while one of our most en- deared citizens, one of the most consecrated members of the Methodist Church, and one of our most efficient Sunday-school workers, has been taken from us, nevertheless we bow in perfect submission to the will of God, who knoweth and doeth all things well.
Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family and relatives our heartfelt sympathy.
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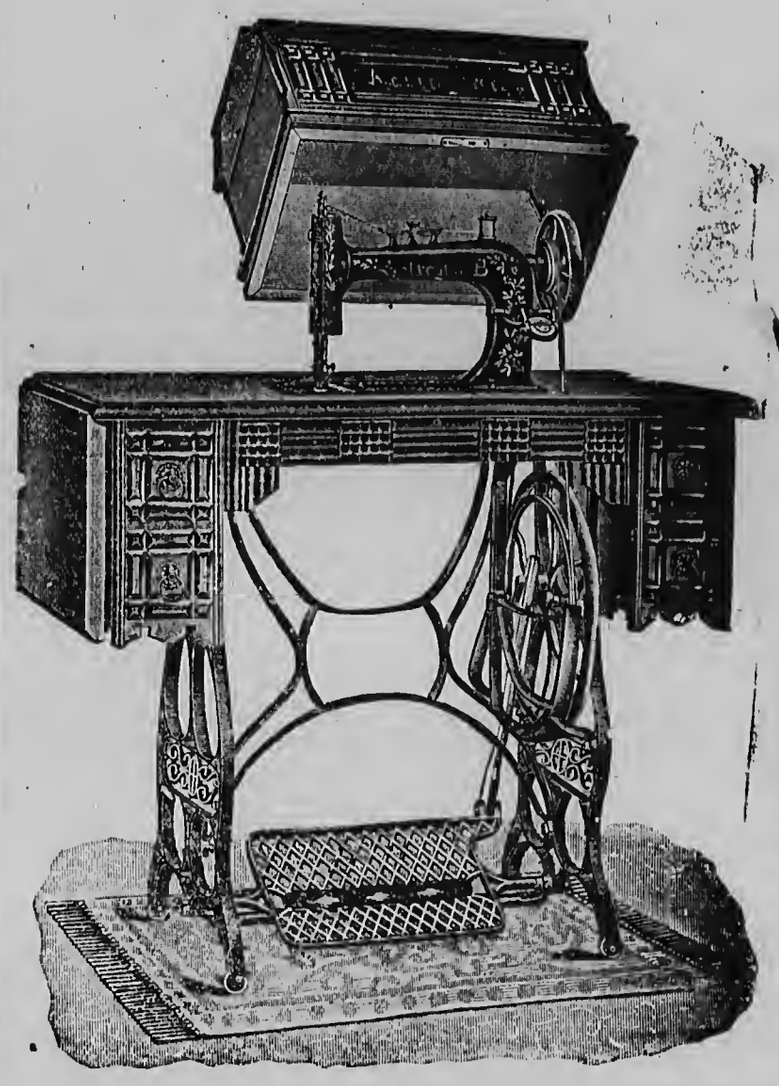

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Spain has sent an ambassador to reopen the diplomatic relations broken off by the war.

A disastrous fire occurred at Winnsboro, La., on the twelfth. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

The Illinois Legislature has passed a bill to pay bounties to the makers of beet sugar in that State, and has appropriated $75,000 a year for the purpose.

Col. G. M. Govan, of McComb, Miss., died at the New Orleans Sanitarium a few days since. He was colonel of the First Regiment, Mississippi Volunteers, in the Spanish War. He was also Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi for several years.

The officials are said to be concealing the number of killed and wounded Americans in the Philippine war. A reliable authority estimates the dead from bullets and disease at 510, and the wounded at 1800. The dead Filipinos are estimated at from 16,000 to 20,000.

Robert Claussen, one of the enlisted men who went into Santiago harbor with Hobson on the "Merrimac," failed to pass the required examination for advancement to the grade of boatswain, which had been conferred on him for his gallant conduct, subject to mental, professional and physical qualifications.

The celebration attending the return of the United States cruiser "Raleigh" from Manila occurred in New York on April 16. The "Raleigh," accompanied by two small war vessels captured from the Spaniards last Summer, and a fleet of about twenty-five excursion steamers and tugboats, paraded from Tompkinsville to Grant's tomb, and from there back to anchorage in the North river.

The work of getting the army down to a peace basis progresses steadily. The volunteer regiments which have been doing duty in Cuba are being rapidly brought back to this country and mustered out of the service. The work of recruiting the regular army up to its full legal strength is making good progress, and it is expected in the very near future the regular establishment will reach the required quota of 61,000 men.

Lawton wants 100,000 men to pacify the Philippines and establish local governments. He says he could go through the islands with his present forces. He has returned to Manila and will move on San Fernandino, where Aguinaldo has held forth in peace for some time. The expedition to Santa Cruz was only to spread the news of the peaceful intentions of the American Government. Much good is expected to result from the distribution of the Commission's proclamation.

Major-General James H. Wilson sent to Andrew Carnegie, a few weeks ago, a letter suggesting that Mr. Carnegie, if he desired to do something to educate and help the Cubans in the Matanzas district, might start a library there. General Wilson sent him a list of 2000 books which he thought would serve the interests of the Cubans best. Mr. Carnegie said that he had ordered that the books be sent to Cuba. The list contained among them his own book, "Triumphant Democracy."

The political administration of the city of New York is being investigated by a joint committee of the State Legislature, under the chairmanship of State Senator Mazet. Just now the committee is prying into the influences that control the city administration. Testimony brought out the fact that candidates for appointment or election to judgeships, not excepting the Supreme Court of the State, were required to pay an assessment or contribution of from $7000 to $10,000 for getting their names on the tickets. All candidates for office were heavily assessed.

After hearing from the British and German embassies, the State Department is enabled to announce positively and finally that the three parties to the Berlin treaty had agreed upon the instructions to be given their Samoan commissioners, and that it was certain that the commission would leave San Francisco on the twenty-fifth for Samoa. The instructions to the commissioners are identical, the three governments having accepted a form which compromises the differences which have existed up to this point. The commission will be empowered to deal with the situation as it finds it on the Samoan Islands upon its arrival.

The War Department will reply to the telegram of Governor Lee, of South Dakota, to President McKinley, asking for the immediate muster out and return of the South Dakota troops in the Philippines, that the troops will be brought home as soon as deemed expedient by the United States, and as soon as possible with the transports at hand. It is held at the War Department that the law requiring the muster out of troops contemplates that the Executive Department shall have ample time to issue the necessary orders and make the necessary preparations to properly discharge the soldiers and bring them home. The provision in the bill allowing the volunteers in the Philippines to be enlisted for six months, may be construed to mean that the volunteers will not be mustered out before that time, if they are necessary to the government.

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SARDIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

WILL BE HELD AT COURTLAND, MISS, APRIL 26-30.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26.

2 P. M.—Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, conducted by Mrs. T. C. Wier, district secretary.

8 P. M.—Addresses of welcome and response, recitations and other exercises.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27.

9 A. M.—Woman's Home Mission Society, conducted by Miss Julia Jones, district secretary.

2 P. M.—District Conference. Opening exercises. Organization. Reports of pastors.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28.

9 A. M.—Opening exercises. The Epworth League: How to Organize; Benefits. Foreign Missions; Present Outlook.

2 P. M.—The Great Need of the Church—A Revival of Religion in Every Congregation. The revival should begin at the District Conference. Our Financial Work.

SATURDAY.

9 A. M.—The Twentieth Century Movement. Church Literature.

2 P. M.—Reports of committees. Election of delegates.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30.

9 A. M.—Sunday-school Mass Meeting and addresses.

11 A. M.—Preaching.

3 P. M.—Conference Love-Feast.

8 P. M.—Preaching.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

For License and Admission.—H. T. Gaines, W. D. McCullough, G. H. Jacobs.

For Deacon's and Elder's Orders—W. J. Burt, T. Cameron, W. W. Mitchell.

Pastors will please see that the recording stewards' books are sent in for examination.

It is earnestly desired that the preachers and lay delegates be present at the meetings of the two Woman's Missionary Societies, and remain to the close of the Conference.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CAMP MEETING.

The Providence Camp Meeting, Brookhaven district, is to begin July 27, and embrace the fifth Sabbath. C. MCDONALD, P. C.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Poriorville, at Mt. Hebron	Apr. 22, 23
Winchester, at Goldwood	Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M. 29, 30
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	Sun. A. M., Mon. ... 30, May 1
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	6, 7
Landerdale, at Lockhart	13, 14
Pachuta, at Pachuta	20, 21
Middleton, at State Line	27, 28
Mathorville, at Andrew Chapel	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M. 28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. June 4, 5
Shubuta, at Shubuta	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. 11, 12
Daleville, at Linwood	17, 18
Binnsville, at Binnsville	24, 25

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Gloster	Apr. 22, 23
Galloway	29, 30
Homochitto Chapel	May 6, 7
Mars Hill	13, 14
Whitaker	20, 21
Martin	27, 28
Jefferson Street	June 3, 4
Wesley Chapel	3, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Ackerman, at Weir	Apr. 22, 23
Durant station	29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge	May 6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland	13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
Beizona	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June 3, 4
Louisville	10, 11
Salem	15

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

CORINTH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Jonesboro circuit	Fri. Apr. 21
Ripley circuit	23, 23
Marietta circuit	29, 30
Brown's Creek circuit	Fri. May 5
Belmont circuit	6, 7
Jacinto circuit	13, 14
New Albany circuit	20, 21

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

My address is Booneville, Miss.

SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Cockrum	Apr. 20, 21
Wall Hill	22, 23
Courtland	29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May 6, 7
Tyro	12
Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Orwood mission	19
Eureka	20, 21
Longtown	27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lula	Apr. 22, 23
Belen	23, 24
Jonestown	29, 30
Robinsonville	May 6, 7
Austin	13, 14
Sherard's	20, 21
Laconia	27, 28
Gunnison	28, 29
Rosedale	June 3, 4
Bolivar	10, 11
Lehrton	17, 18

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

Greenville, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Tatum circuit, at Gore's Chapel	Fri. Apr. 21
Charleston circuit, at Tillatoba	22, 23
Toccopola	29, 30
Banner, at Salem	May 6, 7
Paris, at Tula	13, 14
Strathmore	20, 21
Ellzey, at George's Chapel	27, 28
Pittsboro, at Tabernacle	Tues. 30
Chapel Hill, at Mars Hill	Thurs. June 1
State Springs, at Sprig Hill	3, 4

The District Conference will be held at Toccopola, April 27, 28, 29, and 30. Program will appear later.

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Holly Springs circuit, at Union	Apr. 22, 23
Olive Branch, at Oak Grove	May 6, 7
Byhalia, at Emery	13, 14
Waterford, at Harris' Ch	20, 21
Mt. Pleasant, at Early Grove	27, 28
East Holly Springs, at Fountain Grove	June 3, 4
Red Banks, at Red Banks	10, 11
Ashland, at Salem	17, 18
Connorsville, at ——	24, 25

District Conference convenes at Pontotoc, April 27, at 9 A. M.

J. W. HONNOLL P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Starkville station	Apr. 22, 23
Lagrange	29, 30
Sturges	May 6, 7
Columbus circuit	13, 14
Columbus station	20, 21
Winstonville	27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Montpelier circuit	Apr. 22, 23
Houston and Wesley	23, 24
Quincy circuit	29, 30
Amory and Smithville	30, May 1
Nettleton circuit	6, 7
Tremont circuit	13, 14
Fulton circuit	20, 21
Buena Vista circuit	27, 28
Shannon circuit	June 3, 4
Okolona circuit	10, 11

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Indianola and Fasouls, at Fairview	Apr. 22, 23
Winona circuit, at Bluff Springs	29, 30
Sidon and Ethabena, at Sidon	May 6, 7
Carrollton circuit, at Enon	20, 21
McNutt and Shell Mound, at Shell Mound	27, 28
Black Hawk, at Acona	June 3, 4
Dublin and Webb	10, 11
West	17, 18

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Felicity Street	Apr. 23
Louisiana Avenue	30
Plaquemine	May 7
Slidell	14
Rayne Memorial	21
Dryades Street	28
Carrollton Avenue	June 4
White Castle	11
Carondelet Street	18
Covington	25
Burgundy Street	July 2

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SHREVEPORT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Texas Avenue	11 A. M., Apr. 30
First Church	7:30 P. M., 30
Benton, at Alden's Bridge	May 3
Grand Cane, at Stonewall	6, 7
Caddo, at Greenwood	10
South Bossier, at Allenton	13, 14
Logansport, at Longstreet	17
Fort Jessup and Many, at Fort Jessup	20, 21
Florien and mission, at ——	24
Zwolle, at Bayou Sele	27, 28
Pleasant Hill, at Beulah	31
Minoringsport, at Blanchard	June 3, 4
Wesley, at Campte	7
North Bossier, at Emma	10, 11
Mansfield	18
Red River, at Campobello	21
Pelican, at ——	24, 25
Coushatta, at Coushatta	28
District Conference, at Coushatta	20-July 2
Opening	9 A. M., June 20
Conference sermon by Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard	11 A. M., 20
Missionary Institute, led by Rev. J. O. Bennett	3 P. M., 29
Sunday-school and Epworth League, led by Revs. W. G. Evans and P. O. Lawroy	3 P. M., 30
Twentieth Century Educational Fund, led by Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D.	3 P. M., July 1
District Conference love-feast, led by the presiding elder	3 P. M., 2

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Plae Grove, at Pipkin Chapel	Apr. 22, 23
Live Oak, at Beech Grove	29, 30
Penchatoula, at Hammond	May 6, 7
Amite City, at Kentwood	10, 11
Franklinton, at Magee's	13, 14
Slaughter, at Betoville	20, 21
Clinton	21, 22
St. Helena, at Center	23
Wilson, at Pisgah	27, 28
Jackson	28, 29
St. Francisville, at Tunica	June 3, 4

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lancaville, at Grand Bayou	Apr. 22, 23
Minlon	28
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	28
Flat Lick, at Mimms' E. House	29, 30
Gibbsland, at G	May 6, 7
Arcadia	13, 14
Homer, at Homer	20, 21
Haynesville, at Mt. Zion	27, 28
Zwolle	June 2
Blenville	3, 4

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Prudhomme, at Church Point	Apr. 29, 30
Plaquemine Brule	May 6, 7
Indian Bayou	9, 10
Opelousas, at Belle View	13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine	20, 21
Crowley	27, 28
West Lake	June 3, 4
Grand Chenlore	10, 11
Lake Charles	17, 18

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

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MARRIAGES.

KELLY—COLE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Colton Valley, La., April 12, 1899, by Rev. H. Armstrong, Mr. James G. Kelly and Miss Flossie Cole.

FISHER—CARMICHAEL.—At the residence of the bride's father, near Utica, Miss., April 9, 1899, by Rev. G. A. Gnice, Mr. Wm. L. Fisher and Miss Mary J. Carmichael, both of Hinds county, Miss.

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Benton, Rev. Elton Wilson	8 00
Louisiana Avenue, Rev V. D. Skipper	15 00
Dryades Street, Rev. J. E. Denson	30 16
Franklin, Rev. W. W. Drake	43 10
Abbeville, Rev. J. B. Casalty	32 50
Arcadia, Rev S. J. Davies	60 95
Wesley circuit, Rev G. D. Purcell	15 25
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NOTICE.

District Conference of Sardis district, North Mississippi Conference, will meet at Courtland, Wednesday, April 26, at half-past two o'clock. The brethren and secretaries of women's societies will please send me names of delegates and all other members who will be likely to attend. All brethren will be welcomed.

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Like some schoolmaster, kind in being stern,
Who hears the children crying o'er their slates
And calling, "Help me, master," yet helps not,
Since in his silence and refusal lies
Their self-development, so God abides,
Unheeding many prayers. He is not deaf
To any cry sent up from earnest hearts;
He hears and strengthens when he must deny.

He sees us weeping over life's hard sums;
But should he dry our tears, and give the key,
What would it profit us when school were done
And not one lesson mastered?

What a world.
Were this if all our prayers were granted! Not
In famed Pandora's box were such vast ills
As lie in human hearts. Should our desires,
Voiced one by one, in prayer, second to God,
And come back as events, shaped to our wish,
What chaos would result!

In my florne youth
I sighed out breath enough to move a fleet,
Voicing wild prayers to heaven for fancied boons
Which were denied; and that denial bends
My knees to prayers of gratitude each day
Of my maturer life. Yet from those prayers
I rose always regirded for the strife
And conscious of new strength. Pray on, sad heart!
That which thou pleadest for may not be given.
But in the lofty altitude where souls
Who supplicate God's grace are lifted, there
Thou shalt find help to bear thy future lot,
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OUR GIRLS AND THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

In considering the possibilities of the new century educational movement, we are impressed with the fact that it means increased advantages for the present and untold benefits for future generations. It means the placing of our colleges on a firmer financial basis; it means men and women better equipped for citizenship and for Christian work; it means equal educational advantages for our girls and boys.

In the March issue of the New Century Education it is stated that there is great need of "academies for girls" in the Southern Church, and that there should be one in each Conference. There is no such need in the Mississippi Conference. We have numerous schools for girls which meet the demands of the academic courses of study, and which can prepare girls to enter the collegiate A. B. course; but the trouble is, there is no well-equipped, endowed college for girls, and the great need of Southern Methodism in Mississippi is concentration of forces, energy, influence and means upon one school for girls to make that one a college indeed in curriculum and results of attainment for its graduates, and, in accord with the resolutions prepared by the General Conference Committee, to have no other school recognized as a college under the auspices of the Conference. Every Methodist Conference, it seems to me, ought to have enough money within its bounds, enough consecrated money, and enough men and women with hearts loyal to the cause of Christian education, and broad-minded enough to appreciate what it means for the nation and for the advancement of the Master's cause, to establish such a school. To attain graduation from this college would become the ambition of every girl of our land; thus ambition would be aroused and zeal kindled as never before for the cause of higher education.

I do not think the best results can be obtained by co-education. Let us have a college in the highest sense of the term for girls; not an annex, not a college for boys, with its doors thrown open to girls. This seems like saying to the girls, "The college honors, but you may enjoy its advantages and benefits to the highest degree of which you are capable." A few might accept the invitation, but the many would not. We want colleges for girls, all their own, with well-equipped departments such as will furnish advantages to fit them for the duties of life. The duties of woman are divided into two classes, according to modern economics: home-making and bread-winning. The former demands the highest attainments as much, if not more, than the latter, and one woman is sometimes called upon to fill both positions at the same time. It was Lamartine who said, "Woman is the beginning of all great things." It is also true that she is the most important factor in the training of statesmen and of churchman; therefore, she should have the first consideration, and the very best provision should be made for giving her advantages and opportunities to prepare for her life-work. The statement above made is well sustained by the fact that the foundation for the education of every man and every woman is laid by the mother in the home and the teacher in the primary schools; and who ever heard of a man teaching a primary school? Who ever heard of a man applying for the primary department in any of our city graded schools? No one ever thinks of such a thing. From this argument follows the concinsion that mothers and home-makers and primary teachers need higher qualifications and better training than those filling any other positions in life's workshop. Everyone who has had any experience in teaching knows how much easier it is to teach children that come from homes of culture and education than those that come from homes where the King's English is murdered, and where it is not even so much as known whether there be any rules of syntax; also how hard it is to correct errors of language formed in childhood. These difficulties may be overcome by giving better educational advantages to girls. It is true that we are only laying the foundation of our life-structure during the entire time of our school course, but the base of that foundation is the training of the years of infancy and early childhood; hence the importance of this training being of the highest quality, and of mothers to whom it is committed being fitted by education of head and heart to competently fulfill the trust.

In the broadening light of the twentieth century dawn women are not relegated to the narrow limits of the hearthstone, where, however, she still shines, and will ever continue to shine; but they have risen to the emergency of expanded possibilities and stepped out into the broader light of extended opportunities for taking their places alongside the sterner sex in working out the problems of life and contributing to its demands upon time and talent. As bread-winners they need the best preparation for life-work in order to become competent to earn the best possible living for themselves and those dependent upon them, as well as to be able to contribute the more liberally to public enterprises, and thus accomplish the more good for humanity. Positions are now thrown open to them which were formerly thought of only for men. With these enlarged opportunities come also increased responsibilities, and they should have equal advantages with men to make preparation to meet these responsibilities and to qualify themselves to earn equal salaries with their fellow-workmen. A college graduate stands a better chance in the struggle of life than a person of the same attainments otherwise secured, and the higher the curriculum of the college, and the more extensive its reputation, the better will be the chances of its graduates to secure positions of prominence and profit. This is especially true of the profession of teaching, which profession is the one most availed to women who have to make their own way in the world. All these things prove that our girls should have the very best educational advantages, and in order to secure these advantages, there should be separate colleges provided for them, where they can fit themselves for the duties that life demands of them. Fifteen years ago the State met this demand for higher education for women by the establishment of the Industrial Institute and College at Columbus. Why should not the church recognize the same demand, and prepare to hold our own girls by providing for them equally with our boys? It is stated in the History of Mississippi that the establishment of this separate State college for girls was urged "rather than risk the costly experiment of co-education" at the University at Oxford. This practical view of the question, it seems to me, will apply to the case of a Methodist college for girls in Mississippi. Should co-education be attempted, dormitories for the girls would have to be provided at an outlay equal to that already made for the boys. Then, moreover, such an arrangement would necessitate a delay in the time of opening, as it would require considerable time to get the building ready to receive occupants.

Here is Whitworth College, with her more than two entire town-blocks of grounds, two large brick and three frame buildings, healthy location, an alumnæ of over four hundred members, an existence of over forty years, and a curriculum ranking with that of colleges for boys. What more does she need to make her to the Mississippi Conference what Randolph-Macon Woman's College is to Virginia, except an endowment fund which will enable her president to plan and execute even greater things for the college for the future than she has achieved in the past?

Whitworth College, representing, as she does, the result of the labors and thought of the best years of the life of one who was once an honored member of the Mississippi Conference, should be the pride and glory of the Mississippi Conference.

The present prosperity and outlook for Whitworth, and the improvement in surroundings and advancement in curriculum and attainments she has made during the past five years, should inspire the friends of higher education with confidence to believe that any outlay of means and effort to endow would be profitably expended, should such be centered upon this institution.

Let the Methodists of the Mississippi Conference rally to Whitworth College, and make her for our girls what Millsaps College is for our boys.

ADDIE V. MARSHALL.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

When I was a boy about twelve years old my good old mother urged me to read the "Memoir of Carvosso" and "The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul," by Philip Doddridge, and these books begat in me a great hungering for reading on the subject of sanctification, holiness, Christian perfection, or the same thing by whatever name it might be called. Since then I have read every book I could buy or borrow on this subject. Most of them have been wise, and a few otherwise. I think I understand pretty well all the crooks and turns and the cranks in the arguments on this subject. Many true things, and but few new things, have been said on this subject within the scope of my reading for the past forty-odd years. The ground has been so well worked that the chances for new discoveries are few and far between. Mr. Wesley, and others of the old writers, seem to have anticipated the discussions and controversies that would arise for one or two centuries to come. When we come to think of it, men have been trying to "perfect holiness in the fear of God" for six thousand years. There were "holy men" and "holy women" of old long before these controversies began, and in some places many men and many women "leave the principles of the doctrine of Christ and go on to perfection"—"perfection in love"—without ever having heard of any discussions on the subject. The whole thing is so easy and so in harmony with the operations of grace that they would be surprised to know that men and women have differed so widely, and oftentimes so viciously, on this subject. It is not at all needful to understand the controversy in order to attain holiness. Numbering the blessings and staking off the boundaries of each is not essential to the process of being made perfect in love. A theory on the subject hinders more men than it helps. It is exceedingly difficult to get religion—first or second blessing—on a preconceived plan. An angel could hardly forecast an experience. "The new birth" was an insoluble problem to the trained mind of Nicodemus.

The last book I have read on this subject, "Scriptural Sanctification," by Dr. Jno. R. Brooks, D. D., is brand-new, having been published this year. It is Christian in temper and conservative in tone—a sanctified book on sanctification. For this reason, if not for better, it is to be commended. Dr. Brooks seems to favor the second-blessing view of this subject. In this he is in a long line of good and great men. His style is clear and strong. His quotations from other authors are copious and accurate, and full enough to be perfectly truthful and fair. His statements are submitted to the test of divine truth. One need not accept his interpretation of every passage of God's Word expounded in this book. This book exhibits a degree of judicial calmness and fairness that is refreshing in these times of controversy and confusion. Dr. Brooks carries a level head above a pure heart. I do not agree with the Doctor in every statement made, but I found no word that I would wish to eliminate or soften. The spirit of a Christian is seen on every page, and in every line and word. Such a book deserves to be commended and circulated.

GILDEROY.

TWO VALUABLE BOOKS.

This year marks the centenary of Mississippi Methodism, and Mississippi Methodists are reviewing the history of Methodism in Mississippi. This is an opportune time to review the doings of our forefathers, and to recount again the struggles and trials of that heroic band of men and women who planted the first seeds of Methodism in Mississippi soil. Such a review of our history will be an inspiration, and give an impetus to our present work that will be far-reaching in its results.

To anyone who may desire reliable information at first hand, I would recommend the "Introduction of Protestantism into Mississippi and the Southwest," and the "History of Methodism in Mississippi," both by the Rev. John G. Jones, late of the Mississippi Conference. These books will furnish information and facts concerning the introduction and planting of Methodism in Mississippi which, perhaps, can not be obtained from any other reliable source.

It is to be regretted that only one volume of this invaluable history has been published. Two volumes remain in manuscript. What a graceful tribute to the memory of the sainted author it would be for the Mississippi Conference to publish the remaining volumes during these last years of the present century, and thus vindicate the sincerity of the Conference of December, 1872, which, by unanimous resolution, requested the preparation of this history!

Bishop McTyeire, in acknowledging the helpfulness of the MS. of this history in preparing his own "History of Methodism," says, "This interesting addition to our denominational literature ought to be published."

Dr. W. P. Harrison, then our Book Editor, in his introduction to Vol. I., in speaking of the heroic struggles and hardships of Mississippi pioneers, recorded in this history, says, "All these were endured by men whose history can not be lost without damage to the church." The chivalrous deeds of these valorous men are forever lost to the church if this history remains unpublished.

The first volume embraces a period of time extending from 1799 to 1817. A few copies of this volume may be had of Rev. Jno. A. B. Jones, of Magnolia, Miss., and a few copies of the "Introduction of Protestantism into Mississippi and the Southwest" may be had of Mr. R. W. Millsaps, of Hazlehurst, Miss. B. F. JONES.

Hattiesburg, Miss., April 20, 1899.

THE WEST INDIES.

The following are a few interesting facts gleaned from reliable sources by Rev. B. F. Lewis, and read at the Jackson District Missionary Institute:

1. The church at Macon, Ga., under pastorate of Bro. Pinson, pledges the support of one missionary for a year.

2. The South Georgia Conference pledged $800 a year, for three years, to support a missionary.

3. A Georgia pastor pledges his church for the support of a missionary.

4. The Georgia Epworth Leagues pledge $1,000 for three years for this purpose.

5. Mulberry Street Church, Macon, Ga., supports a missionary for one year.

6. A Mississippi layman pays $800 a year for five years.

7. The Allende Church, Mexico, sent Rev. G. B. Winton $36—the amount collected for their Christmas celebration—for this work.

8. A college president in the South offers to move his school to Cuba at the call of the church.

9. A N. Y. graduate of Ann Harbor wishes to establish an asylum for the children of the reconcentrados.

10. This, besides a number of smaller gifts of money, and several offers to go to Cuba as missionaries.

11. At Cienfuegos a lot has been offered for a church-building, and the natives have urged upon us to send missionaries.

12. At Matanzas the government offers to repair a suitable house at the cost of $600 or $700, and rent it to us for $30 per month as an asylum, furnishing medicines and food, if we will take about seventy boys from the overcrowded asylum.

13. At Matanzas we have a night school, with 12 or 15 men and boys; 10 church members, 32 candidates, 20 children in day school and 54 in Sunday-school, and the reports which have come from every quarter in which there have been efforts towards evangelization are most encouraging.

Correspondence.

JACKSON DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

According to the requirement of the Discipline, and in response to the call of the presiding elder, the preachers of the Jackson district, and others interested in the missionary cause, met on the morning of April 19, at 9:30 o'clock, in the First Methodist Church, in the capacity of a Missionary Institute. Rev. T. B. Holloman, presiding elder, was ex-officio chairman. After devotional exercises H. G. Hawkins was elected secretary, and the published program was taken up. J. D. Crymes spoke on "Missionary Workers of the New Testament," emphasizing in a forcible manner the urgent need of the Spirit in those who, at home and abroad, enterprise this great work. A good paper on "Methodism and Missions," prepared by W. B. Lewis, was read, and R. Bradley delivered a splendid address upon the same subject, tracing the history from the time that the Wesleys came to Savannah, Ga., as missionaries to the Indians, on through the achievements and conflicts of the present decades. J. W. McLaurin showed plainly the need of the Scriptures printed in the language of the peoples, if we would gain access to them and save them. H. G. Hawkins talked on 'Our Missions in Asia," using maps of Southwestern Japan and of Kiang-su province, China.

In the afternoon H. C. Brown talked in an interesting manner, showing the need of putting the missionary idea and spirit into the minds and hearts of the children, and B. F. Lewis read a fine and thoughtful paper on "Mission Work in Our New Possessions."

The Woman's Foreign Missionary cause was well represented by Mrs. I. S. West, who read a paper that gave a good resume of their work, and by Mrs. Susie Parker, who, among other thoughts, advanced the idea that whatever departments of the work the pastor stressed prospered, "ministers being flames of fire" (Heb. i, 7). Miss Addie Purnell's paper on Woman's Home Mission work showed that four parsonages were helped in this Conference last year, and ten since the society began its work, five years ago. She asked the pastors to serve as "Ways and Means" Committee, and called upon the 30,000 Methodist women of Mississippi to lend hands and hearts.

T. B. Holloman led the evening rally, and the hour was devoted chiefly to a study of our field in Japan, "The Mission of the Inland Sea." H. G. HAWKINS, Sec'y.

TUPELO, MISS.

The work here is moving on well. This people has done all for us we could ask. We have been on the go since we came, and the Lord is rewarding our labors. The Epworth League is in fine condition. We have one of the best Sunday-schools in the State; well organized, with fine attendance. Congregations large and increasing at each service.

Contract has just been let for a seven-thousand-dollar church to be completed Sept. 1. It will be one of the prettiest churches in our Conference when finished. Have sold the old parsonage since we came here, and contract has been made for a handsome new one to be built on the lot beside the church. We will occupy the new home by Aug. 1. Have received ten into the church, with more to follow.

S. B. MYERS

A RICH HARVEST.

The following dispatch was published recently in the Times-Democrat. We republish it as throwing light upon the methods that have to be adopted by American citizens in order to get what is due them by the United States Government.

"It is estimated that Washington attorneys will clear nearly $1,000,000 in fees in the disbursement of the $3,400,000 appropriated by the last Congress for the payment of war claims.

"One attorney alone, who is well known in Washington as a giver of dinner parties to congressmen and senators, will aggregate in fees nearly a quarter of a million of dollars.

"It is not generally known how much the claimants paid their attorneys, but the percentage is said to be large. Persons qualified to speak say that the amounts vary from 25 to 33 per cent.

"The department is exercising extreme caution in making settlements with claimants. Complete identification is necessary in every case. Auditors Timme and Brown, who have the handling of these claims, require, in every instance, all papers in the case, which have to be obtained from the files at the Capitol. No money is paid to attorneys. The check must be made out to the original claimant or to his legal heirs or representatives."

If I am faithful to the duties of the present, God will provide for the future.—Bedell.

MY WORK.

Not mine to mount to courts where seraphs sing
Or glad archangels soar on outstretched wing;
Not mine in union with celestial choirs
To sound heaven's trump or strike the gentler wires;
Not mine to stand enrolled at crystal gates,
Where Michael chalmers of white coats waits;
But lesser worlds a Father's kindness know,
Be mine some simpler service here below—
To weep with those who weep their joys to share,
Their path to solace or their burdens bear;
Some widow in her agony to meet,
Some exile in his new found home to greet;
To serve some child of Thine, and so serve Thee.
Lo, here am I, to such a work send me.

—Selected.

THUS ENDETH THE CHAPTER.

The former narrative closed with a brief reference to the Quarterly Conference at Lawrence that cold Saturday and colder Sunday, when the Sunday-school was frozen up (or frozen out), and the new presiding elder preached to a congregation of four men, one good woman, and a boy. All got as close to the stove as possible, so that, while there was no shouting, there was no shivering, and the preacher had liberty. The whole day saw the thermometer indicate just six degrees above zero, and the next morning the mercury had run down to six degrees below zero, and in exposed places as low as eleven or twelve—the coldest day recorded in the history of Mississippi, or of "the Nantchee country." But there was the warmth of genuine hospitality in the homes of Prof. Jones (the model County Superintendent of Education) and of Bro. C. M. Wells, where children abound, and Christian grace is manifest.

Mention ought to have been made of the Vossburg and Heidelberg Quarterly Conference, which was held at the latter place on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of January, instead of the first Saturday and Sunday in March, as had been appointed. The consolidated circuit wanted to be reorganized, and so the early call was made. The attendance of official brethren was good, but only a few of the Heidelbergers were out to hear the sermon. The brethren were hopeful and cheerful. Three of Vossburg's officials walked the four miles to attend, and one of the brethren carried not only one-fourth of the assessment on his church in cash, but also more than two hundred pounds avoirdupois. Grace, grit, and gumption! Those brethren love the church.

The morning of Saturday, Feb. 18, was the time when "the beloved" reached Pelahatchie on the way to New Providence, the place for holding the Clarksburg Quarterly Conference. Young Bro. Canthen had brought a horse for "the beloved" to ride, as no one was willing to trust buggy, or even wagon, to haul the heavy weight five miles. Not being as young and active as he used to be, "the beloved" sought the aid of a convenient gallery, and while Bro. Canthen pulled on the opposite stirrup, "the beloved," by main strength and awkwardness, climbed into the saddle. The horse resigned himself to the inevitable, and made pretty good time through mud and mire and slush and slop to what had once been the Clarksburg parsonage, which W. P. Jones was forced to abandon, and where Geo. W. Ferrer refused, and properly refused, to take his wife and little children. It was a cold day, and the only chance for a fire was at the abandoned parsonage. A sermon at the church and dinner on the ground prepared the way for the Quarterly Conference, which was attended by less than half of the official members. The grace of liberality did not abound. The Board of Stewards assessed themselves and the others of the 346 members (including three local preachers) only $170 for the support (?) of the zealous and capable young preacher who has been sent to minister to them in holy things. They are abundantly able to pay $500. The willing mind and loving heart are lacking. "They would have made a bigger assessment if Bro. Moore had only 'a been married, and they could have paid him in corn and molasses and meat." They didn't seem to think it might have been Bro. Moore's misfortune, and not his fault, that he was not married.

The next Quarterly Conference was at Rose Hill. The longest way round was the nearest way there. By rail to Meridian and down to Enterprise—66 miles—and thence by wagon over the best road in the district (up to that date) 12 miles to Rose Hill, with Bro. Foreman, the preacher in charge, and Jeff. Davis, a steward. Bro. Foreman and his clever wife managed to make "the beloved" very comfortable that Friday night, but, doubtless, made themselves and more than one of their eight children very uncomfortable in so doing, in that little parsonage home. A sermon next day, and the Quarterly Conference immediately thereafter, and a bountiful dinner at Bro. Davis' home, completed the labors (some labor is sweet i) at Rose Hill. There was a remarkably fine attendance of official brethren at this Quarterly Conference, and acquaintance was renewed with all of them. Especially was "the beloved" glad to meet Dr. Peck, a beloved physician, who had recently been quite ill, but was able to be out to hear the sermon and attend the business meeting. Bro. D. S. Harmon, from Paulding, looked as familiar as he used to look in West End Church, Meridian. He is a worthy successor to the lamented S. S. Cope. An advance of $50 over last year's assessment was made for the pastor's support.

At 3 P. M., accompanied by young Bro. George French, "the beloved" mounted Bro. J. W. White's horse (Bro. F. rode his own horse!), and was on the road across Penantley Creek and swamp, and the other creeks and swamps and strips of prairies that lie—and worse than lie!—between Rose Hill and Hickory, where "the beloved" was due that night in order to preach the next day. The sixteen miles was covered in due time, greatly to the relief of the horse and of the rider.

Gracious was the reception accorded at the home of Bro. and Sister O. Hopkins, whose Christian hospitality had been enjoyed in former years. "The boys" gladly welcomed we also. But how they had changed! The eldest was not at home. He was at the Chicago University taking a post graduate course, and the second has just resigned his captaincy in the volunteer army, and was planning various laudable things for the future. The third one is a student at Millsaps College. Large and very attentive congregations greeted the preacher at the morning and evening services, but the attendance on love-feast was not so good. A few brethren spoke, but only one sister was willing to speak a word for Jesus. Our women are becoming strangely quiet, and not like the Methodist women of other days. The attendance at Quarterly Conference, Monday afternoon, was very good. Notwithstanding the burning of the house of worship at Newton, there was no reduction in the assessment for the pastor's support, and the determination to bring up all the assessments in full. Chunkey was the second pastoral charge to meet in full an assessment made for repairing the district parsonage.

Home Monday, off Tuesday; Hillsboro the destination. Spent the night in the bleakest, barest, and most desolate-looking house in the district—the Hillsboro parsonage. There "the beloved" had the pleasure of baptizing Bro. O'Neil's baby girl, whose arrival in January had delayed the coming of the family till the middle of February.

Off to Oak Grove, seven miles beyond, where the Quarterly Conference was held. A sermon, but no sacrament. An advance of one hundred dollars over last year was made in the assessment for the preacher's support. Indeed, only two charges have cut the assessments this year—Clarksburg and Forest.

Can "the beloved" ever forget the journey of March 10 from Forest to Montrose? He is better prepared to appreciate Agog's exclamation, "Surely the bitterness of death is past." Had "the beloved" not been twice over the roads south of Forest, and twice over those north? So, when they came, not saying,

"Beware the pine tree's withered branch,
Beware the Alpine avalanche!"

but: "I am sorry for you. That road is awful!" He only smiles. He thought surely the worst was over. But, but, but! Who ever traveled the prairie road from Forest to Matthews' Hill? Who ever crossed Leaf river and traveled the lane up to Bro. Ab. Carr's? Who ever crossed Turkey Creek and the prairie there by? Who ever crossed from Pineville over to the Raleigh and Newton road? Who ever crossed Talla-hala Creek? Who, who, who ever did those things and survived, without being tired out or "completely flambergasted," as Rufus Choate used to say? Why, "he would be as great an achromatic as a pleonasm in a modern zoological garden!" as an aspiring orator recently declared. An orthodox supper at the parsonage, and a cordial welcome at the home of Prof. Geo. W. Burton and wife, who were known in their wooing days at Binnsville, made no little reparation for the rough roads and weather. The Quarterly Conference was held in Mount Zion Church, nine miles south. Only one church (Montrose) had apparently made any effort to collect quarterage, and a pro rata distribution would not have paid "the beloved's" horse hire; so all the corn and fodder and meat and money were applied to the preacher in charge, and "the beloved" got nothing. Bro. Burton is winding up several years' faithful labor as principal of the Forest District High School. He is a fine teacher and a devout Christian. Cotton was still being picked on the Gammage and other prairie farms in Jasper county.

The trip to Johns, on the Shiloh work, was made by rail to Brandon, and thence with Bro. Frank Robinson behind his sprightly horses. This Quarterly Conference was in many respects the most satisfactory held during the whole round. Three collections on Saturday and one on Sunday did not interfere with the spirituality of the meeting. Everything was in good shape. Neither the preacher in charge nor the stewards had been idle.

Bro. B. F. Lewis levied toll on "the beloved," both coming and going, and the Brandon people (some of them) listened patiently and attentively each time. And "the beloved" had the honor of baptizing Roger Le Roy, infant son of the Rev. B. F. Lewis and wife.

The trip to Decatur was without note, except that the pastor and family have been well sweetened with molasses, and that the congregation contributed more to the Bishops' fund than the whole circuit did last year. An addition was made to the preacher's salary. The first charge on the round to report collections for home and foreign missions and for Conference claimants.

And then came the long, wearisome ride from Forest to Conehatta; thence to Union; thence to Muckalusha Old Fields; thence to Mars Hill; thence to Coffadeliah; thence to Talla-Chulok; and thence by way of Union and Conehatta to Forest—something over 120 miles in "the beloved's" buggy. To Dr. J. D. Langford, F. M. Hester, P. H. Howse, F. B. Deweese and Jno. W. Toles and wives thanks are due for appreciated hospitalities. At Coffadeliah "the beloved" had the honor of baptizing T. L. Mellen Howse (may the boy never have cause to be ashamed of the baptismal name!), and at Talla-Chulok the privilege of baptizing Edgar, infant son of Simpson J. and Mattie Tubby; and John William, infant son of Abe and Lou Golden (Choctaws).

In all my trips I have noticed new buildings, new fences, new clearings, cotton bales under shelter, and other indications of prosperity; in the homes of the people plenty of bread and meat and milk and butter, and almost an unlimited supply of excellent molasses—far superior to what can be obtained in New Orleans. Dr. Langford, of Conehatta, assured me that he had made 147 gallons of fine molasses on less than a quarter of an acre of land, and Dr. Barnes, of Homewood, made 70 bushels of oats to the acre. And if further evidence of the fertility of the soil be needed, let me say that the rubbers which were planted so deep in the prairie soil last January were up by the middle of March! And another evidence is, that in Smith county there are nine candidates for county treasurer, and in Jasper the same number of candidates for tax assessor!

T. L. MELLEN.

"SUCCESS VS. FAILURE."

The question with us now is, Which is the great first principle, philanthropy or the gospel? Which ever is the fundamental principle is surely the preacher's great work, for without controversy he is the leading factor in the salvation of souls. Do we consider morality, intelligence and general respectability sufficient to carry the soul to heaven? If so, professional preaching—a kind of financial agency to draw the crowd and take collections—is the great work of the preacher. I hear the answer like the sound of mighty thunderings from about five thousand itinerant preachers and a million and a half Southern Methodists, as in one voice they cry, "No, no; verily, this will never do." "Ye must be born again;" "born of the Spirit," "born from above." We must have the strong heart of sinfulness changed to the heart of spiritual, fleshly tenderness; a new heart and a new spirit must be put within us, and we must keep our hearts with diligence, for out of them are the issues of life. "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness," and "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

Our preachers must keep in touch with the great heart and spirit of the Master, in order to touch the consciences of humanity and help them to the regeneration of souls. He may have talents polished in all the schools; they may shine like diamonds; but if his heart is cold and dead to God and humanity, it will be like a diamond on the bosom of a corpse. Yea, he may have all the eloquence of men and of angels, and if he is not moved by love, he will be as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. Yea, he must preach in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. Jesus says, "Without me ye can do nothing." Truly, the man on whose words is hanging the salvation of the world should be left unhindered, to "hear the word at the mouth of God and warn the people from him." The watchman on Zion's walls, the one who stands between the living and the dead, should be able to speak with no uncertain sound. He should not burn strange fire on the altar. And if this work is so delicate and so momentous that the Lord selects his own messengers and sets them apart to this one work, and from everything else, and the King's business requires haste, and the Lord would have him throw off all encumbrances, not even to carry two coats; and if, indeed, the fields are ripe to the harvest, and while we delay they die, the preacher ought not to be made responsible for other great interests.

True, philanthropy and the gospel are not antagonistic. One can not well do without the other, and the preacher may, in extraordinary cases, help works of charity, and always be in sympathy with them and encourage them.

But this is quite different from being made responsible for several regularly-organized systems of financial enterprise, and being dubbed with failure if he fails to bring them all up in full.

But who introduced this standard in our church? No one. Who advocates it? No one. Who is responsible for it? No one. Well, how did it get here? By the influence of surroundings. We live in a practical age, which, when boiled down to the last analysis, means a money-getting age, and the churches seem all to be affected by it, or they are all failing in conversions, the real work of the salvation of souls, and in material things. I suppose the churches are in better condition now than ever before, but there is a general spiritual dearth. It seems to me that if any church ever was excusable for having its ministers look after financial interest, that our church has been.

Just after the war between the States we found our treasury depleted, our publishing interests, our schools, our church-houses and our homes were in ruins, and our preachers, like heroes of the cross, bravely began the work of rebuilding the waste places, and now everyone who has an enterprise to advance wants the preachers to undertake it, and instead of turning loose when the emergency was over, we have added to the preacher's financial obligations. But surely now we have skilled, consecrated laymen who would be glad to devote their talents to the church and the Lord if we would give them a chance, and they would manage it much more successfully than the preachers, even if the preacher had nothing else to do, for they have been trained to that kind of work, and the preachers have not.

Surely the time has come for us to follow the apostles' example. When believers multiplied they gave the [illegible] tables to laymen, while the apostles gave themselves continually to the Word of God and prayer, particularly now that spirituality has so nearly gone from us. I know there are some preachers and churches who have the same old-time power. God has several thousand yet who have not bowed the knee to Baal, but they have to hide away; they are crowded to the wall. We need to bring them out, untie their hands, give them prestige, emphasis, the preached gospel, and spirituality, before they can be effective, and surely this is a good time to start with renewed energy and life at the close of one century and the beginning of another.

I suggest as our motto something like the following: One million and a half converts by the dawn of the twentieth century, detailed as follows: A scriptural lesson and private prayer daily by every member; family prayer in every home; all our members attending and taking part in the Sunday-school, the prayer meeting, missionary work, and Epworth Leagues, and that we continue earnestly in prayer and song until the Spirit's power and consolation comes back to our hearts, back to our homes, back to our pulpits and churches, until penitents crowd our altars, and the shouts of new-born souls are heard in the camp of our Israel. Then we can stand in the gray dawn of the new century with panting hearts, faces flushed and eyes swollen from a long night of agonizing prayer, yet with a heavenly radiance on our brows, and glory in our souls, as we each present a redeemed soul we have won for the Master; and a shout of victory will girdle the world and reach the skies, and there will be great joy in the presence of the angels of God over one and a half millions of blood-bought souls converted to Christ. Then our one and a half million dollars we have raised for education can be presented to train them for works of righteousness, while the church continues with stronger motives and zeal for the salvation of souls, for this must not be a spasmodic work, but a sturdy, energetical agony for souls until the world has been won for Jesus, and the millennial dawn rings the shout of victory for glory and for God.

J. H. SMITH.

(Concluded.)

P. S.—I wish to thank Dr. Black for valuable space in the ADVOCATE, and I thank Bro. Lewis for breaking the ice and furnishing me a springboard from which to dive into the subject. I also wish to thank the brethren for communications of appreciation and endorsement of my position. The Lord lead us all into paths of usefulness, and to the happy home of the soul at last.

J. H. S.

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DEAR SISTER: As a large majority of the Board favor a change of place because reduced rates could not be obtained to Austin, the Board will meet May 18, in Tulip Street, Nashville. Nearly all the postals have been returned, and all but one think the matter of expense a sufficient reason for the change. This year, more than for many years, there are larger numbers of missionary candidates, as well as two or three missionaries whose traveling expenses to Austin would cost the Board heavily, without the usual reduction. I know all the members regret any disappointment felt by the Austin ladies, who have so cordially prepared for us, but our preferences can not always be considered. Our recording secretary has been notified to do her best to secure rates to this place. The Woman's Missionary Advocate, for April, will contain notice of the change of place, as well as other papers. The preliminary meeting will take place in Tulip Street Church, East Nashville, Thursday, May 18, 4 P. M. Further announcements will be sent later, when I have time to consult with the ladies of Tulip Street. Miss Holding was resting without nausea or fever after the operation on Tuesday (14). Our prayers were answered, and we are thankful.

I must take time to say a word about our work on the Island of Cuba, at Santiago. The school which opened with eight bright little girls, has already run up to [illegible] all of the better class. They are eager to learn English, and learning English under consecrated Christian teachers means learning Christ—the Christ of the Bible.

Miss Haygood's recent letter says she is better now than for two years past.

Grippe, scarlet fever and small-pox have interfered much with some of our Mexico schools, but have not distressed our Boarding Departments up to the present—that is, scarlet fever and small-pox have not. Grippe has been felt by several of our missionaries. Pray for your representatives in foreign fields, and for God's presence especially at our next Annual Meeting, May 18.

Sincerely, S. C. TRUEHEART.

Box 405, Nashville, Tenn., March 18, 1899.

NOTICE.

The twenty-first Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions will be held (D. V.) in Nashville, Tenn., beginning May 13, 1899. The prayers of a united church are invoked in behalf of this and other meetings, especially the prayers of every member of our auxiliary societies. The members of the Board who go up annually to these gatherings go to worship in the truest sense of the word. They go to praise, to pray, and plan for the extension of His kingdom who said, 'Occupy till I come." They know not when He shall come, but they do know there are many, many places not yet occupied and held for Christ. Yes, the thought of the millions who do not yet know Christ is appalling. Friends of Jesus and co-workers with him, "help these women!"

The Christian Life.

Reproof is not, as a rule, easy to take. Impatience and resentment are often manifest upon its administration. The backslider dislikes to be reminded of his sins. The stirring up of the conscience and the bringing before him his final accountability give him uneasiness. He becomes offended. He thinks it is nobody's business how he acts. He rebels against, and finds fault with censure, whether administered by Christ himself, or by the session of the church, or by the pastor, or by the private Christian. But the properly disposed child of God acts very differently. He feels that he comes short of his duty, even in his best services. He knows that he often deserves rebuke. When given, he accepts it meekly and graciously, and uses it for his personal profit. It is as medicine to his soul, and results in his spiritual health.—Presbyterian.

Seek to save the young and the old. Put away the unbelief that doubts the child's right to salvation, and that which questions the power of God to move the old and hardened sinner. God loves them all. Christ died for all. The Spirit cries "Come" to all. There is nothing too hard for the Father of mercies.—Exchange.

Resemble thunder in your boldness for God and your zeal for truth; but let your lives shine for lightning, and flash conviction in the faces of those who falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ, and as falsely charge the doctrine of God with licentious tendency.—Toplady.

Practice to make God thy last thought at night when thou sleepest, and thy first thought when thou wakest; so shall thy fancy be sanctified in the night, and thy understanding be rectified in the day, so shall thy rest be peaceful and thy life prosperous.—Quarles.

The Lord wants no cowards in his service. He wants men, courageous, strong men, who will stand up for the truth. But there must be no weak and compromising men. Truth must not compromise with error.—W. L. Smith.

Your body is the dwelling house of the Spirit, and, therefore, for the love ye carry to the sweet Guest give due regard to His house of clay, for the house is not your own.—Rutherford.

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE OF THE ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

This body met at Okolona, March 30 to April 2. In the main, we had a good Conference. Many good things were said. A great deal was said about the relation of the League to the church. Some seem to think without the League the church would die. I am in sympathy with the League movement, and look on the League as being a great factor for good in church work. But the League is not the church; it is only a part of the church at work, and a small part at that. We do not believe, as some seem to believe, that the church will die without the League. God is the source of life to the church, and the church is the source of life to the League. From the church the League draws its supply. As truly as life will put on form, so truly the Epworth League is an evidence of the spiritual life of the church. It has been said, and said out, that if the church did not have the Epworth League, it would die, and that the man is now living who will write the church's funeral sermon. This is a mistake. The Epworth League may become defunct as the class meeting has. Something else may take its place; but the grand old church will live on until God shall call all men into judgment. As long as God is in the church, the church will live. God will be in the church as long as there are any good men and women in it, and there will be good men and women in the Methodist Church as long as the world stands. Men can talk anything to death that is dependent upon social life for its existence. The Epworth League is, in a sense, dependent upon the social circle for its life, and, therefore, it may be talked to death; but the Methodist Church gets its life from God, and can not die.

Men speak often without thinking. We hardly think that any candid man would say, after thinking, that the church is dependent on the Epworth League for its life. The Divine Spirit who actuated Mr. Wesley in the formation of the church has been, and is, in the church actuating it in the great work to which God has called the Methodists—that is, the spread of scriptural holiness through the land. To accomplish this great mission, the church is going forward. The Epworth League, being the outgrowth of the spiritual life of the church, is dependent upon it for its supply, power, and existence. It is merely a development of what the church is doing, and yet greater things will be done by the church.

The Sunday-school, the Woman's Missionary Society, the Home Mission Society, the Epworth League and the educational movements of the church are nothing more than the out-gush of the real spiritual life that is in the church, and the church will do greater things yet in preparing homes for fallen women, the outcast, and the homeless children of the world. God wants to save the world through the church, and the Methodist Church offers to the world a full, complete, and perfect salvation to all men through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Let us not forget that wherever we work, whether in Sunday-school, missionary society, or Epworth League, we are working in the church, and that to glorify God and do good in the world.

J. W. RAPER.

Montpelier, Miss., April 1, 1899.

APPROPRIATIONS.

MR. EDITOR: If the appropriation to those circuits will develop them, then let us have the appropriation; if not, take them off. Anything for the most good. Those preachers who are serving those mission circuits are true, good men, and are doing their best along all lines. Those who are serving better appointments are also true, good men. In fact, I have nothing to say of disrespect against Methodist preachers, for they are the heroes of this world. Some of them, however, have to deny themselves of this world's goods a great deal more than others.

I wish also to say a few words in regard to partial and to foll collections. Bro. Lewis is a wise and good man—in fact, he came of a family mostly composed of Methodist preachers. Many of them preached the grand old gospel to me in my infancy. Some of those grand old men of God are yet alive, and are fighting the devil on every battle field they can.

Now to the subject: What one man can do all can do, all things being equal; but circumstances have much to do with what we do. I am sure the church puts nothing upon preachers but what is right. I would thank God in my heart if all could bring up full collections along all lines. I am sure there is no preacher in the North Mississippi Conference that does not make a faithful effort to do so. I know one that has spent two fine plantations in thirty years bringing up his collections in full. In fact, when he got all he could from the people, he just went down into his own pocket after the balance. I know one other whose custom has been to get all he could, and then pay the balance out of his own purse. I know one other who has deprived his own family of nearly all the comforts of life to carry up his collections in full. I know one other young preacher, without any family at that time, who served a work four years at a salary of nine hundred and fifty dollars per year, and when he was moved he did not have enough money to pay the freight upon his books. Of course, he carried up his collections in full; but the question of my mind is, Was the work developed, or was the preacher? Many of us have no farms to spend; have no purse of our own to fall back upon. Many of us haven't much salary to draw upon. What can we do but do our best? Get every cent we can; give the tenth of our little salary; ask God for a clear conscience; go to Conference; receive our appointments. Thank God there is no appointment in Methodism I would not willingly take upon its merits without any appropriation; but if the taking off of one denbles another in the same settlement, let me have it back. We will all report collections as full as possible. I want no advantage of any man, but put me on the same footing with all, and see if all men will do the same thing, all things being equal. May God bless all Methodist preachers! I expect to be one until I die.

W. R. WILLIAMS.

Marietta Miss., April 4, 1899.

"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST."

MR. EDITOR: The indiscriminate charges brought against the evangelists sometimes by an unspiring young brother who thinks he has solved the problem by saying the "chief glory" of the evangelist "is the golf that is in the work for him," are incorrect. Since I am of the evangelistic tribe, I certainly have the right to speak for myself. It can not be proven that I am a Judas. While I was on a circuit or station as a Conference preacher, my only "methods" were to preach the gospel, call mourners to the altar, and then talk to and pray for them. These are my "methods" now. My "chief glory," as settled between myself and God, is in the salvation of souls. I am in the work to stay till God calls me hence. Sometimes brethren write and ask me what do I charge for my services. I desire to inform them through the columns of the ADVOCATE that I have no price whatever on my labors but traveling expenses. Preaching to the poor who have no money is my "chief glory;" but when I go to help some one on a financially poor circuit, without any money promises whatever, as I have done, and in answer to earnest prayer and preaching the work of the Lord prospers in our hands, many souls are saved from sin, and brought into the church, and then the new converts and church members begin to pay up a faithful pastor his money, and to the Conference collections, and, finally, the above persons, together with the other denominations of a community, throw in their mites and make up the evangelist a little purse above expenses to carry home to give to a widowed mother and sisters and other holy purposes—then I think it extremely selfish for anyone to grow jealous, and accuse a man of making money his "chief glory." I believe in every pastor getting who he pleases to help him, just so he gets a man pure at heart, and one that will be helpful to him. This world, church and all, belongs to God. Brethren, let us pray for each other.

W. D. BASS.

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"The war-drums beat no longer, and the battle-flags are furled
In the parliament of man—the federation of the world."

Victor Hugo takes up the prophecy, and declares:

"A day will come when the only battlefield will be the market open to commerce, and the mind opening to new ideas. A day will come when bullets and bomb-shells will be replaced by votes, by the universal suffrage of nations, by arbitration of a sovereign senate, which will be to Europe what the Parliament is to England, the Diet to Germany, the Legislative Assembly to France. A day will come when a cannon-ball will be exhibited in public museums, just as an instrument of torture is now, and the people will be astonished how such a thing could have been. A day will come when these two immense groups, the United States of America and the United States of Europe, shall be seen extending the hand of fellowship across the ocean, exchanging their products, their industry, their arts, their genius, clearing the earth, peopling the deserts, improving creation under the eye of the Creator, and uniting, for the good of all, these two irresistible and infinite powers—the fraternity of men and the power of God."—Success.

"Observe a method in the distribution of your time. Every hour will then know its proper employment, and no time will be lost. Idleness will be shut out at every avenue, and with her that numerous body of vices that make up her train."—Bishop Horne.

Blessed is the man who has the gift of making friends; for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things; but, above all, the power of going out of one's self, and seeing and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another man.—Thomas Hughes.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. H. S. Jobos, Colfax, La., April 18, 1899: "Just closed a nice little meeting here at Colfax, with the membership greatly revived and encouraged. Bro. Turner, of Boyce, was here, and preached to the delight and edification of the people."

Rev. C. M. Crossley, Vimville, Miss., April 13, 1899: "We came to our work on Jan. 11, determined to do the best year's work of our life, and were executing our determination with flattering prospects; but, alas! on April 1 that dreadful malady, small-pox, broke out in our midst, and at least thirty persons were exposed before they knew what it was. Myself and two children are of that number. Our work has suspended. We are quarantined in and quarantined out. We are quietly and patiently resting and trusting in the Lord to open the way for us to resume our work. Pray for us."

Rev. W. L. Graves, P. C., Tunica, Miss., April 11, 1899: "We have just closed a great revival at Tunica, Miss. Rev. O. L. Savage, of Coffeeville, Miss., did most of the preaching. He deals with the Word, and is convincing. I have not heard a better series of sermons than he gave us. Rev. W. M. Campbell, of Austin circuit, entertained us twice, to the delight and comfort of all. The Holy Ghost was with us in every service for eleven days. Seventeen souls were saved kneeling at the altar. Others were reclaimed, and my whole church made alive. We have had twenty-seven additions, doubling our membership here since Conference."

Rev. H. D. Howell, Natchez, Miss., April 19, 1899: "When I came to Wesley Chapel charge, Jan. 10, there was no home for the preacher, and none projected. I hired a house and began my work. Dr. J. C. Ballard, of Jefferson Street Church, said we must have a parsonage for Wesley Chapel; so he went to work, and now we are comfortably domiciled in a new, beautiful, commodious parsonage, valued at fifteen hundred dollars. We have good congregations, a good Sunday-school, and Epworth League. We need a revival of pure religion, for which we are hoping, working, and praying. Doctor, come and see our new preacher's home, and preach to our people. We feel very grateful for what has been done, and encouraged to work for greater things."

When a young woman starts out in married life with a modest home containing just the bare necessities, she pictures herself in the future the mistress of a stately mansion, possessing the comforts and luxuries of life. In that dreamland of the future there will be rich carpets on the floors, fine paintings on the walls, a magnificent sideboard loaded with silver and dainty tableware in the dining room, musical instruments, books and all that the heart of a sybarite could yearn for, and—a baby.

To either man or woman, all the comforts and all the luxuries of life and all the wealth in the world soon become a bore and a weariness, unless there is a baby for whom they can both contrive and plan and work. A woman who, through ignorance or neglect, suffers from weakness and disease of the delicate and important organs concerned in wifehood and motherhood, blasts all these hopes. Either she will be childless, or will lose her own life in the struggle of maternity, or her babies will be born puny, sickly and peevish and unable to withstand the ordinary ailments of childhood. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription surely and completely cures all these delicate complaints. It is the discovery of one of the most eminent living specialists in women's diseases,—Dr. R. V. Pierce, for thirty years chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y. The "Favorite Prescription" acts directly upon the sensitive organism concerned. It imparts to it health, strength, vigor, virility and elasticity. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It robs maternity of its perils and insures a healthy, robust child.

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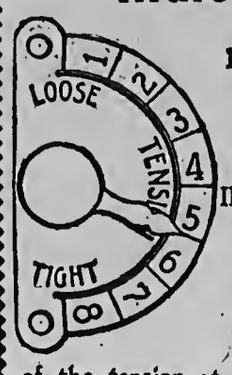

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Touch Thou mine eyes, that I may see
What Thou wouldst have me do and be.
—Helen E. Brown.

Love is the highest word. It is the synonym of God —Lamartine.

The only help that is beneficial to any man is the sort that helps a man to help himself.—Selected.

To be happy is of far less consequence to the worshipers of fashion than to appear so.—C. C. Colton.

Those that dare lose a day are dangerously prodigal; those that dare misspend it, desperate.—Bishop Hall.

Do not wait for extraordinary opportunities for good actions, but make use of common situations.—Goethe.

Every industrious person should try his hand at something, and, if he does not succeed, he should try both hands.—Exchange.

Old age is lovely as seen in a life of more than fourscore years, brightened by a Christ faith, and rich in peace and joy.—Solon W. Bush.

If I can only place a little brick in the pavement of the Lord's pathway, I will place it there, that coming generations may walk thereon to the heavenly city.—Phillips Brooks.

Every day that is born into the world comes like a burst of music, and rings itself all the day through; and thou shalt make of it a dance, a dirge, or a life march, as thou wilt.—Carlyle.

No angel will come to you except when you are about your tasks. Leave them, to ascend some mountain-top to meet the angel part way, and you will never see him.—Amos R. Wells.

The horse, no sooner is its head turned homeward, than it trots and goeth cheerfully. And shall not we, who deem ourselves wiser than the horse, go to our home cheerfully?—Ivan Parrin.

Get into the habit of looking at the silver lining of the cloud; and when you have found it, continue to look at it rather than at the leaden gray in the middle. It will help you over many hard places.—A. A. Willis, D. D.

They say I am growing old because my hair is silvered and there are crow's feet on my forehead and my step is not so firm and elastic as before. But they are mistaken. That is not me. The knees are weak, but the knees are not me. The brow is wrinkled, but the brow is not me. This is the house I live in. But I am young, younger than I ever was before.—Guthrie.

The greater part of the courage that is needed in the world is not of a heroic kind. Courage may be displayed in everyday life as well as on historic fields of action. The common need is for courage to be honest, courage to resist temptation, courage to speak the truth, courage to be what we really are and not to pretend to be what we are not, courage to live honestly within our means, and not dishonestly upon the means of others.—Selected.

THE GREATNESS OF SERVICE.

The world calls him great who wields kingly powers, or who commands the luxury and splendor of wealth. It delights to honor him who boasts of noble birth and lofty estate, though he may have made a ladder to fame and fortune out of the suffering and defeat of others. Too often we count him happy who is the wearer of proud titles and the occupant of high offices, though in character he may be a knave and in intellect a weakling. The fleshly ideal of greatness is that of being ministered unto, of enjoying in large measure the fruits of the toil and self-sacrifice of others. While men are coming more and more to appreciate greatness of character and nobility of soul, they are a long way yet from recognizing the truth that only he is worthy to be called great who serves instead of being served

The human conception, and the ideal set before us by Christ, are as far apart as the poles. The chief desire of the unregenerate man is to be served. He longs to be able to command others. He delights to be courted, flattered, and favored. The man, however, who has become imbued with the Christ-spirit, finds his chief joy in serving others, in using his time and talents in promoting their welfare. How numerous selfish people are! What a world of trouble they often cause, and how supremely disagreeable they make themselves—all because they insist upon making others minister to them, regardless of their own convenience or pleasure! The man or the child who continually wants to be waited upon, thinking scarcely at all of the duty of serving others, is an intolerable nuisance. It is pleasing indeed to the natural man to be ministered unto, but it is ruinous to the soul.

Christ, the great Teacher, makes the startling announcement that he who would be greatest in the kingdom of heaven must stoop the lowest, must condescend to perform the most despised tasks for others. He gave "supremacy to service and mastery to ministry."

In some degree the Christian ideal has pervaded society and business, but it is far from being put foremost. In the homes of our land is the law of service most frequently and beautifully exemplified. This is one of the principles that makes home life so grand and sacred a thing; but in those households where selfishness dominates the atmosphere, how great is the discord and unhappiness! Cold and selfish as is society, in many respects, it recognizes the beauty and necessity of unselfish service. Politeness has its foundation in the Christian motto, "In honor preferring one another." A true gentleman is one who at all times puts others before himself, who constantly acts unselfishly and generously towards his fellow-men. The more faithfully a man obeys the law of Christ, the more courteous and gentlemanly he will be.

The politician, too, who really has the interests of his constituents at heart, makes ministry the rule of his conduct. He feels that "a public office is a public trust," and in many things becomes the servant of all. More and more the public is recognizing that the spoils-man who seeks an office merely for what he can get out of it is unfit for such responsibility. In all the walks of life the man who is anxious to serve, rather than to be served, is destined to be sought after and honored.

Spiritual development is conditioned largely upon obedience to the law of service. Just as the physician acquires skill in treating his patients, just as the lawyer becomes more proficient with the pleadings of each case, so the Christian, by crucifying self and serving his fellow-men as he has opportunity, becomes more Christ-like in character and richer in faith and feeling. As President Gates has well said: "God has so ordered the social life of our race that no man can make the most of his powers of mind and heart and will until he employs those powers in the service of his fellow-men."

Service of one kind or another is the God-ordained means of advancing God's cause and kingdom. In order that God's love may be known, and his truth may triumph, we are to become, as it were, the servants of all, doing good in his name every day and everywhere.

"To think you can do nothing," says Phillips Brooks, "is almost as presumptuous as to think you can do everything."

There is little merit, however, in favoring and serving merely those who love and favor us. "For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them. And if ye do good to them who do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same." The true disciple feels that he must search out the poor, the neglected, and the outcast, and do them good. Nor should our ministry be confined to a single channel, as is too often the case. Not infrequently the writing of a letter of consolation or counsel to one in need of it proves a blessing of great value. Sending flowers to a sick-room, or making a visit to those in distress, brings hope and sunshine ofttimes into hearts almost in despair. As some one has wisely said, "It is better to put hope into a discouraged man's heart than to put money into his pocket." But it is worse than folly to offer men spiritual aid and comfort alone when temporal needs also call loudly for relief.

Furthermore, not seldom is it the case that Christians ask the Lord to do for his work and for humanity what they ought to do themselves. When a man in a Chicago noon meeting asked the audience to pray that God would help a needy mission to a needed building, Mr. Moody, who was in charge, said quickly, "Brother, I would not bother the Lord with that; I would do it myself."

Though the world is dominated by selfishness and sin, it, nevertheless, treasures the memory of its true benefactors ofttimes during their lives, but nearly always after the lapse of a few generations. The names of noble philanthropists like Elizabeth Fry, Clara Barton, Frances Willard, John Howard, Peter Cooper, the Earl of Shaftesbury, and a host of others, will live and be gratefully cherished long ages after the monuments which millionaires and nobles erect to themselves shall have crumbled into dust. The surest path to enduring knowledge and glory is the renunciation of self and the dedication of one's powers to the service of humanity. He whom the Lord will crown with the highest honor is he who loves and serves his fellow-men most.

AT HAMMOND.

By invitation of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Montgomery, we lectured on Thursday night, the twentieth, at Hammond, La. This was our first visit to this thrifty, enterprising town. There is, perhaps, no town in the State which has grown more in the last six or eight years than Hammond. In 1890 it had less than four hundred inhabitants. It now has a population of nearly three thousand. It has a number of large, substantial, well-arranged business houses built of brick. Its residences are, for the most part, modern in their style of architecture. We know of no town in the South which, in this respect, compares with it. The population is composed largely of Northern people. As a sequence of this, the M. E. Church has had an organization there for several years, while our church did not get a foothold until last year. We now have an organization, but no building. Bro. Montgomery, with the hearty co-operation of his little flock, is working diligently to raise sufficient funds to erect a neat, tasteful house of worship. The lecture was given for the benefit of this fund. Those who wish to honor the Lord with their substance can do so by contributing to this enterprise. Our membership there is small, and will not be able to build for some time to come without aid.

During our brief stay in Hammond we enjoyed the hospitalities of Bro. J. P. Holt.

A NEW BOOK.

THE MIRACLE AT MARKHAM. By Chas. M. Sheldon. Published by The Church Press, 104 LaSalle avenue, Chicago. 320 pages. Price, 25 cents, paper; 75 cents, cloth.

The chief character in this story is John Procter, a faithful pastor in Markham, a small city of a dozen or more churches. Becoming convinced that there is a criminal waste of religious effort through lack of co operation among the churches, Procter leads a movement towards federation, and ultimate union. He is assisted by Dean Randall, an Episcopalian, who is driven, however, to a sudden death through anxiety, by the hostility of his church, brethren, because he invited Procter to preach in his pulpit. His son, Francis, who is in love with Procter's daughter, Jane, takes up his father's work, and William Procter, Jane's brother, is introducing, as a layman, the same principles of Christian union in the frontier town of Pyramid, Colorado. His love for Rebecca Phillips, the only daughter of an Andover theological professor, is an additional inspiration to William. Rebecca had refused to marry William because he was not a minister, and Jane had refused Francis Randall because he was. The interest in the story centers in the way these two girls decided their fate, and the way John Procter realized his hope of seeing the twelve churches of Markham made one.

No man can be an intelligent, earnest Methodist who does not take his church paper. It is our conviction that the spiritual apathy in many churches is to be attributed to the fact that so few of our people have religious literature, but spend their leisure moments in reading sensational newspapers and periodicals filled with fiction. Not only does the church paper stir the spiritual life and quicken interest in the movements of the religious world, but it is an incentive to enlarged liberality and deeper consecration. The pastor who places a church paper—not a nondescript, irresponsible journal that claims to be everything to everybody, but a recognized loyal church organ—in every family in his charge, will advance all the interests of his church as he can not possibly do by any other means. When, on the contrary, a pastor neglects the circulation of his own church paper, and takes no interest in giving his people good and pure literature, we naturally infer that he cares little for promoting Methodism, or even for advancing the cause of Christianity, Next to the pulpit, the most powerful factor in spreading the gospel, and bringing men to Christ, is the press, and every earnest pastor should conscientiously use this great arm of the church.—Dr. M. B. Chapman, in Central Methodist.

PRACTICAL FRATERNITY.

The Epworth Herald of the Methodist Episcopal Church came out some time ago, taking the position that our two Methodisms had an opportunity now to work in some degree of harmony in our newly acquired territory. It suggests that as our church is situated nearest to Cuba, it might be well for us to occupy that island with our mission work, and that the Methodist Episcopal Church could take Porto Rico. This the Nashville Advocate thought a good suggestion. Now we notice that Zion's Herald, published in Boston, comes out and takes strong ground in support of the same position. How the Northern Church generally will regard the suggestion we do not know, but it looks to us as very feasible. If we mean anything by our biennial blubbering over fraternity, we now have a fine opportunity to demonstrate it. Cuba is right here in touch with our Southern shores, and we are the better prepared to occupy that field. The Methodist Episcopal Church is well equipped to take charge of all Methodist interests in Porto Rico; and thus the two churches ought to so arrange matters as not to set up altar against altar in these two islands.—Texas Advocate.

A certain preacher met his presiding elder with evil tidings and ingubrious countenance. "Five of my members," said he, "have joined the Baptist Church." To which the beloved, wise above many, made this suggestive, if not consoling reply: "You have about twenty-five backslidden members who are going to eternal destruction, and you do not seem to be at all concerned about them." And there are others who may profit by the words of this wise man.—Midland Methodist.

We will never have it that God created any man, especially any Christian man, to be a blank and to be a nothing. He made you for an end. Find out what that end is; find out your niche, and fill it. If it be ever so little, if it is only to be a hewer of wood and a drawer of water, do something in this great battle for God and truth.—Spurgeon.

Only one Judge is just, for only one knoweth the hearts of men; and hearts only are guilty or guiltless.—Edwin Arnold.

PESSIMISM.

It is a condition of the digestive system rather than a view of life taken honestly at fair range. It is not a theory of things in the clear light of the past; it is a short-legged look into mud-puddles, with no vision of the blue sky that they mirror. It is deliberately and steadily peering into the thunder cloud and refusing to look at the rainbow over yonder. And so it is the worst possible furniture for one's house in life. There is nothing worse to put into your haversack, brave Christian soldier! Leave it behind with the cast-off rubbish of your last night's bivouac. You do not need it. The roll of the drum calls you forward. We are saved by hope.—Zion's Herald.

No church is a missionary church which does not give regularly to distinctively missionary work, and on a scale which will bear comparison with its home expenses. The real test of the missionary ardor of a church, as of an individual, is not the earnestness of its prayers, or the eloquence of its professions, but the readiness, constancy and liberality with which it unties its purse-strings to the claims of the needy world. No church is so poor that it can not afford occasional missionary collections. We are sure that in the end it will find the promise fulfilled that there is that scattereth abroad and yet increaseth.—The Congregationalist.

About the only decent man the world has no respect for is the quibbler. We mean the pedantic porcupine who never reads an unbalanced sentence in a newspaper without sending the editor a column and a half of vinegar-soaked criticism; who never hears a sermon without going into spasms over some unscientific statement; who can't listen to a plain man talk in prayer meeting without jumping up to correct his rhetorical blunders. We can not hope to learn what part of the divine plan such men were intended to fill until we have heard the latest opinion of science on the mission of fleas.—Bible Reader.

The words of Daniel Webster deserve to be remembered again and again. "Many of the ministers of the present day take their text from Paul and preach from the newspapers. When they do so, I prefer to enjoy my own thoughts rather than to listen. I want my pastor to come to me in the spirit of the gospel, saying: 'You are mortal; your probation is brief; your work must be done speedily. You are immortal, too, you are hastening to the bar of God; the Judge, even now, standeth at the door.' When I am thus admonished I have no disposition either to muse or to sleep."—Exchange.

The church is the world's commentary on the Bible. How important the conduct of the professed Christian becomes when it is considered that he may attract the erring to Jesus by consistent living, or may shut the door of hope in the face of the fallen, when by the inconsistency of his life he distorts the truth of God into a lie.—Rev. Stokely S. Fisher.

NOTES.

The address of Rev. E. N. Evans is 1735 Carondelet street.

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The address of Rev. T. B. Clifford is 2529 Burgundy street, New Orleans.

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Rev. J. W. Crisler is in the midst of a prosperous pastorate at Woodville, Miss.

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Rev. P. A. Johnston's postoffice address has been changed from Hazlehurst to Meridian, Miss.

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Rev. W. H. Sanders has a meeting in progress this week at Indianola, Miss. He is assisted by Rev. H. P. Crowe.

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Dr. W. H. LaPrade is billed for an address at the Educational Rally at McKendree Church, Nashville, on Friday, May 5.

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A brother writes that Rev. W. S. Shipman is doing excellent work on the Winona district. He is much beloved by preachers and people.

Under the wise leadership of Rev. J. H. Shumaker, our church at Iuka, Miss., is making gratifying progress.

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In our editorial, of last week, on "The Claims of the Country," the types changed "curse" to "course," thus destroying the sense of the passage.

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Rev. T. B. Clifford preached his first sermon at Burgundy Street, last Sabbath, to a large audience. The people are much pleased with the ministrations of their new pastor.

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Rev. P. H. Fontaine was summoned last week to the bedside of his mother at her home near Pocahontas, Miss. She was at first quite seriously ill but we are pleased to learn that she is now convalescent.

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In a letter to one of the pastors of the city, Rev. Barnette Wright states that his health is improving. Bro. Wright's numerous friends in Louisiana will receive this news with very great pleasure. He is at his father's home at Belerton, Ky.

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Rev. E. G. Kilgore writes from McCondy, Miss.: "I have just made safe return trip from Texas, with my sick wife, reaching this place on the evening of the fourteenth instant This will be our postoffice address until further notice is given."

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Rev. F. B. Ormond, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "We are moving on well on Winchester circuit. Have visited something over one hundred families, and trust that some good has resulted from each visit. Our congregations are large and attentive."

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The Burgundy Street Epworth Leaguers have already shown their appreciation of their newly-appointed pastor, Rev. T. B. Clifford. At their business meeting, last week, they unanimously voted to pay his expenses to the State Conference at Crowley.

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Bishop Galloway returned from Little Rock on Wednesday, the nineteenth, quite ill of malarial fever. He was clear of fever by Saturday, and hopes to be able to attend the meeting of the Board of Church Extension this week. He was obliged to cancel his engagement in Richmond.

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We are gratified to learn that Rev. T. W. Lewis, of the North Mississippi Conference, has recovered his health sufficiently to fill his pulpit and to resume his pastoral work. Under date of the seventeenth he writes: "I have received seventy-two into the church thus far. I received fifteen yesterday. We have 216 in Sunday-school." A fine record surely.

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Through a letter from Rev. W. C. Evans we learn that at the Sunday night service, during the League Conference at Crowley, the sum of $1,011 was raised for the support of a missionary in the foreign field. Rev. Wm. Ney, a promising young local preacher, announced himself as ready to serve the church as a missionary. This is a most gratifying piece of news

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Rev. H. P. Gibbs, pastor of Main Street Church, Water Valley, Miss., died last Sunday morning at his parsonage home in that city. His remains were carried to Columbus, Miss., for interment. He was a good preacher and a faithful, tactful, successful pastor. He was a man of lovable disposition and unblemished character. In his death the North Mississippi Conference sustains a great loss.

P. S.—Since the above was in type, we have received the following notes:

Water Valley, Miss., April 23, '99.

This morning, at 2:30, Rev. H. P. Gibbs, of Main Street, passed triumphantly to the better world. He went over the river shouting, "Victory, victory!" all the way. A purer, truer man I have never known. He leaves a wife and three children to the church he loved and labored for.

W. S. LAGRONE.

Water Valley, Miss., April 23, '99.

Our noble, true and brave brother Rev. H. P. Gibbs, pastor of North Main Street Church, this city, passed peacefully and triumphantly to heaven this morning at 25 minutes after two o'clock. He talked, sung and praised to the very last. One of our clear, strong, efficient and successful preachers has fallen. His place will be hard to fill. Water Valley Methodists are in tears. God bless his widow, little children and church he loved so well.

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FIFTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF EPWORTH LEAGUES IN LOUISIANA.

Thursday morning, April 20, at 9 o'clock, in company with a goodly number of Epworth Leaguers, we left the Crescent City en route to Crowley. The car was a "special," appropriately decorated with the League colors, flags, etc. At Morgan City, Franklin, New Iberia and Lafayette other Leaguers joined the party—all apparently with one purpose in view, and that to gather and then "scatter sunshine."

A reception committee, with carriages, awaited our arrival at Crowley, and in a very short time each delegate was assigned a home. At 7:30 P. M. a reception was tendered the visiting delegates by the young people of Crowley. Addresses of welcome were delivered by Rev. Percy R. Knickerbocker and Prof. A. P. Holt, these being followed by responses from Revs. Thomas B. Clifford and Fitzgerald S. Parker. Recitations and vocal and instrumental solos were delightfully rendered by many of the accomplished young people of Crowley, Miss Wright's orchestra furnishing music al intervals, to the delight of those assembled. The evening was inclement, the rain just pouring down much of the time; yet, despite this fact, the opera house was well filled with a bright and "beautiful" congregation. Last, but not least, upon the programme for the evening was "refreshments," served by young men and young ladies previously appointed to perform this function.

The evening was indeed enjoyable, and concluded with an ice-breaking, or a breaking down of formalities, the duty of everybody consisting in getting acquainted with everybody else.

The regular Conference session opened Friday morning, April 21, at 10 o'clock, by singing Hymns 7 and 127 in the Young People's Hymnal, followed with prayer by R. C. Grace.

Rev. T. K. Faunt LeRoy was appointed to preside, and he proceeded to call for topics and speakers as per the printed programme, the general subject for the day being "The Sources and Developments of the New Life." The subjects assigned were well handled, and the discussion of them will, we are sure, result in renewed zeal and consecration upon the part of those who were present.

The afternoon session opened at 3:30 o'clock, with devotional exercises conducted by R. M. Blocker.

The meeting was presided over by Rev. J. F. Foster, and the time was consumed in discussing methods of League work represented in the three departments. The session was well attended, and many questions of vital interest were discussed.

Crowley is dispensing an open-handed hospitality, such as she is capable of doing, and for which she has earned an enviable reputation. The stores and offices are decorated with the League colors, and everyone is endeavoring to make the occasion both pleasant and profitable.

The special order for to-night's service is the hearing of reports from the Leagues, followed by addresses on "Christian Citizenship."

We hope to furnish particulars of proceedings of remaining sessions of the Conference in the ADVOCATE of next week.

THOMAS B. CLIFFORD,
League Editor.

Crowley, La., Friday night, April 21, 1899.

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NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The New Orleans District Conference held its sessions in Carrollton Avenue Church, New Orleans, April 13-16; S. S. Keener, P. E., in the chair. All the churches in the district were represented by their respective pastors and lay delegates. Plaquemine was the only work not represented in person by the preacher in charge, but a letter was read from Bro. Kent explaining his absence, and giving a most encouraging report from his field.

From the reports made it is evident that the pastors are extending the interests of the church, and are saving souls. The spiritual state of the church indicates that there is more intimate fellowship with Christ sought by the members.

The financial situation is encouraging. There is very little indebtedness on church property, and nearly every work reported some part of the Conference collections taken.

With only a few exceptions, the pastors could report strong, active Epworth Leagues, doing good work.

The Sunday-schools were found to be increasing in attendance and interest.

The Conference was opened by a few well-chosen remarks from Bro. Keener, setting forth the object of the gathering, and desiring that it be made a spiritual blessing to all.

Bros. Skipper, Evans, Wynn, Foster and Fontaine preached strong, scriptural sermons.

Our beloved Bishop, J. C. Keener, was present at several sessions of the Conference.

Resolutions expressing regret that ill-health compelled Bro. B. Wright to give up his work at Burgundy, after such an auspicious beginning, were passed; also resolutions on the death of Bro. L. A. Reed.

The license of L. Freeland Magruder was renewed.

Profs. Chambers and Cisler, of Whitworth and Centenary Colleges, were welcome guests in our midst, and spoke hopefully of those institutions of learning.

W. H. LaPrade, D. D., addressed the Conference on the subject of the Twentieth Century Fund.

W. C. Black, D. D., represented the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: W. B. Thomson, W. W. Carre, Jacob Cohen, David Cable; alternates: F. S. Daniels and E. P. Mackie.

Board of Trustees of Seashore Camp Grounds: H. W. Spear, Dr. R. L. Riley, A. S. Daniels, W. H. Krone, W. B. Thomson, J. A. Woodville, S. H. Meyer and Dr. J. W. Adams.

A spirit of harmony and brotherly feeling pervaded the Conference from beginning to end, and those who were privileged to spend these days in discussing the matters of the kingdom were honored by a vision of the King in his beauty.

Carondelet is the place of meeting chosen for next Conference.

G. D. P.

OUR NEW CHURCH.

The corner-stone of our beautiful new church has been laid with impressive ceremonies. The day was quite an inclement one, heavy rain storms prevailing in the early morning, but by 11:30 the clouds began to break, and a full house greeted our dear Bishop Galloway, to listen to an exceedingly eloquent address, such as a Galloway only can give. After listening for over an hour (which seemed only a few minutes) to the Bishop, the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone were completed.

In the box was deposited a Bible, a Discipline, copies of NEW ORLEANS and Nashville Advocates and our various Sunday-school literature, coins of various kinds, copies of the local papers, a complete roll of the membership, names of pastor, presiding elder, Bishop, and also a complete list of all who did work upon the building, together with various and sundry items. Our good Dr. Murrah accompanied the Bishop and assisted in the ceremonies. There were also present some of our neighboring brethren and also the pastors of the various churches in our city. Altogether it was a day long to be remembered in our midst.

The beautiful temple is fast approaching completion, and when finished it will be one of the handsomest churches in either city, and not only an honor to Methodism in our own city, but to our whole State. We hope to get possession of the Sunday-school department by May 1, and the whole building by July 1. Our dear Bro. Mitchell is much beloved by his people and is doing a good work in our midst. Come to see us, Doctor, and we will let you preach in our new house.

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Greenwood, Miss., April 22, 1899.

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A P. S. AND THE EXPLANATION.

P. S.—This may be an item of news: A former member of our Conference, but now a member of the M. E. Church and Louisiana Conference, has been sent up here as a missionary in the bounds of Arcadia district. They have no church nor a single member in this country. We have six thousand Southern Methodists in this district, and yet our big sister of even age must send a missionary among us, and a man that, at the last Conference he attended before leaving us, was complained of by his presiding elder, and barely passed muster. Selah! What shall we expect next? B. T. CREWS.

Arcadia, La., March 15, 1899.

As his remark as to complaint made by my presiding elder affects the reputation of a brother, I feel sure that Bro. V. D. Skipper, pastor of Louisiana Avenue Church—who was my presiding elder at the time—will take pleasure in publishing in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE what my offense was, that the general public may know whether or not I was accused of violating any Commandment of the Decalogue.

F. D. VAN VALKENBURGH.

Bro. F. D. Van Valkenburgh's offense in this case was as follows: Rev. W. T. Woodward was pastor of the Simsport circuit, which included Marksville as one of his preaching-places. Bro. Van Valkenburgh arranged to hold a protracted meeting at Marksville. When Bro. Woodward heard of it, he wrote to me, as presiding elder, asking me to see Bro. Van Valkenburgh, and tell him to call in his meeting. This I did, showing him Bro. Woodward's letter; but Bro. Van Valkenburgh refused, and held his meeting over the pastor's protest. I wrote to Bishop Hendrix, stating the case to him. His reply was, "When Bro. Van Valkenburgh's name is called at Conference, make him answer for his conduct." This I did, according to the law of the church and the instruction of the presiding Bishop.

Bro. Van Valkenburgh was not guilty of violating any Commandment of the Decalogue. If he had been, his character would not have passed at all. V. D. SKIPPER.

New Orleans, La., April 20, 1899.

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NOTICE.

The Corinth District Conference will meet at Iuka, June 30, and embrace July 2. T. Y. RAMSEY.

Booneville, Miss., April 18, 1899

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Such eyes of blue, and shining hair,
What do you think I'd do?
I'd wear so bright and sweet a smile,
I'd be so loving all the while,
I'd be so helpful with my hand,
So quick and gentle to command,
You soon would see
That everyone would turn to say,
"'Tis good to meet that child to day."
Yes, yes, my lord, that's what I'd do,
If I were you.

Or, if I chanced to be a boy,
Like some I know,
With crisp curls sparkling in the sun,
And eyes all beaming bright with fun—
Ah, if I could be so,
I'd strive and strive with all my might
To be so true, so brave, polite,
That in me each one might behold
A hero, as in days of old.
'Twould be a joy
To bear one, looking at me, say,
"My cheer and comfort all the day."
Yes, if I were a boy, I know
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THE POWER OF ENTHUSIASM.

"Men are nothing," exclaimed Montaigne, "until they are excited." Like the new and added power of the young lover to paint in hues of paradise the ugliest object, enthusiasm gives the otherwise dry and uninteresting subject or occupation a new meaning. Dickens says he was haunted, possessed, spirit-driven, by the plots and characters in his stories, which would not let him sleep or rest until he had committed them to paper. On one sketch he shut himself up for a month, and when he came out he looked haggard as a murderer. His characters haunted him day and night.

Courage recognizes the danger and meets it with a serene front. Confidence in one's powers, the thought of the prize to be won, the love of glory and reputation, a knowledge of the means at our disposal, and a faith in fortune, are the considerations which strengthen courage; and, if they are marshaled in battle array and led by enthusiasm, the fears which hover over our path will be routed like flocks of evil-boding birds.

It is this most potent factor that is present in all accomplishment which is of value. Does a speaker thrill you with the magic of an eloquence that seems to carry you out of your ordinary self, and sometimes to lead your very convictions captive? Be assured that it is because the speech is vitalized with the enthusiasm of an earnest belief which knows no doubt or hesitation. It enters into every invention, every masterpiece of painting or sculpture, every great poem, essay or novel that holds the world breathless with admiration.

It is a spiritual power. It has its birth among the higher potencies. You never find true enthusiasm in those people who are always groveling in the dirt at the feet of the senses. In its very nature it is uplifting.

Henry Clay, when speaking in the Senate, forgot himself as completely as if he were a father pleading for his children. On one occasion, in appealing to the President of the Senate, he became so oblivious of everybody and everything but his subject, that he left his place on the floor of the Senate chamber, and by gradual steps came down to the chair of the Vice-President, where he stood appealing to him as if none but the latter and himself were present, leaving behind him all his colleagues, who were watching him and listening to him in silent, but wondering admiration.

It was enthusiasm that led Patrick Henry to utter those patriotic words so familiar to every boy and girl, and the same element made Webster defend right rather than a selfish desire.

It was enthusiasm that enabled Napoleon to make a campaign in two weeks that would have taken another at least a year, or even more, to accomplish. "These Frenchmen are not men, they fly," said the Austrians, in consternation. In fifteen days Napoleon, in his first Italian campaign, had gained six victories, taken twenty-one standards and fifty-five pieces of cannon, had captured fifteen thousand prisoners, and had conquered Piedmont. After this avalanche a discomfited Austrian general said: "This young commander knows nothing whatever about the art of war. He is a perfect ignoramus. There is no doing anything with him." But his soldiers followed their "Little Corporal" with an enthusiasm which knew no defeat or disaster.

The Maid of Orleans, with her sacred sword, her consecrated banner, and her belief in her great mission, sent a thrill of enthusiasm through the whole French army such as neither king nor statesmen could produce. Her zeal carried everything before it. Oh! what a great work each one could perform in this world if he only knew his power! But, like a bitted horse, man does not realize his strength until he has once run away with himself.

Indifference never leads armies that conquer, never models statues that live, nor breathes sublime music, nor harnesses the forces of nature, nor rears impressive architecture, nor moves the soul with poetry, nor the world with heroic philanthropies. Enthusiasm, as Charles Bell says of the hand, wrought the statue of Memnon and hung the brazen gates of Thebes. It fixed the mariner's trembling needle upon its axis, and first heaved the tremendous bar of the printing-press. It opened the tubes for Galileo, until world after world swept before his vision, and it reefed the high topsail that rustled over Columbus in the morning breezes of the Bahamas. It has held the sword with which Freedom has fought her battles, and poised the ax of the dauntless woodman as he opened the paths of civilization, and turned the mystic leaves upon which Milton and Shakspeare inscribed their burning thoughts. Young man, do not fear to be enthusiastic! Believe in yourself, and believe in what you undertake, and you may be sure that the world will respect your enthusiasm.—Success.

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In a Pullman car on an English railway, recently, says an exchange, a waggish young man, noticing an elderly gentleman trying to put on a light dust coat, went to his assistance. While thus engaged, the young man observed a good-sized whisky flask protruding from one of the old gentleman's pockets, and thought it a good opportunity for a joke. Having helped the stranger on with his coat, therefore, he pulled out the flask and said:

"Will you take a drink?"

The old man did not recognize the bottle, and, drawing himself up, remarked rather severely:

"No, sir, I never drink."

"It won't hurt you," insisted the wag; "it's the best."

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HUTCHINS.—We have lost one of our best and most consecrated members, Sister LIZZIE HENINGTON HUTCHINS. She was born near Crystal Springs, Miss., June 10, 1839; married Jan 4, 1855, and died at her home in Lake Charles, La., Feb. 11, 1899. Her husband, one son, two bright little girls, and a host of relatives and friends, mourn her death. She was a descendant of Henry Henington, a Methodist preacher who, in the latter part of the eighteenth century, moved with his two brothers, Thomas and John, also Methodist preachers, from South Carolina to Mississippi. John and Henry settled near Crystal Springs, where they reared large and interesting families, some of whom have been and are the best people of the communities where they have lived.

Isaac Henington, the fifth son of Henry Henington, married Martha Rawls, and five children were born to them: Charles and Henry, now living near Crystal Springs; Mrs. Julia Barnes, of West Lake, La.; Mrs. Annie Reid, of this city, and the subject of this sketch. The crowning work of this good man's life was, perhaps, the organization and perfection of the Henington Camp Ground, near Crystal Springs, which stands a monument to his name and liberality.

Sister Hutchins was a worthy representative of her father in loyalty and devotion to the church, and in the performance of duty. As a friend, she was sympathetic and true; as a wife and mother she was incomparable in her beautiful unselfishness. Her first thought was always for the welfare of her husband and children, counting no sacrifice too great to be made for them.

Truly a good woman has gone from us. We are sad that we are her face no more in the flesh, but we are glad that she yet lives, rejoicing in the eternal beauties and glories of heaven. B. F. WHITE.

LOCKHART.—JAMES J. LOCKHART was born in Copiah county, May 10, 1828, but was reared on a farm in Lincoln county, near where Brookhaven now stands. At the age of twenty-one he entered the employ of Mr. Whitworth, a merchant of Brookhaven, afterwards the founder of Whitworth College. After six years' labor there he went to Mt. Carmel, of Covington county, and engaged in merchandising for several years. Thence he came to Simpson county, bought a farm near Westville, and there resided until death.

He was married in June, 1858, to Miss E. C. Darr, to whom were born seven children, three of whom are still living.

In October, 1875, he was married again to Miss L. C. Fenn, who survives him.

He was a consistent Christian. He was converted at Providence Camp Ground in '75, and united with the church at once. At the next Quarterly Conference he was elected a steward, and until his death he was either steward or trustee, and sometimes both, always being a true friend and helper to his pastor.

As a farmer, he was successful, practicing the advice of the apostle when he says, "Owe no man anything." As a father, he was kind and loving, yet firm. As a husband, he was loving and true. As a neighbor, following the doctrine of the Golden Rule, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." As a citizen, he was peaceable, law-abiding, and public-spirited.

February 22, '99, alone at his home with his beloved wife, without a moment's warning or a groan, he passed away. He was buried from the Methodist Church of Westville.

L. E. ALFORD,
P. C. Westville circuit.

TUCKER.—JOHN ENONY, fourth child and only son of Louiza Jane Stephenson and Reuben Tucker, was born in Arcadia, La., July 31, 1867, and died of consumption in Centre Point, Texas, Feb. 19, 1899.

His bed-side was lovingly surrounded by her who, about ten years ago, in Vienna, La., became his bride, and five little children whom God sent to bless the union of Minnie McCord and John Tucker. The father, bent with cares and hardships, was also present when the life-spark went out.

A short while prior to his marriage he professed religion at a revival here, and joined the M. E. Church under the pastorate of Rev. W. J. Porter. Since then he has always endeavored to lead a Christian life. His membership was transferred to Centre Point, Texas, where, in the hope of recuperating his health, he went last October.

From infancy the importance of "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" was thoroughly instilled into his soul. He was always good and kind. He was by nature endowed with a genial, sunny disposition, full of affection for all those by ties of kindred near to him. He was a devoted husband, indulgent and tender father. As a neighbor, he was ever ready to extend a helping hand. He possessed many noble traits of character, and was entirely unselfishness.

How consoling to think he is at rest! His aged father, bowed with grief, an invalid mother who realizes nothing but pain, eight sisters, besides his young wife and five children, survive yet. IRENE B. GOODWYN.

Vienna, La.

SWINDOLL.—Mrs. NANCY H. SWINDOLL was born to Nelson and Anna Ridgeway in Clark county, Ga., Feb. 14, 1822, and died March 26, 1899, at 8:50 o'clock A. M.

Sister Swindoll was twice married—first to Robert S. McLeroy. To them were born ten children, but the husband and father was hurled in 1854. In 1859 she was married to George W. Swindoll, and became the mother of two other children. In 1872 Sister Swindoll buried her second husband. She was the mother of twelve children, grandmother of fifty-six grandchildren and twenty-eight great-grandchildren.

She first joined the Baptist Church, but after moving to Marshall county, Miss., in 1849 with her first husband, she joined the M. E. Church at Bethlehem, where she remained a member, true in the cause, until her death.

Sister Swindoll was a devout Christian, a true friend to the preacher, with heart, hand and pocket-book open to his wants, and will be missed by her church. She praised the Lord in her last illness.

The last whisper that watching, loving friends were able to catch was, "Bless the Lord." She leaves eight children to follow her to the better land. Loved ones, weep not, but follow the good example of your mother and grandmother until you meet her on the other shore.

E. C. SULLIVAN.

GOODLOE.—Mrs. MARTHA GOODLOE, wife of W. H. Goodloe, died at the home of R. J. Goodloe, March 11, and was buried at the family burial-ground by the side of her husband, near Livingston, on Sunday, March 12 1899.

Sister Goodloe had not been sick long when the end came. She had always wished that her life might end when her activity in this life closed; she did not want to be dependent upon others, and it was as she wished. She had only a few months before broken up housekeeping, and left the old home and gone to live with her brother-in-law.

Sister Goodloe leaves a large circle of friends and relatives and loved ones. She had been a member of the Methodist Church since early life, and was a genuine type of Methodist. She had been a member of Livingston Church since 1866, and many an itinerant has shared the kindness of her Christian heart and home. She was a faithful supporter of the church, and will be sadly missed. I have known her for more than three years, and I never knew a purer or holier Christian. Her life was simply beautiful. May her mantle fall on some one left behind!

J. G. CAMMACK.

Florn, Miss.

CALK.—NANCY E. DURR was born in Clark county, Ala., on the eighteenth day of May, 1819. She was converted and united with the M. E. Church in 1833. She was married to Moses Calk in August of 1839, came to Louisiana in 1873, and died at Pollock, La., on the eighteenth day of February, 1899. Her husband and three of her children preceded her to the "other shore," while six children are left to mourn their loss.

Sister Calk was a Methodist of the olden type, living a consistent life six days in the week, and delighting in the services of the Lord's house on the Sabbath, often shouting along her praises to God. She delighted in all the services, and it was rare to be something serious that kept her away. She was attentive to all in sickness or distress, ministering to their needs as she found it in her power. She served God in his church for nearly three-score years and ten, and when the last conflict came she was ready to meet death. After having those about her sing, "Jesus, lover of my soul," and bidding her children and friends not to grieve for her, she went to see the Savior she loved so well "face to face."

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A cotton mill company, with a capital of $100,000, has been organized in Shreveport, La.

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There is a crevasse on the east bank of Bayon Lafonrche. It will damage several important sugar plantations.

Hon. Samuel I. Baird, congressman for the Fifth District of Louisiana, died in Washington (D. C.) on April 22.

The total amount of power estimated as necessary for the Paris Exposition is 50,000 horse-power, of which 15,000 is allotted for lighting and 5000 for motive power.

The steamship "General Whitney," which left here, on April 17, for New York, foundered north of Cape Canaverel during Friday night. The captain and most of the crew were drowned.

Ex-Senator M. S. Quay, of Pennsylvania, who has been on trial at Philadelphia on a charge of having conspired with one Hopkins, the cashier of the People's Bank of that city, to plunder said bank, was acquitted by a jury.

David Christie Murray, the novelist, alluding, in the course of his speech, to the relations between Great Britain and the United States, suggested the erection upon British soil, by British subscription, of a statue of George Washington as "a recognition of the honesty of the cause in which America fought against us, and of our eternal amity for that great people."

According to the latest advices from the country, the weather during the past week or ten days has been more favorable for agricultural purposes than it has been at any time since the germinating season commenced. For the first time we have had comparatively warm, growing weather, accompanied by soaking rains. As a consequence, sugar, rice, cotton and the smaller crops have made excellent progress.

It will no longer be necessary to kiss the Bible in taking a legal oath in New York State. Governor Roosevelt has signed a bill to abolish the old custom, which has obtained as long as the country itself. The practice was considered dangerous to health, although Magistrate Wentworth says that he never heard of a well authenticated case of a person catching a fatal disease from kissing the Bible in taking an oath.

The celebrated Triple Alliance, which played so prominent a part in European politics during the closing years of the Bismarck regime, has been practically terminated. There has been no open announcement of withdrawal on the part of any of the three powers parties to the agreement, but the disruption of the pact is none the less complete. The Triple Alliance was the product of Bismarck's fertile brain, and its main objects were to restrain Russia on the one hand, and isolate France on the other.

As a result of his allusion to the conduct of the German fleet at Manila during the war with Spain, Captain Joseph B. Coghlan will, in all probability, be relieved of the command of the "Raleigh." The department is very much concerned over the effect of Captain Coghlan's remarks upon Germany. The German embassy naturally feels keenly the revival of stories regarding the attitude of the German fleet at Manila, the circulation of which were intended, the embassy officials say, to interrupt the friendly relations between the Berlin and Washington Governments.

Under General Brooke's order specifying the uses to which Cuban customhouse receipts are hereafter to be applied, municipalities are to be aided from the general fund when conditions justify such assistance. As the customs revenues for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899, promise to reach $13,000,000 or $14,000,000, there will be money enough on hand to meet the most liberal demands that may be presented by the department commanders. Indeed, if customs receipts continue to hold at the present ratio, they could not only be made to satisfy all the present necessities of an insular government, but also to pay the expense of an army of occupation of from 10,000 to 12,000 men.

It seems now as if the Philippine policy of President McKinley is embarrassing his administration. He is said to have made a mistake in not proclaiming to the Philippines that the United States would not seek to retain possession of the islands after a stable government had been established. It was also stated at that time that the United States could not conquer the Filipinos without the expenditure of a great amount of life and money. These predictions are about to be verified. One general states it will take 100,000 men to subdue the Filipinos; another, 50,000. They have been defeated over and over again, driven into the jungles, their towns taken, but once left alone, they spring up from the ground.

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WINONA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

CHANGE OF DATE.

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Bro. W. S. Shipman, P. E., will hold the Missionary and Educational Institute on Wednesday, May 10, and Thursday, May 11, will be observed as Epworth League and Sunday-school Day. The District Conference will convene on Friday, May 12. Let all concerned note this change of date.

I am just in receipt of a letter from one of the most progressive young preachers of the North Mississippi Conference, in which he says: "You can depend on me to preach, pray, sing, talk and write education. I believe in it. We will observe Education Day here, and at each church, until all shall hear of the great purpose in view. Then I will write to each individual member, and leave no stone unturned."

A like enthusiasm and activity on the part of all will work wonders, and will make the first Sunday in May a day never to be forgotten. The brother above referred to says, "Pray for me on Education Day."

Dear brethren, let us all be much in prayer, as well as tireless in energy. Let every preacher in Mississippi know that at least one is engaged in earnest prayer for their success in the work of the ministry, and that one will remember them in special prayer on Sunday, May 7. J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., April 25, 1899.

NOTICE.

Will all the brethren who intend coming to the District Conference, to be held here May 21-28, please oblige me by furnishing me with such information at once? I hope Centenary College will send a representative, and will notify me beforehand. We hope all the preachers will bring their best revival sermons. I hope the brethren will give this matter their earliest attention. We are planning for a great time in Lecompte at our District Conference. Bishop J. S. Key is to lead us.

W. T. WOODWARD, P. C.

Lecompte, La., April 17, 1899.

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McComb City	May 6, 7
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Moriah	13, 14
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Westville, at Gum Springs	20, 21
Adams, at Ebenezer	27, 28
Pleasant Grove, at Sartio's	June 3, 4
Caseyville, at Pleasant Valley	10, 11
Beauregard, at Martinsville	17, 18
Hazlehurst	18, 19
Summit, at Pisgah	25, 26
Tylertown, at Holmesville	July 1, 2

District Conference will begin in Brookhaven at 9 A. M., on Thursday, April 27, and will continue through the thirtieth.

The preachers will please take notice that, in answering Question 17 in addition to the items indicated in the Discipline, information should be given as to the progress made in securing subscriptions to the Twentieth Century Fund. I trust that good reports under this question will be heard at every Quarterly Conference of this round. Let all of the preachers understand that this is a matter of very great importance.

The preachers in charge will please arrange for the presiding elder to address the Epworth Leagues, where there are any; and where none have been organized, arrange for an address to the young people on the "Epworth League Idea, and How to Work It." He is very desirous of being specially useful to the young life of the church in his district.

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SEASHORE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Biloxi	Apr. 29, 30
Gulfway, at Brooklyn	May 6, 7
East Covington, at Mt. Taber	12
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
St. John's, at Holland's Chapel	20, 21
Hattiesburg	26
Whittington, at McIlleary	27, 28
Columbia, at Hopewell	June 3, 4
Leaksville, at Pine Grove	8

District Conference will meet in Biloxi, April 27, at 10 A. M.

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Hillsboro, at Good Hope	Thurs.. Apr. 27
N. and Hickory, at Newton	Sun and Mon May 7, 8
Vossburg and H., at Goodwater	Sat., Sun., and Mon. 13, 14, 15
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun.. 20, 21
Lake, at High Hill	Thurs.. 25
Montrose, at Montrose	Sat. and Sun. 27, 28
District High School at Montrose, annual sermon	28
Rose Hill, at Hopewell	Wed.. 31
Chunkey, at Sageville	Sat. and Sun. June 3, 4
Choctaw Mission, at Talle-Chulek	Thurs.. 8
Nashoba, at Hester's Chapel	Sat. and Sun 10, 11
Decatur, at Union	Wed.. 14

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Sharon, at Lone Pine	Apr. 29, 30
Jackson—First Church	A. M.. May 7
Jackson—Capitol Street	P. M.. 7
Yazoo circuit, at Mt. Carmel	13, 14
Yazoo City	14, 15
Brandon	Conf., 18.. 21
Tranquil, at Zeigler	Sat. A. M., Sun P. M	20, 21
Benton, at Midway	Sun A. M., Mon. A. M.	21, 22
Silver City and B. L., at Silver City	27, 28
Lake City and Lodi, at Lodi	28, 29
Fannin, at Union	June 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Bethel	10, 11
Vaughan's, at Union	24, 25
Camden, at Senie Chapel	July 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Durant station	Apr. 29, 30
Rural Hill, at Center Ridge	May 6, 7
Cumberland, at Cumberland	13, 14
Tennadeo, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
Belzona	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June 3, 4
Louisville	10, 11
Salem	15

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Olive Branch, at Oak Grove	May 6, 7
Byhalia, at Emery	13, 14
Waterford, at Harris' Ch	20, 21
Mt. Pleasant, at Early Grove	27, 28
East Holly Springs, at Fountain Grove	June 3, 4
Red Banks, at Red Banks	10, 11
Ashland, at Shiem	17, 18
Connersville, at ——	24, 25

District Conference convenes at Pontotoc, April 27, at 9 A. M.

J. W. HONSELL, P. E.

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Louisiana Avenue	Apr. 30
Piaquemine	May 7
Slidell	14
Royce Memorial	21
Dryades Street	28
Carrollton Avenue	June 4
White Castle	11
Carondelet Street	18
Carrollton	25
Burgundy Street	July 2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Texas Avenue	11 A. M.. Apr. 30
First Church	7:30 P. M.. 30
Benton, at Alden's Bridge	May 2
Grand Cane, at Stonewall	6, 7
Cadilo, at Greenwood	10
South Bossier, at Allenton	13, 14
Logansport, at Longstreet	17
Fort Jessup and Many, at Fort Jessup	20, 21
Florien and mission, at ——	24
Zwolle, at Bayou Scie	27, 28
Pleasant Hill, at Beulah	31
Mooringsport, at Blanchard	June 3, 4
Wesley, at Campte	7
North Bossier, at Emma	10, 11
Mansfield	18
Red River, at Campohello	21
Pelican, at ——	24, 25
Coushatta, at Coushatta	28
District Conference, at Coushatta	29-July 2
Opening	9 A. M.. June 29
Conference sermon by Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard	11 A. M.. 29
Missionary Institute, led by Rev. J. O. Bennett	3 P. M.. 20
Sunday-school and Epworth League, led by Revs. W. G. Evans and P. O. Lowrey	3 P. M.. 30
Twentieth Century Educational Fund, led by Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D.	3 P. M.. July 1
District Conference love-feast, led by the presiding elder	3 P. M.. 2

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Olla and Pollock, at Olla	Apr. 29, 30
Ada and Winfield, at —— Conference	11 a.m Preaching, 7:30 p.m. May 3
Columbia, at Ilconfi River	6, 7
Dry Creek, at ——	13, 14
Spring Creek, at ——. Conference,	11 a. m Preaching, 7:30 p. m. 17
Pineville, at ——	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Lecompte, May 24-28.

As far as practicable, the collections for foreign missions will be brought up by the preachers. Let there be a pull for this collection.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Minden	Apr. 28
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	28
Flat Lick, at Mimms' E. House	29, 30
Gibsland, at G	May 6, 7
Arcadia	13, 14
Homer, at Homer	20, 21
Haynesville, at Mt. Zion	27, 28
Gansville	June 2
Bienville	3, 4

R. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Prudhomme, at Church Point	Apr. 29, 30
Plaquemine Brusle	May 6, 7
Indian Bayou	9, 10
Opelousas, at Bello View	13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine	20, 21
Crowley	27, 28
West Lake	June 3, 4
Grand Cheniere	10, 11
Lake Charles	17, 18

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MARRIAGES.

RONTOEON—PICKEL.—At Sunnyside Plantation, Rapides parish, La., April 5, 1899, by Rev. J. A. Parker, D. D., Mr. H. L. Rontgeon and Miss Christina Pickel.

ROBERTS—HEBERT.—At French Settlement, La., April 5, 1899, at 5 P. M., by Rev. N. J. Roberts, Rev. H. D. Roberts to Miss Blanche Hebert.

MARTIN—RAWLS.—At the residence of the bride's father, April 20, 1899, by Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, Mr. W. W. Martin to Miss Endie Rawls, both citizens of McComb, Miss.

BALENGER—CAZENESE.—On Tolly-ho Plantation, Bayou Genia, La., Jan. 7, 1899, at 2 P. M., by Rev. Chas. C. Wier, Mr. H. D. Balenger and Miss Julia Cazenese.

HAAG—WEICHLER.—At the church in White Castle, La., April 19, 1899, at 8 P. M. by Rev. Chas. C. Wier, Mr. Fred Moritz Haag and Miss Marie Theresa Weichler, both of White Castle.

CREAL—NETERVER.—At the residence of Mr. Arthur Neterver, McComb City, Miss., April 16, 1899, by Rev. J. W. Tinnin, Mr. James A. Creal to Miss Ida M. Neterver, all of McComb City, Miss.

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AS WE SOW.

We shape ourselves the joy or fear
Of which the coming life is made,
And fill our future's atmosphere
With sunshine or with shade.

The tissues of the life to be
We weave with colors all our own,
And in the field of destiny
We reap as we have sown.

—Whittier.

Communications.

A BOUNDLESS OPPORTUNITY.

The following letter from Mr. Elmer E. Hobbard, of Matanzas, Cuba, can not bnt appeal to the sympathy of onr people. As we have before stated, Mr. Hubbard is a consecrated layman working in connection with our mission in Cuba, and any assistance given this heroic worker in his noble effort to rescue the destitute and orphan children will be most worthily bestowed. Let every one give something for these little ones whose very existence is dependent upon such free-will offerings as may be sent Mr. Hubbard. Food, clothes, or money—any or all can be used. This work has no appropriation. It is as much a work of faith as was that of George Muller. May God use us to honor this brother's faith!

212 Velarde St., Matanzas, Cuba.

DEAR DR. LAMBUTH: This has been indeed a Good Friday. A widow and her four boys, another boy with no mother and with a sick father, and a little fatherless, motherless girl—all of them about as destitute as it is possible for human being to be and live—have been given a home, and we have promised to take four more boys to-morrow. On the same day word has come that the Eighth Massachusetts Volunteers, who are getting ready to go home, are going to leave a supply of cots and other outfit sufficient for thirty or forty boys, and we can have these things if we need them. As yet, we have not a chair in the house, but sit on empty boxes, and we have no table or other article of furniture, except what our own hands have made, our cots costing us about fifty cents apiece for the material. Still, we are as happy and as comfortable as we would be if we had the most costly furniture.

The authorities have decided to let the Catholics keep all the children they now have; so we are laying our own foundation, and expect to build thereon. A week ago to-day I rented for $12 a month a house that will accommodate 12 or 15, and perhaps 20, and the indications now are that before the end of the month this house will be too small for us. The opportunity for doing the Master's work in caring for the destitute women and children in this island seems almost limitless. Let us pray that the men and the means may measure up to the opportunity.

LATER.—There are now 13 of us, and we expect three more to-day. Many more have applied, but we tell them they must wait till we get a larger house. We are planning now to get a house that will accommodate at least 50. It ought to be 100. The number will soon be that if we get the help and encouragement from America that we need. All applicants are referred to Mrs. Alfonso, who is a most valuable worker in this mission. She is well acquainted in Matanzas, and knows, or can find out, who are most needy.

Our daily food now is about as follows: 2 pounds of wheat, 8 cents; 4 pounds of rice, 16 cents; 1½ pounds of beans, 8 cents; 3 pounds of sweet potatoes, 5 cents; 5 pounds of bread, 25 cents; tomatoes, 3 cents; ½ pound of sugar, 4 cents; ½ dozen oranges, 18 cents; lard and oil 5 cents; 1 can of condensed milk, 15 cents, and coffee, 5 cents—about $1 American money a day for thirteen. The wheat and beans I brought with me from New York. We parch the wheat and grind it in a coffee mill. If I had a little time, I could figure out the above bill of fare, to see if it meets the scientific requirements as to the amount of the various food elements required, but I know without any computation that our food seems to satisfy us, and that is the important thing.

It is reported that the United States Government is going to stop issuing rations, and I do not know whether we shall be able to get anything in that way or not. Anyway, we shall have to depend sooner or later upon private contributions to sustain this work. There are unused articles in many American homes which would be very valuable to us if we had them here. And often people at home have an opportunity to buy remnants of cloth and other things at a reduced price, while we have to buy them at a high price here. We need a large supply of light clothing for women and children, and some clothing for men; a supply of blankets, or something to spread on our cots; sheets; and if we had pillows, pillow cases, towels, handkerchiefs, and soap. Our supply of wheat will soon be gone, and as it is not in the market here, we ought to have some sent to us. We ought to have something like a coffee roaster for parching the wheat, and a large mill, such as grocers use for grinding coffee, to grind the wheat. Perhaps other articles of food may as well be bought here, unless it is rice. We do not want to have to pay heavy transportation charges. Would it not be well, say, for the presiding elder of a district to appoint some one to whom contributions may be sent, and then all contributions from each district could be sent in one consignment, and expense of sending would be less? Perhaps you could get reduced rates from the transportation companies. There is little danger of too much being sent, for if we receive more than we need in Matanzas, the surplus can go to some of the other many needy places in the island. For our table we shall need more spoons. Such as are sold in the States for ten or twenty cents a dozen are all right. There are, no doubt, a number of other things that I do not think of now that we shall need—carpenters tools, garden tools, and the things needed for hair-dressing, tailoring, dress-making, etc., besides the many little things that are needed about a home, and we shall need some money to buy the needed things that are not sent to us.

Chaplain Sanders, of the Eighth Massachusetts Volunteers, who has taken an active interest in our work, expects to remain in Matanzas two or three weeks after his regiment leaves. With his help we expect to form an organization to have charge of our work for widows and orphans, and, perhaps, we shall have it incorporated. For the present contributions may be sent to Rev. H. W. Baker, 56 Contreras street, Matanzas. United States postal money orders are cashed here, as are also drafts on New York. Care should be taken to put a five-cent stamp on letters, as a two-cent stamp means an additional six cents here. Some of our missionaries have to pay several dollars a month for "postage due."

One of our greatest needs is more men and women. I ought to have at least one man and one woman immediately to help me; more would find plenty to do. Those who come must be willing to live very simply, and, perhaps, with self-denial. I think there is little danger to health in this climate if one uses only simple, wholesome food, and takes other necessary precautions. I think I am improving in health and strength each day. I know that you are praying for us, and I know, too, "faith is better than funds."

Ever sincerely yours,

ELMER E. HUBBARD.

Having known Mr. Hubbard for over fifteen years, both in Japan and in Cuba, I can endorse him as being in every way worthy of confidence. His method of work has the cordial approval of Bishop W. A. Candler, who is in charge of the Cuba Mission, and his self-denying, devoted efforts in behalf of these destitute children should have the hearty support of the people of the United States. Funds or donations may be sent to Rev. H. W. Baker, as indicated above, or to J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, M. E. Church, South, Nashville, Tenn. They will be acknowledged and forwarded at once.

WALTER R LAMBUTH,
Secretary.

Correspondence.

CALIFORNIA LETTER.

BY REV. W. P. ANDREWS.

My last communication to the ADVOCATE was written about the first of January. I reported the falling of much-needed, refreshing showers. Then followed a period when the clouds withheld the rain, and great fears were entertained of another dry year; but in the niche of time the "latter rains" began to fall in copious showers, and continued until all parts of our territory had been visited. Since then the voice of the croaker has ceased; grain, grass, fruits and flowers have grown luxuriantly, and all nature has rejoiced.

Best of all, showers of grace have fallen. Our District Conferences have been held. Being Conference Secretary of Missions, in the interest of the cause I attended them all. It was good to be there. After mingling with the brethren in these gatherings, and listening to their reports, I consider the outlook for our church in California more hopeful than since the beginning of our controversies, a quadrennium ago.

A number of revivals were reported, in some the pastor being assisted by an evangelist, in some by brother pastors, while in others no outside aid was called in, the pastor doing his own preaching. Each pastor was governed by circumstances and his own judgment; upon occasion, no doubt, availing himself of the wise counsel of his presiding elder. I believe, therefore, we may consider the evangelist question settled, and settled as it should have been before any ill-feeling among brethren was aroused. I believe we have with great unanimity, and yet without consultation, come to the conclusion that no evangelist who speaks evil of the church, its ministers and institutions, will be welcomed to any of our charges. Mercenary evangelists are not likely to trouble us any more, as the shekels are no longer poured lavishly into their laps.

The preaching at all the Conferences was good, and it seemed to me more spiritual than usual. The office and work of the Holy Ghost was emphasized, but not in controversy. Indeed, I heard but one controversial sermon, and that was against the doctrine of depravity. The brother who delivered it is an able preacher and sweet-spirited pastor. This subject is his hobby, however, and ride it he will. Perhaps he will tire of it after awhile.

The subject of missions was given the right of way at all the Conferences. The missionary spirit is evidently growing among us. As our temporalities return to their normal state I expect largely increased contributions to this cause. More and more attention is also being given to the heathen in our midst. Many of the hitherto skeptical have been forced to admit that the gospel is capable of saving a Chinaman or a Japanese, even in America. The Chinese and Japanese night schools, conducted under the auspices of the W. H. M. Society, are doing good, though the fact that these people are migratory, and we have no churches among them, prevent us from realizing how much good they do accomplish. My own experience with the Japanese in Oakland convinces me that they are not more difficult, but really less difficult to bring to Christ than gospel-hardened Americans.

Mr. Moody spent a few days with us recently. I had never heard him before. He has the ear of this people as no other man has. No house in the city would begin to hold the crowds that flocked to hear him. Standing room was at a premium long before the hour appointed for each service. He is thoroughly orthodox, and shows no quarter to modern higher critics and other real enemies, though pretended friends to the truth. His visit was needed to counteract the teachings of our liberal clergy. There are several such in these parts. They are not Methodists, though, I would have you know. Methodism stands by the old Bible, and it is to be hoped will ever do so.

In visiting the District Conferences I covered most of our territory. The climate and scenery, as I found them at this season, are unsurpassed. It is certain that I never witnessed the like east of the Rockies. Come, Mr. Editor, and see for yourself.

Oakland, April 17, 1899.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions asked by the Grenada District Conference to be published in our Conference organ:

Whereas, A movement is being made which has for its purpose the removal of the Grenada College from Grenada to Oxford; therefore, be it

Resolved, That only the North Mississippi Conference has power and authority to make such removal, and that no legal or binding arrangement or proposition can be made by other than the Conference itself.

Resolved, Unless Oxford, on account of its advantages and surroundings, is a better place for the school than is Grenada, the removal should not be made.

Resolved, The liberality of the citizens of Grenada toward the establishment, improvement and maintenance of said school entitles Grenada to credit and consideration.

Resolved, If Oxford is not a better place for the school, in a matter of so much importance—the establishment of a great institution of learning—the consideration of a few thousand dollars should not be allowed to influence and control.

Resolved, This question should be settled on its merits, after a fair and impartial investigation.

Resolved, That publicity be given to these resolutions through our Conference organ.

W. M DUBARD,
W. M. YOUNG.

A STATEMENT.

We, the members of the Grenada District Conference, assembled at Tuscumbia, hasten to give expression of sincere grief and sorrow at the death of our brother and fellow laborer in the cause of Christ, the Rev H. P. Gibbs. In his death the whole church suffers a loss; but we are glad to publish to the world that he died as he lived—in the defense of the truth—and was a conqueror to the end. His death was made inexpressibly sad by the fact that he was barbarously assaulted on the streets of Water Valley, April 3, 1899, and violence done his person in a professedly civilized commonwealth. After this the outrageous attempt was made in the courts to blacken his character by charging him with malicious and slanderous utterances to injure the business of the parties who assaulted him. These men invoked the protection of that law for their business, which law they had grossly and cruelly defied in assaulting his person.

The conduct of the papers of Water Valley has been strange in keeping silence in regard to this shameful wrong done a man of God. We claim there should have been prompt and brave denunciation by these papers of the wrongs done Bro. Gibbs.

We here tender our deep, heartfelt sympathy to the grief-stricken wife, children and kindred, and pray the sustaining grace of God to abide with them in their great affliction and sorrow.

(Signed) W. M. YOUNG,
R. P. GOAR,
D. M. GEDDIE.

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

Being obliged to leave the Louisiana Epworth League Conference in midst of the session we clip from the reports of the duly appointed correspondents as they appeared in the New Orleans daily papers.

The number of delegates in attendance was about a hundred.

Following are the regularly appointed committees:

On Nominations—Rev. F. S. Parker, Prof. T. Carter, Tudor Carre, A. P. Holt, Miss Mamie Dosen.

On Programme—Rev. W. H. LaPrade, Rev. J. M. Henry, Rev. John F. Foster.

On Resolutions—Rev. T. B. Clifford, W. M. Mason, Rev. T. K. Faunt LeRoy, A. S. Daniels, Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker.

Executive Committee—Rev. R. H. Wynn, Rev. Geo. D. Parker, Rev. T. B. Clifford, Rev. P. R Kolokerbocker, F. E. Higbee.

State Treasurer Rev. P. O. Lowrey made his report, which shows that $429 94 has been made on a pledge of $450, made at the last Conference for the support of Mrs. W. B. Nance in China. President Ahrens stated that there was a small deficit, which should be paid before the report is adopted. The twenty dollars needed was quickly raised.

The following officers were elected for the year: Rev. H. H. Ahrens, of New Orleans, president; Prof. A. P. Holt, of Crowley, vice-president; Miss Birdie Edwards, of Mansfield, secretary; A. S. Daniels, of Algiers, treasurer.

After considerable discussion and a hot contest between New Orleans delegates, Arcadia was selected as the next meeting-place for Conference.

On Sunday every church in town was filled by League representatives, who preached to large audiences. The morning services at the M. E. Church, South, were very interesting. A League prayer meeting which filled the church was held in the afternoon. One of the strongest addresses of the Conference was made upon "The Twentieth Century Movement in Methodism," by Prof. Thos. Carter, of Tulane University. He spoke of the past, of the grand achievements of Methodism, but that we were living in the grandest century that had ever blessed the world, and a grander one is at the door. The whole Christian world is roused by the calls of China, Mexico, Corea, India, and Cuba. "Our General Conference last May," he said, "pledged us to great things, and by the grace of God we will respond."

The following resolutions were adopted by the Conference:

First—That the Louisiana State Epworth League was unalterably opposed to Sunday trade, Sunday newspapers, and other institutions that involve the desecration of the Sabbath.

Second—That they oppose with all their influence all mob violence.

Third—That they renew their opposition to the open saloon and social drinking, which is the source of so much evil and leads to many evil influences, and that they lend their aid and every effort to prevent traffic in intoxicating liquors.

The last services of the Epworth Leaguers were last night devoted to listening to addresses delivered by Rev. R. H. Wynn, of Algiers, and Rev. P. L Cobb, of Nashville. The services were truly, as designated on the programme, a grand missionary rally, and if the devoted missionaries to the far East could have been present last night, and seen and listened to the grand and noble efforts that are being made to keep them in the field of triumph for Christianity, their hearts would respond to the aid of the Epworth League by redoubled energy for the cause which they espouse.

The large edifice of the M. E. Church, South, was thronged. Not only was standing room at a premium, but a vast number were unable to gain admittance.

Rev. Cobb's fine work in the field of Christianity is the obtaining of aid towards carrying on missionary work. He is a young man, and devoted to his labors; a brilliant and enthusiastic speaker. He brought forth from the Leaguers and individuals in the audience, by his eloquence and pleadings for the cause of those who are sacrificing their lives in the homes of the heathens, a hearty response. His aim was to raise $1,000. The result of his work shows he did not overestimate the generosity and interest of the Leaguers and people of Crowley in the grand and noble work that he undertook, at this time, amongst them. The subscriptions were as follows: Arcadia League, $31; Crowley Senior League, $199; Mansfield Junior and Senior, $70; all the New Orleans churches, $482; Jackson, $25; First Church, of Shreveport, $125; Texas Avenue Church, Shreveport, $25; Baton Rouge, $30; Jennings, $10; Morgan City, $15; Eunice, $10; Branch, $15; Lake Arthur, $10; Bayou Lachute, $12.

In addition to $1,000 asked for by Rev. Cobb, he wanted one missionary to volunteer, and his request was answered by W. H. Ney, of Lake Arthur.

The League Conference this year has been the best held in the State, both in numbers and the amount of good work done. The delegates go forth better able to push Christian work.—Picayune, April 24.

MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The program for our State League Conference is nearly completed, and we hope to have it out by the first of May. We are sparing no effort by way of making this fifth State League Conference a great meeting, and we have every reason to believe it will be the greatest gathering of young Methodism ever held in our State. The very best speakers have been secured for the occasion, and Leaguers from every district in the State will take part in our School of Methods. Plans are now on foot to secure a choir of 150 of the best voices that can be furnished by the Leagues of the State. Right here I must insist upon the preachers, League presidents and secretaries giving prompt attention to my communications to them. The King's business requires haste, and the work has already been greatly retarded by persons delaying to answer our letters. It is impossible for us to promote the State work without co-operation along this line. However, great interest is being manifested in regard to the music, and, with Mr. W. A Hemphill as director, I'm certain this part of the Conference will be a glorious success.

The railroads have given us one and a third rates, and the Conference will be held in a church with the capacity of seating 1 300 persons. Let us go into West Point, at least, one thousand strong.

Mississippi Leaguers, awake! Let us rally our forces and go forth to this Conference a mighty army, prepared to help turn the world toward God. Let us conquer the fair city of West Point during our sojourn there "All for Christ." Let us press forward to the very front of the fight in this great warfare against sin and death. Let us not go up to this State Conference, either, without paying our vows unto the Lord. The money we pledged for Dr. and Mrs. Fearn and the Orphans' Home at Water Valley is needed. The manager of the Home has been quite ill, and consequently the money is much needed there. I urge that you do not delay this matter till the time for our Conference arrives. A resolution was passed at the Meridian Conference requiring that the five-cent assessment for defraying expense of State Conference be paid beforehand. We are necessarily incurring a good deal of expense; so please give this matter prompt attention.

VIC THOMPSON, Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., April 19, 1899.

WHEN I AM DEAD.

When I am dead
Forgive—oh, this I pray for more than all—
The anguish I have caused, the deeds beyond recall.
Think kindly of me, as I lie so still,
So poor a subject for an angered will.
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spoken.
Of hearts bound up, I found all sad and broken.
Think kindly, when this last rest is mine,
And gaze upon my form with looks benign
When I am dead.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

PERSONAL REMINISCENCES OF REV. ROBT. B DOWNER.

After an active ministry of forty years the Bishop and cabinet, at last session of the Mississippi Conference, decided that, owing to my increased deafness the past twelve months, it would be best for the people that another should perform my work in the future. Bishop Galloway kindly gave me permission to make a parting address, and the brethren, by resolution, were pleased to order for publication in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE the substance of said address for the benefit of those not present. I would much prefer to be silent, but can not, without showing disrespect to the wishes of Conference. This is my apology for that which follows.

Before my birth, Feb. 28, 1838, my father had imbibed the views of infidelity from reading Tom Paine's books. My mother was a Baltimore Roman Catholic. During a short residence of my parents in Quincy, Ill., they kept a hotel. One Saturday night two Methodist preachers, en route to Conference, unwilling to travel on Sunday, applied for entertainment. My mother was exceeding ill, she thought, nigh unto death. These itinerants, not seeing any hostess, inquired of father if he was a married man, and being informed that the wife was exceeding ill, they revealed their calling as that of Methodist ministers, and ready to render service at the sick-bed, if desired. My father thought to cool their ardor by replying, "Mrs. Downer is a Roman Catholic." The rejoinder was, "That makes no difference to us." Father then said, "I will consult with her, and learn her pleasure." Mother, at mention of the presence of ministers of God in the house, was filled with hope for her soul, as at that time there was no priest to be had anywhere near to administer "extreme unction." She requested that the ministers be admitted to her room. The names of these men of God I do not know; suffice to say, they were soul-hunters, filled with zeal and love for Christ. Mother had never seen a Methodist preacher before, and she was amazed at their heart-searching questions as to her regeneration and hope of eternal life. She confessed her ignorance of all these things, and became convicted that the Roman Catholic faith gave no comfort in that dark hour. They read in the Bible, sang some soul-stirring Methodist hymns; then lead in prayer—such prayer as mother had never dreamed of, much less heard. The Holy Ghost did his work, opened the eyes of the blind, and brought peace to the soul of the invalid one. From that hour till death mother lived near the Lord, and a vow was made that if her unborn child was a male, she would consecrate him wholly unto the service of the Lord. I happened to be that child, and at my birth shortly after, in the town of Evansville, Ind., on being told I was a boy, replied, "He is not mine, but the Lord's, and God has given me the assurance that he will live to manhood, and I shall live to hear him preach the gospel."

My earliest recollections are connected with our home in Hawesville, Hancock county, Ky. As early as three or four years of age I recall great reverence for God and determination to be a missionary to the Tonga Islands. At about four years of age I was brought home one day nearly drowned. Mother was not alarmed. She said, "He will not die now," and began my resuscitation to life. Those standing near saw no reason for encouragement, but her calm faith in God's promise, as related above, stimulated their aid, and I was soon out of danger.

When about five years of age my parents moved to New Orleans, La., as a permanent home. Father had been converted while living in Kentucky under the ministry of the noted evangelist, Rev. Newland Moffit. At about the age of six yellow fever marked me as a victim. Drs. Eddy and Warren Stone were the medical attendants, and in due time pronounced my case hopeless. Mother calmly said: "Well, gentlemen, I suppose, then, that any treatment I may see fit to use will not be disap- [illegible] die." Their reply was, 'You can do as you please; he will be dead in the morning." My mother, while managing a boarding house with nigh unto one hundred boarders, always had a closet for secret prayer, and daily found time to use it. To that closet she went, and laid the whole matter before the Lord, and came out of it triumphant in faith of my recovery. She proceeded to work with me as she felt moved to do, and by next morning, when Dr. Eddy, who was a boarder, came in expecting to see a corpse, he was surprised to find me alive and out of danger. Mother always affirmed that prayer and the Lord did the work.

My boyhood days being spent in New Orleans, I had ample opportunity to be like a majority of boys, disobedient and wicked; but with such a mother, how could I go astray? In the year 1846 war was on with Mexico. My father raised a company of soldiers and was elected its captain, and was ordered into camp at what was called "The Barracks," a spot famous because it relieved England of the service of Gen. Packenham, and covered Gen. Andrew Jackson with glory. My brother Rialdo, senior by two years, and I gained a reluctant consent from mother to visit father at the camp for a day, with the positive promise on our part to be home that night. The mode of travel there was by ocean tow-boat, that daily plied the river between camp and city, conveying men and supplies—distance by land to our home being some seven miles. Before arriving at the camp, we were informed that the boat would proceed to the "Passes" for a tow, and not return to New Orleans until next day. Boy-like, we did not burden our minds much about the matter, while soldiers, martial music, and camp life for a whole day was before us. For a time these attractions hid mother and our promise from our thoughts. But as the day wore on I became restless, and inquired of Rialdo how we would get home. His reply was, "We can't go until the boat returns." I plead our promise to mother to be home that day, and that we might walk. He scouted such a plan and turned away from me. Seeing him resolute, I replied, "Very well, I am going by myself," and off I started over an unknown road leading up the river banks through plantations, now solid city, and after a tiresome, lonely trip that led me into night before arrival, I surprised and made glad the heart of my mother by my appearance. Why so late? I explained about the boat, and that as I had promised to be home that day, I did the best I could and walked.

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Communications.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LEAKAGE.

BY A. F. GODAT.

(Read before the Louisiana State Sunday-school Convention in Carondelet Street Church, in March, '99.)

Gashmu did not say it, therefore it must be true, that a day-school teacher once, in reviewing a geography class, asked a little Irish boy, "Pat, what is a lake?" "A hole in a kittle, mum," promptly answered the youthful Hibernian. We know of no better definition of a leak. But there are leaks in other things than pots, kettles, and pans, and it is of some of these that we will try to speak this afternoon. There are holes, sometimes plenty of them, in the Sunday-school kettle, and the scholars, gathered with much care, whose enrollment was a source of rejoicing and congratulation, escape—we know not where. Sunday after Sunday the report is read, "So many new scholars enrolled to-day," and yet the Sunday-school does not grow. What is the matter?

To go back to the kettle—what causes leaks in it? Generally speaking, two things—inferior material, and careless handling. Is not this the answer to our question? So, often, when the question of why our schools do not thrive is brought up, we are met by the ready-made remedy of canvassing for new scholars. A good brother frequently—not a Sunday-school worker himself—gets up, talks, and reaches a climax when he quotes the words of our Lord, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in." Come in to what? To a poorly-attended, cheerless school; half the teachers absent, many of those present with poorly-prepared lessons, no organist, and the faithful few present singing (because it is one of the things they know, and they can hardly be held responsible for the knowledge), "I love to tell the story," in such a slow and indifferent manner as to arouse the suspicion that they don't love to do any such thing. If it is to such a school, it is no wonder that compulsion is necessary to get them to come in. If we will turn to our Bibles, and read in the fourteenth chapter of St. Luke, we will find that our Master represents these words as spoken by a certain man who made a great supper, and such a command is not given to his servants until he can say in all truth, "All things are now ready."

If I wanted a kettle that would not leak, I would get one that was well made of good material, and then I would handle it properly. Remember that the man who commanded his servants to canvass the highways and hedges for guests, made everything ready for them first. He prepared a feast—not family rations. Let us get our Sunday-school rooms as pretty as possible, our lessons prepared thoroughly, and always have a good supply of fresh, bright and reasonable, as well as staple hymns on hand.

A little girl who had gone into a Protestant Sunday-school was chided by her mother for so doing. She replied: "Mama, it was such a lovely place. The teacher was so nice, and the singing was just like heaven." Small danger that she would leak out. Give us bright, pretty, spiritual hymns, well selected both as to words and music, sung in a cheerful, happy manner, and the battle is half won. Earnest, consecrated, faithful teachers, loving God, loving the Bible, and loving their scholars, will win the other half. Where such are, ways and means follow. Unless we have these, all the plans suggested in conventions or magazines will accomplish little.

A perusal of the advertising matter of the most popular, as well as the most successful, secular schools tends to prove we are right in saying the way to stop Sunday-school leakage is to make the school strong, attractive, and beneficial. Take up the catalogue of any school or college, and what do we find? Long discussions on the value of education in general, and of some branch in particular? No, but we find the beauty and attractiveness of the buildings and surroundings set forth; the comprehensiveness and adaptability of the course of study, and the thoroughness with which it is taught; the character and qualifications of the faculty, are all brought out clearly and forcefully. Where such claims are true, there is small complaint of leakage. Can we not learn a Sunday-school lesson here?

But there is little doubt that the workers who take the trouble to attend the convention, especially those who have come from afar, are possessed of all the spiritual, moral and mental qualifications necessary to make a school attractive. It is only a question with them of what and how. Naaman, when he expected the prophet to tell him to do some great thing, and who became offended at the simplicity of the way, was a type of us all. I am afraid that many are disappointed because at such gatherings as this they learn of nothing that is wonderful, sensational, or startlingly original. There are only three things necessary to build up a Sunday-school universally: Keep what you have, get more, and when you get more, keep them. There is no better way of keeping scholars than the teacher's personal invitation. Visit the irregular, because they need it; visit the regular, because they deserve it. This was once brought home pointedly to me. I had one scholar whose attendance was very poor, and I often visited him to keep him in the school. I had another boy, son of one of the pillars of the church, a model scholar who was always in place, and I never thought it necessary to go to his home. He expressed himself to me on the subject one day very much in the terms in which the prodigal son's brother addressed his father about the feast prepared for the prodigal.

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BEWARE OF IMPOSTERS.

On last Tuesday evening there arrived a one-horse-top buggy, with a false canvass cover, on which was printed in large letters some Scripture passages; "The mission as ministers, preaching at 7:30 P. M.; no collection; want, lodging, meals and horse food as a remuneration for preaching," etc. The inmates of the buggy were a man who said his name was Boyd, about sixty years old; a little delicate woman about thirty years old, and a little pert girl about seven or eight years old. They halted on the street of our town in front of the court-house as the elected place for preaching, alighted, seated themselves by the side of the buggy three or four hours waiting for the published hour for their services, stressing the fact that they would not hold services in a house of any kind.

Our Cumberland Presbyterian brethren were engaged in an interesting meeting, in which the whole town were taking part; hence the street parties were appealed to by two parties of Christian gentlemen not to hold services at the same hour it was being held at the church. If they would hold services, either hold before or after the church hour. They emphatically answered they would hold it at 7:30 if there were a half-dozen protracted meetings going on. They commenced at their appointed hour with their instruments of music, just as a peddlor of medicines would to draw his crowd. Three or four intelligent citizens called to hear what they had to say, while a crowd of curious boys and negroes made their audience.

First they boasted of belonging to no denomination, and spent the hour in a tirade on churches and ministers; warned the people to beware of two classes, drunkards and preachers, adding that, if the yellow-legged chicken and salary were taken away, the people would have no preaching; called on the auditors to say whom did the preachers visit, and answered themselves that it was not the poor, but that they visited where the "pot boiled the strongest."

This is the style of holiness people we have been visited by. They can never get a following from an intelligent, Bible-reading people, but they may dupe the ignorant, the uninformed, and poison their minds against churches and preachers; so that the result may be their eternal loss. We can't afford to say, Let such go. I think the intelligent people of a community ought to defend the less informed against the heresies of such anarchists under the guise of ministerial robes, who come from where nobody knows, without credentials or character, looting quiet communities of peace, morals, and ignorant souls who are easily led astray by every wind of doctrine and the cunning craftiness of men. I believe we owe it to ourselves, our children, and the cause of our Christ, to see such would-be moral tramps out of our villages and towns upon their arrival. I have not a word to say against anyone who is a lover of the Lord Jesus Christ and is working for his glory. Such always recognize the rights of the people where they go, and conform to Christian ethics. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

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DO PROTESTANT MISSIONS ENCOURAGE GOOD CITIZENSHIP?

BY MISS GENEVIEVE COCHRAN, MERIDIAN

In estimating the influence that the extension of foreign mission work exerts upon the citizenship of its converts, though the standard must be relative, we can measure the results only by the ideal relation of Christian society attained in our own country. So long has been ours the priceless heritage of intellectual and religious liberty that in the rights, duties and prerogatives of citizenship in our enlightened nation there is scarcely a suggestion of the deeper nature of the freedom we enjoy—freedom from trammeled thought and action, from political bondage—social and religious—from that personal thraldom of ignorance and superstition which enslaves the heathen, and which constitutes—to human power and understanding—the strongest and most impenetrable barrier to the salvation of his mind and soul; for citizenship in a Christian land has so incorporated the source and very nature of its great first cause—the religion of Christ—that when we would regard the benighted heathen as becoming capable of experiencing and realizing the sublime truth upon which rests the structure of Christian society, so awful, pervading, irrational and complete is his darkness and ignorance—so depraved that a moral sense must be created in him before it can be appealed to—there seems to be no way by which he may be reached and made able to realize the Truth, save that which Christ showed to Nicodemus: he must be born again. And the new birth must be not only spiritual, but moral and intellectual—a complete revolution of the whole man. Customs hoary with age, superstitions which, through countless generations, are ingrained into his nature, traditions long accepted as realities—all have to be eradicated; the man must be created anew. And we believe we teach, and God demonstrates to us, the efficacy of his plan of salvation. Only this can avail: Faith in Christ as a personal Savior and the one Mediator; faith in the simplicity and truth of the gospel as embodied in the teaching of Protestantism. The Protestant religion, while the basis of enlightened civilization, maintains its adherents in a relation separate and distinct from the quality of citizenship. In contrast to this character of Protestant belief, the Roman Catholic faith, wherever it is practiced, does not admit of citizenship on its own account, but Church and State being one, all the duties and privileges attendant upon the citizen merge into and become one with his religious duties. This union of the affairs of Church and of State, enforced upon every member of the Roman Catholic Church, is readily evident in every phase of the religion, and though in itself plausible, is contrary to Christ's teaching.

To the Pharisee endeavoring to ensnare our Lord with his own words Christ gives an answer full of consummate wisdom, "Is it lawful to pay tribute to Cæsar?" Taking a coin, and pointing to the Emperor's image upon it, Christ replied, "Render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and unto God the things that are God's." And this lesson to the Pharisee must be our guide. It establishes the limits, regulates the rights, and distinguishes the jurisdiction of the two empires of heaven and earth; hence we may readily trace the initial influence of each religion and deduce the results.

Roman Catholics often enquire why Protestant missions are sent where the Church of Rome is at work; but even a superficial investigation will suffice to show why Protestantism must not only struggle against heathen ignorance and depravity, but at the same time against the almost equally pernicious influence engendered by rampant Romanism.

Dealing impartially, no better example of Roman Catholic work can be shown than in a portrayal of the religion and morals of the South American States. This land of the Southern Cross, so pregnant with nature's generosity, whose possibilities are beyond computation, and to whose resources measure has never been set—a land whose people have capacity for the highest and noblest manhood and citizenship—has suffered papal power for more than three hundred years. And can we now hear this southland calling to us down the centuries for light and help, and fail to realize what Romanism does toward Christianizing a people?

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The Christian Life.

BOUNDS OF RIGHT MOURNING.

Sorrow is fitting and proper in its place. When in God's providence we are bereaved and distressed, it is right for us to grieve. God would not have us refrain from weeping or mourning when he takes from us that which we have learned to value and rejoice in as a gift from him. But mourning or sorrow is no excuse for a neglect of our duty to others or to God. If we can not do our pressing daily duty while we mourn, then we should refrain from mourning. A mother must not neglect her living child because of her sorrow over one who has died. A soldier must not fall out from his place in the ranks, while the battle goes on, to show his grief for a fallen comrade. No person ought to be faithless to duty in any sphere because of his longing for one whom God has called away from his side. Under the Levitical law high priest, who had daily duties for all the people, was not permitted to go into mourning even for his father or mother, however his heart might be stricken. His own sorrow must not stand in the way of his ministry of love to others. In a sense, every one of us is a high priest to others, in our sphere of influence or example. No one of us has a right to be neglectful of his priestly duties of sympathy and love because of his grief in bereavement or trial.—Sunday School Times.

The continual conflict of every Christian is between self and Jesus Christ. Self is the old owner who does not like to be dislodged, and disputes the right of Jesus to be enthroned in the heart. Self has abundant uses for the purse, and "can not afford" to give money away that might buy a fine equipage and rare pictures, and other creature comforts that make life agreeable. It keeps a sharp eye on the cheque book, to see that too much is not bestowed on objects of charity, and it whispers artfully, "Remember how our expenses are increasing, and charity begins at home." Self watches the weather on Sunday morning—the one day in all the week when "health" is of paramount importance—and hesitates about the risk of wet feet or sitting in damp clothing. Self comes home late and mutters: "I am too tired for prayer-meeting to-night," although it is never too tired for a party, a concert or the opera. And so smooth-tongued self has an oily plea always ready; and if Christ's sentinel, a living conscience, is not there to challenge and silence the cunning sedncer, self carries the day.—T. L. Cuyler.

In accomplishing your day's work you have simply to take one step at a time. To take that step wisely is all that you need to think about. If I am climbing a mountain, to look down may make me dizzy; to look too far up may make me tired and discouraged. Take no anxious thought for the morrow. Sufficient for the day—yes, and for each hour in the day—is the toil or trial thereof. There is not a child of God in this world who is strong enough to stand the strain of to-day's duties and all the load of to-morrow's anxieties piled upon the top of them. Paul himself would have broken down if he had attempted the experiment. We have a perfect right to ask our heavenly Father for strength equal to the day, but we have no right to ask him for one extra ounce of strength or anything beyond it. When the morrow comes, grace will come sufficient for its tasks or for its troubles:

"Let me be strong in word and deed
Just for to-day;
Lord, for to-morrow and its needs
I must not pray."

—Theodore L. Cuyler.

We often worry more over troubles which never come than over those which actually befall us. We live in fear of our own fancy, or in perplexities and misgivings of our own creation. Even the ills of life are rendered worse by a vivid imagination. It is foolish, however, thus to embitter our days. We should cultivate that Christian philosophy which gilds the future with hope, and accepts the present with patience and resignation. Trustfulness in the Lord dissipates anxiety, whilst hopefulness brightens all occurrences. Health, comfort and joy are all dependent upon making the best of what is, and leaving what is to come in God's hands.—The Churchworker.

If we look down, then our shoulders stoop. If our thoughts look down, our character bends. It is only when we hold our heads up that the body becomes erect. It is only when our thoughts go up that our life becomes erect.—Alexander McKenzie.

Why should we live half-way up the hill and be swathed in mists, when we might have an unclouded sky and a visible sun over our heads, if we would climb up higher and walk in the light of His face.—Alexander Maclaren.

If conscience smite thee once, it is an admonition; if twice, it is a condemnation.—Nathaniel Hawthorne.

"To Err is Human."

But to err all the time is criminal or idiotic. Don't continue the mistake of neglecting your blood. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla now. It will make pure, live blood, and put you in good health.

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WHERE SHOULD WE PREACH?

We should preach wherever the Lord appoints. All of the appointments of the truly called and consecrated ministers are made by the Lord himself. Whether we be itinerants or evangelists, our appointments and calls are made by the Lord, in harmony with the legally constituted agencies of his church. This may not always seem to be correct, but it is even so. God sends the preacher to those who need salvation. He does this without reference to salary; hence the first questions that escapes the lips of an appointed preacher should be, "How many souls are there to be won for Christ?" instead of, "What will it pay?"

God is responsible for the preacher's support. There is not a great deal of difference in appointments. The point of success lies in the faith and obedience of the one appointed. The man who will surrender himself entirely to the will of Christ will have success anywhere, and no Christian minister who truly believes that his appointment is from God need to give himself any trouble about his support anywhere. He who does not honor his Lord thus is disloyal in the point of faith. The appointments of our Lord come often in the form of disappointments, but it is enough for us to know that he never makes a mistake. The Lord makes his appointments with a special view to his ultimate glory in the salvation of souls, and not the amount of money to be received. Many are the secret impressions and desires of every divinely-called minister with reference to the salvation of those places that are regarded as hard and neglected missionary territory. There are many such places to-day at our doors that only need the gospel of Christ in earnest, and they would become God-loving and self-sustaining at once. It is not a question of money, nor of big or little places, but a question of divine appointment. The field is the world.

On invitation of the pastor, Bro. Woods, of Blue Springs circuit, Coriath district, we spent last Saturday night and Sunday lecturing on the "Dawn of Better Times," and preaching the Word at Sherman, Miss., which resulted to the glory of God in securing over three hundred dollars and a nice lot toward building a Methodist Church at that place. Our people there are only a very few in number, and have no church-house of their own. The Baptists and Christians (Campbellites) both have a house of worship. All denominations subscribed to the building of our church.

Sherman is a nice little town, situated on the K. C. railroad, between New Albany and Topelo. They have a good boarding-school there, with a religious faculty. It takes Christianity and education to save the world and build up society.

I send you one subscriber to the Advocate.

I go to Antlers, I. T., soon to assist Rev. C. F. Mitchell in a revival; thence back to other engagements in Mississippi. W. D. Bass.

Corinth, Miss., April 20, 1899.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

Mr. Editor: Our presiding elder, Rev. Jas. A. Parker, D. D., made the statement last night that prayer directed to the Son or Holy Ghost was misdirected devotion. His contention was, that all prayer be solely directed to God. Then our hymn book is wrong, and the Discipline is wrong.

For my part, this view of our presiding elder upsets a fond theory; but so far I have found no place in the Scripture where prayer was directed to any other being than God, the Supreme Head of the Trinity.

Let us hear from some of the brethren in regard to this.

The Doctor made the distinction between request and prayer—e. g., the calls upon Christ during his ministry. The thief on the cross made a prayer, which the Doctor contended was not to be copied after. The Master took into consideration his circumstances, and heard him. The Lord's prayer was the scriptural form. H. S. Johns.

The preacher looks upward toward heaven, and though he has not yet got there, is traveling that way; and, even if a very laggard pilgrim, he has commonly climbed somewhat in advance of his people, and got upon higher ground, and breathes a purer air, and sees a little more of those sweet flowers which grow in these well-drained uplands; and as he inspires the balsamous fragrance of the upper woods, taking in long draughts of that strong, invigorating atmosphere, he can not but feel that it is good to be there, and if he preaches [illegible] as much good, he must say, "Come up higher, and try for yourselves the higher life, which I find so strengthening."

Down below are men pulling their feet wearily through muddy paths, and wiping from their brows the sweat of a close, damp, miasmatic region. Must he not call to them, and urge them to come up and look out from these heights of a higher life where motives are nearer heaven? Can he doubt that this is what they must do to be saved, seeing that for them to be saved is to be uplifted and strengthened and brought to know goodness and God?—Treasury.

RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE TEACHING OF "MAGNETIC HEALING".

We, the undersigned ministers of the gospel, residents of this city, feel called upon in the interests of truth and morality to give this public statement of our views concerning the so-called "Magnetic Healing" which is practiced in our city.

1. As far as we can learn from published statements and otherwise the doctrines promulgated seem to be an ignorant compound of spiritualism, clairvoyancy and "Christian Science," all of which we believe to be false, and antagonistic to Christian religion, and hurtful to morality.

2. The published references to the Holy Scripture which we have seen are, in our candid judgment, garbled; or are used out of their proper connection, or are foolishly misinterpreted.

3. The pretension by the so-called "Magnetic Healers" to the use of any power, or knowledge of any truth, not already known to rational science, we believe to be false.

We offer this, our solemn protest and warning, to the people of this city, and community generally, solely in the interest of morality and truth.

H. R. Best,
Pastor of First Baptist Church and President of Ministers' Alliance.

Eli P. Anderson,
Pastor Trinity M. E. Church and Secretary of Ministers' Alliance.

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Presiding Elder Nevada District, M. E. Church, South.

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Presiding Elder Clinton Dist., M. E. Church, South.

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Pastor Centenary M. E. Church, South.

A. Noble James,
Pastor Anslin and West Arch St. M. E. Church, South.

A. E. Rogers,
Ex-Pastor First Baptist Church.

Ministerial Alliance, Nevada, Mo., April 20, 1899.

You are on eagle's wings, and are looking into life. Presently you will be out of the university, and start on your race. Now you are full of zeal, of hope, of enthusiasm; but there will surely come a time when all the joy will seem to have gone, when you seem to have lived a life of failure and disappointment, when life seems not worth living for. This is the greatest thing of all, to keep on walking when roads are dry and dusty, and when the day is hot—to run the race that is set before you without faltering. If you are worth anything, the time will come when, like Elijah, you will sit down under a tree and say, "Take away my life." But blessed be you if at that time you can hear a still, small voice, and rise up into health and strength again.

What has this country a right to look for from its educated young men? Knowledge and skill in the use of material things in life, that the rest may be lifted up; wisdom to see what are the great, divine principles of social and industrial action, and to formulate them into the permanent law of the nation of which you are a part.—Selected.

The punishment for refusing to use the talent given [illegible] the loss of the talent itself. The opportunities will be taken away from him who neglects them. The unused limb grows weak; the still water dries up or becomes foul; the inactive mind loses its power. The loss of the talent begins in this life, is gradual, that men may take warning and have opportunity to repent. But, finally, at the judgment day, the talent will be wholly and irrevocably taken away.—Peloubet.

When you have placed your standard high, and your only dread is the fear of committing a cowardly act, you will be delivered from all lower fears.—Ex.

FROM THE WORK.

ST. HELENA CIRCUIT, LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

With the help of the good people we have been improving our parsonage. We are building quite an addition, which is nearing completion, and, when completed, will make our parsonage comfortable enough (with the adding of some needed furniture) for any preacher whose aspirations are not unreasonable.

No Sunday-schools were reported from this work last year. Our people have been awakened upon this subject, and we now have several, with more to follow. One of these is at a church (Darlington) where there has been none for several years, and there they have also purchased a new organ. The congregation at that point has increased over two hundred per cent., and still improving.

The "Minutes" of last Conference show nothing paid on any of the collections ordered by the Conference.

At our last appointment here in Greensburg (Sunday, April 16) we took these collections, and "cleared the deck," raising in cash and good subscription nearly $75.00—the pro rata share of the assessments for this church.

Quite a number have joined the church, and if I am not mistaken, the heart-beat of new life is felt all over our circuit.

One thing we lack: the circulation of our Advocate is not as large as it should be. The Advocate is so deserving of our patronage—it is so helpful in our work—it ought to have a place in every Methodist home. I am trying to improve in this also, and trust that my labor in this will bear fruit soon.

J. I. Hoffpauir, P. C.
Greensburg, La., April 24, 1899.

Rev. W. P. Donnell, P. C., Toles, Miss., April 18, 1899: "Thinking some one would like to hear from our Choctaws of Mississippi, I will say we are doing a fine work among them. Jim Johnson is our local preacher, and full of the Holy Ghost, and always ready to do anything his preacher asks him to do. Bro. T. L. Mellen hold our first Quarterly Conference on the third of April; and how glad our Choctaws seem to be that he thought so much of them as to come and be with them! We have organized one Sabbath-school since I came here, and will organize another as soon as we get the literature. I think it bids fair for a church, if not two. Brethren, you do not know how these people need the gospel. For one to read something of them, he can not realize the fact like if you were to come and see them, when they ask the good Christians to come over to Macedonia and help us. I say, Come over to the Indian Mission and help us. When you tell them about Jesus, and how he suffered and died for them, you can see the tears running down their cheeks, and one will say, 'Does that good Man love us Choctaws?' If we, as Christians, do not put forth every effort in our power to send them the gospel, at the last day these people at our doors will point their fingers at us, and say, 'We wanted the gospel, but you would not send it to us.' We need books for them. Send us your old books that are lying on shelves. They will do us good, for we need them."

Rev. Courtland P. Smith, Minden, La., April 26, 1899: "Our meeting has closed, and the results, while not as great as we had hoped for, were satisfactory in many respects. The membership has been much encouraged, the sinners have been deeply impressed by the gospel, and the community has been aroused on religious lines as it has not been for some time. The net results were eleven additions to the church, and about twenty-three professions of faith in Christ. The pastor did all the preaching at the evening services. Some of the morning services were conducted by Rev. John M. Shive, of the Presbyterian Church, who rendered valuable service. Other services were conducted by laymen, who reflected credit on the rank and file of the Lord's army. All the churches of the town gave us right of way, and turned out with our own people to enjoy the services, giving us large crowds. The Epworth League Conference of Arcadia district with us to-morrow night, with the opening sermon by Rev. Dr. Pierce, of Monroe. Will give full report later."

No man has a right to marry a woman and make her his nurse during long years of continued ill-health. A sick man cannot be a good husband, a good provider, a successful business man or a useful citizen; a man had better be dead and done with it than to be a life-long invalid, a nuisance to everybody and especially to the woman whom he has vowed to love, honor and protect.

The trouble with the average man is that he has not the least conception of the causes of ill-health or the right way to go about remedying them. A little indigestion or biliousness in themselves are not serious complaints, but if neglected they may develop into almost any disease in the medical books. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures many serious diseases by promptly removing the causes. It braces up the weak and impaired stomach and restores the appetite. It invigorates the liver and all the secretory glands. It facilitates the flow of digestive juices. It makes the assimilation of the life-giving elements of the food absolutely perfect, and thus enriches the blood. Disease germs are scavengers, and will not enter healthy blood or tissue. They must have the inert tissues of disease upon which to feed. The "Golden Medical Discovery," by enriching the blood, tears down old and inert tissues and builds up new and healthy ones. It wards off consumption and cures, bronchial and throat affections which, if neglected, lead up to consumption. All medicine dealers sell the "Discovery."

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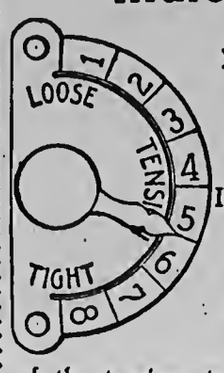

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THURSDAY, MAY 4, 1899.

The present is our own; but while we speak,
We cease from its possession, and resign
The stage we tread on, to another race,
As vain and gay, and mortal as ourselves.
—T. L. Peacock

They are never alone that are accompanied with noble thoughts.—Sidney.

The three things most difficult are—to keep a secret, to forget an injury, and to make good use of leisure.—Chilo.

If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it. Every arrow that flies feels the attraction of the earth.—Anon.

There are two things which we must uphold and hold fast: the sacrifice of Christ upon the cross and the priesthood of Christ in heaven.—Andrew A. Bonar.

The greater a man is in power above others, the more he ought to excel them in virtue. None ought to govern who is not better than the governed.—Syrus.

If I could get the ear of every young man for but one suggestion, it would be this: "Make the most and best of yourself." There is no tragedy like a wasted life.—Exchange.

There are three kinds of people in the world: the wills, the wouldns, and the can'ts. The first accomplish everything; the second oppose everything; the third fail in everything.—Success.

The man who starts out to "mark the perfect men" will not need a very large piece of chalk. You, gentle reader, might be the only man in your neighborhood to receive the mark.—Selected.

A man who lives right, and is right, has more power in his silence than another man has in his words. Character is like bells which ring out sweet music, and which, when touched, constantly resound with beautiful harmonies.—Selected.

It is not seeing one's friends, having them within reach, hearing of and from them, which makes them ours. It is the believing in them, the depending on them, assured that they are good and true to the core, and, therefore, could not but be good and true toward everybody else, ourselves included.—Dinah Mulock Craik.

God wants our life to be a song. He has written the music for us in his Word, and in the duties that come to us in our places and relations in life. The things we ought to do are the notes set upon the staff. To make our life beautiful music we must be obedient and submissive. Any disobedience is the singing of a false note, and yields discord.—J. R. Miller, D. D.

Why do we not always smile whenever we meet the eye of a fellow-being? That is the true recognition which ought to pass from soul to soul constantly. Little children in simple communities do this involuntarily, unconsciously. The honest hearted German peasant does it. It is like magical sunlight all through that simple land, the perpetual greeting on the right hand and the left between strangers as they pass by each other, never without a smile.—Helen Blunt.

THE HOME.

A Christian home, with its merry prattle of children, its sweet companionships, its innocent joys and hallowed influences, is the fittest emblem of heaven, the nearest approach to its blessedness to be found on earth. It is around the fireside, at the mother's knee, that childhood receives its first and most lasting impressions, its purest impulses, and its highest blessings. It is under the parental roof-tree that the young form those habits and ideals which, as a rule, are most influential in shaping character and determining destiny. No matter how beneficient the influences brought to bear upon childhood and youth outside the home circle, they will make but small impression if the home influence is evil or godless.

Though a trite statement, it is, nevertheless, tremendously true that as the tone of the home life of a nation or community is, so will be its elevation or its degradation. In short, the stability and glory of any nation is in direct proportion to the purity and sacredness of the home life of its people.

The crowning disgrace of heathenism is, that in the lands where its darkness reigns, "there are no homes, only houses." No greater misfortune can befall any country than that among its inhabitants the marriage tie should be lightly regarded, motherhood should be looked upon with general disfavor, and domestic life be considered merely as a convenience. Napoleon once, on being asked what was the greatest need of France, bluntly replied, "Mothers." As a writer in the Christian Intelligencer forcefully says: "If England, Germany and America are chiefest among the nations in moral culture and advancement, it is because they have preserved the integrity of their social life. If their people are more loyal, more virtuous and intelligent, it is because they have found these graces in the family circle. The laws of countries are enacted, not in legislative halls, but at the hearthstone. Magna Charta dates further back than Runnymede; back to the time when Stephen Langton stood at his mother's knee."

Modern life, with its enormous distractions, its increasing temptations and cares, and its sordid ideals, is doing no little to undermine the sacredness and integrity of the home. Nor is any disintegrating influence that threatens the stability of society and civilization more to be feared than that which attacks domestic life. The general corruption of home life means the corruption of society, and the certain downfall of national greatness and independence. So fierce are the competitions of the business world, so eager is the rush for mammon, that business men and laborers are spending less and less time with their families—some from choice, it may be; others from dire necessity. Many mothers, too, in their anxiety to keep pace with the events of society and participate in its amusements, find little opportunity to be with their children, the care of whom is being relegated more and more to nurses and teachers. These are a few out of many indications pointing to the fact that the majority of the parents of our country are sadly neglecting the training and oversight of their offspring, and are shifting this responsibility in undue measure upon pastors, Sunday-school teachers, and day-school teachers. Fortunate is it for us that most of our public-school teachers are religious and philanthropic. Otherwise many of the children of this generation would be left almost wholly without instructions in morals and manners. The churches and the schools are doing wonders in the way of training and elevating the young, but this work is sadly hindered oftimes—yea, rendered almost vain—by the unfaithfulness and shortsightedness of parents. When we consider the little attention parents usually bestow upon the intellectual and moral training of their offspring, the wonder is, that they turn out as well as they do. While it is not impossible for children to be better than their parents, it is rare that they become so. Example will have its effect. What care the children about what Rev. So-and-So says, so long as father and mother make light of his teaching, or pay no heed to his religion.

Society has no more dangerous enemy than a godless home. If the home be dark with worldliness and sin, how great is that darkness? The duty of children to parents is not half so important as the duty of parents to children. If mothers were half as careful about the religious training of their children as they are to dress them well and keep them in health, there would be fewer ne'er-do-wells, and fewer wrecked lives. No home is what it ought to be if the voice of prayer is not heard therein. Nor can any father hope to train his children aright unless he himself will lead the way. The neglect of the family altar usually means the decay of family piety. Religion that is not a positive force in the home is but an empty name.

The folly of letting children grow up as they please is stupendous and almost incomprehensible. Some one having remarked to the poet Coleridge that children ought not to be prejudiced in favor of religion, he took him into a garden full of weeds, showing it as a spot not prejudiced in the Spring in favor of flowers and fruits. 'For his part," he said, 'he preferred a garden prejudiced in favor of roses and strawberries." The parents who fail to exercise a strict surveillance over the reading and associations and habits of their children are sure, sooner or later, to lament their mistake. Some one has made the remarkable statement that nearly every boy who goes to the bad is ruined after dark. Wise parents will be jealous of any influence or attraction that lessens in their children the love of home, and that shortens the hours spent under the parental watch-care.

Obedience is a word, the meaning of which multitudes of children in this age are scarcely learning at all, save in the school-room. Nor would they learn it even there if some parents could have their way. To some children home is little more than an eating and sleeping-place.

As the home is the oldest of all institutions, so also it is the most vital. Hence parents should do their utmost to render it attractive, to make its influence sweet and wholesome, and its ideals lofty and ennobling, remembering that they are building for eternity.

After all, it is not wisdom or wealth that makes a home happy and dear. But wherever love, contentment and the fear of God abide, though it be in a thatched cottage or a hovel, there will happiness flourish and righteousness blossom as the rose.

WOMAN'S BOARD, H. M. S.

MR EDITOR: We are just closing the most important and profitable session of the Woman's Board—Home Mission Society—since its organization, thirteen years ago. The work is growing and prospering beyond all expectation. Among other items we find that $9,000 has been appropriated to parsonages this year, besides a little more than $9,000 in loans. Eighteen thousand dollars distributed among the parsonages of Southern Methodism will gladden the heart of many a preacher's wife.

The following resolution—which has just passed—will explain itself:

"In view of the constantly increasing importance of the Parsonage Department of this Society, and in order that the General Secretary, Mrs. Hargrove, may be relieved of the pressure now devolving upon her,

"Resolved, That we recommend a superintendent of the Parsonage Department, whose duty it shall be to study the subject, investigate all claims, and secure the most judicious appropriation of parsonage funds.

"Committee on Parsonages: Mrs. F. A. Lyons, Mrs. T. W. Moore, Mrs. Coppidge, Miss Addie Purnell."

Mrs. F. A. Lyons was elected superintendent of the Parsonage Department. More need not be said as to how well the preachers will fare.

New Orleans has been chosen for next place of meeting of the Board of Home Missions.

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Dallas, Texas, April 25, 1899.

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LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

We have just received from the Union Mutual Music and Novelty Co., 20 East 14th street, New York, a splendid home song, entitled, "The Old Farm House on the Hill." Words and music by J. W. Lerman. It is suitable for the piano or organ.

In the May Century Frank R. Stockton records some further adventures of "The Vizier of the Two-Horned Alexander;" an eclipse in India is vividly described and pictured by the painter, R. D. Mackenzie; and Jacob A. Riis tells a police reporter's story of "The Last of the Mulberry Street Barons." Among the miscellaneous papers is Mrs. James T. Fields' sympathetic sketch, from personal acquaintance, of the lives of "Two Lovers of Literature"—Charles and Mary Cowden Clarke. Prof. Wheeler's "Alexander the Great" deals with the Macedonian Conqueror in Egypt and the founding of Alexandria.

In the Ladies' Home Journal, for May, "The Art of Listening to a Sermon" is the first of a series of articles on the pulpit and the pew by Ian Maclaren. Another notable feature is "The Secrets of a Happy Life," by the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, D. D., pastor of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, who has become a regular contributor to the Journal. Paul Leicester Ford writes "The Anecdotal Side of George Washington," recounting some of the best, but least-known stories of the "Father of His Country." Joseph Edgar Chamberlin introduces "Helen Keller as She Really Is," giving some interesting glimpses of this marvelous blind and deaf girl.

Major-General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the United States Army, is the leading contributor to Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for May. General Miles writes of "The United States Army, and Its Commanders." Admiral Dewey comes in for special honors in this May number in two illustrated articles, namely: "Dewey at Manila—One Year's Retrospect," by Edward W. Harden, United States Commissioner to the Philippines; and "The Surrender of Manila," by Douglas White, the well-known war correspondent. Felipe Agoncillo, the cultured Filipino diplomat, writes an instructive article, under the title of "Are the Filipinos Civilized?" which question he answers in an overwhelming affirmative.

Scribner's Magazine, for May, has secured from Major-General Leonard Wood, the military governor of Santiago, the first official account of the great work which has been accomplished in that province. A striking account of colonial government is also given in the picturesque paper by G. W. Steevens on "The Installation of Lord Curzon as Viceroy of India." It is a brilliant piece of descriptive writing, giving pleasing glimpses of the personality of the new Viceroy and Vicereine, who was an American girl. Governor Roosevelt describes the life of the troops "In the Trenches" after the battle of San Juan. Senator Hoar's "Political Reminiscences" detail many incidents in the careers of the great statesmen of his time, and give the inner history of the famous Hayes-Tilden election contest of 1876.

Self-Culture, for May, opens with an important article on "Deep Waterways for Lake Commerce," and makes a strong argument for an American waterway connecting the lakes with the ocean. "The Fifty-Fifth Congress" is an instructive and well-informed summary of the doings of the late session of the National Legislature. The president of Colby University contributes a thoughtful paper on "The Higher Culture and the National Life," which deals interestingly with a university education and its value in equipping trained experts. The articles on "Brain and Brawn" and on "The Brookline Public Baths" touch informingly on topics of hygiene and physical and mental health. Literature has a varied representation in the papers on "Lowell as an American Literary Critic," on "Victorian Thought and Thinkers," on "The Loves of Goethe," and on "Recent Canadian Verse." Prof. Goldwin Smith has a paper on 'The Ecclesiastical Crisis in England," dealing with Ritualism. The number is tastefully illustrated.

REV. H. P. GIBBS.

All Columbus is sad over the untimely death of Rev. H. P. Gibbs. His remains were brought here and buried from our church last Monday morning. Notwithstanding the short notice, a large congregation assembled at 11:30 A. M. to honor the name and work of Bro. Gibbs. The services were conducted by Rev. H. C. Morehead, P. E., Grenada district, assisted by Rev. R. A. Burroughs, P. E., Columbus district. Revs. Geo. H. Lipscomb, R. H. B. Gladney, A. P. Leech, Eugene Johnson, P. E. Duncan and J. A. Bowen took part in the services. Rev. M. L. Burton was here to attend the funeral, but he was too sick to leave his room. The cause Bro. Gibbs espoused, what he suffered, together with the Christ-like spirit he manifested, made him the hero of the North Mississippi Conference. His brethren will stand by his cause and his bereaved family at all cost. Let all of us pray and work to this end. J. A. BOWEN.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

A Summer School for students who are irregular in their classes and for teachers will be held at Centenary College, June 12, to continue six weeks. Prominent teachers have been engaged. It will be a fine opportunity for our young ministers to spend six weeks in studying Bible methods and Greek. For particulars address the president.

The notes given Centenary College for an endowment were and are appreciated; but the interest on these notes would be doubly appreciated just now. Out of 1200 notes the interest is only paid on about forty. If you have a note in the treasurer's hands, send a part of the interest, if not all. At least regard your obligation sufficient to write and explain why you have been indifferent. I. W. COOPER.

REVIVAL AT AMITE CITY, LA.

We are in the midst of a heart-stirring, soul-searching revival in Amite. The interest increases at each succeeding service. We had house full and some standing in vestibule last night. The church is greatly revived—five souls were converted and joined church yesterday. This is the fourteenth day of the meeting; will continue it several more. Am all alone. (No, God is with me.) Have preached twenty-four sermons and attended three funerals during last twelve days.

Our faithful, good brother, S. Hyde, who was for a number of years a member of the Mississippi Conference, passed away in great peace at his home in Tangipahoa parish on April 21. His son, Jno. Hyde, followed him on the twenty-fourth. Mrs. Alma Rand—the oldest member of the church in this community—left us on the twenty-seventh instant. She was eighty-nine years of age. She went to God in mature hope and strong confidence. Our people continue to "die well."

Am glad to announce that the demoralizing lawlessness that we have had in this parish for a number of years is thought to be at an end. The prospects are brighter for us than for many years. The church and the citizenship of the entire parish is now enjoying peace and safety. The Lord be praised!

HARRY W. MAY.

May 1, 1899.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IN DETROIT.

The Michigan Legislature has passed an act permitting the city of Detroit to buy and operate its street railway system. When Governor Pingree was mayor of Detroit he had a long controversy with the street railways, and attempted to take charge of them for the city. The courts decided against him; but now that he is governor, he has succeeded in having a law passed which authorizes municipal ownership and management. The present roads are bonded for $11,000,000, and the city will probably have to pay that amount of money to secure possession. Bonds will be issued based on the value of the franchises, the property, and the earnings. Three commissioners—the governor being one—will have the entire management of the business. The only restriction placed upon these commissioners is that the fares shall not be higher than they are now—six for a quarter on the old systems, and eight for a quarter on the new lines. There are some knotty legal questions involved, and considerable opposition has been manifested. The scheme is likely to be tried in spite of these, and the result of the trial will be of great interest to the advocates of municipal ownership of transportation facilities.—Zion's Herald.

NOTES.

Do not fail to read our "Special Offer for May."

President Chambers, of Whitworth College, has been ill for several days.

Rev. H. H. Ahrens left on Monday for Nashville, where he will remain during the week.

Dr. C. W. Carter is in Nashville attending the annual meeting of the Board of Missions.

Rev. W. H. LaPrade, Jr., of the St. Louis Conference, has been in this city for some days, visiting his parents.

Dr. I. W. Cooper attended the meeting of the Arcadia District Lesgue Conference at Minden last week, and delivered an address.

Dr. W. H. LaPrade attended the Seashore District Conference, and delivered an address in the interest of the "Twentieth Century Educational Fund."

A. F. Godat and E. P. Mackie, prominent Methodist laymen of this city, were participants in the recent International Sunday-School Conference at Atlanta.

Dr. W. H. LaPrade left for Nashville on Tuesday to attend the annual meeting of the Board of Education. Before his return he will visit relatives in Florence, Ala. His pulpit will be filled next Sabbath by Prof. Thomas Carter.

Through a pastoral report from Rev. T. J. Martin, which will appear in our issue of next week, we learn that Rev. C. F. Staples, of the Louisiana Conference, is in bed with fever. Bro. Martin asks the prayers of the church for his recovery.

We invite special attention to the notice on our fifth page headed, "A Delightful Excursion." The cause is a most worthy one, and the occasion will, doubtless, be a very enjoyable one. We hope the Methodists of New Orleans will turn out in force.

On account of a catarrhal affection from which he has been suffering for some time, Rev. T. W. Lewis has been granted a thirty days' vacation by his church at Corinth, Miss. He is in Memphis under treatment. He writes that he is improving and hopes to be able to resume work by the sixteenth.

Tickets have been received for a Grand Violin and Mandolin Recital, to be given by the pupils of Mr. C. Erhard Schrenk. The recital will be given at the Athenæum, cor. Clio and St. Charles Sts., on Thursday, May 11, at eight o'clock. An excellent program has been prepared, and a feast of music is anticipated.

Miss Bruce, superintendent of our Cuban Mission Schools in Tampa, Fla., delivered two addresses in New Orleans last Sabbath—one at Carondelet and one at Rayne Memorial. Both were replete with information concerning the important work under her charge. She will also have charge of the new work projected in Key West.

Under date of May 1, Rev. M. E. Tumlin writes: "I have been assisting Bro. J. A. Bowen for two weeks in a great work at Columbus. He had four preachers last week, and none of them ate idle bread. He had three services in the church, and preaching in different parts of the city in the afternoon of each day. The city is stirred, and people are converted and reclaimed here and there as the camp-fires burn."

From a communication on this page it will be seen that the Woman's Home Mission Society has organized a Parsonage Department, and elected to its superintendency Mrs. F. A. Lyons, of this city. Of Mrs. Lyons' great interest in this special work it is not necessary that we should speak, her record on the subject being known to all. We note with pleasure that the next meeting of the society will be held in this city.

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BY H. G. HAWKINS,
Conference Secretary of Education.

My first day in the field as Conference Secretary of Education was last Friday with the preachers and lay members of the Brookhaven District Conference, held in the live town of Brookhaven. The hour set for the presentation of the educational cause was 11 A. M., and an audience large and attentive assembled. The speech of the Conference Secretary was followed by one from Dr. H. W. Featherstun, the presiding elder, who gave a resume of the situation in the Mississippi Conference as it relates more especially to our girls' schools. He appealed to the Brookhaven district to bestir itself in behalf of the noble Whitworth College plant. Expressions of approval were given from different parts of the audience, and Rev. T. W. Adams, the Brookhaven pastor, suggested that a collection be taken at the moment. The presiding elder was of the opinion that the time was not ripe for that. I learned afterwards that two men in the audience were ready to subscribe a hundred dollars each.

In the afternoon the president of the Conference inquired from each pastor exactly what had been done thus far towards raising the fund. The answers showed that most of the pastors were intelligently planning to secure the money before the end of the year.

J. D. Ellis, of Mt. Carmel, said that the preparing of the Twentieth Century Fund roll-book had resulted in the careful revision of each church register on his charge.

C. A. Powell, of Crystal Springs, said that one of the ladies of his congregation had consented to take charge of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Service, programs for which had been received by all the pastors of the district.

One pastor said that he had scattered his programs broad-cast among his people. That is better than to do nothing at all with them; but the purpose of this program is that it serve, with such modifications as the circumstances may require, as an order of exercises for educational meetings in every congregation, at which meeting the roll-book is to be opened, and cash or subscriptions received.

J. M. Morse said that at Wesson he would observe the day now, and take the collection later.

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JACKSON, MISS.

Yesterday evening Mrs. C. E. Wright entertained The Mary Erwin W. C. T. U., of Jackson, in a delightful sociable, with refreshments and good cheer generally. Our Union is flourishing despite the ominous growls of the blind tigers in our midst. There's a petition going around in Hinds county for a whisky election, which we hope will fail to get the required number of signers.

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SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

We ended our first round at Pelican on Sunday, April 23, and have to report the prospects encouraging for a good work for the year. The preachers are all hopeful and zealous, and the officials and membership seem disposed to second the efforts of their pastors. While some class leaders were found, not a single class meeting could be discovered, though there is some hope that this most useful means of grace, and so necessary to genuine Methodism, will be revived in the bounds of the district. We held the quarterly love-feast at every point except two, where we were providentially hindered, and found Methodists of mature years who, strange to say, had never been in such a service before. God signally blessed us all in these glorious love-feasts. Calling of mourners and altar service was had after the sermons, and with gracious results. On the cold Sunday we were with Bro. J. M. Brown and a select crowd, with whom we held service, at Grand Cane.

Notwithstanding all the indifference and worldliness of our people, we may honestly report the Shreveport district as being on rising ground. We thank God and take courage, beginning our second round next Sunday at Texas Avenue Church, and purposing, God willing, to hold two Conferences each week.

JOHN T. SAWYER.

April 25, 1899

RATES ON T. AND P. R. R.

From a letter from the general passenger agent of the T. and P. R. R, with reference to rates to our District Conference at Lecompte, I quote as follows:

"We make for this occasion rate one and one-third fare per capita for the round trip, selling May 24 and 25, final limit for return May 29. This is to apply from all stations on our line in Louisiana."

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J. A. PARKER.

A BIG FIRE.

MR EDITOR: You have doubtless seen some notice of our big fire. Every business house, save one small one, several cabins, and a number of barns and outhouses, besides both passenger and freight depots, and the express office, all burned last Wednesday at noon. Possibly a third is covered by insurance, but the loss is heavy. Methodist people are the greatest losers.

I have seen larger fires in larger places, but I never saw a whole town burn before.

This is another blow to our already crippled Methodism. With an unfinished church, a parsonage debt of six hundred dollars, Conference collections about one-fourth of last year's assessment, together with even sadder complications not necessary to mention, I am sure the outlook is not very encouraging.

The town burned down in about an hour and fifteen minutes.

Somebody please write me what to do. Remember us at a throne of grace. J. E. CUNNINGHAM.

Lula, Miss., April 28, 1899.

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The annual commencement sermon before the graduating class of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo., will be preached by Rev. E. P. Ryland at Melrose M. E. Church, South, at 11 A. M., Sunday, May 14 1899.

The commencement exercises will be held in First Congregational Church, 11th and Magee Sts., at 8 P. M., Tuesday, May 16 1899. Ten students will receive diplomas. Rev. M. T. Hughes, pastor of Independence Ave. M. E. Church, will deliver the annual address.

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(Continued.)

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MONDAY, JUNE 5.

8. P. M.—An Evening with the Little Folks.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6.

10 A. M—Graduating Exercises, and Literary address by Rev. J. C. Morris, D. D.

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NELSON GILBREATH.

NOTICE.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Mississippi Conference will hold its annual meeting in Sardis, June 10-13. Auxiliaries will please give this notice special attention, as this date is two weeks earlier than the meeting is usually held to avoid conflicting with the League Conference. Rates all being arranged with the railroads and will be published as soon as completed. Let earnest prayer be made that God's blessing upon this meeting may make a season of great pleasure and profit to his children and a means of advancement to his kingdom.

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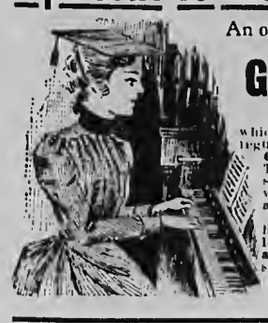
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Always with a throb of heartache,
That thrills each pulsive vein,
Come the old, unquiet longing,
For the peace of home again.

I'm sick of the roar of cities,
And of the faces cold and strange;
I know where there's warmth and welcome,
And my yearning fancies range
Back to the dear old homestead,
With an aching sense of pain;
But there'll be joy in the coming,
When I go home again.

When I go home again! There's music
That never may die away.
And it seems the hands of angels,
On a mystic harp at play,
Have touched with a yearning sadness
On a beautiful broken strain,
To which is my fond heart wording,
"When I go home again."

Outside of my darkened window
Is the great world's crash and din,
And slowly the Autumn shadows
Come drifting, drifting in,
Sobbing, the night wind murmurs
To the splash of the Autumn rain;
But I dream of the glorious greeting
When I go home again.

"ALWAYS ROOM AT THE TOP."

"Always room at the top," is a notable sentiment of Daniel Webster—almost as famous as his "Liberty and Union." The story goes that some one, presumably a young man with an ambition, asked him whether there were room in the legal profession for more aspirants; to which Webster made the memorable reply: "There is always room at the top."

The superior men, the men ready to take the greatest positions and fulfill large obligations, the men trained from bottom to top of a business in thoroughness, and from east to west in knowledge of its possibilities, will always be few, and generally fewer than the places waiting to be filled.

In the advancing era of probable prosperity before us, this will be likely to be more and more the case. He who looks abroad at the great schemes already afoot, and who has a little imagination of the things which are to come, will have good ground for thinking that, in the next decade or score of years, the "top" sphere, the call for superior service, will be stronger than ever before.

Two examples and illustrations are right at hand, and in two widely different spheres. There are some five or six college presidencies which are now vacant, notably that of Yale college, bereft of her worthy President Dwight; and these colleges look about, apparently in vain, to find suitable men. Now, we do not suppose there is really lack of good, reliable timber to make into great university presidents, but it is not forthcoming. There are doubtless such men, just as there was a Day, unknown to the nation, but upon whom President McKinley had his eye, for a great position. But these men are not forthcoming, and if one has the timber in him to take President Dwight's place, the place is waiting for the right man.

In another line, the newspapers have been pointing out another "top" sphere where there is plenty of room. A paper lying before us says of a navy yard: "Some forty laborers will be discharged from the department of construction and repair, by reason of lack of work at present." But the very next column, in strong lines, we read: "Good jobs for the right men," with the subhead, "Government examiners failed to find master workmen for directing three kinds of navy-yard work." Not a single one of the many applicants who took the examinations for the positions of master machinist for shop work, master machinist for work afloat, and master coppersmith, came up to the government qualifications for the positions, and none was recommended for the vacant places by the examining Board.

"This is a sad disappointment to the officials at the yard, particularly those in steam engineering, as they wish, and so does the navy department, to have that branch thoroughly organized for active operations at the earliest moment, so that work can be done with the greatest expedition, and more important construction undertaken than is being done at present.

"In view of the situation, Rear Admiral Howison has requested the navy department to take some additional step in the matter of appointments immediately. Local men are wanted, and should have the positions, if possible; but if local men are not qualified, or such as are qualified do not apply, why, others must be appointed."

All this should not fail to make its impression upon everybody, especially young men and instructors of young men, and of young women, too. And it certainly makes advisable what young men of discernment and sagacity have sometimes done—to take an extra year of work, after graduation, in the departments of life for which they are preparing. Prepare to be an at-the-top man. Two requisites are essential for these important places:—first, the most absolute equipment for the place possible, is knowledge of principles, details, the business itself, and its relation to the world at large; and, second, a vitalizing energy and supervision which, knowing the business perfectly, shall move it and everyone connected with it forward, to fulfill its purposes and to accomplish desirable results. Neither one of these alone will suffice; both will make a man essential in his sphere.—Success.

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LITERATURE AND CHILD-LIFE.

As far as any real advantage to mind and thought is concerned, much of the reading done by children might better be omitted altogether. Particularly pernicious is the enervating and tasteless pap usually offered to children under the name of "juvenile literature," which, with its commonplace treatment of commonplace themes, its presentation of the child to itself as a hero, its preoccupation with the immature stage of life and thought, deals with the child on its own level merely, ill exercising the child's mind in real power of thought, and ill preparing it for maturity. The reading given to children should always be of a quality sufficiently high to afford the adult mind entertainment or nourishment. There need be no fear that such reading will be beyond the child's comprehension. The normal child is far keener to appreciate and understand the best in literature than is commonly supposed, and should have it as a necessary part of training. A background of good literature, absorbed at home, not as a task, but as a spontaneously sought pleasure, gives that touch of distinction, that breadth and ease, that denote culture, and that are painfully lacking in the average student.—Kate Holladay Claghorn, Ph. D., in "College Training for Women."

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One can not too sedulously look after the small courtesies in one's conduct, and, if one be charged with the management of a household, in the accustomed ways of the family. Habits count for everything here, and example is better than precept.—Margaret E. Sangster.

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A MOTHER'S FAMILY PRAYER.

When we had laid the body of the husband and father to rest, and night grew apace, my three little fatherless boys, with eyes brimming with tears and voice trembling, said: "Oh, who will talk to Jesus every night for us now, mama?"

I felt my own nothingness, and could only breathe a prayer for help. As if in answer, I did, with great effort at self-control, 'tis true, read a few verses of the 130th Psalm, kneeling with my children and repeating the Lord's Prayer together. Thus began, and has continued with unabated interest, our daily seeking the grace sufficient. The children do not seem to think it "tiresome" when they all take part, asking questions which I try to answer the very best I can.—A Mother in Christian Observer.

"IF YOU LOVE ME, TELL ME SO."

There is a pretty story told concerning the late Dr. Dale. He was traveling, I think, in the colonies. Speaking on one occasion of the relation of a pastor to his congregation, and pleading for a freer reciprocity of feeling between them, he said that he often felt inclined to say to his own people, "If you love me, tell me so." The little speech reached England sooner than did the speaker, and when some months later the Doctor entered the hall in Birmingham in which a "welcome home" had been arranged for him, almost the first object that met his eyes was a large scroll across one end of the building, "We love you, and we tell you so."—George Jackson.

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"You are to be the servant of Providence, and if you can help your neighbor, you must needs regard it as a privilege to do so.

"You are to remember that when you go hence you will leave behind everything except your character, and that, therefore, the character is to be carefully formed and vigilantly guarded."

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We call it death; we make it death—a separation. We leave off there. We gather up the tools that our loved ones drop, and use them to carve out, selfishly, our own pleasures; we let their life go as if it were no matter to keep it up upon the earth. We turn our backs, and go our ways, and leave saints' hands outstretched invisibly in vain.—A. D. T. Whitney.

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Suppose a boy has a lot of cigarettes and smokes a few of them every day. Is there any injury in this? I can tell you, for I have had such boys for patients. Such smoking, even in so-called moderation (as if there were any such thing as moderation in stimulants for the young!), will do three things for him: 1. It will run his pulse up to one hundred, or more, per minute. 2. It will reduce his weight below the healthy standard. 3. It will reduce his strength and general vitality, as will appear in his pale complexion and his diminished appetite. . . . Cigarette smoking is one of the worst habits physically that a boy can form. It injures the heart and digestion, and it tends to check the growth. It gives a lad false notions, and it does not bring him into good company.—Harper's Young People.

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SPROLE—On Sunday morning, March 12 1899 in Springfield, La., the spirit of Mrs. MARGRET SPROLE (nee Margret Patterson) took its flight.

Mrs Sprole was seventy-five years of age the second of March. Hers was a devoted life of Christian love. Not a sweeter, purer type of Christian faith has it ever been my privilege to know. All associated with her could but feel the silent, divine influence of her sweet life and godly words. Many, many were the quiet, happy Summer hours we spent together, and now, as I recall her saintly smiles and lovely words, my heart grows sad, for never again on earth shall I hear those sweet, gentle tones. How she is missed only those who knew and loved her can tell; none so well as the pure, faithful daughter, her constant attendant and staff of her declining years. God called Mrs. Sprole home to himself, took her from her earthly pains, and placed her in a fairer, brighter home above. Can we wish to call her back? It is meet that the aged Christian should be called home. After a long life spent in our blessed Master's service it is not for us to desire to stay the stern, relentless hand of death when, through it, our loved, lost one is to be given a crown of righteousness that fadeth not away.

O Maggie, weep not for your precious, saintly mother! Lonely, ah, yes, how lonely your heart must be! Every fragrant flower bears to you memories of her blossoming, fruitful life. The little birdies' notes remind you of mother. Her life was one of sacred song. Every breeze wafts to you thoughts of her calm, holy spirit. Even the sound of your own footstep echoing through the silent rooms brings to memory the sound of another's silenced forever. Yes, I know you feel and realize her loss; but when the sad tears dim your eye, when the heartache grows so painful, and fond recollection searches the silent hall of the past, on, let the thought that mother is not dead—only sleeping—crowd out all bitter thoughts. God loved her, and does all things well.

Ah, mourn not; he said, "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." "He giveth his beloved sleep." Your mother is living. "He that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." A crown of righteousness is laid up for all who are "faithful unto the end," and your mother was faithful unto death. In the bright, celestial home she has met those gone before, and now waits and watches for loved ones left behind. Seems to me that I can almost see her as she so lovingly, so tenderly, so earnestly, so eagerly beckons to her loved children to meet her in the city whose gates are of pearl, whose walks are of jasper, and whose streets are paved with gold, and where her beloved voice joins in the grand, triumphal chorus sung by the angels and archangels around the great white throne on high: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!" where the Sun of Righteousness shineth about her forever and forevermore.

ROSA TABOR.

ENOCHS—Mr. CANNOLL ENOCHS, son of Judge John R. Enochs and Polly Steen, was born Feb. 7, 1815; moved to Lawrence county, Miss., with his father from Bedford county, Tenn., about the year 1820, where his father lived two years; hence in the year 1822 he was brought to Rankin county. When about seven years of age he married and settled on Monntain Creek, a few miles south of Steen's Creek, not more than one-half mile from his last resting-place; consequently he spent seventy-seven years of his eventful life in a radius of one mile.

One of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of our county has passed away. Enochs and Steens. These two families have contributed much to the history of Rankin county. They have lived contemporary with Hon. T. N. Nowell and Sam Savier. When these two old gentlemen pass away the pioneers and patriarchs of by-gone days will pass into history.

Bro. Enochs was a man of strong constitution true to his friends, just to his enemies; and the highest regard for honor.

Bro. Enochs leaves a family of six children, viz.: Mrs. Mary and Mrs. W. D. Steens, of Steens Creek; Mrs. West, of Copiah county; Judge and John R. Enochs, of Brandon; Sam Enochs, of Jackson, and the Rev. K. S. Enochs, of Jonesville, La., a member of the Louisiana Conference. We buried him at the family burial-ground on Monday, the twentieth of March, 1899, to wait the final resurrection at the judgment day.

R. BRADLEY, P. C.

ARTHUR—Sister LOUISA ARTHUR was seventy-six years of age when called by her Lord, March 12, 1899, to enter the door of the invisible world. She was born in Germany, and came to New Orleans fifty years ago. She was married to Jonathan Arthur, and in this couple God granted two sons and one daughter, the last one of whom is the only surviving member of this broken household. She came to the Methodist Church from the Lutherans, Sept. 26, 1869. In 1896 she had a stroke of paralysis, and on Sept. 24 1898, she was prostrated, and for more than five months she suffered patiently the will of her Lord. Her membership in the church was not an empty name, but a vital fact. When she could no longer attend its services by herself, a friend aided her, so that she was enabled to fulfill her cherished wish. Two days before her decease her former pastor administered the sacrament to her, in which she solemnly and heartily joined. In her character we had the truest, the most beautiful and scriptural display of personal religion. She knew whom she believed. Of this her profession spoke in the most endearing and lasting terms. Her end was one of peace, and without a struggle she was not, for God took her.

J. F. SCUDLOCK.

GLEASON—Whereas, It has pleased our heavenly Father, in his wisdom, to remove from our midst by death our beloved sister, Mrs. ROSA GLEASON; therefore, be it

Resolved, By our Foreign Missionary Society of McNutt, Miss., that we have lost one of our most faithful, earnest and useful Christian workers. She was ever ready to do any and everything to advance the Master's cause and build up the church she so dearly loved. She was a joy in her home, a blessing to the poor and everyone with whom she came in contact. Her life and character was beautiful, full of charity, hospitality and love, professing Christ by every word and deed. We will miss her words of cheerfulness, Christian counsel and influence in our work for the Master, and we deeply mourn our loss. It leaves a vacancy that can not be filled.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved husband, children and relatives our tenderest sympathy, hoping they may find consolation in Him who doeth all things well.

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PATTISON—WILLIAM W. PATTISON was born in Baltimore, Sept. 4, 1835; moved to Louisiana at the close of the war; married Miss Nannie Gullott, Sept. 27 1866. She died Nov. 19, 1881, leaving him five children. In 1884 he was married to Miss Dutton, and in 1893 moved to Mineola, Texas, where he lived until his death, which occurred March 23, 1899. He was for many years a consistent member of the M. E. Church, South. His home was ever open to the ministers of his beloved church.

In his death our town has lost a true friend and counselor, his pastor a loyal and devoted brother, his wife and children a loving husband and tender father. He has only left us for a few brief years. We, together with his bereaved wife and children, will soon join him in the "beautiful beyond." May the faith that sustained him in his dying hour bring peace to the bereaved loved ones!

C. B. CROSS, P. C.

Mineola, Texas.

BRASWELL—Little BERTHA E. BRASWELL, daughter of Rev. J. A. and M. E. Braswell, died at Drwood, Miss., Jan. 16, 1899, aged two years four months and thirteen days.

Our little darling was sick two weeks with croup, but not seriously until Saturday before she died. Monday, nine o'clock A. M., her suffering was intense, but patiently she bore it all, and bid us all previous to her sickness that she was going to live with papa someday, who preceded her just thirteen months. She was the life of our sad home, caused by the death of our dear husband and father; but we, as the remnant of the family left on earth, will lean on Him who is able to sustain us in this trying time; and while mama, sister and three little brothers mourn her loss, we wait till God, in his own good time, will call us to come up higher where parting is no more, on the happy golden shore. Oh, glorious thought!

HER MOTHER.

Water Valley, Miss.

ARMSTRONG—Resolutions adopted at the first Quarterly Conference, Chunkey circuit, Forest district, Mississippi Conference:

Whereas, God, in his infinite wisdom, has taken from the Sequalena neighborhood and from membership in this Quarterly Conference HENRY ARMSTRONG, who was born Feb. 21, 1824 and died Feb. 15, 1899, having been a member of the Methodist Church for more than fifty years; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in his death the church has lost a faithful, diligent official member; the community a useful citizen, and his family a devoted husband and father.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Illinois Central Road has at length accepted what it asked for, the franchise privilege along the river front.

While the number of children and youth in the United States is 21,082,472, the total enrollment of American Sunday-schools is but 9,718,432.

Almost the entire $5,000,000 that the citizens of St. Louis have proposed to raise to clinch the proposition of holding a World's Fair there is in sight.

Susan B. Anthony, although nearly 80 years old, announces that she will attend the international council of women in London next June. This will be her second visit abroad.

During the last few weeks Lady Henry Somerset has been occupied at Eastnor Castle, England, in modeling a statuette of her close friend and fellow worker in the temperance cause, the late Miss Frances Willard.

On May 8 will occur the opening of the State Fair. The day has been chosen as the date of the Peace Jubilee to celebrate the victory achieved by American arms in the war with Spain and the return of peace.

An approximate calculation places the total expenditures of the treasury, on account of the war with Spain, from the beginning of the war preparations, in March of last year, up to the present time, at $276,000,000.

A noted case in which the salaries of public school teachers and portresses, unpaid for from 15 to 19 years back, were involved was decided by the Supreme Court of Louisiana in favor of the teachers, the high court ordering that the salaries be paid. Chief Justice Nicholls handed down the decision.

The United States Government having notified Spain that it was prepared to pay the $20,000,000 indemnity for the surrender of Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines, and the Spanish Government having signified its readiness to receive the money through the French Ambassador, the Treasury officials at Washington paid the amount on May 1.

A terrible tornado passed across the country, April 27, near the line of Missouri, causing great destruction of property and loss of life. The destruction of human life is believed to be not less than 100 persons. The prostrating of the telegraph lines makes it difficult to get details, but the indications are that the storm was more than ordinarily severe and terrible in its consequences.

The Secretary of State has notified the American Minister to Nicaragua, who is now at Bluefields, that the Nicaragua Government will not be allowed to collect double duties on goods imported by Americans during the recent rebellion. He has been instructed to inform General Torres, the Nicaraguan governor at Bluefields, that the sums paid under protest must be refunded, and that all attempts to collect duties already paid by Americans must cease.

Governor-General Brooke proposes to bring the matter of the payment of the Cuban troops to a head immediately. He has sent a request to General Maximo Gomez that the latter and the junta of consulting Cuban generals should come at once to a decision as to whether the Cuban muster rolls are to stand as now made up or are to be reduced, as General Gomez has been expecting. If he could consult his own desires, General Brooke would pay $100 per man to such as are entitled to share in the $3,000,000, but General Gomez continues to vouch for 39,930 troops, and payment will be begun without further delay on that basis.

Although the dismemberment of China has for some time been a foregone conclusion, the actual process of dividing it up has been delayed by a failure on the part of the claimants for the spoils to agree upon a basis of division. Russia, Germany, France and Great Britain have been established at various points on the Chinese coast, but there was no agreement as to the respective spheres of influence within which each was to operate without interference from the others. According to the latest European dispatches, the two principal claimants for China's spoils, namely, Great Britain and Russia, have finally reached an agreement as to the parts of China they desire to exploit.

While it is the general expectation among Americans that the Filipino emissaries will return with revised proposals from General Antonio Luna, Major-General Otis is not letting this prospect interfere with his preparations for pushing the war. He has ordered Major-General Lawton to return to Angat, a few miles northwest of Norzagaray, and not to advance aggressively while the negotiations are pending. General MacArthur is apparently acting on the same policy, but he is repairing bridges and strengthening the lines within a quarter of a mile of the enemy. The possibilities of peace are gratifying to a great majority of the army who have regarded the war as an unpleasant duty that must be performed according to American traditions.

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Winona District Conference.

The District Conference for the Winona district, North Mississippi Conference, will embrace the second Sunday in May, instead of the third Sunday, as previously published. To this body Carrollton extends a cordial welcome. We welcome also our visiting brethren who are expected to attend. Your name, Mr. Editor, has been before the Committee on Entertainment for some time. Do not disappoint us. Let those members who will be accompanied by their wives notify me or Bro. J. R. Bingham at once. Again, let all the brethren be here by Wednesday morning, May 10—"Missionary and Education Day." It is desired that every Sunday-school and League be represented on Thursday, May 11—the day specially set apart for these interests. I call upon you all to come in earnest prayer for the presence and presidency of the Holy Spirit in our deliberations. H. T. CUNNINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., April 28, 1899.

One Week in Advance.

MAY 10.

Winona District Conference will be held one week in advance of published time.

May 10 is "Missionary and Educational Day;" 11th, Sunday-school Day. "Business of District" taken up Friday, 12th. This change is made to insure the presence of Bishop Galloway. Bro. Bingham and the Carrollton people are expecting a large delegation; and I do hope they will not be disappointed. Hope all those that are connected with the published program will be on hand prepared to make the meeting profitable. Will the pastors try and get their delegates to be on hand the first day and stay until the final benediction?

Wednesday, May 10, is the first day.

W. S. SHIPMAN.

April 24, 1899.

Alexandria District Conference

Will be held at Lecompte, La., May 24-28, 1899; Bishop Key presiding.

Opening Sermon, 11 A. M., May 24—Rev. G. D. Anders. Organization of Conference, 3 P. M., May 24.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Of Applicants for License to Preach—J. P. Haney, J. W. Lee and H. W. Hill.

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Committee on Quarterly Conference Records—J. I. McCain, Rev. L. H. Hughes and H. G. Goodwin.

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Vicksburg—Crawford Street	8
Flora, at Livingston	13, 14
Bolton, at Clinton	20, 21
South Vicksburg	22
Port Gibson	23
Edwards, at Learned	27, 28
Angnilla, at Bethel	June 3, 4
Warren, at Wesley Chapel	10, 11
Utica, at Cayuga	24, 25
Satartia, at Satartia	July 1, 2
Hermanville, at Sarepta	8, 9

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NATCHEZ DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Homochitto Chapel	May 6, 7
Mars Hill	13, 14
Whitaker	20, 21
Martin	27, 28
Jefferson Street	June 3, 4
Wesley Chapel	3, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11
Rehoboth	17, 18
Percy Creek	24, 25
Woodville	25, 26
Knoxville	30, July 1

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Waynesboro, at Waynesboro—Sun. A. M., Moo. A. M.	30, May 1
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	6, 7
Lauderdale, at Lockhart	13, 14
Pachuta, at Pachuta	20, 21
Middleton, at State Line	27, 28
Matherville, at Andrew Chapel—Sun P. M., Mon. A. M.	28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise—Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.	June 4, 5
Shubuta, at Shubuta—Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.	11, 12
Daleville, at Liowood	17, 18
Binnsville, at Binnsville	24, 25

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

CORINTH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Brown's Creek circuit	Fri., May 5
Belmont circuit	6, 7
Jecioto circuit	13, 14
New Albany circuit	20, 21

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GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Robinsonville	May 6, 7
Austin	13, 14
Sherard's	20, 21
Laconia	27, 28
Gunnison	28, 29
Rosedale	June 3, 4
Bolivar	10, 11
Lehrton	17, 18

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GRENADA DIST. SECOND ROUND.

Banner, at Salem	May 6, 7
Paris, at Tula	13, 14
Strathmore	20, 21
Elizey, at George's Chapel	27, 28
Pittsboro, at Tabernacle, Thurs.—Foes	30
Chapel Hill, at Mars Hill—Thurs.	June 1
Slate Springs, at Spring Hill	3, 4

The District Conference will be held at Tocopole, April 27, 28, 29, and 30. Program will appear later.

H. C. MORRHEAD, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Quincy circuit	Apr. 29, 30
Amory and Smithville	30, May 1
Nettleton circuit	6, 7
Tremont circuit	13, 14
Fulton circuit	20, 21
Buena Vista circuit	27, 28
Shannon circuit	June 3, 4
Okolona circuit	10, 11

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Courtland	Apr. 29, 30
Pleasant Hill	May 6, 7
Tyro	12
Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Orwood mission	19
Eureka	20, 21
Longtown	27, 28

District Conference will be held at Courtland, April 27-30.

T. C. WIER, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Lagrange	Apr. 29, 30
Sturges	May 6, 7
Columbus circuit	13, 14
Columbus station	20, 21
Winston ville	27, 28

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Winona circuit, at Bluff Springs	Apr. 29, 30
Sidon and Ethaiona, at Sidon	May 6, 7
Carrollton circuit, at Econ	20, 21
McNott and Shell Mound, at Shell Mound	27, 28
Black Hawk, at Acona	June 3, 4
Dublin and Webb	10, 11
West	17, 18

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Texas Avenue	11 A. M., Apr. 30
First Church	7:30 P. M., 30
Benton, at Alden's Bridge	May 3
Grand Cane, at Stonewall	6, 7
Caddo, at Greenwood	10
South Bossier, at Allenton	13, 14
Logansport, at Longstreet	17
Fort Jessup and Many, at Fort Jessup	20, 21
Florien, at Holly Grove	24
Zwolle, at Bayou Scie	27, 28
Pleasant Hill, at Beulah	31
Mooringsport, at Blanchard	June 3, 4
Wesley, at Campte	7
North Bossier, at Emma	10, 11
Mansfield	18
Red River, at Campobello	21
Pelican, at Mt Pleasant	24, 25
Coushatta, at Coushatta	28
District Conference, at Coushatta	29-July 2
Opening	8 A. M., June 20
Conference sermon by Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard	11 A. M., 20
Missionary Institute, led by Rev. J. O. Bennett	3 P. M., 20
Sunday-school and Epworth League, led by Revs. W. G. Evans and P. O. Lowrey	3 P. M., 30
Twentieth Century Educational Fund, led by Rev. W. T. Boiling, D. D.	3 P. M., July 1
District Conference love feast, led by the presiding elder	3 P. M., 2

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BATON ROUGE DIST.—SECOND ROUND

Ponchatoula, at Hammond	May 6, 7
Amite City, at Kentwood	10, 11
Franklinton, at Magee's	13, 14
Slaughter, at Betoville	20, 21
Clinton	21, 22
St. Helena, at Center	23
Wilson, at Pisgah	27, 28
Jackson	28, 29
St. Francisville, at Tunica	June 3, 4

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DELHI DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Monroe	Apr. 22, 23
Oak Ridge, at Mer Rouge	May 6, 7
Bastrop, at De Siard	13, 14
Vidalia, at Vidalia	20, 21
Waterproof, at St. Joseph	27, 28
Girard	June 3, 4
Tallulah	10, 11
Providence, at Provideece	17, 18
Boulta, at Bartholomew	24, 25
Delhi	July 1, 2
Floyd, at Midway	8, 9
Harrisonburg, at Sicily Island	15, 16
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SOMMERS—DEVALL.—At Bethel Church, in East Baton Rouge parish, La., April 26, 1899, by Rev. Thos. J. Upton, Mr. G. C. Sommers and Miss C. M. Devall, all of the parish of East Baton Rouge, La.

ARNOLD—HATLEY.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Hamilsboro, Miss., April 19, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Pugh, Mr. Henry Arnold and Miss Mary M. Hatley

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But bring to view some object bright,
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Correspondence.

LOUISVILLE LETTER.

The Church Extension Board held its annual meeting in this city last week, and the session was a very satisfactory one. The financial exhibit was in keeping with that of previous years, and the Board is very much gratified with the admirable work being done by its efficient secretary, Dr. P. H. Whisner. His selection was providential, and the General Conference could not have made a wiser choice. Painstaking, diligent, careful, and judicious, no man could so well have filled the place left vacant by our lamented Dr. Morton. Most of the pulpits of the city were filled last Sunday by the Bishops. Bishop Candler preached a great sermon in the Walnut Street Church to my congregation in the morning, and Bishop Granbery delighted my people with one of his pure gospel sermons at night. We all regretted Bishop's Keener's absence, and our sympathies and prayers are with him in the sorrows that have come to him.

On Sunday, Sam Jones began a three weeks' meeting in Louisville, from which we hope for and expect great results. He will be assisted by George Stuart, who will arrive on Thursday. A large tent, with a seating capacity of between four and five thousand, has been erected in an eligible location, and last night there were very many more present than could be seated. If any city in this country needs such a stirring up as Sam Jones can give it, it is our Kentucky metropolis. The one thousand saloons of Louisville are open twenty-four hours every day and seven days in the week, while the Sunday theaters are the curse of our young men. The efforts of the pastors and churches of the city to stem this tide of iniquity have so far been fruitless, and if Bro. Jones can rouse public sentiment on the question, and start a reformation that will restrain the liquor traffic and promote the observance of the Sabbath, his coming will be a great blessing.

A number of the leading churches of this city—none of whom are Methodist, I am glad to say—have distillers and wholesale whisky dealers among their prominent members. A recent revival in the largest Baptist Church in Louisville, of which Dr. Eaton, editor of the Baptist Recorder, is pastor, roused the consciences of the members to such an extent that they called a church meeting and passed a resolution that the distillers and whisky dealers who hold membership in that church must either quit their business within twelve months or withdraw from the church. Henry Watterson, editor of the Courier-Journal, came out in a long double-leaded editorial, denouncing the action of the church, and claiming that whisky selling was a legitimate business, and by no means debarred a man from being a Christian! So you can have some conception of the sentiment in this city and State when the leading newspaper takes such a position.

Louisville Methodism is, however, earnest and aggressive, and our position on this and kindred questions is well known. While we have had no great revival in any of our churches this year, protracted services have been held in all of them, with good results. There have been several hundred conversions and additions, and we trust that by the close of the year we will be able to report a large increase. Very considerable material progress has been made this year, and, in fact, I know of no city where Southern Methodism is making more advance in church and parsonage building. The new Broadway Church, a handsome stone edifice, was completed last year; the Marcus Lindsey Memorial Church, a beautiful building in the northeastern part of the city, is nearing completion; the Fourth Avenue congregation will soon begin work on a new church, which, when completed, will be one of the handsomest in the city; and plans are consummated for the erection of a new church, to be called the Rivers' Memorial, in the southeastern section of the city. Work is also about to begin on a ten-thousand-dollar addition to our Methodist Orphans' Home, which is the property of the two Conferences in Kentucky. Last year three new parsonages were built in the city, and a district parsonage was bought, and the plans are about consummated for the purchase of a parsonage for the West Broadway Church, which will give a parsonage to every church in Louisville. Louisville Methodism has thirteen churches, with a total membership of 4,673.

An interesting meeting in Louisville next week will be the Southern Baptist Convention, which will have about a thousand delegates in attendance. This is the largest annual gathering of any religious body in the South, and in addition to the delegates, attracts a large number of visitors. Besides the associational delegates, there is one delegate for every $250 given for missions. The Whitsitt controversy will, doubtless, come up again, and while Dr. Whitsitt has resigned his presidency of the seminary, many of his friends are opposed to the acceptancy of his resignation.

On the seventh and eighth of June we are to have a great meeting of Kentucky Methodists in Louisville in the interests of the Twentieth Century Movement. Bishops Galloway and Hendrix will be present, as will also several of our connectional men, and we hope to have our preachers and laymen greatly stirred on the educational question. We have already inaugurated a vigorous campaign, and expect to realize great results. The Louisville Educational Board has called on our Conference to raise $62,500, with which to fully equip the institutions we already have, and possibly to establish others. We have a Vanderbilt Training-school at Elkton, which is a splendid plant, and one of the best academies in the South. The Louisville Conference is one of the patronizing Conferences of the Vanderbilt University, and this school is correlated with that institution. Logan Female College, at Russellville, is also the property of our Conference, and is a finely-equipped and flourishing school. The Kentucky Wesleyan College, at Winchester, is the property of the Kentucky Conference, and under the efficient presidency of Dr. E. H. Pearce is doing admirable work.

The NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE has been a visitor to my home so long that I would feel very lonely without it. In every issue I find many familiar names, and it recalls every week the friends and associations of my boyhood and youth. How sweet are the memories of the past, and how strong the chains which bind us to them!

M. B. CHAPMAN.

Louisville, Ky.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Brookhaven District Conference of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, convened in Brookhaven, Miss., on the morning of April 27, 1899; Rev. H. Walter Featherstun, D. D., P. E., in the chair. Robt. Selby was elected secretary. Committees were appointed to report on important matters pertaining to the welfare of the church in the district, and some strong resolutions were adopted, one of which deserves special mention, viz: that with regard to the United States Senator-elect, Roberts, from Utah. It was the unanimous opinion of the Conference that we should make a special appeal to our representatives in Congress to do their utmost to prevent Mr. Roberts being allowed a seat in this great representative body in the United States.

All the interests of the church were jealously and zealously looked into, and with a result that was, in the main, gratifying. Of course, we have not achieved what we desired, but progress is being made in almost every department of work.

Every pastor except one—Rev. J. A. B. Jones—was present, and there was a more general interest manifested on the part of the pastors and delegates in all questions than it has been my pleasure to note in an experience of twelve years. It is proper to state that Bro. Jones' absence was due to the fact that he was in the midst of a revival.

Dr. Featherstun made a good impression upon the Conference, and particularly so as desiring to get at the "bottom of things."

Friday morning, at 11 o'clock, we had with us Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Conference Secretary of Education, who delivered a timely address on Christian education, with special reference to the Twentieth Century Fund. It was predicted that Bro. Hawkins will make a capital secretary of this increasingly important issue of our great church. Dr. Featherstun followed in a strong, practical presentation of the question as it relates to the Brookhaven district.

Friday evening, at 8 o'clock, Bro. Peebles, of McComb, delivered a strong sermon on baptism. Bro. Peebles' sermon was preached by request of the pastor, T. W. Adams, and notwithstanding he preached one hour and twenty minutes, the congregation did not in the least become weary.

Mrs. Featherstun presented the interests of the Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: A. C. McNair, S. E. Carruth, H. G. Godbold and J. S. Felder, with J. T. Sudduth and D. B. Hennington as alternates.

All the local preachers in the district had their license renewed, and G. W. Hively was recommended for deacon's orders. John Henry Grice, of Tyro, and Luther W. Felder, of Topisaw, were licensed to preach. Rev. T. H. King, of Adams, was recommended for readmission on trial into the Annual Conference.

Resolutions of thanks for the hospitality of the people of Brookhaven were introduced by V. V. Boone and W. M. Williams, and unanimously adopted.

Bro. Adams, pastor, was careful to see that every member of the Conference had the best home, and, sure enough, we all approved of his assignments.

Tylertown was elected as the place for holding the Conference next year.

The Conference adjourned Saturday afternoon, April 30, with the benediction by the presiding elder.

The following preachers filled the pulpit during the Conference, and to the edification of the congregations: C. A. Powell, J. M. Morse, J. S. Parker, I. L. Peebles, J. D. Ellis, and L. E. Alford.

On the Sabbath, Dr. Featherstun preached in the Methodist Church at 11 o'clock to a large congregation on Christian education. Rev. V. V. Boone occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church. In the afternoon there was an Epworth League rally in the church and college chapel, and addresses were made by Dr. Featherstun and Robt. Selby. The writer preached to a very fine congregation in the Methodist Church at 8 o'clock.

Brookhaven is a growing town, and T. W. Adams, the popular pastor, in his indomitable energy, is in favor of the church keeping pace with the material advancement of the town, and to this end he is laboring.

There was a sad vacancy in the proceedings and social feature of the Conference in the absence of one of the noblest and truest men in Mississippi Methodism—Rev. J. W. Chambers, president of Whitworth—on account of illness. His cheerful, hearty laugh and happy spirit was missed by those who know him so well and appreciate him so much. It is to be hoped, and was fervently prayed for, that he will speedily recover from his illness and resume his loved employ. The college, under his administration, is doing a magnificent work for the future of Methodism.

ROBT. SELBY, Sec.

Hazlehurst, Miss., May 2, 1899.

Communications.

ABOUT PREACHING.

Bishop Hendrix, in the March-April number of The Methodist Review, has some such wise and pertinent remarks on the manner and style of the preacher that I will ask you to reproduce them in your columns. The bearing and tones of some speakers impress one for good as much as any words which might be spoken, while those of others have just the contrary effect. Stephen's countenance, as he "looked up stead fastly into heaven," was a sermon Saul could never forget, and, doubtless, helped to prepare him to meet Jesus by the way. Grimaces, antics, and fierce, foul and slangy denunciations in the pulpit are enough to make devils laugh and angels weep. Surely many of us ought to profit by such words as the following:

"The year that King Uzziah died there was given the vision of the Lord of hosts, whose name is henceforth to be spoken with such frequency and deepest reverence by the lips that were touched with holy fire. Is it any marvel that Isaiah's style should be so faultless when every faculty which can minister to clearness of thought and purity of language had been so fully consecrated? Through speech man's reason finds expression. All his imperial imagination and the strength of his reflective powers must find blossom and fruit in his words. The incense of his heart is waved from the censer of his lips. Men did not need to be told that Isaiah had seen the glory of the Lord, and had been searched through and through by 'the eyes of his glory,' when his words were from that epochal vision reverent with holy memories of the worship of the seraphim. We can not conceive of so noble a manhood and such consecrated genius stooping to the use of the vulgar dialect of slang. Even his most withering denunciations of sin are chaste with the pure flame of righteous indignation becoming an archangel himself. As the two-edged sword which proceeded out of the mouth of Him whom John saw on Patmos was sharp with pure speech, so always are the chosen words which the Holy Ghost uses, piercing to the dividing asunder of the joints and marrow, and proving a discerner of the very thoughts and intents of the heart. Moses, David, Isaiah, Paul—who can doubt that these men had indeed seen God high and lifted up? Their lips were pure with a coal from the altar. Michael had no railing words even for Satan, and thus showed himself accustomed to the language of the court of heaven. Let every minister who presumes to represent that court see to it that his language does not betray him. Of whatever kingdom Billingsgate may be the language, it is not of the court whose speech Isaiah had heard when he saw the Lord sitting upon a throne high and lifted up. The minister whose lips are not clean has not yet received his commission, or has lost it! If he sets the example, he must not wonder that he dwells 'among a people of unclean lips.' It has been the history of many a language that its purity was done more than all else to the vigor and elegance of speech of its great preachers, whether Luther or Wyclif, whether Barrow or Jeremy Taylor. Woe betide the day when the sensational and vulgar style of the pulpit shall repel self-respecting people from the house of God! It is the badge of inferiority in any pulpit, and a confession of the meagerness of the preacher's resources. Besides, it discounts the intelligence of his hearers, as if they were capable only of listening to negro minstrelsy, and not to a symphony or an oratorio. No less of Isaiah than of his Lord could it be said, 'He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.' The shrill cry of a dervish, more like the cry of a wild beast than the human voice, may be employed to attract attention by one content with the gaping crowd which a dervish is accustomed to draw; but the true preacher, like his Lord, seeks to sow his seed in the intelligence, where it may have depth of earth, and yield a harvest of thirty, sixty, a hundredfold. Isaiah's words, the delight and wonder of the thoughtful mind from John the Baptist, who ceaselessly quoted him to Ambrose and Augustine, to Handel and Tennyson, could never have come from a sensational preacher. Isaiah was the prophet of God, not the smirking, snickering caterer to a mob with itching ears. His words, so fitly spoken as to be like apples of gold in pictures of silver, inspired the translators of our Bible to give them a fitting dress, and have done much to make that translation 'a well of English undefiled.' Elegance of style means simply well-chosen words for the most lucid and forcible expression; and who should cultivate it more conscientiously than the spokesman of God? The Holy Ghost never condescends to speak in the vocabulary of the slums. Let none dare impute ignorance of correct language to the greatest Intelligence in the universe!"

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

COLLEGE OF BISHOPS.

The college of Bishops of the M. E. Church, South, has concluded its annual session, and issued the following plan of episcopal visitation for 1899:

FIRST DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON.

Japan Mission Conference, East Osaka, Aug. 24.

Corean Mission Conference, Seoul, Sept. 16.

China Mission Conference, Soo Chow, Oct. 19.

West Virginia Conference, Ashland, Ky., Sept. 6.

Holston Conference, Bluefield, W. Va., Oct. 11.

Virginia Conference, Petersburg, Va., Nov. 15.

South Georgia Conference, Dublin, Ga., Dec. 6.

SECOND DISTRICT—BISHOP GRANBERY.

Denver Conference, Durango, Col., Aug. 10.

Western Conference, Elk City, Kan., Aug. 17.

Missouri Conference, Fayette, Mo., Aug. 30.

St. Louis Conference, Bonne Terre, Mo., Sept. 13.

Southwest Missouri Conference, Neosho, Mo., Sept. 20.

THIRD DISTRICT—BISHOP HARGROVE.

West Texas Conference, San Marcos, Texas, Nov. 1.

Northwest Texas Conference, Cleburne, Texas, Nov. 9.

North Texas Conference, Honey Grove, Texas, Nov. 22.

Texas Conference, Marlin, Texas, Dec. 6.

East Texas Conference, Timpson, Texas, Dec. 14.

FOURTH DISTRICT—BISHOP DUNCAN.

Montana Conference, Boulder, Mon., Aug. 29.

East Columbia Conference, Heppner, Ore., Sept. 7.

Columbia Conference, Myrtle Creek, Ore., Sept. 21.

Los Angeles Conference, Redlands, Cal., Oct. 12.

Pacific Conference, Oakland, Cal., Oct. 26.

FIFTH DISTRICT—BISHOP GALLOWAY.

Tennessee Conference, Columbia, Tenn., Oct. 18.

Arkansas Conference, Springdale, Tenn., Nov. 15.

Little Rock Conference, Fordyce, Ark., Nov. 22.

White River Conference, Searcy, Ark., Nov. 29.

Louisiana Conference, Monroe, La., Dec. 6.

SIXTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HENDRIX.

Brazil Mission Conference, Petropolis, Brazil, July 27.

North Georgia Conference, LaGrange, Ga., Nov. 29.

North Carolina Conference, Washington, N. C., Dec. 6.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEY.

Kentucky Conference, Carlisle, Ky., Aug. 30.

Louisville Conference, Glasgow, Ky., Sept. 6.

Indian Mission Conference, South McAllister, I. T., Nov. 1.

Western North Carolina Conference, Concord, N. C., Nov. 22.

South Carolina Conference, Orangeburg, S. C., Dec. 6.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—BISHOP FITZGERALD.

Illinois Conference, Clay City, Ill., Sept. 13.

Memphis Conference, Brownsville, Tenn., Nov. 15.

Mississippi Conference, Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 13.

NINTH DISTRICT—BISHOP CANDLER.

North Alabama Conference, Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 22.

North Mississippi Conference, Greenwood, Miss., Nov. 29.

Alabama Conference, Mobile, Ala., Dec. 6.

Florida Conference, Monticello, Fla., Dec. 13.

Baltimore Conference, Washington, D. C., April 4.

TENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP MORRISON.

New Mexico Conference, Albuquerque, N. M., Sept 28.

Northwest Mexican Mission Conference, Durango, Tex., Oct. 11.

Central Mexico Mission Conference, City of Mexico, Oct. 26.

Mexican Border Mission Conference, Laredo, Tex., Nov. 2.

German Mission Conference, Grassyville, Tex., Nov. 9.

There are preachers who appear to think that our standard of Christ is too much exalted for an ideal, and that by giving up dogma, miracles, the predictive element in prophecy—in a word, all traces of the supernatural—the world would at once embrace the Christian morality and seek to realize the Christian ideal. But, if this is done, how long, we pray thee tell us, will it be before even the Christian morality must go? That the standard professed is so exalted, namely, likeness to Christ, "that instead of attracting the ordinary person to aim at reaching it, it discourages and repels him." This is the last word of unbelief. Christian dogma is unbelievable, and the life that is connected with it can not be lived by the ordinary person. The lesson we learn here is that the supernatural idea involves a supernatural person. Only in the power, strength and help of a once crucified, but now risen and ascended Lord, can the higher life be lived.—Rev. V. E. Huffer.

SOMETHING EACH DAY.

Something ea[illegible]ach
Is not much to give;
And the little gifts of life
Make sweet the days we live.
The world has weary hearts
That we can bless and cheer,
And a smile for every day
Makes sunshine all the year.

Something each day—a deed
Of kindness and of good,
To link in closer bonds
All human brotherhood,
Oh, thus the heavenly will
We may all do while here;
For a good deed every day
Makes blessed all the year.

—Selected.

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The Holly Springs District and Sunday-school Conference has just closed a delightful session at Pontotoc, Miss. Rev. J. W. Honnoll, P. E., filled the chair brim-full. Rev. J. W. Ramsey did the secretary in fine style. The good people of Pontotoc dispensed abundant and abounding hospitality. The sessions of the Conferences (there were two) were well attended. The interest and attention were perfect. All the preaching done by the brethren of that district was of a high order—sound, strong, earnest, and unctuous. Two sermons were very instructive and edifying—one by Rev. R. M. Davis, and the other by Rev. M. H. Honnoll. Both of these sermons were above the average level of sermons in this day and time. The reports indicated a healthy and growing condition of things in all of the charges. The pastors are all earnest and zealous men, full of industry, and capable of any amount of hard work. They were abounding in hope, faith, and good works. I do not remember ever to have attended a more harmonious, pleasant, and profitable District Conference. The discussions were many, and all on live questions, and some of the speeches were brilliant and strong. The Holly Springs district has a first-class presiding elder, and the charges are served by live and consecrated preachers. The laymen present were true men, and they took an active part in all the proceedings.

It was a matter of general regret that no one was present to represent the claims of "The Twentieth Century Educational Fund," as it deserved to be presented. A speaker caught up on the spur of the moment can not do justice to this great interest. Few men fill themselves full of a subject unless charged with personal responsibility in connection with it. Pontotoc was somewhat inaccessible to those who have qualified themselves for speaking on this great theme. A failure ought not to be allowed to happen in any other case. There is too much at stake. Each district ought to have a man of its own capable and qualified to take the place in cases where the connectional man fails to come.

Rev. W. S. Lagrone came over for one hour to represent the Orphans' Home. He spoke and lifted a collection, and returned to Toccopola to his own District Conference. He brought with him the genial pastor of Oxford, Rev. R. M. Standifer, who grows in grace and good looks.

The love-feast was a feast of love indeed. It was uplifting.

After a sweet sermon by Rev. M. D. Fly, Sunday night, the sacrament was administered by Rev. J. W. Honnoll.

Rev. F. A. Whitson was a visitor, and at home and happy among his former parishioners.

This scribe went down to rest, and to see his old friends of other days.

It was delightful to be at a District Conference free from responsibility, with nothing in the world to do, and at liberty to enjoy the preaching and the association of the preachers and life-long friends.

I am at home rested, refreshed, and ready for work. GILDEROY.

May 1, 1899.

P. S.—The secretary will report the proceedings in his own way.

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Holly Springs District Conference has just closed. It was presided over by Rev. J. W. Honnoll. This scribe served as secretary. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. R. M. Davis.

There was a dearth of connectional men, but Revs. W. S. Lagrone and R. M. Standifer were with us for a short while. The former represented the Orphans' Home.

Notwithstanding the absence of connectional officers, the large audiences were edified by excellent sermons by Revs. D. L. Cogburn, M. D. Fly, R. E. Duke, Jas. Porter, and M. H. Honnoll.

Special mention must be made of Rev. R. G. Porter. The people enjoyed the visit and preaching of "Gilderoy."

We had any amount of singing, praying, and preaching. The Conference was one of the most delightful sessions we have had in this district for some time. It was indeed a delightful occasion, and we all were made to "sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

We were glad to have the brethren with us. They were benedictions to our homes and our town. May God bless each of them!

JNO. W. RAMSEY, Sec.

Communications.

"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST."

MR. EDITOR: Under the above heading Rev. W. D. Bass has an article in your issue of April 27, which I wish to notice briefly. Does Bro. Bass think he can pooh-pooh the action of the preachers of the Durant district out of the minds of the people by a sneer at "an aspiring young brother who thinks he has solved the problem?" Over against this silly sneer I posit the names of the following brethren who participated in the discussion of the evangelist question and voted for the adoption of the paper to which Bro. Bass so seriously objects: W. T. J. Sullivan, D. W. Babb, G. W. Bachman, T. G. Freeman, A. T. Buck. These brethren are almost as venerable for age, experience and wisdom as Bro. Bass, evangelist though he be. The particular point to which Bro. Bass objects is the statement that "the chief glory" of a certain class of evangelists is "the pelf that is in it for them."

Now, Mr. Editor, in the discussion before the "Pastoral and Theological Institute of the Durant District" the methods of one particular evangelist were reviewed on the basis of well-authenticated statements as to matters of fact. As Bro. Bass is thoroughly familiar with the daily life of that particular evangelist, I think it eminently proper that he be allowed to answer the following pertinent questions:

1. Is it not true that the evangelist above referred to received $265 for three weeks' work on Rural Hill circuit in 1896, while the pastor only received $264.25 for twelve months' work? The fourth Quarterly Conference Record for 1896 says, Yes.

2. Is it true that this same evangelist persuaded the pastor at McCool, the same year, to allow him to hold a meeting at that place, and toward the end of the week grew (to say the least) impatient with the people for not paying him what he wanted, and told them publicly that they were "not welcome to his preaching?" A very good and trusted man says, Yes.

3. In that same and other meetings did not this same evangelist threaten the people by saying that he would pray a calamity upon them if they didn't "pay up," and relate instances in which he had done the like? Many good people say, Yes.

4. Did not that same evangelist say to Mr. John Dempsey in Winston county, whose wife was seriously ill with chronic affliction, that if he would pay $20 to the meeting, his wife would get well, and this when he was well assured that she could never be relieved till death from her sufferings? This man and many others say, Yes.

5. Does not this same evangelist abuse many good communities, and offend many good people, and belittle their "work in the Lord"? This is the general consent where I have enquired.

Now, Mr. Editor, if Bro. Bass can answer these and similar questions to the satisfaction of the church, it is in order for him to do so.

W. L. ANDERSON.

Chester, Miss., April 28, 1899.

PERSONAL REMINISCENCES OF REV. ROBT. B. DOWNER.

(Continued.)

About the year 1847 we moved across the river to Algiers. Rev. Crypian Gridley was pastor of the Methodist Church. During a love-feast occasion he threw his gospel net out; so far it caught only two minnows. For a long time I had desired to be a church member; but in those days but little was done to stimulate the action of children to take such action; so, when Bro. Gridley said, "If anybody would like to join the church, make it known by taking his hand," I said to myself: "This is my chance; I am nine years old, and am somebody, if but a little boy, and if he only meant grown folks, I will but be told so when I try and am rejected." Frank Daniels, a few years my senior, was the other minnow caught that day. As I have been informed, he is a superannuated Sunday-school superintendent of Algiers Church, and I a minister of the Mississippi Conference.

When about fourteen years of age, in jumping from a moving, close-coupled buggy, my right knee was caught between the wheels and dislocated. Six months' rest, and it was restored to use. Shortly after getting rid of my crutches, in jumping from a cart, the left ankle was fractured. This accident was followed by typhoid fever and white swelling, and for two years I was a helpless invalid.

I often wondered why I had to suffer as I did, when God's will was my will in everything of an active character. A Presbyterian minister visited me one day and placed in my hands a little book whose title read, "Forty Years Bed-Ridden." It gave account of God's marvelous, sustaining power, given to a helpless, rheumatic woman, oblivious of self, longing to save souls. Its reading extinguished my murmuring spirit, and prepared me for a life-long suffering of God's will. When convalescing, and able to move about the room to a slight degree, one morning my father took me out in the buggy for an airing. I was able to drive, and before reaching home, father remembered that he had a financial engagement that could not be met, if he did not at once go down town. I consented to his absence, and while driving along alone, a drunken drayman, with his dray, collided with my buggy, causing me to be violently thrown to the ground, causing dislocation of right hip. This injury brought me to death's door. Friends, so sure that I was dying, reported me dead. Again my mother's faith said: "No, I would not die. I have God's promise of hearing him preach the gospel." Sister M. J. Deacon, a Methodist Band friend, said: "Sister Downer, you are wrong. God is calling Robert to rest, and you are retaining him by your prayers." Mother replied: "I have God's promise, and it will be fulfilled." Slowly I emerged from the portals of death, with a maimed limb that will never be mended until I get to heaven, and while in this vale of tears, needs the assistance of a crutch and cane.

In 1855 we moved to Forest Home, Pike county, Miss., now Whites Town, on the Illinois Central railroad, 104 miles north of New Orleans.

About 1857 my father persuaded me to believe that I could never be a preacher, crippled as I was, and if I would consent, he would furnish the money and set me up in business in New Orleans. I accepted the offer, and it took but about two months to cure me of the love of money, and home I went again to study for the ministry. My former New Orleans pastors, H. N. McTyeire and Linus Parker, kept me supplied with many valuable volumes of theological character, and encouraged me to prepare myself for God's service. Coming to Mississippi, my mother soon found much to do for Christ.

Topisaw Camp Meeting, before the war, was on the old style. The tenters had servants and an abundance of provisions, and dispensed open hospitality to all who came. Mother sent invitations yearly to her Methodist friends in New Orleans to come to our home, and then, in ox wagon, ride over some fourteen miles to Topisaw. Bro. McTyeire (afterwards Bishop McTyeire), Mrs. Deacon, Harriett Brown, S. S. Equen and daughters Fanny, Annette and Jane, were thus brought in contact with Mississippi Methodism, and rendered valuable service by song and prayer at these meetings.

(To be continued.)

The Influence of Recent International Events on the Church of the Future.

(Read before Pastoral and Theological Institute of Durant district, and requested for publication.)

From the very nature of this proposition it is one rather of faith than of knowledge. But with unquestioning faith in the ultimate success of the divine plans, and in the virtual triumph of divinely guided humanity, we may aptly interpret the present and forecast the future by the past. And now, standing on this exalted pedestal—the climax of the nineteenth century—and with one foot already well into the vestibule of the more exalted chamber of twentieth-century thought, power, and progress, we may profitably halt and review the facts and surroundings.

Backward we glance down the foot-path of the centuries, through the Christian era, and still back—what do we behold? Prominent among other great facts to the devout student of history—all history is sacred history—are the facts that increased dominion means increased responsibility, and increased labor means increased development and vitality. Amplitude of space contributes to growth, and this, in turn, to weight and cumbrousness; this, finally, to toughness of fiber and beauty and symmetry of form, while friction yields brightness of surface, polish and keenness of edge. All these contribute to the conclusion that whatever of unpleasantness or of added obligation the passing decade has imposed upon us, they will yield "the peaceable fruits of righteousness to those who are exercised thereby."

The religious principle in nations and in churches, as with individuals, knows no limit to development while growth and progress continue. These, however, are necessary even for life. And as with the individual, so the State and Church, magnificent achievement and a high state of vitality can only obtain in the face of formidable opposition. The church certainly may always find such in combating "a multitude of evils;" but so common is the habit of meeting the mild form of this malady that the church pays light attention, unless induced to exert her energies in the event of imminent pending peril. Beauty and excellence are discernable only by contrast, and are the results of great activity. Waves roll highest when the wind bears down strongest. If anyone would like to settle the problem, "Why don't God kill the devil?" let him apply this principle. The most complete and active state of commercial interconrse exists in latitudes where food and comfort are scarcest and hardest to procure. Greatest nations are born of the chrysalis of iron-handed and stony-hearted tyranny, and most striking specimens of human greatness arise out of most adverse environment. Secnrest storm-houses are built where material is most destitute, and most elaborate preparations for Winter are where time is briefest and the mercury stands lowest. All these encourage us to feel assured of the salutary influence of recent international events on the Christian church of the future.

The persecutions of Christians at Jerusalem sent the apostles everywhere preaching the gospel, thus both developing the apostles and spreading Christianity abroad. The disintegrated oligarchy of Romanism provoked Luther to fling his ink-horn at the devil, and aroused a line of reformers, heaven-inspired and hell-opposed, whose adamantine characters are the albion monuments of crystalized glory all over the wide fields of Christendom to-day. Their songs and prayers, lives and sermons are given to the world in "thoughts that breathe and words that burn." They at once filled the chasm between Christ and the world, and erected a porch-way into the great house of twentieth century religious enlargement.

In America, were there deep and thick forests, swollen streams, high mountains and savage hordes to encounter? With the difficult obstacle arose the "saddle-bags brigade," invincible in the face of danger and death. All have succumbed before the "invincibles," who shook the foundations of everything except the immutable Throne by which they stand forever. The vexing slavery question, settling like a dismal shadow of sin athwart the heart and conscience of the church, became the cleaving wedge by which two great ecclesiastical trees have sprung from the same seedling.

W. L. ANDERSON.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE WINONA DISTRICT W. F. M. AND H. M. SOCIETIES, APRIL 15, 1899.

The societies met at Indianola, in the M. E. Church, in a joint session at 11 A. M. Bro. Sanders, preacher in charge at that place, held a consecration service in order that every delegate could be fully prepared to perform the work they had come to do. Each one expressed themselves as being anxious to press onward in the evangelization of darkened countries. The meeting then adjourned by benediction, the W. F. M. to meet at 2 P. M. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Ben L. Jones reading Psalm xci, after which all joined in singing Hymn No. 121. The president then read an interesting and instructive paper on the needs in foreign fields, especially in Cuba. Reports of delegates were then in order. Winona Auxiliary reported having raised during the year ('98) $392.60; Carrollton, $45.95; Winona Juveniles, $31.97; Carrollton Juveniles, $31.20; Acona, $34.75; Acona Juveniles, $7.65; McNutt, $18.15; McNutt Juveniles, $6.65; Black Hawk, $18.85; Black Hawk Juveniles, $10.50; Greenwood, $49.30; Sunny Side, $25.10; Sunny Side Juveniles, $2; Indianola, $16.85; Sheil Mound, $15; total, $706.52. Balance of report as follows: Number of Advocates taken in the district, 52; number of Little Workers taken in the district, 57; number of adult members, 105; number of juvenile members, 118; 1 day school is supported, 1 bed furnished in hospital, 3 scholarships supported, 1 Bible woman supported, 18 life members, 5 honorary life members. After the reports an interesting letter was read from Laredo, Texas, giving a partial report from the district Bible woman, Dolores Rio, stating the many disadvantages she has to contend with in order to teach the Bible to the Mexicans. Hymn No. 128 was then sung. The president appointed Mesdames Sherbore, Allen and Hanks a Committee on Resolutions. Bros. Ritchie and Sanders were present. They rendered great assistance by their hearty co-operation.

The business session adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M. in a joint session with the H. M. A meeting of the W. F. M. and H. M. was held. The Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved, after which a much-appreciated report was read from the president of the W. F. M., which was enjoyed by all present. Several very fine papers were read on the progress and spread of the mission work, after which the committee made their report, which was received. Collection was then taken. McNutt was decided on as the place to hold the next district meeting, April, 1900. The meeting adjourned by benediction.

April 16 Mr. Ritchie preached at 11 A. M. a very fine sermon on F. M. and H. M. work. All present seemed much strengthened in zeal for the cause of God's work. At 2 P. M. the president held a children's meeting, which resulted in organizing a juvenile society with nine members, named the Mary Jones Juvenile. Adjourned with benediction.

MRS. BEN L. JONES, Pres.

MRS. PITTS, Sec.

April 15, 4 P. M., Miss Mary Sweatman, the Winona district secretary, not being present, the district meeting of the H. M. was called to order by Mrs. Walter Trotter. After devotional exercises the presiding officer read the district secretary's report, telling of the work done by the H. M.'s in Mexico, Texas, and Florida. Report of delegates was then made, which was as follows: Winona reported having raised during the year of 1898: Winona Auxiliary, $102 70; Carrollton, $97; McNutt, $54.40; Indianola, $33.30; Vaiden, $180; Vaiden Juveniles, $6.65; total, $474.35, after which Mrs. Sims was appointed Committee on Platform Courtesies. Bros. Ritchie and Sanders were introduced to the body. Bro. Sanders read an article on the needs and suffering in Cuba, after which a memorial service was held in honor of our beloved secretary of the annual convention of the H. M., Mrs. Featherstone. Many beautiful tributes were spoken of her noble traits of character.

The body adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M in a joint session with the W. F. M., Bro. Sanders pronouncing the benediction.

MRS. WALTER TROTTER, Pres.
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The Christian Life.

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What is in thine hand? A broom? Use it for God. The broom of the domestic servant may be as truly used for God as was the sceptre of David or Solomon.

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What is in thine hand? A pen? A pen is mightier than the sword. The pen of Shakespeare, of Longfellow, of Tennyson, of Whittier; Oh, matchless instrument! A pen in the hand of Harriet Beecher Stowe stabbed slavery to the heart. A pen in the hand of George Kennan to tell the story of darkest Russia is mightier than the sword of the Czar of all the Russias. Have you a pen? Use it for God. Perhaps it is a typewriter. Touch the keys; make sweet music which shall echo around the globe.

What is in thy hand? Wealth? Consecrate it now to God.

What is in thy mouth? A tongue of eloquence? Use it for God. The tongue is the mightiest instrument that God ever made.

What is in thine hand? A kindly grasp? Give that to some sad soul.

Let us consecrate everything to him. The office, the plow, the pen, the needle, the tongue, the hands, the feet and the heart for Jesus. When the pierced hand of Jesus Christ is laid on the printing press, on wealth, on learning, on beauty, on culture, on every gift and grace in every relation in life, then the splendor of the millennial dawn will color the eastern sky with its crimson and gold.—R. S. McArthur, D. D.

THE CHRISTIAN IN ACTIVE LIFE.

Men are asking everywhere this question: "Is it possible for a man to be engaged in the activities of our modern life, and yet be a Christian? Is it possible for a man to be a broker, a shopkeeper, a lawyer, a mechanic—is it possible for a man to be engaged in a business of to-day, and yet love his God and his fellowman as himself?"

I do not know what transformations these dear businesses of yours have got to undergo before they shall be true and ideal homes for the child of God; but I do know that upon Christian merchants and Christian brokers and Christian lawyers and Christian men in business to-day there rests an awful and a beautiful responsibility to prove, if you can prove it, that these things are capable of being made divine; to prove that a man can do the work which you have been doing this morning, and will do this afternoon, and yet shall love his God and his fellow-man as himself. If he can not, what business have you to be doing them? If he can, what business have you to be doing them so poorly, so carnally, so unspiritually, that men look on them, and shake their heads with doubt? It belongs to Christ in man first to prove that man may be a Christian, and yet do business; and in the second place, to show how a man, as he becomes a greater Christian, shall purify and lift the business he does, and make it the worthy occupation of the Son of God.—Bishop Phillips Brooks.

Whenever you meet with a morose, gloomy Christian, you may rest assured that there is something wrong either with his life or with his liver; his health is bad, or his religion is out of order. Heir to all the sunshine in this world, heir to every promise in this dear old Book, heir to a prescience that notes the sparrow when it falls, and to the providence which counts the very hairs of his head, he is heir also to all the glories that are yet to be revealed. With all this within him, beneath him, about him, above him, how can a child of God repine? As one has said, "Every day should be a note of joy, every week a bar of music, every month a line of melody, every year a completed stanza, and life itself one sweet, long, beautiful psalm, a prelude to the anthem sung above."—Rev. J. R. Campbell, D. D.

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NOTICE.

The Executive Committee of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mississippi Conference, have accepted an invitation from Hattiesburg for the next annual meeting. We will meet at that place Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June, and continue the meeting after Sunday until the business is finished.

ADDIE V. MARSHALL, Pres.
SALLIE SMYLIE, Cor. Sec.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LEAKAGE.

BY A. F. GODAT.

(Concluded.)

(Read before the Louisiana State Sunday-school Convention in Carondelet Street Church, in March, '99.)

Letters and cards to the absent ones are also good. Next to a personal visit, I think a good, well-written letter, written with a pen, and specially addressed to the scholar, will do most good. Avoid, as much as lieth in you, printed postal cards, type-written circulars, etc. They are as nice as machine-made valentines. Much can be done by the superintendent and other general officers of the school. The superintendent should note the attendance of the various classes, and at once bring to the notice of the teacher any falling off, assisting, in all ways possible, the teacher in his or her difficultics.

Faithfulness should be commended, and rewarded both privately and publicly. This does not necessarily involve the question of prizes. Many of the best Sunday-school leaders owe much of their success in having large schools to the judicious use of substantial rewards; others, equally successful, get along without them. Let everyone be persuaded in his own mind.

Let the scholars feel their importance to the school—that their presence is appreciated and enjoyed, their absence noted and felt. Let one of the mottoes of the school be, "Christ expects every-one to do his duty." Impress upon all the necessity of individual faithfulness. If there is only one person present, you be that one. If but one scholar is prepared with the lesson, you be that scholar. Whoever may be false, you be true. Above all, let us keep fully before us the object and aim of our work. John gives as the reason for writing his Gospel, "That ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that, believing, ye might have life through his name." The reason for the existence of the Sabbath-school can be put into no more fitting language. Why should we study the Bible?—why learn of Christ? Indeed, what doth it profit us even to know he is the Son of God, if so, believing, we have not life through him? You, who are before me to-day, are in the Sunday-school. Many of you have been there for years. Whatever leaks there may have been in the Sunday-schools with which you have been connected, you have not escaped through them. Why? Because you have yielded to the claims of Jesus; you have life through his name, and are trying to please him, who pleased not himself, by working this part of his field. Study the motives which drew you there, the principles which keep you there, and it seems but fair to assume that if these are but inculcated into others, a like result will follow.

I have jotted down these few thoughts upon the problem before me. I don't claim to have solved it, in theory or in practice. I don't stand before you as one who can say, "I have accomplished the end," and tell you how I did it. Some leaks I may have stopped. Perhaps the leakage would have been greater but for the efforts I have put forth. Maybe so. No one fails completely who honestly, though feebly, strives. We can not tell which effort will prosper. I know a young teacher, so young and inexperienced as to scarcely merit the name, who taught in a now almost-forgotten mission school. One of his scholars is now a loved teacher in one of the most successful schools in that city. He had another class for which he did far more, to which he gave time, enthusiasm, study and prayer. Not one is in the church or Sunday-school to-day. I know a teacher, a godly Christian man, who did all he knew for his class. His life was good; he knew his Bible; he taught it. One of the boys is a brewery drummer; another is a good, respectable man, out of Christ; another a leader and worker in the church and in the school. Why these different results? He did his duty by all alike.

We catch the enthusiasm of this convention; we feel its glow, and go back to our works. Superintendents, full of zeal, will go back, maybe, to dull and unenthusiastic teachers. Some teachers in advance of his school will go back full of the things learned here to an unsympathetic superintendent. What is to be done? Take with you the lesson of individual faithfulness. If you can't wheel your school into line, remember that its unit is, after all, your class, and in that you are supreme, and can do what you will.

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING.

The Holly Springs Preachers' Meeting will convene at Sylvestria, six miles north of Holly Springs, on the first Tuesday in July, at 9 A. M.; will continue Tuesday and Wednesday.

On Thursday we will hold the District Missionary Institute, to which all missionary workers are invited, especially workers in the Woman's Missionary Society. We will discuss the following subjects at the Preachers' Meeting, and during these two days we will arrange for Missionary Day:

The Standards of Methodism—J. W. Ramsey and W. G. Burk.

Can the Heathen Be Saved without the Gospel?—M. D. Fly and A. W. Langley.

Should We Rebaptize Those Dissatisfied with Their Baptisms?—M. H. Honnoll and Jas. Porter.

Pastoral Work—D. L. Cogdell and E. C. Sullivan.

Length of Sermons and Preliminary Services—J. W. Price and R. E. Duke.

Does Regeneration Remove Depravity?—R. M. Davis and J. A. Poe.

Why Should We Support Missions?—B. C. Gray and J. R. Willson.

"He who has carefully prepared himself is always ready," is an admirable sententious remark of the Boston "Bonquet." Mr. Whipple, an intimate personal friend of Daniel Webster, said: "When I was once walking on the beach at Newport with Mr. Webster, I asked him how it was possible for him to make so elaborate and powerful a reply to Mr. Hayne, when he had no time for preparation. 'No time for preparation!' exclaimed Mr. Webster. 'Let me tell you. Years before, when I was a young lawyer, with few clients to interrupt the tranquility of my office, I set myself to the careful and exhaustive study of the Constitution of the United States. I raised every question which I thought could be raised, and sought to settle it in my own mind. Among the questions which I considered was this one which Mr. Hayne raised in the debate. I gave long and careful study to it, and fixed my own opinions. When, therefore, this issue was suddenly forced on me, I had only to recall the arguments and conclusions of many years ago, and my speech was ready.'"

There was the secret of the great man's fame. By diligently improving his spare moments in a thorough study and mastery of that great instrument, he won the applause of the whole country, and was worthily named "the Expounder of the Constitution."

Dr. Lyman Abbott, in speaking of the growth of agnosticism, thus pictures the state of the country under the prevalence of the sort of opinions which many people believe the pastor of Plymouth Church helps a great deal more than he hinders:

"Imagine the whole American people left without belief in God or the future, with nothing in life beyond the present and all relics of faith gone. What would happen? In the first place, the institutions of religion would be swept away; the Sabbath would be merely a holiday, not even invested with the sacredness of the Fourth of July; the Bible gone with Sunday; the pulpit a platform; the sermon a lecture; music a concert and prayer an aspiration. With the Bible and the church, the great fundamental principles of right and wrong would go, too. In their place we would have empirical rules, and conscience would have empirical rules, and conscience would degenerate into a skillful guess as to rules of conduct."

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FROM THE WORK.

MELVILLE, ROSEDALE, AND BIG CANE CHARGE.

We have just closed a good meeting here at Melville. Bro. G. D. Anders, of Columbia, came to me Monday, April 21, and remained to the close of the meeting, the following Sunday night. The membership was greatly revived, and we all start with a new impetus heavenward. There were two additions by profession of faith, both of whom were young men of promise. Bro. Anders is a strong preacher, and full of the Holy Ghost, and is just the man to help a fellow out of the bog. I wish he had the chance to do for other brethren what he has done for me in my work. One fruit of the meeting will be a handsome and roomy parsonage here at Melville. Bro. Anders has enthused the people here with a desire to work and bear fruit unto salvation. Before Conference I expect, by the grace of God, to have the best circuit in the district.

J. W. LEE.

Melville, La., May 2, 1899.

Rev. J. H. Bass, Webb, Miss., May 3, 1899: "I have been at work very hard since Conference. We were kindly received by this charge, and we find many of the people to be true and kind. We have built a comfortable four-room parsonage, finished up the church at Tutwiler, and paid about forty per cent. of the old debt on the church-building at Webb; also have insured the entire property at Webb. The very small amount we owe on the parsonage is assumed. If we can raise the balance due on the church-house at Webb, it will be dedicated to God by Rev. W. S. Shipman, presiding elder of this district, the second Sunday in June, at 11 o'clock. All former pastors are invited, especially Rev. B. B. Sullivan, who was the main factor in its erection. We have organized a Sunday-school at Webb, which, under the leadership of Dr. Harris and others, is doing splendid work. We found a good Sunday-school at Cherry Hill, and it continues in fine order. The good people at that place and Dublin sent us a fine lot of eatables in the way of a pounding. A better people than they are can not be found in the Delta. Everything, so far as we can learn, is moving along splendidly on the charge. Our protracted meeting at Webb begins the second Sunday in June. Rev. W. D. Bass will be with us, and, of course, we are looking for a great time. My people and I are perfectly delighted with our presiding elder, Bro. Shipman. He is fully competent to fill the place."

Rev. Thos. J. Martin, April 27, 1899: "The second Quarterly Conference for this (the Lancsville) charge, Louisiana Conference, is a thing of the past. The day was wet and cold; very cloudy and constantly drizzling rain. The attendance was unusually large, considering the weather. Bro. Crews, our efficient presiding elder, was on hand, and preached an instructive sermon, and held the Quarterly Conference immediately after. Sunday following was a better day, and the congregation was large and attentive, and Bro. Crews preached us another able sermon, as he usually does. The people of Grand Bayou had looked forward to the occasion with no little degree of interest. Friday before was announced as our fast day, and our members urged to observe it, and some did so. The church-yard was cleaned off, and a prayer meeting at eleven o'clock, for the divine presence with us at the Quarterly Conference, was led by our beloved C. F. Staples, P. C., whose reports show an advance of the interests of the church. He has been in labors abundant in organizing Sabbath-schools, prayer meetings, and class meetings. He has visited from house to house over most of this large work. The indications are for a revival throughout the charge. I regret to have to state that Bro. Staples has been in bed quite sick since Saturday. He was taken Friday evening, but attended his Quarterly Conference, and read his reports. His attending physician says he has symptoms of slow fever, but hopes symptoms will pass off, and that he will be able to be up soon. Let the brethren pray for his immediate recovery. His work will go on while he is sick. He is being well cared for. The ADVOCATE is good as usual, and I trust the patronage of the paper will largely increase under your liberal offer."

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THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1899.

He may not in his mercy grant
The very thing you ask or want;
Still, in this comfort rest—
His power, his wisdom and his love
In bright and homeless concord move:
He'll do the thing that's best.
—Exchange.

The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes.—Disraeli.

My liberty ends when it begins to involve the possibility of ruin to my neighbor.—John Stuart Mill.

Only what we have wrought into our characters during life can we take away with us.—Humboldt.

Adversity is the trial of principle. Without it, a man hardly knows whether he is honest or not.—Fielding.

True goodness is like the glow-worm in this—it shines most when no eyes except those of heaven are upon it.—Exchange.

The more I have always found the less we speak of our intentions the more chance there is of our realizing them.—John Ruskin.

To store our memories with a sense of injuries is to fill that chest with rusty iron which was made for refined gold.—Seeker.

When a man looks through a tear of his own, that is a lens which opens riches in the unknown and reveals orbs which no telescope could do.—H. W. Beecher.

They serve God best who do well their simple duties—not some fanciful sacrifice at a distance, but the plain, homely, every-day task that lies before them.—Christian Life.

It is not for us to say beforehand what gifts or what kind of inspiration God will bestow. Enough that he will take us into his own care and work his own counsel in us.—Bushnell.

Men of tender heart and loving sympathy and gentle touch are wanted, to give comfort to the world's sorrow, to help other tempted men in their battle, to rescue the perishing out of their bondage.—J. R. Miller.

There are two good rules which ought to be written on every heart: never to believe anything bad about anybody unless you positively know it to be true; never to tell even that unless you feel that it is absolutely necessary, and that God is listening while you tell it.—Henry Van Dyke, D. D.

If two angels were sent down to earth, one to rule an empire, and the other to sweep a street, they would have no choice in the matter, so long as God ordered them. So God, in his providence, has called you to work hard for your daily bread; do it to his glory.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Plato said the art of writing had weakened the human memory. What would he have thought had he lived in this newspaper age? There is no doubt that the enormous multiplication of newspapers, periodicals, and books has very materially weakened the modern memory. People do not think of trying to remember what they read nowadays. The modern mind is like a sieve. Nearly everything runs through.—Selected.

LET ALL HELP.

While we do not doubt for a moment that the church will succeed in raising the full amount of the Twentieth Century Thank-offering Fund called for by the General Conference, the movement will fail of the best results unless the rank and file of our membership are made to catch its spirit, and are induced to contribute according to ability. A number of large offerings have already been reported, and we have great reason to rejoice that the rich are thus manifesting in a most substantial way their deep interest in this grand enterprise of the church. Moreover, we believe that these are but an earnest of still larger and more numerous donations to this fund on the part of the wealthy; but should even the bulk of the amount asked for be quickly forthcoming from such a source, there would still be the most imperative reason for appealing to the membership at large in the interest of this forward movement in education.

While some few of the rich, as we have seen, are doing nobly, we believe that the larger portion of the fund to be raised must come from the purses of the people of moderate means and the offerings of the poor. It is not expected or desired that a few wealthy men shall relieve the rest of our membership of the duty and privilege of contributing to the success of this undertaking. There is need of enlisting the aid and sympathy of every member, not only that every dollar of the million and a half may be raised, but also that the church may be aroused to the importance of her educational work and the grandeur of her opportunities. The movement contemplates the securing of an offering from every member, and in proportion as this is accomplished will be the benefit to the church. The help of all is needed, and must be solicited. Nothing less than diligent instruction as to the aim of the movement, accompanied by the most persistent canvassing, will accomplish in each charge the desired result. No doubt many who are not able to send their sons and daughters off to college will, on that ground, think themselves excused from contributing to this educational fund, fancying that the money thus withheld will be of greater benefit to their own children. Yet, if they will only reflect a little, they can hardly help perceiving that the dollar, or other amount, which they could easily give to the Twentieth Century Fund, but which they are tempted to withhold out of consideration to their own children's needs, would scarcely be a drop in the bucket, as far as helping to educate them is concerned. On the other hand, if generosity prevails, and a dollar, or some other small sum, is given as a thank-offering, though by itself it may avail little, yet, along with the offerings of thousands of other members of moderate means, it will help to make a sum of magnificent proportions and mighty in usefulness. Just as grand and lofty buildings are built out of countless small bricks and stones, so this grand educational monument, to speak, if raised to completion, must be constructed out of numberless financial bricks furnished principally by people of small means. Each member of our Zion is asked to contribute at least one brick for the walls of the splendid educational structure which we propose to rear, and which is to bless succeeding ages. Many will contribute more than one, but let us, one and all, see to it that our names appear upon the honor roll. Let it not once be imagined that small offerings will be despised. There is place and opportunity both for the widow's mite and the gifts of the millionaire. But only by self-denial and the hearty co-operation of all can we hope to make this movement a grand financial and spiritual success.

We rejoice to note that our brethren across the sea, in their efforts in behalf of the Twentieth Century Fund, have struck a responsive chord in the hearts of their membership, and are receiving liberal gifts from domestic servants and others of lowly station. The April number of the New Century Education calls attention to the fact that one small farmer in the Cork district (in Ireland) has given a heifer to the fund, and intends to feed it till 1901. Another farmer in the same region, it is said, has presented a fine flock of young lambs. If a like interest can be aroused in Southern Methodism among our yeomanry and among people of small means, we shall accomplish far greater things than many have dared to dream.

It will be an easy matter to contribute to this fund, provided we make up our minds to do so, and go intelligently about finding something. "Where there is a will there is a way," even for the most impecunious. In not a few directions is there room for self-denial and economy for the sake of the Lord's cause; but, alas! how few are willing to put God and the church first in their plans!

The following from one of our exchanges contains some excellent suggestions anent this matter: "On Saturday preceding Easter a milliner asked a Methodist lady to take a $5 50 hat home to wear on Sunday to see how she liked it. On Sunday her pastor preached a powerful sermon on 'A Christian's Use and Abuse of Money.' As the sermon proceeded, the hat gradually increased in weight until it really became burdensome. The sermon closed with a collection for foreign missions, to which the poor woman gave $2 50. The next morning she took the hat back to the milliner and purchased a better and more durable one for $3, and much more in consonance with her limited circumstances and Christian character. If all our good sisters would govern themselves accordingly regarding dress, and all our brethren would so govern themselves in regard to tobacco and cigars, we could very easily raise $5,000 000 for Christian education, and each man and woman be richer, healthier, happier and holier when the new century dawns. How these vanities and filthy, poisonous appetites are robbing us as well as God and humanity!"

A BRUTAL OUTRAGE.

On account of the meagreness of our information on the subject, we have hitherto refrained from any comment upon the assault made some time since upon Rev. H. P. Gibbs, of the North Mississippi Conference, a short time before his death. The light has at last been turned on. The light comes, however, not from the papers of Water Valley, where the assault occurred, or from the Associated Press reports in the great dailies, but from a paper in Columbus, Miss. The Columbus Commercial, in its issue of April 30, has a three-column article, which gives the facts in the case, and utters words of condemnation of the contemptible and cowardly outrage, which will meet the hearty approval of good citizens everywhere. The facts, briefly summarized, are as follows: As pastor of Main Street Church, Water Valley, Bro. Gibbs was necessarily brought into close relationship with the operatives of a manufacturing establishment, the Yokona Mills. In this way he became acquainted with the daily life of these people, many of whom are exceedingly poor. Feeling it to be his duty to enlighten the public concerning the condition of his people, he published in the Headlight a series of articles on the subject. He did not deal in personalities or vituperative epithets. He simply told "a plain, unvarnished tale" concerning the poverty, wretchedness and morals of these poor people, with a view to the amelioration of their condition. For this he was assaulted by the secretary of the Yokona Mills, and a near relative of his. The assault occurred in open daylight on the principal business street of the city. Bro. Gibbs was sick at the time, having been in bed for some days previous, and this being his first subsequent appearance on the streets. In a few days afterward he became worse, and died on the twenty-third, just twenty days after the brutal assault. Those who had the best opportunity to know the facts in the case believe that this assault was a factor in bringing about his untimely death.

This assault occurred April 3; yet up to this hour, so far as we know, no mention has been made of it in the great dailies. Why this silence? An affair of this sort is usually a sweet morsel for the newspaper reporter. It would seem that conscienceless capital in some instances has power, not only to oppress the poor, and to strike down a minister of the gospel who lifts his voice in protest against that oppression, but even to muzzle the press.

We commend to the consideration of our readers the following words of the Columbus Commercial: "When the coward, who fears not God nor regards his fellow-man, can, without fear of public opinion, attack a minister of the gospel while in his own conveyance upon a public street at account of this most remarkable tending to his own private affairs, and without any personal provocation, save that the minister, in the discharge of his Christian duty, criticised injustice and wrong heaped upon the poor, the unfortunate and the oppressed, the spirit of moral manhood is at a point to give alarm to all good citizens. . . . His suffering and untimely death raises a question that will not allow peace again until it is answered. Shall the cause of God and humanity be subordinated to the power of money and corporate greed? We are sadly mistaken if the preachers of the State are awed into subjection and lying, hypocritical lives by the fate of poor Gibbs."

P. S.—Since the above was in type, the Headlight has arrived with an account entirely corroborative of that summarized above.

A LIBEL SUIT.

We clip the following news item from the New Orleans Picayune of the 6th:

Mr. E. B. Stahlman, the attorney who collected the celebrated Methodist war claim, has brought suit for $50,000 for libel against Rev. W. B. Palmore, D. D., editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate. Dr. Palmore has written several caustic editorials on Mr. Stahlman and on others connected with him in the collection of the claim. Mr. Stahlman has employed the best legal talent in the State, and will make a vigorous fight. It is understood that other suits of a similar nature will be brought against editors and individuals who have indulged in like assaults on Mr. Stahlman.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

The following are the missionary appropriations for the ensuing year:

China Mission, $27,162; Korea Mission, $7,650; Japan Mission, $31,714; Central Mexico Mission, $27,127; Mexican Border Mission Conference, $13,850; Northwestern Mexican Mission Conference, $12,650; Indian Mission Conference, $10,948; Brazil Mission, $3,400; Cuban Mission, $5,000.

A permit was granted to the Bishops to raise a sum not exceeding $7,000 to supplement the work there. Bishop Candler, who is in charge of this field, was granted authority to raise $50,000 to build a church in Havana and to establish two additional missions.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In the May Critic a new series of articles on Thackeray's connection with Punch is begun.

In the May Cosmopolitan, Miss Annie Leach contributes an article on "Science in the Model Kitchen," which is interesting to housekeepers. Photographs of the present-day development in electric cooking are given with the article, besides the interiors of the kitchens of many noted houses. Postmaster-General Charles Emory Smith writes on "Great Problems in Organization" for the series which the Cosmopolitan is now giving.

We are in receipt of a booklet entitled, "Michigan, a Summer-Resort State." The publication is a beautiful directory of Michigan's Summer-resort localities, with a description of localities, routes, hotels, mineral springs, and mineral baths. As the work is official, it should be a valuable guide to the finding of a place to spend the Summer months among pleasant and healthful surroundings, away from the cares of business.

The American Monthly Review of Reviews, of May, devotes considerable space to a survey of recent developments in American cities. The editor comments on the re-election of Mayor Carter Harrison in Chicago, on Mayor Jones' remarkable triumph in Toledo, on the Detroit project for municipal ownership of the street railways, and on the general situation in Boston, San Francisco, Minneapolis, Cleveland, Denver, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, and New York.

The leading article in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly, for May, is a description of the best trails to and from the Klondike gold fields. The article is not only full of valuable information and suggestions, but very entertaining reading. A number of good illustrations add much to its interest. Prof. Ira Remsen, of Johns Hopkins, contributes an article on "Liquid Air," giving a simple and clear, but accurate account of this most remarkable achievement of modern physics. The "Birds of the West Indies" are described and pictured by Dr. Oswald in his second chapter on the physical geography of those islands. Cesare Lombroso, the famous Italian anthropologist, contributes an extremely interesting article, entitled, "Insane Characters in Fiction and the Drama."

The Open Court, for May, has a paper on "The Philosopher's Philosophy," by Prof. Levy-Bruhl, of Sorbonne. "The Evolution of Speech" is by Th. Ribot, editor of the Revue Philosophique.

In McClure's Magazine, for May, a new and fuller view of Admiral Dewey and his way of dealing with affairs in the Philippines is given in Oscar King Davis' "Stories of Admiral Dewey." The special literary features of the number are an excellent short story by Kipling, "The Flag of Their Country;" a series of poems of the gold trail, by Hamlin Garland; and, particularly, the opening installment of a novel of American life, "The Gentleman from Indiana," by a new writer, Mr. Booth Tarkington. Other notable things in the number are a paper by Charles Dana Gibson relating personal experiences in Egypt, and illustrated with his own drawings; and Miss Tarbell's collection of new anecdotes and reminiscences, exhibiting Lincoln's personal relations and dealings with the commanders of the army, from McClellan to Grant.

FROM BRO. LAGRONE.

Just before going to press, we received the following from Rev. W. S. Lagrone, pastor of Wood Street Church, Water Valley:

In answer to the numerous enquiries, and for the satisfaction of all those who are interested in the results of the cowardly assault on Rev. H. P. Gibbs, in this city, April 3, we assure you it is not going by default. We have the ablest counsel in the State, and our silence is not only wise, but it is counseled.

Bro. Gibbs and his character and his cause will be fully vindicated. Tell the friends to be patient and prayerful. God and the right will prevail. W. S. LAGRONE.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE GRENADA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Whereas, By the limitation of the law of the church, this year will close the present period of service of the presiding elder of this district; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the District Conference, that we recognize in Bro. H. C. Morehead a faithful, diligent, self-denying, successful presiding elder.

Resolved, We appreciate his zeal and devotion to our Lord and Master, and the demonstration he has made among us of his fidelity to every interest of our beloved Methodism. He has been a painstaking and wise administrator of law, and the church has prospered under his care with the co-operation of his brethren.

Resolved, We pray the blessing of our Father in heaven on him, his family, and his work.

R. W. JONES,
R. M. STANDIFER.

Men can not rise higher than their own standard. A dwarfed, shrunken, withered soul can not imagine a heart that gladly spends and is spent for others. He can only see his own image. "It can not be so, because if I had been in his place, I would not have put to hazard life, limb, gold; therefore, he didn't." An opinion on noble conduct dropped into the ear automatically weighs "him."—Richmond Advocate.

NOTES.

Rev. E. S. Lewis is in the midst of a prosperous pastorate at Brooksville, Miss.

Rev. C. C. Miller made an appreciated call at the ADVOCATE office a few days since.

We had the pleasure of a few words last Saturday with Dr. I. W. Cooper, who passed through the city en route to Hattiesburg to assist Rev. B. F. Jones in a revival meeting.

Through a note from Rev. T. B. Martin we learn that the illness of Bro. Staples proved to be measles. He is doing well.

We regret to learn that Rev. J. J. Kelley, pastor of our church at Slidell, La., has been in bed with fever several days.

On account of his wife's health, Rev. K. S. Enochs has removed to Vicksburg, Miss., which will be his postoffice for a time.

On account of his wife's health, Rev. T. H. Porter, of Coldwater, Miss., has gone to Lavernia, Texas, where he will remain for some time.

At the Preachers' Meeting, last Monday week, the reports from the city pastors showed that twenty-one persons had been received on profession of faith and by letter during the month of April.

The Committee on Location of the General Conference, after considering representations from St Louis, Atlanta, Chattanooga, Charleston, Houston, and Dallas, made choice of Dallas as the place for holding the General Conference of 1902.

The contract has been let for the rebuilding of Galloway College, Searcy, Ark. J. H. Hinman, superintendent of public schools of Pine Bluff, has been elected president, and Rev. J. R. Cason, pastor of one of our churches in the same city, has been elected financial agent.

The College of Bishops has appointed Dr. E. E. Hoss as fraternal delegate to the General Conference of the M. E. Church, which meets next year in Chicago. Bishop Hendrix has been appointed as fraternal delegate to the British Wesleyan Conference, which meets in London in 1900.

East Feliciana parish, in which Centenary College is located, is in the midst of a hot local-option fight, with the chances largely in favor of "no license." It goes without saying that the Methodist vote will be on the side of temperance. No loyal Methodist will cast a ballot for the opening of dram-shops.

A petition for a local-option election has been presented to the Board of Supervisors of Hinds county with a large number of signatures; but careful scrutiny reveals the fact that a large percentage of the petitioners are not legal voters. It is hoped that enough names can be stricken off to defeat the petition.

At the annual meeting of the Book Committee, held on the fourth, a resolution was introduced calling for the resignation of the Book Agents. After full discussion the resolution was defeated by a vote of twelve to one. The committee decided to publish a statement, to be sent to the United States Senate, with regard to the war claim.

Rev. W. L. Linfield writes: "On the eighteenth of April, Bro. B. F. Jones, pastor at Hattiesburg, sent checks to pay in full the assessments on his charge for foreign and domestic missions. This is the first charge in the Conference to pay the domestic fund in full, and the first to pay both in full. Would that others would follow this good example!"

Rev. J. A. Bowen writes: "Good revival. Fifty conversions to date, and that many will join our church. The membership is greatly revived. Revs. P. E. Duncan, M. E. Tumlin, R. A. Burroughs, R. M. Standifer, R. A. Meek, Eugene Johnson and A. P. Leech rendered us very valuable aid. Our people love and honor them. We thank God for spiritual blessings and good health."

The annual meeting of the Louisiana State Press Association was held last week in Jackson. A banquet was given them at the State Lunatic Asylum. A formal reception was given in the chapel of Centenary College, which was elaborately and artistically decorated for the occasion. Dr. I. W. Cooper delivered an address of welcome, which was exceedingly appropriate, and which was much enjoyed by the large audience. The affair made an impression upon "the press gang," which seems likely to be serviceable to Centenary.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

The warm weather is coming, but let not the Leaguers grow weary in well-doing.

Those who remained for the Sunday services of the State Conference at Crowley report an exceedingly spiritual time.

At the International Sunday-school Convention, recently held in Atlanta, Hon. Hoke Smith, ex-Secretary of the Interior, was elected president.

The time is not far distant when the Mississippi Leaguers are expected to meet in West Point, Miss. In our column this week we publish a notice from Miss Vic Thompson, corresponding secretary, which we hope the Mississippians will read and regard.

ATTENTION, MISSISSIPPI LEAGUERS.

All persons expecting to attend our State League Conference at West Point will please send in their names to Miss Josie Critz, chairman of Entertainment Committee.

In order that all Leaguers, where possible, may arrange to hear Rev. Joe M. Ramsey while in our State, I give below his route as arranged up to date: June 4, Corinth; June 5, Iuka; June 6, Holly Springs; June 7, Grenada; June 8, Carrollton; June 9, Canton; June 10 and 11, Jackson; June 12, Utica; June 13, ——; June 14, Meridian; June 15, Macon; June 16, Starkville; June 17 and 18, Tupelo; June 19, Artesia; June 20, Columbus; June 21, rest at West Point for opening of State Conference on the twenty-second.

VIC THOMPSON, Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., May 1, 1899.

SEASHORE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Seashore District Conference met at Biloxi, Miss., April 27, 1899, Rev. W. W. Simmons, P. E., in the chair. There was a good, though not a full attendance of preachers and laymen.

The Conference was opened by a few remarks from Bro. Simmons, expressing the hope that the spirit of love would prevail in all discussions, and that all might receive a spiritual blessing. The interests of the church were looked into with care, and the reports indicated a good spiritual condition in nearly all of the charges.

The afternoon session of the first day was devoted to the question of Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues. The Sunday-schools are well officered and doing fine work. Not many Epworth Leagues, but the few are moving on nicely and looking forward to better things.

A Missionary Institute was held the afternoon and night of the second day, and the missionary work of our church was ably represented. Two papers were read—one by Rev. N. B. Harmon in reference to the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society, the other by Rev. J. P. Drake relative to the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Revs. B. F. Jones and W. H. Huntley addressed the Conference on the subjects of Domestic and Foreign Missions, respectively. Rev. W. H. LaPrade, D. D., made a flying visit to the Conference, and delivered an able address on the subject of the Twentieth Century Fund. The Methodist Orphans' Home was represented by Rev. J. P. Drake.

Special committees were appointed on Temperance, Sabbath Observance, and Missions.

W. L. Hightower was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial; R. L. Webb and W. L. Blackwell for deacon's orders.

License of local preachers were renewed as follows: W. C. Biberon, R. G. Williams, J. H. Havens, Samuel Fleurry, John Fleurry, Jas. King, W. W. Brown, M. R Jones, W. L. Hightower, H. B. Gillmore.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: A. G. Cowart, A J. Clark, T. M Evans, J. A. McLeod. Alternates: J. P. Cartor, J. L. Jordan.

The religious services were full of interest from first to last. Bros. Dawson, Lewis, Jones, McKeown and Huff did the preaching. A few of the brethren remained over Sunday, and the various pulpits of the city were thrown open to us. The services at the Methodist Church were especially interesting. Sermon, 11 A. M., by Bro. Simmons. Communion service and Experience Meeting, 3 P. M Sermon, 7:30 P. M., by Bro. Drake.

The Conference was a most pleasant and helpful one throughout. The entertainment given by the good people of Biloxi could not be surpassed. Bro. Forsyth was untiring in his efforts to make it pleasant for us. The spirit of brotherly love prevailed, and the brethren doubtless returned to their homes refreshed in body and mind and greatly blessed in spirit.

Gulf Port was chosen as the place of meeting for next Conference.

W. H. L.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The shadows of gloom and sorrow are hanging heavily over our Conference. Death has recently claimed another of our best-loved and most efficient fellow-laborers, Rev. H. P. Gibbs. This event brings an irreparable loss to us in this life of service, but it has secured to him the eternal gain of reward and rest in heaven. He was a noble specimen of unblemished Christian character, and of unswerving fidelity to duty in the cause of God, and for the good of poor and oppressed humanity. He rests from his labors, but his works will follow him.

Revs. J. S. Oakley and B. F. Phillips are still seriously afflicted, and unable to do their work; also Rev. T. W. Lewis is sick, and in Memphis for rest and medical treatment. The prayers of the church are ascending daily that these beloved brethren may have divine comfort in their afflictions, and soon be restored to health and their "loved employ."

A day and night recently spent in our Orphans' Home, at Water Valley, gave reassurance of the good work being done there by Bro. and Sister Burton and their assistants. Nothing seems to be left undone that will afford support, comfort and cheerfulness to the "little ones" in their charge. What a beautiful sight to behold when those fifty children, from two to fifteen years of age, are all seated at four tables in one dining-room, in all quietness and order; then to see them—all who are large enough—in the school-room with Sister Leech, their teacher, one-half of the day, and at work, or playing together, the other half. With all, and in every place, there are evidences of tender care, wise discipline, and mutual love.

This worthy institution should have liberal support from the Methodists in Mississippi. The right of way should be given to its worthy manager, Rev. M. L. Burton, in every church; and where he can not go in due time, the preachers should lay the cause before their people.

I spent the fourth Sunday in April at Mt. Zion, Abbeville circuit, with Pastor Langley and his people. Preached two sermons, ate a good dinner on the ground, and put in some good Sunday-school work, after which I returned to Oxford, where I had been invited by Bro. Standifer to preach at night; but, being considerably fatigued, I begged off, and heard him deliver an encouraging sermon to a good congregation.

After a few days of pleasant stay, and some official work done in Oxford, on Wednesday, April 26, I traveled, in company with several jovial preachers and lay brethren, twenty-one miles to Tocoopola, the seat of the Grenada District Conference, which body convened Thursday morning, and continued until Sunday night. As the secretary will furnish the proceedings for publication, I forbear any statements, only to say that we had a profitable meeting and an enjoyable time. The great regret was that so few of the preachers and laymen of the district were present to participate in the blessings of the occasion.

Monday our company returned to Oxford. Ample conveyances were furnished us both ways by the good people of Toccopola. The Lord reward them abundantly for their kindness and hospitalities.

Monday night I ran down to Grenada, and next day home, where I am resting and preparing for our manifold district meeting at Carrollton next week. We are expecting a great occasion, and hope to have the presence of the editor of our Conference organ, with other church celebrities.

Children's Day is near at hand. Let everybody get ready, attend, and participate in it. Make it a day of gladness and blessing to the children, and an occasion that they will cherish in memory so long as they live.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., May 5, 1899.

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OUR HONOR ROLL.

(Continued.)

In addition to those previously named, the following have sent in new subscriptions:

H. A. Gatlin,
E S. Lewis,
S. S Holliday,
Miss Daisy Lofton,
Mrs. R. G. Rapp,
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DELHI DISTRICT.

I have not much of importance to write from this district; but a recent letter from a dear and honored friend on my last charge contains these words: "I have not seen a line in the ADVOCATE from Bro. Harper, and he a 'beloved.' He is too busy or too modest to air his doings; but his old friends would be glad to read something from him." So, in response to that suggestion, I send some items.

Some of the brethren write often, and some not so often. I belong to the latter class, and seldom appear in print except to report a meeting where precious, immortal souls are saved.

And though we can not report marvelous things from my district, yet all the preachers are wide awake, and about their Master's business, hoping, praying and working for large results, and we hope to come up to Conference not empty-handed, but bringing our sheaves with us. The pastors of the district are a class of faithful, godly men, and, no doubt, will do much this year for the salvation of souls and the glory of God.

I am just recovering from a protracted illness; have been confined to my home, and part of the time to my bed, for six weeks, but hope soon to resume my "loved employ." I am living in Monroe, in a rented house, in a delightful community. Rev. T. S. Randle and family live just across the street from us, and on the same block with us is dear old Bro. Hatton, a superannuated preacher of the M. E. Church, with whom I have taken sweet counsel in days gone by, he being a resident of Monroe ten years ago, when I was on this district; and not very far from us is the handsome new parsonage where reside Bro. Pierce and family. So Monroe is rich in preachers, and some of the good people here have shown their appreciation in a very substantial way. Their liberality hath abounded, not only to the pastor, but to the superannuate and the presiding elder as well; so, while we leave friends, we go to more, and "all things work together for good to them that love God."

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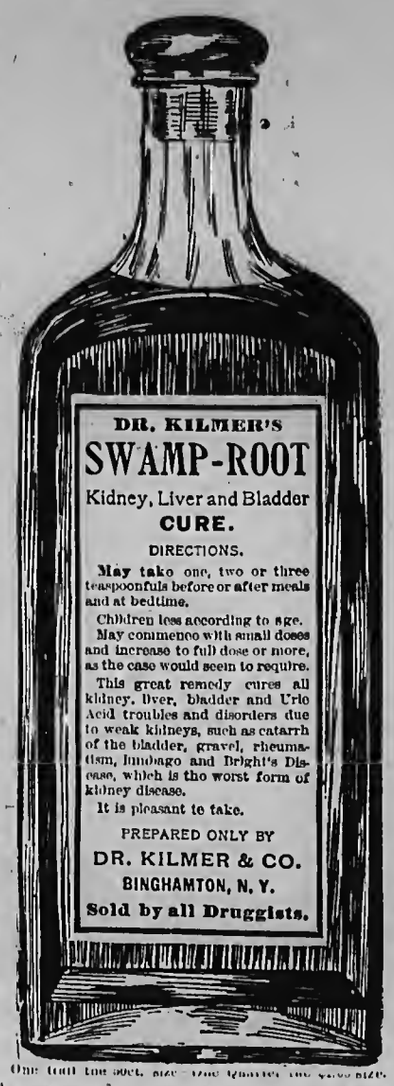
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It's been so awful long;
I'm sure if he could recollect,
He'd know that he was wrong.

Did he ever have, I wonder,
A sister just like mine,
Who'd take his skates or take his kite,
Or tangle up his twine?
Did he ever chop the kindling,
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But has its work, you know.
And then, when a fellow's tired,
And hope he may just sit still,
It's "Bring me a pail of water, son,
From the spring at the foot of the hill."

How can grandpa remember
A fellow's grief or joy?
'Tween you and me, I don't believe
He ever was a boy.
Is this the jolliest time of life?
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People who lack common sense are not practical, no matter how profound their knowledge, or how broad their culture. On the other hand, a man with common sense is always master of the situation; he knows what to do in an emergency, and how to turn himself when in a tight place; he knows men, how to manage them, and how to use them; in short, he has tact. He knows how to adjust himself to circumstances; he gets hold of the right thing and seizes it by the right handle; he seems to have an intuition, an instinct, which shows him how to do things as they ought to be done.

The merchant with tact studies his business and his customers as an artist studies his canvas. He knows what will please his patrons; he knows the difference between city and country demands; he studies the art of displaying goods to the best possible advantage; he dresses his show-windows in good taste, and rearranges them often; he knows how to attract buyers, and studies the art of selling; he knows the great superiority of attractive and good-mannered clerks; he appreciates the value of courtesy, cleanliness, and attractiveness; he knows that a pleased customer is the best advertisement; he knows how to present goods in the most attractive way; his great object is to please those who trade with him, not to force upon them goods which they do not need, or do not want. All these things are Greek to a merchant without tact; he doesn't see the value of all this nonsense.

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Common sense is always progressive, yet prudent; always conservative, yet wisely so. It enables a physician to understand his patient. He does not alarm him by telling him of unfavorable symptoms, but tries to conserve all his energies for combating the disease. It enables him to understand human nature, and to take advantage of circumstances in every position in life.

Nothing will take the place of this common sense. A man may have a college or university training and still utterly lack it. Capital is not a substitute; many of our great merchants have begun without it, while many have been utter failures who began with it.

A man of common sense, though he may be ignorant of books, and possibly unable to write his own name, has a certain instinct which tells him what is in demand, what will sell, when and what to buy, and how much. No matter how much you may try to overpersuade him, he knows what he wants, and will buy no more, no less. Common sense is absolutely indispensable to men who have to do with practical affairs.

This mother-wit, practical intelligence, tact, and behavior, good judgment, or however we may define it, seems to be born with one. Although it is susceptible of improvement by cultivation, yet those born without it never seem able to create it.

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The question may be asked, If the perspiration is poisonous, why are we not injured by it when it accumulates on the skin? Because it is not taken back into the system from the skin; if it was, it would do harm. When, as in a cold, the skin does not act well, the kidneys, to a certain extent, take up its work, and this relieves the body from the poison of the perspiration. Were this not the case, its effects would soon be fatal. We know this well enough without experimentation on animals. When the skin is burned over any considerable part of the body, perspiration can not go on, and the person dies partly as a result of the retained secretions. During the reign of one of the Popes, in some religious ceremony, a child was covered with gold leaf to represent the Holy Child, but the retained secretion poisoned and killed it.

These facts teach us that the health of the external covering of the body is most important, and this proves that cleanliness and bathing are beneficial to establish its activity as perfectly as possible.—The Journal of Hygiene.

Be reverent. Young people are full of joy and good cheer. They look on the bright side of life and feel lightly the responsibilities common to men. They are apt to indulge in levity, or at least be forgetful of where they are. But in times of worship be reverent. The attitude may move some to righteousness. Be reverent.—St. Louis Advocate.

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HOLMES—Mrs. MARY J. HOLMES was born Tennessee, Sept. 2, 1830. When a child she ame with her father, Mr. Josiah Butterorth, to live at Keachie, DeSoto parish, La. On Nov. 15 1864 Mary Butterworth was arried in Mansfield, La., to Mr. John olmes. After a short married life her husand died, leaving his wife, with two small hildren and several step-children, to mourn is loss. During a long widowhood Mrs. olmes proved herself a loving and faithful other, guiding her household as a consistent hristian. She was devoted to her church—
E Church, South—and up to the time of er death found intense pleasure in reading hurch literature, especially the Advocates. he ruling desire of her life was to train her hildren according to the rules and regulaions established in the household by her hristian husband. God grant that in good me they may all be gathered, an unbroken amily, about the great white throne!

Mrs. Holmes died Jan. 7, 1899, at the home f her daughter, Mrs. T. L. Aycock, in Bossier arish, La., and was laid to rest in the family emetery at Belle Flower, DeSoto parish.

In many respects Mrs. Holmes was a remarkable woman—firm, gentle, loving, and orable, always practicing the Christian virues, until she reached a degree of perfection arely attained. As friend, neighbor, sister nd mother, she was universally beloved.

While in usual health she was stricken with aralysis, which slowly and surely crocheted n the citadel of life for ten days, when the ummons came, "It is enough; come up igher."

Her whole life was a preparation for eterity, and her spirit passed away gently as she ell to sleep in her Savior's arms. The tenler and affectionate ministrations of her stalwart stepsons, as well as her own children, uring her last illness was a noble tribute to he mother's worth.

To deplore her loss, she leaves an only aughter (Mrs. Jessie Aycock), an only son Mr. Blanton R. Holmes, of New Orleans), and wide circle of relatives and friends. Their oss is her eternal gain. The eye of faith can ierce beyond the tomb and see that "the rave is but the covered way" which leads rom gloom to glory.

"She liveth in our broken hearts,
Her image on each shivered part,
Her life to us a living chart."

E J. FULLILOVE.

FRANKLIN—JAMES WINTER FRANKLIN, on of Rev. J. M. Franklin, of the Louisiana Conference, was born in Ft. Jesaup, La., Aug. 1880, and departed this life Jan. 20, 1899, at range, La. He professed religion and joined he Methodist Church in October, 1894. His eligious life was attended with battles, sometimes attended with victory, and sometimes failure, but through it all he stuck to his hurch and his God.

"Jim," as we all called him, was an extraordinary young man. He was bright, very attentive to business, and there was a peculiar ig-heartedness about him that drew one to im, and made you love him. He seemed to orget himself, and his whole soul seamed to e absorbed in the interest of others. He was ne of the most loyal young man I ever met. His last illness was short, and he seamed to know that his end was near. He said to his unt, at whose house he died, that he did not ear death, and when the end came he was not onscious, but quietly passed away. He has eft many friends, who feel a sad loss. A multitude followed his remains to Ft. Jesaup, and aid him away. Many are the friends who ympathize with the father, mother, and family. "Blessed are the dead who die in the ord."

J. S. SANDERS.

MELVIN—Whereas, The Supreme Ruler, in is wisdom, called from our midst on March 1899, one of our most zealous members, Bro. S MELVIN, the Sabbath-school mourns with eepest sympathy its loss; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Pelahatchie Methodist abbath-school feel that in the death of its beoved member it has lost one of its truest and ost faithful teachers and workers.

Resolved, That while the Sabbath-school ealizes the vacancy caused by the death of im who has served it so long as superintendnt and teacher, we feel that his thorough inructions, promptness and fidelity to duty, nd the life he lived, will tend to wield a lastng influence, and that our loss is his eternal ain in the happy beyond.

Resolved, That the Sabbath-school extend the bereaved widow and surviving relatives ur heart-felt sympathies and condolence.

P. B. SUMMER, Supt.,
A. A. MURRAY, Sec.

ALLEN—Departed this life Dec. 18, 1898, Bro. WM. J. ALLEN, of Avoyelles parish, a devoted husband, loving father, and sincere friend. Born in Chester county, S. C., Sept. 18, 1820 he left there for Mississippi in 1817, and was married Feb. 18 1857, to Miss Palmelia A. Morgan, who bore him seven children. He came to Louisiana in '67, where, a year later, his wife died. He married, a second time, Miss Mary A. Steward, of Avoyelles parish, who survives him, and is the mother of Geo. M. and Wm. Steward Allen. Three of his first wife's children are living: Mrs. G. W. Tupperville, Mrs. Wm. Cheatham, and Jno. R. Allen.

Mr. Allen joined the M. E. Church, South, when quite young, and remained true to her institutions until his death.

I knew him quite intimately in my boyhood. He was my father's nearest neighbor. His was a warm and tender heart, and my earliest recollections of him are associated with his many kindnesses to the sick and afflicted. He justly deserved the love of those with whom he was associated. Having known him so long and intimately, I can truly share the grief of his loved ones. C. O. WIKE.

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CALHOUN—JOHN CALHOUN was born April 26, 1880, and died Jan. 14, 1899. He was reared by Christian parents and surrounded by Christian influences. He united with the church in 1893. His life as a member of the church was beautifully consistent up to the last. I never heard anyone say aught against him, nor did I ever know of his doing anything wrong. He enjoyed religion, and was regular in his attendance on the means of grace. He was a very bright Christian. His death was very triumphant. He was told that he could not live, and that he might say anything he wished. He requested all to meet him in heaven, and then read a chapter in Hebrews, and sang several hymns, and had the doctor to pray. For some time before death came he was delirious, but even in this condition he repeated passages of Scripture, and sang and shouted. The night before he died he repeated the twenty-third Psalm. His last words were praises. Truly Christ had taken away the sting of death, which is sin. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. We shall meet again.

W. J. DAWSON.

COCHRAN—HENRY C. COCHRAN was born in 1836, and died March 18, 1899.

In the death of Bro. Cochran the Methodist Church at Salem (near Leaf River) loses a useful member. As a Sunday-school superintendent, he was faithful to duty, riding on horseback eight miles to the church-house to open and conduct the exercises of the Sunday-school. He was regular in attendance on preaching services. As a steward, he was careful to look after the interests of his preacher. The writer, as his pastor, visited him during his last illness, and in conversation found him perfectly resigned to the will of God. His throat being paralyzed several days before his death, he could not speak, and we have no words of his to record as his dying testimony, but his faithful religious life continuously for a number of years remains to bear testimony of his hope. He leaves a wife, son, and several daughters to mourn his death. To them we offer our sincere sympathy, and pray that the Holy Spirit may be near to comfort them in the sad hours of their bereavement.

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LEE—Mrs. EMMA LEE (nee Craft) was born Jan. 21, 1861, and died at her home near Dennis Mills, Feb. 25 1899. She was married to John E. Lee, Sept. 16, 1876, and to them were born twelve children—nine boys and three girls—and eleven, with the husband, survive her.

Sister Lee joined the M. E. Church, South, about eight years ago, but was deprived of attending upon the ordinances of God as often as she desired, on account of living at such a long distance from the church. She told this writer a few days before she died that she was not satisfied with her spiritual condition, and wanted me to pray for her, that she might find that peace that passeth all understanding. I read, sang and prayed for her, and pointed her to Jesus, who was ready to save. I left her feeling much better (this was on Friday). I visited her the following Sunday evening, and found her rejoicing in the full assurance that she was a child of God, and on the next Saturday she passed away in peace.

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During the past year the exports of watches from Switzerland amounted in value to over $13,000,000. The watches went to almost all parts of the civilized world.

The annual reunion of Confederate veterans will be held this week, at Charleston, where, on the twelfth of April, thirty-eight years ago, was fired the first gun of the war between the States.

The stevedores of Havana have struck for higher pay, and the business of loading and unloading ships was almost at a standstill until 400 Chinese were employed to take the places of the men who had refused to work. The Cubans endeavored to prevent the Chinese from working, but were driven away by the American soldiers.

The Navy Department has selected a successor to Admiral Dewey to command the Asiatic station. Orders have been issued detaching Rear Admiral Watson from command of the Mare Island Navy Yard, and ordering him to report to Admiral Dewey at Manila, to relieve that officer when he feels that he can be spared there.

The Sudan is being rapidly covered with a network of telegraphs. It is expected that the telegraph will be 1000 miles south of Khartoum at the end of the year. This means the practical joining up with Uganda, and as Mr. Rhodes' telegraph is approaching Tanganyika, the transcontinental telegraph may be expected to be finished early next year.

The Fair opened in this city on May 8, and is a finer show than any anticipated. The jubilee parade and review by the governor proved stirring sights, and gave the people a welcome opportunity to honor the volunteers. A number of addresses mark the Exposition's start, but the enterprise displayed speaks for itself. President McKinley and the cruiser "New Orleans" sent greetings by telegraph.

At a meeting of the Episcopal ministers of Kansas City a resolution protesting against the recent christening of a baby orang-outang at a local zoo was adopted. The resolution denounces the act as a "travesty of the Christian sacrament of baptism." It is said that a similar resolution will be presented at the next meeting of the Ministers' Alliance, which includes in its membership all the evangelical ministers of the city.

The special court of inquiry appointed by the War Department ostensibly to investigate the charges made by General Miles against the embalmed beef and the rotten meat in cans supplied to the army has accomplished its task. The court finds that the statements made by General Miles were not borne out by the facts adduced by the inquiry, as nothing was developed which tended to show that the meat was either unwholesome, or embalmed, or deleterious to the health of the troops.

While the insurgents have so far been successful in eluding the American columns, another effort has been inaugurated in this direction by Generals MacArthur and Lawton, which will result, the authorities hope, in the capture or destruction of a strong wing of the insurgent army. To this end a military movement is now in progress which contemplates the surrounding of a large section of the enemy believed to be encamped to the westward of San Fernando.

The surrender of Aguinaldo is believed to be close at hand. President Schurman, of the American Philippines Commission, who has never been optimistic on the problem, has cabled to the President the belief of the commission that Aguinaldo is ready to surrender. He informed the President of a new plea for peace, made by the Tagalo representatives. Aguinaldo offers to surrender, but he makes, through his representatives, a plea for certain assurances. The conditions call for no sacrifice of principle. They involve no compromise on the main question of recognition of United States authority. They are of minor consequence, so far as this government is concerned. In them, however, Aguinaldo apparently sees partial relief from the abject humiliation of unconditional surrender. The American commission is inclined to deal fairly with the Filipinos, but does not wish to assume responsibility for the concessions asked. Therefore, President Schurman cabled asking instructions.

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May 2, 1899.

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Flurine, Rev. S. S. Holliday	$ 15 00
Ada and Winfield, Rev. W. B. Van Valkenburgh	5 40
Farmerville, Rev. H. B. Thomason	5 43
Lake Providence, Rev. H. O. White	12 85
St. Helena, Rev. J. I. Hoffpauir	15 00
Lake Charles, Rev. B. F. White	33 00
East Feliciana, Rev. J. F. Wynn	22 50
Pleasant Hill, Rev. J. F. Patterson	38 00

Received for domestic missions from

Pleasant Hill, Rev. J. F. Patterson	$ 10 00
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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

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FOREST DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Vossburg and H., at Goodwater, Sat., Sun., and Mon	May 13, 14, 15
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun.. 20, 21
Lake, at High Hill	Thurs.. 25
Montrose, at Montrose	Sat. and Sun. 27, 28
District High School at Montrose, annual sermon	28
Rose Hill, at Hopewell	Wed.. 31
Chunkey, at Sageville	Sat. and Sun. June 3, 4
Choctaw Mission, at Tulla-Chunk	Thurs.. 8
Neshoba, at Hester's Chapel	Sat. and Sun 10, 11
Decatur, at Union	Mon.. 12

Every traveling and every local preacher, ordained or unordained, in the bounds of this district is expected to be present at the Missionary Institute, and to remain throughout the session. It is held in accordance with Art. XVIII, Constitution of the Board of Missions, and by order of the Mississippi Conference

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Yazoo circuit, at Mt. Carmel	May 13, 14
Yazoo City	14, 15
Brandon	Conf., 18.. 21
Tranquil, at Zeigler ville	Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M 20, 21
Benton, at Midway	Sun A. M., Mon. A. M 21, 22
Silver City and H. L., at Silver City	27, 28
Lake City and Lodi, at Lodi	28, 29
Fannin, at Union	June 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Bethel	10, 11
Vaughan's, at Union	24, 25
Camden, at Soule Chapel	July 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Moriah	May 13, 14
Providence, at Monticello	14, 15
Westville, at Gum Springs	26, 21
Adams, at Ebenezer	27, 28
Pleasant Grove, at Sarlin's	June 3, 4
Caseyville, at Pleasant Valley	10, 11
Beauregard, at Martinsville	17, 18
Hazlehurst	18, 19
Summit, at Pisgah	25, 26
Tylertown, at Holmesville	July 1, 2

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

East Covington, at Mt. Tabor	May 12
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
St. John's, at Holland's Chapel	26, 21
Hattiesburg	26
Whittington, at McIlleury	27, 28
Columbia, at Hopewell	June 3, 4
Leaksville, at Pine Grove	8

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Cumberland, at Cumberland	May 13, 14
Tomnolen, at North Union	15
Chester circuit	20, 21
Belzona	27, 28
Poplar Creek, at Shiloh	June 3, 4
Louisville	10, 11
Salem	15

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Durant, Miss.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Byhalia, at Emery	May 13, 14
Waterford, at Harris' Ch	20 21
Mt. Pleasant, at Early Grove	27, 28
East Holly Springs, at Fountain Grove	June 3, 4
Red Banks, at Red Banks	10, 11
Ashland, at Salem	17, 18
Connerville, at ——	24, 25

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Opelousas, at Belle View	May 13, 14
Lake Arthur, at Lacasine	20, 21
Crowley	27, 28
West Lake	June 3, 4
Grand Cheniere	10, 11
Lake Charles	17, 18

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Slidell	May 14
Rayne Memorial	21
Dryades Street	28
Carrollton Avenue	June 4
White Castle	11
Carondelet Street	18
Covington	25
Burgundy Street	July 2

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—SECOND ROUND

Amite City, at Kentwood	May 10, 11
Franklinton, at Magee's	13, 14
Slaughter, at Heloville	20, 21
Clinton	21, 22
St Helena, at Center	23
Wilson, at Pisgah	27, 28
Jackson	28, 29
St. Francisville, at Tunica	June 3, 4

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Pineville, at ——	20, 21

Bishop Key will hold the District Conference at Lecompte, May 24-28.

As far as practicable, the collections for foreign missions will be brought up by the preachers. Let there be a pull for this collection.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Arcadia	May 13, 14
Homer, at Homer	20, 21
Haynesville, at Mt. Zion	27, 28
Gansville	June 2
Blooville	3, 4

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HAMILTON—HACOT.—May 3, 1899, by Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, Mr. H H. Hamilton to Miss Myrtis Hacot, both of McComb City, Miss.

MILLER—HUMPHREYS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Gloster, Miss., Sunday, April 16, 1899, at 4 P. M., by Rev. M. M. Black, Mr. L. C. Miller to Miss Anna Humphreys, all of Wilkinson county, Miss.

DAVIS—PENNINGTON.—In the Congregational Church at Vinton, La., April 27, 1899, at 8:30 P. M., by Rev. T. A. Luster, Mr. Boroice H. Davis and Miss Frank Penolngton, both of Vinton.

CLEMENT—WHITINGTON.—At the home of the bride's parents, on Bayou Rapides, May 6, by Rev. A. W. Turner, Mr. D. S. Clement to Miss Annie Whitington, all of Rapides parish, La.

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TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

BY MARGARET E. SANGSTER.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
Our Father and our Lord;
To thee we lift our joyful songs
To-day with one accord.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For the sound of children's feet,
And for the ripple of their mirth
That makes this old earth sweet.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For peace in all our coasts;
For the old who stand beside the land;
For the young, in sturdy hosts.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For the wealth of golden sheaves,
And for the songs of families
Beneath their sheltering eaves.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For many a prayer denied,
For losses and for crosses sent
To keep us at thy side.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For friends beyond the strife;
For those who lie the gate of death
Have found the endless life.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
For the gift of thy dear Son,
And for the household of thy saints
In earth and heaven, one.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The session of the Board of Missions, just held, May 3-5, were of more than usual interest. Some of the items contributing to this interest were, first, reports from the mission fields. These exhibited advance in all departments of work. Those engaged in evangelistic service tell of special evidences of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. These have been manifested particularly in China and Brazil. A larger number of conversions (undoubted in their character) than usual, and the deepening and broadening of the spiritual life of the native membership, are among the evidences adduced. Some of the accounts are indeed wonderful, reminding one of primitive Christianity and early Methodism, and ought to set on fire the zeal of the church at home. The statistics show an increase of more than five per cent. in the membership. This, in view of a reported decrease at home, ought to stir us up to prayerful thought and honest heart-searching. Certainly the moiety of our giving that goes to foreign fields is not spent in vain. God is true to his promise, "There shall be a handful of corn in the earth, on the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon."

Our school work in China has been rearranged, and now only lacks enlarged quarters, better facilities, and increased teaching force, to make it the power that it ought to be in confirming and perpetuating our evangelical planting. Of first-class students there is no lack. China is expecting to reap largely from our Twentieth Century Educational Fund. May she not be disappointed!

Our medical work is still growing in favor and efficiency, but sorely needs to be reinforced. No class of missionaries have freer or more fruitful access to the heathen than our pious, consecrated, qualified physicians.

In Brazil arrangements have been made to put Granbery College into new and better quarters. This, however, involves the purchase of suitable property at a considerable outlay. At present the Board is only able to provide for the interest on this sum. The principal—$10,000—ought to be arranged for at an early day. Who among our wealthy, money-making laymen will honor God by turning this amount into his treasury to meet this urgent demand? Surely all the large gifts to our Twentieth Century Educational Fund ought not to be swallowed up by our home institutions. This school is for the express purpose of training native preachers and teachers—a work that must be done, else our work so well begun will be hopelessly hampered and circumscribed. Oh, when will the church awake to see the opportunity and feel its responsibility!

The work in Cuba has opened auspiciously, and the prospects are that within a short time we will have a pastor and a teacher at the most prominent points in each of the provinces in the island. The appropriation of $12,000, including specials, was deemed sufficient to cover present needs.

Second. The reports from the church at home, while not so inspiring, were, nevertheless, hopeful. Notwithstanding the large falling off of collections reported up to Jan. 1, such was the prompt and liberal response made to the call of the secretaries that the Board was able to appropriate a sum slightly in advance of that appropriated last year. This enables us to conserve in its entirety our present force in all the fields, to add at least one missionary to each of several fields, and to take care of the new work enterprised in Cuba.

We begin the new year with firmer confidence in God, with increased faith in the fidelity and liberality of the church, and with better assurance of the efficiency of our system of evangelism as an instrument in giving the gospel to every creature.

Let us pray for a larger baptism of the Holy Spirit at home and abroad, and let us make a fuller consecration of ourselves and our all to the work whereunto we are called.

Among the things done at the late meeting of the Board of Missions the following preamble and resolutions were offered and adopted:

Whereas, In the earnest appeals of Bishops Wilson, Galloway and Dunn can before a joint meeting of the Boards of Missions and Education our attention was thoughtfully and forcefully called to the vital relations of our education work in foreign fields to the permanent success of our missionary operations; And, whereas, We are officially informed that about $75 000 will be necessary to properly equip our institutions in those fields; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we respectfully request the Board of Education to incorporate this interest in their plans and provisions for the Twentieth Century Fund, and that we request the Annual Conferences to provide for the appropriation of a due proportion of the funds collected by them to this object.

Resolved, That we commend this matter to the attention and generosity of our people at large.

(Signed) JOHN H. MCLEAN,
P. H. WHISNER.

On motion of Dr. Gross Alexander the secretaries were required to furnish a copy of this paper to each of our church papers, with the request that it be given prominent place in an early issue; also that a copy be sent to the secretary of each of the Annual Conference Boards of Education.

In pursuance of this action we send the above on its mission, praying that it may accomplish the end whereunto it is sent.

Truly, W. R LAMBUTH,
J. H PRITCHETT.

THE OXFORD FEMALE COLLEGE.

It is well known by those who have been in any way connected with our female educational work in the North Mississippi Conference that for the past five years I have advocated progress and advancement, and have left no stone unturned for larger and better facilities at Grenada. Having manifestly outgrown our capacity, a renewal of this effort to meet our need was made in January last by a special meeting of our trustees and preachers and laymen convenient to Grenada. In this advisory council I gave a full statement of the needs of our institution, and the practical impossibility of raising funds from the church at large to put up new buildings, and asked that the people of Grenada make these improvements. Due emphasis was placed upon the necessity of action at this time in view of the Twentieth Century Movement to equip and endow our colleges. In the face of all these facts—the evident possibility of doing something handsome for our institution here by means of the Twentieth Century Fund—I was met with the positive statement that Grenada could do nothing. When this meeting was called no thought was entertained of transferring the school to Oxford. Soon after this meeting, however, by invitation I visited and examined the vacant school plant at Oxford. I found the property there very valuable, clearly worth twice as much as ours at Grenada, and with nearly twice the capacity. In the years '96-'7 over $15 000 in improvements and additions to the original property having been expended, the plant I found to be in first-class condition. At the lowest estimate, it would take $10,000 outlay to make our Grenada property equal to the Oxford school plant as it now stands. This property had to be sold to satisfy a trust deed held on it for these improvements. On investigation, it was found that the plant was held by the trustees at $15,000, the amount recently expended on improvements, and that it could not be secured by us at that price on a mere option to wait over indefinitely. After due and mature consideration the pastor of our church at Oxford, the Rev. R. M. Standifer, and I secured the property for $11,000 from the party holding the trust deed, the people of Oxford agreeing to pay $5,000 of that amount, thereby bringing into our possession a school plant, well located on a ten-acre campus, in a town recognized as an educational centre, with buildings in first-class condition, furnished with school and boarding fixtures, and with capacity for not less than one hundred boarding pupils.

It is proper to add that ample time and opportunity has been given to the people of Grenada, even since the question of removal was first agitated, to say nothing of urgent requests previously made, but they have never responded with a definite guarantee of any amount for new buildings or repairs.

All benefit that a female college can possibly bring to the town in which it is located has been given to the people of Grenada. For the past five years—the period of my administration—everything that the student body and college family has consumed has been bought in Grenada, except the uniform for the past two years, and these were bought elsewhere because Grenada could not furnish them. I have had all my catalogues and other printing furnished by Grenada. It is very much to be doubted whether there is another school man in the State that has done as much for the town in which his school is located.

I have not the slightest disposition in my mind or heart to do this good people even a seeming injustice. For these years I have lived peacefully and happily in their midst, and have learned to love many of them and to esteem them all. I have had nothing at all in view but to conserve the interest of the education of our girls in the North Mississippi Conference, which has largely been committed to my hands. Lest an injustice might be seemingly done to Grenada, my plan is, as stated to the Board of Trustees, to turn over the property to the town, or its original owners, for $6,000, the amount the church originally paid for it, and give them all the other improvements. It will be remembered that the church bought the property and paid for it all that it was worth at the time, and besides improving it from year to year, has given them a school for seventeen years. It can not be shown that the establishment of our Conference female college at Oxford will be an injustice to Grenada, as ample return has been given for whatever outlay has been made.

I will open a college for girls and young ladies at Oxford, Miss., next September for the North Mississippi Conference and for the church, and I propose to make it equal to any in our connection.

As I review the whole situation from beginning to end, I can not see how that I could have done otherwise than to take the steps I have taken. It is useless for me to say that I have not considered my personal profit, as those who are acquainted with all the facts can well testify. My sole aim is to further the interest of the female educational work of our church, and I fully believe that the church and that the North Mississippi Conference will sustain my action and appreciate what I have done.

J. W. MALONE.

ON THE ROUND.

MR. EDITOR: Since my last report I have gotten fairly into the second round, and the scenes and associations of the places visited remind me forcibly of the flight of time. My first circuit embraced two points, and I am sure that I did not feel my importance nearly so much as presiding elder as I did while pastor of Sharon circuit, though I devoutly hope that I have grown both in grace and in knowledge during these twenty, and more, years.

At old Madisonville, now a part of the Madison circuit, I met only a half-dozen familiar faces, though a very decidedly larger congregation. The old church has been replaced by a neat, attractive building, and shows that some care is had for its protection and neatness. Bro. Geo. W. Galloway still leads our forces at that point. An influx of good, substantial Western people add life and zeal to the work. Would that we could secure scores of such families for every community. Here we found an Epworth League ready to take hold of any work suggested by the pastor. Having raised the assessment for Bishops at the first Quarterly Conference at the request of the pastor, we presented the other causes, and secured more than was asked of this church for all causes. Pastor Hawkins is working to remove every obstacle, so that he may devote the latter part of the year to the Twentieth Century Fund.

While in this community I was reminded of a little girl who suggested the wisdom of planning for the Master's work. Just before leaving for the session of our Conference little Georgia Smith—yes, that was her name—handed me $2.50 for foreign missions, and when I expressed my surprise at such a contribution, she explained the plan by pointing out an old speckled hen—"Susanna Wesley," as she called her. Susanna had raised one brood, all of which were sold, and, with proceeds from eggs laid, had netted this sum, thus demonstrating the wisdom of system.

From this point I spent a week with Bro. McLaurin in Canton, and preached twice a day. Good congregations encouraged us at every service, but beyond this very little visible effect. Our Baptist brethren had just closed a ten days' meeting, and with similar results. Whether the dominating influence of the open saloon is explanatory of such a condition, I do not say; but it is a lamentable fact that this is the only point on the district where they exist, and the most difficult point to interest the men in religious work. Pastor McLaurin is adding weekly to his auditors, and is most highly esteemed.

Lone Pine. This is the name of a church on the Sharon circuit, located in a thickly set grove of oaks. Our pastors of twenty years ago will recall a small, two-story California building of 15x20 feet used for grange, school and preaching purposes, close by our lone pine. The school-house still stands, but near by the Methodists and Baptists have each erected cozy, attractive churches.

A more quiet and appropriate place to build a house to the Lord has never appeared to me. Here in the Quarterly Conference we met several familiar faces, some evidencing long service for the Master; others who were more boys when last we met, but now carrying the burdens laid down by their fathers. A well-attended, delightful Conference. The faithful pastor, whom we would call a father in Israel, but fear to wound his youthful spirit, was on hand with a heart full of good cheer for all. He was appointed to preach his semi centennial sermon last year, but declined to advertise his age. "Everybody loves Bro. Williams," said a thoughtful brother. The financial reports were only fairly good, but there is hope for a better time when the Fall comes on. Bro. Williams is working diligently at the Twentieth Century Fund. Here we found Bros. Foster, Thompson, Cheek, Joyner, and other names honored in Methodist history in this section.

A visit to Sister Magruder, mother to Mrs. Dr. Sullivan and Mrs. Dr. Hunnicutt, was refreshing. Full of hope and faith, she has nearly reached the ninetieth milestone—a life well spent, and now ready to enter into the higher joys of her Lord. How much Methodism and Christianity have gotten out of that life and home the Master alone can know.

Bros. Jones and Bailey, of Jackson, are preaching to full houses. Here are two noble bands of Leaguers actively at work.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Capitol Street are making efforts for the building of a parsonage, and are meeting with much success.

Jackson is interested at this writing in the building of the electric railway, and agitated over a petition for an election for open saloons. It is now doubtful if the petitioners will have the requisite one-third signatures, and should it so prove, the Prohibitionists are sanguine of success at the polls.

Bro. J. W. Brown, on the Terry work, has had quite a spell of fever, but is now improving. T. B. H.

Communications.

A TEST.

The movement to raise a million and a half of money for education comes to us, as a church, as a test of our faith in God. Money is not the prime object, but the faith of the church in the divine promises, and the recognition of our stewardship, will be fully exposed, that all men may know just where we stand. If the church has God's means, and is withholding it, then God can not bless us, but he comes in this movement, gives us an opportunity, and calls unto us to honor him with our substance. It is a time for everyone to read and ponder the parable of the talents, and go out trading for the Lord, that he may "receive his own with usury" at this time of his coming, to demand an account of our stewardship. Will we meet the demand, and, honoring God, receive a blessing?—or will we be unbelieving and unfaithful in "the unrighteous mammon," so that he can not trust to us "the true riches"?

Ye rich men, ponder the question, and out of your abundance give much; and ye poor men, of your little give what you can, so that, as a church, we may enter the coming century with broader views, higher aims, and more aggressive processes, and rejoice as we receive the spiritual outpouring according to the promise of the Lord, whom we honor and serve. The conditions demand a lengthening of our cords and the digging of our ditches, in order to convey a stream of Christian culture, consecrated thought, to the refreshing of the people who sit in darkness and thirst for the streams of living water. God has honored us as a church by increase of ability, that we may honor him with our increase. Will we do it and grow like the cedars of Lebanon, or fail and wither as the flower of the field? Lord, help us to answer with "good measure, shaken down and running over."

W. T. BOLLING.

Shreveport, La.

"MAGNETIC HEALING."

BY MRS L. C. SADLER.

In reading the article in this week's ADVOCATE on "Magnetic Healing," it occurred to the writer that a few lines on this subject might help some one to come to a decision as to whether it is right or wrong for a Christian to take up this branch of healing or of "Christian science," so called.

Some time ago my attention was called to this subject by reading Professor Wettmer's magazine, called "Magnetic Healing," which a friend had sent. The argument was made that it was a good thing, and wholly in accord with biblical teaching, and all made so beautiful, and bolstered up with scriptural quotations enough to deceive "the very elect," if "the very elect" were foolish enough to be caught in the net laid for them.

In putting some pertinent questions to the Professor in reference to his method of healing, all the strong points of his book were reiterated and emphasized, and made so very plain and simple, that one felt a little self-condemned that they had displayed any Thomas-trait at all. Nevertheless, that trait was strongly entrenched, and upon a little further inquiry the bottom facts in the case came to light.

A prominent minister of Nevada, Mo., and a well-known bank of the same place, pronounced the "magnetic healing" more of a money making scheme than anything else. The so-called cures are a mixture of "faith-cure, spiritualism, fanaticism and humbug." They have a school of "Magnetic Healing," and will teach any one how to heal all "the ills that flesh is heir to" without any medicine.

If any of the readers of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE are interested in "Magnetic Healing" and have any money to throw away, an easy way to get rid of it would be to take a course of lessons in "Magnetic Healing," which would entitle them to a diploma at "Endor."

Not work alone will bring success in life; it is intelligent, well-directed, patient, persevering effort which tells in the long run. We must know, first of all, what we want to make of our lives; then we must be willing to spend our entire life-time, if necessary, in working for its accomplishment, not waiting. We must realize that every moment counts, that every effort tells; and if we have set our hearts upon that which is highest and best, it is worth everything it costs. If Columbus had sat down and waited for some one to offer him money and men and ships for his contemplated voyage in quest of the unknown land, America would yet have been a wilderness, or some one else had the glory of its discovery.—Exchange.

It is of the highest moment that we walk consistently. The men of the world will do many things which they would condemn, and very properly, too, in us. They expect us to walk by a higher rule, because we profess to do so. If you would not inflame their prejudices, you must remember your high calling. If you do so, they will say of you, as was said of Daniel, they "could find no matter against him, except in the law of his God."—Robert Hall.

Don't brood over the past, nor dream of the future, but seize the instant and get your lesson from the hour.—Exchange.

HOW WILL IT BE?

How will it be when the day is done,
And the field of the world we are called to leave
In the shadow of nature's sinking sun?
Shall we go as readers to joy, or grieve?
Shall we sing of hope in the harvest yield,
Garnered by us from the world's wide field?

Or wail many a sigh, if we remain,
Spared ourselves, for the little wrought—
Shall we look back to the golden grain
Untasted which we might have brought?
Joy we have as has been the strife
In the gracing of fruit for eternal life.

Toiled much fruit in the better land,
Safely housed from the storms of time,
Gathered and brought by a loving hand,
Will stand a pledge for a life sublime—
Linger and reap as the sun glides low,
The day is ending—it soon must go.

—Crisis.

Correspondence.

GRENADA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The session of the Grenada District Conference convened Thursday, April 27, 1899, in the town of Toccopola, Miss., with the Rev. H. C. Morehead, P. E. in the chair.

The session was of more than usual interest. We were sorely bereaved in the loss of Bro. H. P. Gibbs and Bro. A. J. Jones. These brethren had been called to their reward on high. Only about half of the preachers of the district were present, and not many lay members; but the citizens gave fine attendance from the first session throughout the Conference, both to the public worship and business sessions of the Conference. It was the best attended District Conference I have seen in ten years on the part of the community.

Thursday was given to the Sunday-school interest. Several stirring speeches were made, and some excellent papers were read on the different phases of the Sunday-school work.

Friday was given to the spiritual interests of the church, with special reference to missionary territory. A resolution was passed asking the Annual Conference to look after this special territory.

Friday night Bro. W. S. Lagrone preached, and then presented the cause of the "Mississippi Methodist Orphanage Home," located at Water Valley, and in the bounds of this district. Bro. Lagrone spoke in high praise of the condition and management of the Home; also of the manager, Bro M L Burton, as being the man for the place. A collection was taken; also the preachers and some friends raised money, specially, for a memorial bed in honor of the late Rev. H P. Gibbs.

The election of delegates to the Annual Conference resulted in the election of the following-named brethren on first ballot: R W. Jones, G. D. Shands, B. F. Saunders, and W. M. Dubard.

Three bright young men were recommended for admission on trial to the Annual Conference at the next session: G. S. Morehead, D. M. Gean, and H. D. Estes. Only one was licensed to preach: Bro. J. A. McKee.

Bro. G. W. Bachman was with us, and magnified his office in giving the people an opportunity to supply themselves with the best books and literature in the land. He sold several Bibles, and furnished the church with a good supply of song books, and sold a variety of good books. There is no telling the good this brother is doing in this work.

A resolution was adopted expressing commendation and appreciation of the work of Bro. Morehead, as this year closes his present period of service here by limitation of the law. The resolution will appear separate, and Bro. Morehead well deserves all that is stated in the resolution. He has been untiring in his work.

Saturday night was set specially for an educational service. Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan preached a sermon on Christian education that is a credit to our Conference and an honor to the man, and can not fail to do good.

The whole session of the Conference was spiritual and helpful.

Bro. Geddie, the pastor at Toccopola, and his people have endeared themselves to the brethren by their kindness and abounding hospitality.

The next District Conference goes to Oakland. W. M. YOUNG,
Ass't Secretary.

SARDIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Sardis District Conference was held at Courtland, Miss, April 27 to 30, 1899. The afternoon of the day before was given to the good women of the district who labor with us in the gospel, and Mrs. T. C. Wier, district secretary of the W. F. M. S. of the North Mississippi Annual Conference, held their district meeting. There was a good attendance and an interesting meeting. The forenoon of the opening day was occupied by the women in the interest of the Home Mission work, and presided over by Miss Julia Jones, of Arkabutla, Miss. This was a very interesting meeting. The reports showed much interest in this most important work. There were several preachers present, and all were invited to enjoy the freedom of speech, which opportunity was used by some to make confession to man's inferiority and woman's superiority in the particular matter of missionary work. All agreed that we should "help these women."

The District Conference proper opened at 2 o'clock P. M, April 27; Rev. T. C. Wier, P. E, in the chair, and Rev. Ben P. Jaco was called to the secretary's table. There was only one pastor absent, and nearly every charge was represented by one, or more, laymen. The sessions of the Conference and preaching were all interesting and profitable. All the interests of the church were looked after with much care, and important facts were developed that will be helpful in an advance movement of the cause of Christ. The good people at Courtland are to be congratulated upon the completion of so elegant a church, which they have furnished with beautiful seats, pulpit, and carpet. They now propose to build a new parsonage. Happy must be the King who rules among such a loyal people. Greater attention to the work of Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues is asked for, and looking to this end, it was decided to hold a special Conference in the interest of these at Senatobia, Miss, embracing the second Wednesday and Thursday in July, 1899. The abounding hospitality received by those attending the Conference will be long remembered, and secure a most hearty response whenever Courtland asks for our return. BEN P. JACO, Sec.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The pastors and local preachers of the Brookhaven district met in the Methodist Church at Brookhaven, Miss., April 26, at 9 o'clock, to hold a Missionary Institute. This was the day before the meeting of the District Conference. Quite a number of delegates to the Conference were also present. The devotional exercises were conducted by the presiding elder, after which Jno. D. Ellis was elected secretary.

The following subjects were announced by the presiding elder for discussion: "Our Obligation to Give the Gospel to the Heathen," "The Doors Lately Opened before Us," "How to Get Our Collections in Full."

Rev. Robt. Selby led the discussion in an earnest and well-prepared speech on "Our Obligation to Give the Gospel to the Heathen."

Revs. I. L. Peebles, C. A. Powell, T. W. Adams, H. W. Featherstun and W. M. Williams followed in discussion of the same subject. The obligation to carry the gospel to the heathen was shown to grow out of the relation of the church to Christ.

The second item in the program, "The Doors Lately Opened before Us," was led by Rev. I. L. Peebles. Rev. Robt. Selby followed in the discussion.

The discussion of the third item, "How to Get Our Collections in Full," was led by Rev. C. A. Powell. One of the sources of failure was attributed to the low state of piety of the individual member. The remedy suggested is an appeal to the individual conscience.

Bro. Powell's address was followed by Revs. I. L. Peebles, W. W. Morse, W. M. Williams, C. H. Ellis, and T. W. Adams, in which many wise and practical suggestions were made. The discussion was closed by the presiding elder, in which he recapitulated the salient points with wise and additional suggestions.

JNO. D. ELLIS, Sec.

(The secretary forwarded a synopsis of some of the above-named addresses. Those will appear after a time.—EDITOR.)

Communications.

PERSONAL REMINISCENCES OF REV. ROBT. B. DOWNER.

(Continued.)

Rev. Jno. G. Jones and Jno. Lusk were two of the presiding elders that I knew in those days. Bro. Jones gave many special sermons on the doctrine of entire sanctification as a second work of grace received by faith. "The Guide to Holiness," published in New York, had been a visitor at our home for many years. Nobody thought it heretical or disloyal to profess what some are pleased to call "the second blessing." At the camp meeting, held in 1858, many sought and found this precious work of the Holy Spirit. I knew the theory, and was well posted as to requirements, but did not possess this state of grace. I longed for it, and when the invitation was extended to all to seek it, I was found at the altar as a seeker. There began a close inspection. Did God have control of my entire being? I answered, "Yes"—that is, all but one thing: Willingness, just as I was, to enter upon the work of an itinerant minister. I argued that my education was not completed; no Quarterly Conference would grant me license to preach, and if so unwise as to grant license, they would not recommend me to the Annual Conference for admission on trial; but, if they did, I could not go to Conference in my disabled condition, but, if I did get to Conference, I would be rejected.

Oh, the pleas I made to have God fix me up like other men, or release me from the call and give me the blessing!

Well, the contest was not ended in a day. It seemed so strange with God's supremacy in everything else about me, and yet exact what to me seemed a harsh additional demand, "Be a minister of the gospel now, even if required to crawl upon my knees to reach appointments."

Finally I yielded, and said, "Lord, open the way, and I am ready for service or sacrifice."

Oh, such an envelopment of the divine fullness that swept down upon my hungry soul! I do not remember shouting aloud, but if I did, no special note was made of it by others; but liberty, peace, joy in the Holy Ghost, and love for souls, filled my cup to overflowing.

At once I asked the Quarterly Conference, then in session, for license and recommendation to Conference for admission on trial, and, without a dissenting voice, my requests were granted. I felt awed and overwhelmed with responsibility. Did God really need and want my feeble service? Well, the die was cast, and I must enter every open door presented. It would yet be a few months till Conference assembled. To Woodville was a long distance for a well man to ride to. Then I had no horse, or money to buy with, and if I had a horse, how could I ride upon his back? I felt that these difficulties were insurmountable, and I would never leave my mother alone.

One day I experimented upon the people of Johnson's Station, to see if I could preach, and as no one laughed or ridiculed the effort in my presence, I thought, perhaps, I might be able to edify plain country people on some backwoods circuit. For awhile I had no disturbing thoughts about Conference or the future; but, as time rolled on, I began to experience some unrest, and the duty of preparation was before me. Prepare what? Why, buy a pair of saddle-bags. Oh, yes; I have money sufficient, and can do that. The bags were bought. These bags surely looked like a tangible beginning for an itinerant, but they are handy for any countryman to have.

There was a specific day in the calendar that required me to start to Dr. V. J. Wrotens' house, as he was a lay delegate to Conference, and was to accompany me to Woodville. On awakening that morning, I found my best clothes hanging on the back of a chair, and saddle-bags handy. I dressed, packed saddle-bags, and came down stairs with bags on my shoulder. After morning prayers, breakfast was next on our daily program. After breakfast—ah, I felt sure the Lord would have to release me. I said to mother: "Mother, here I am—dressed, saddle-bags packed, breakfast ended, and I am now ready to start, and the Lord has failed. I have no horse." She replied: "How do you know? Have you been outside to see?" I replied: "No, I am sure of it." Softly she replied: "Suppose you go out on the gallery and see." Well, I did, and there stood saddled my mother's only horse, awaiting its new owner. I broke down, overcome by emotion. "O mother, that's your horse." "No, my son; it's the Lord's, and now at your service." "But, mother, now that I have the horse, I can't mount him from the ground." She calmly replied: "There is a horse-block." "But, mother, I don't know that I can ride if able to mount his back." Her answer was, "Try." Well, there was nothing else for me to do but surrender. Bidding her what I thought was a final farewell, I went to the horse-block, and found I could not ride a-straddle like a man, but could sidewise like a woman, and off I started for Conference, or heaven; I knew not which.

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The Influence of Recent International Events on the Church of the Future.

(Read before Pastoral and Theological Institute of Durant district, and requested for publication.)

(Continued.)

To-day we face conditions in some particulars uncommon to any previous period of history, while in many respects ours is not unlike many noted crises of preceding times. Not only in the M. E. Church, South, but in all the Methodist Churches on the globe and throughout evangelical Christendom, there is a lapse into somewhat indifferent attitude toward the world of sinners unsaved. The shameful figure showing a $10,000 falling away of missionary collections in 1898, and the humiliating statement that a real decrease in membership has occurred in our beloved Zion, with like shortages all along the line, and corresponding effeminacy in other denominations, indicate the dire need of a divine awakening in all departments and all quarters.

Then look at the immediate results of our new territorial acquisition. Some ten millions more of immortal souls to provide with spiritual ministrations, with our own vitality running low. Some will get frightened and faint-heart because of this seeming disparity. But fear not; it is only seeming. Already the dependence of the churches on divine guidance and power is bearing fruit; and even now many consecrated pastors and people are calling out in anguish of soul, "O Lord, give us a Holy-Ghost revival!" Humility is the stepping stone to exaltation. The stoutest wagons are built nearest the ground, and the most formidable iron-clads are most completely submerged from view.

The most inspiring of all facts is that man is not left to grapple with the ponderous problems of the age all alone. While weak humanity is God's readiest instrumentality in all earthly operations, yet monarchs, nations, navies, and official functionaries are often controlled by a "special providence" to serve both God and man, in conjunction with the invisible Providence ordinarily understood—"the divinity which shapes all our ends, rough hew them as we may."

Witness the "five epochal events of the year 1898," all of world-wide significance. They are: "The war for the liberation of Cuba, the near approachment of America and England, the Czar's protest against standing armies, the passing out of the old regime in China, and placing of the capstone to the edifice of British dominion in Africa." "Any one of the five," says the Missionary Review of the World, "was sufficient to give the year a unique position among the passing decades." This one year's record stands for more than the happenings of many entire centuries. It chronicles greater advances for the kingdom of righteousness, and changes which make mightily for the weal of the entire human family on a vaster scale than any previous century of human history. Its annals show how marvelously God is moving on among the nations in their quickened and quickening march. "The forces which co-operate," says the same authority, "are increasing both in number and cogency, and the rate of progress is constantly quickening. Now, changes which once required generations are wrought within the limits of a decade. The last half of the century far surpasses the first in supplying the tokens that the final triumph of the gospel is drawing nigh." Verily, I believe that Almighty God is rapidly marshalling the available forces for the final conquest of the world for the heavenly kingdom!

I submit that I believe the most important of the five events, above referred to, to be the invitation of the Czar to the nations of the earth to a Peace Conference, which shall consider the question of disarmament. This has been promptly followed by "one hundred and forty-five religious denominations," according to Bishop Hendrix, uniting in a petition to the governments of the world in favor of arbitration and disarmament. This wonderful document is now before the government at Washington.

Thus rapidly are removing the obstacles to Christian progress. Nations claiming allegiance to the Prince of Peace, and exerting their subtlest arts to maintain a domineering military supremacy, will soon be a thing of the past, dark ages of the world.

W. L. ANDERSON.

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DO PROTESTANT MISSIONS ENCOURAGE GOOD CITIZENSHIP?

BY MISS GENEVIEVE COCHRAN, MERIDIAN.

(Continued.)

On our own consciences lies the obligation to war against the corruption of the faith, and to tear away the bandages with which the church seeks to cover the eyes of her children, and to let the light from the cross of Christ shine into their minds and hearts, for Romanism teaches nothing of the truth; it gives no light—on the contrary, it hides the truth, for it forbids the God-given privilege of reading the Sacred Scriptures. It even punishes the hungry soul whom it finds searching these Scriptures, allowing its subjects neither to read nor to think upon matters of theology. The church demands its bidding to be done; that the soul be handed over to it in blind and ignorant confidence that the church can take all care for it. Faith in the infallibility of the Pope, the worship of Mary, auricular confession, priestly ablution—all such gross departures from the simplicity of the gospel, such perversions of the teachings of Christ as inculcated by priests, many depraved, ignorant, and tyrannical. The homes and daily life among the masses indicate a condition that must appeal to a Christian people. No Bible or any other book to drive away ignorance and superstition; hardness and apparent hopelessness on every hand; nothing to give cheer and sunshine; a miserable crucifix on the bare wall, faded pictures of traditional saints, and floating before the houses flags bearing the images of various saints to which the inmates look for protection from certain ills and evils.

The wife of the rural Brazilian is sallow and sad; hopelessness and dejection is stamped upon features that seem never to have known a smile. The children in these homes live as their parents live, ignorant of the Bible as their parents are, and leave the same legacy of soul-slavery and superstition to their children as was left to them. Thus, from generation to generation, such is Romanism and its work—the religion to bring South America to Christ. Such it is essentially in Mexico and elsewhere, where, with its mask off, it reveals its true nature.

How different the result of Protestant evangelization! Conversion is God's perpetual miracle. There are transformations in the lives of men that can not be counterfeited. Reformation of outward conduct may be, and not due to any work of grace, but the regeneration which changes not only outward habits, but the inward nature, transforming affinities and affections, moral preferences into abhorrence. Such is this re-creation, God's everlasting sign; and it is a glorious testimony of the power of regeneration through Christ that under the very death-shade of superstition and ignorance there are made such striking examples of regeneration, of spiritual consecration, of fruitful Christian lives.

What but the spirit and love of Christ could create so beautiful and lustrous a life as lived that noble Japanese, who, as a child, threw off the fetters of an empty faith, and lifted up his soul for the true strength of the Christian religion. Joseph Neesima's life had wrought in it, as in the Crusader's cloak, the red sign of the cross, and, like Joseph in Egypt, risen up to be the savior of his people. Nothing but the hand of death arrested his work for their salvation. The pride, honor, and foremost apostle of Christian Japan, he was followed to his resting-place by representatives from all the Empire, government officials, and even Buddhist priests, anxious to do honor to him who, before he had lived fifty years, had made a mark upon the Empire such as no other man had ever left for good.

The most noted woman chief of the Hawaiian Islands, Kapiiolani, was a dark-minded, superstitious, intemperate, repulsive woman until she was visited and taught by the missionaries, and finally, when the gospel touched her heart, this degraded daughter of heathen kings was soon found at the place of prayer, dignified, devout and meek, resolute and courageous. She received the messengers of the Lord at her house with the courteous cordiality of Lydia, and with them planned for the improvement of her own people in condition and character, and, fully inspired with the zeal and heroism of a reformer, without counting costs to herself, sought every means to transform the morals and religion of her country. When she died in 1841, had no other gem for the crown of the Great Conqueror been dug up from Hawaiian soil, the conversion of this woman would have sufficed to prove that the gospel is, as truly as in apostolic days, God's power unto salvation.

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Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

On last Wednesday and Thursday the District Conference of the W. F. M. S. and H. M. Society of Sardis district held their annual district meeting in Courtland, Miss. Our presiding elder, Dr. T. C. Wier, kindly gave us a day and night before the district work of the brethren began.

Your humble servant was elected secretary of both meetings, and although she was worked pretty hard, enjoyed the sessions more than she has done before. The good people of Courtland entertained us with great cordiality and hospitality, and all felt at home.

Sister Wier, as district secretary in foreign work, presided with dignity and ease. In her report she gave a concise and interesting account of her work. She had only three auxiliaries unrepresented in the whole district. Two of these sent written reports. She makes a faithful district secretary. Sorry we will have to give her up after this year.

Miss Julia Jones, as district secretary of Home Missions, presided with as much composure and grace as if she were an old soldier of the cross. We are proud of our young and consecrated district secretary. She teaches school all the week, and gives her Saturdays and Sundays to God's service. Her annual report was full of zeal, and showed she had been at work.

Miss Lizzie Streater's letter, telling us of her work as city missionary in Kansas City, was read at night, after a beautiful welcome address and response. Her letter so enthused our hearts that Bro. G. moved that we take up a collection and send it all to Miss Lizzie for her work.

A touching story on "Snippy Department" of our work was touchingly read; title, "God's Box."

The brethren were so helpful and encouraging to us it made our hearts rejoice, and will stimulate us to still greater efforts another year.

Bro. W. said he had heard so many good talks and pieces read, had worked with us and enjoyed our sessions so much, and then his Conference, too, so much, that he hardly knew whether he was one of the "sisteren" or "brethren!"

The presence of "Our Father" was with us, and we all felt happy.

We organized a H. M. S. there, which is going forward, and build a new parsonage soon.

The new little church at Courtland is "a gem." It is finished and furnished in perfect taste. A large memorial window in front, erected by the presiding elders and pastors who had preached there in days gone by, is beautiful.

But I am digressing from the work. Miss Julia had a delegate from every society in her district but one. A good representation!

Meeting closed with a Methodist collection, one-half of which was given to W. F. M. S.

The District Conference will meet next year in Hernando.

MRS. W. H. WALL.

Sardis, Miss., May 4, 1899.

"The Prudent Man Setteth His House in Order."

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FROM THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

All the members of the Board who attended the Sunday-school Convention at Lumberton recently, know that arrangements were made to conduct a column in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. We had been informed that the editor had previously agreed to allow us that much space in the paper; but on communicating with him about the matter, it was learned that he had agreed to publish only occasional articles from the Board. This accounts for the fact that no contribution from the one who was elected to have charge of the column has appeared. "Occasional articles" will be furnished now and then, giving the public some information about the Sunday-school work within the bounds of the Mississippi Conference. The attention of all is directed to the following:

(1) The Executive Committee are now ready to receive invitations from schools for the next Annual Convention, to be held in April next year. Schools in the eastern part of the State need not apply, as the first two conventions were held in Meridian and Lumberton—both in that section of the State. Madison and Brandon both want the convention. Let us hear from others right away. Send invitations to myself or Rev. W. T. Griffin, of Mayersville, Miss.

(2) All pastors and superintendents are urged to hold Children's Day in every Sunday-school in the Conference. The Board is trying to help every needy school, and to stimulate others to more active and better work by furnishing our Sunday-school periodicals, maps, charts, Bibles, hymn-books, etc., at half price. We also propose to duplicate any amount up to $25 raised to buy Sunday-school libraries. A great many schools have responded to the proposition, and the Board has already made an account at the Publishing House of nearly $200. The fund raised on "Children's Day" is our only source of revenue, and unless the Sunday-schools throughout the Conference observe this day and send in a liberal contribution, the Board will have to call a halt in its work and fail to accomplish the good we hope to realize. Observe "Children's Day" at the earliest date possible and send the amount collected to W. T. Griffin, of Mayersville, who will forward same to Thomas Mount, treasurer of Board, who is temporarily residing in New Orleans.

(3) At the request of Rev. W. H. Huntley, we give the names of the officers of the Mississippi Conference Sunday-school Convention, who were elected at the recent meeting in Lumberton.

Rev. B. F. Lewis, president; Rev. W. T. Griffin, vice president; Miss Annie Mellen, secretary; D. Scarborough, recording and corresponding secretary; Thomas Mount, treasurer. Samuel Grant, vice president, Vicksburg district; I. C. Enochs, vice president, Jackson district; Adrian Trimble, vice president, Natchez district; C. A. Redding, vice president, Brookhaven district; D. S. Harman, vice president, Forest district; Heard Ledyard, vice president, Meridian district; R. A. Magruder, vice president, Seashore district.

(4) The following are the members of the Sunday-school Board of Mississippi Conference:

W. T. Griffin, president, Mayersville, Miss.; D. Scarborough, secretary, Forest, Miss.; Thomas Mount, treasurer, Vicksburg, Miss.; A. T. Bell, Shubuta, Miss.; H. B. Trevillian, Columbia, Miss.; J. W. Crisler Woodville, Miss.; W. W. Morse, Auburn, Miss.; A. Trimble, Natchez, Miss; W. A. Gunning, Jackson, Miss.; R. A. Magruder, Hattiesburg, Miss.; W. H. Hawkins, Meridian, Miss.; G. B. Harper, Hickory, Miss.; S. Hilbert, McComb City, Miss.; J. D. Ellis, Mt. Carmel, Miss.

(5) We hope that the leaflets published by request of the Sunday-school Convention, and now being distributed by the Sunday-school Board, will be carefully read by everybody who may receive one. They were not published for nothing, and unless read and heeded by the people, it will be a waste of money to the Board and a loss of time to those by whom they were prepared.

(6) We suggest that pastors hold circuit Sunday-school Conventions some time during the year, to last two days—Saturday and Sunday. Let a suitable program, including an appropriate sermon by the pastor on Sunday at 11 A. M., be arranged early enough to give all time to prepare for the occasion. Rev. H. G. Hawkins brought the suggestion to our mind by announcing that he intends holding such a meeting on his charge at an early day. We are persuaded to believe that if every pastor in the Conference would follow his example, great good would be the result.

Let every preacher, teacher, Sunday-school superintendent and all who are interested in this important work of the church work, plan and pray that our Sunday-schools may become more effective, and the people more deeply and universally interested in the cause.

D. SCARBOROUGH,
Sec. of S. S. Board.

FAITH HEALING.

It is not the purpose of this writer to discuss the question of faith healing exhaustively, but only to mention what is involved in the universal custom of praying for the recovery of the sick. The practice is either founded upon belief of the efficacy of prayer for the recovery of the sick, or else it is solemn mockery. Nor does it relieve the situation to say, "We pray God's blessing upon the means used for the cure of disease," for his blessing is something additional to the efficacy of the natural means employed, or else it is nothing at all, and in that case prayer is both foolish and impious. Fear of drifting into what is called by some "fanaticism" may end in the denial of this supernatural altogether.

If, then, we mean, when we pray God's blessing upon the means employed, that he give to such means an efficacy they do not naturally have, we must expect the direct and immediate interposition of the divine power to effect the cure. But if we do not believe such interposition possible, there is no ground for prayer. And, further, prayer for such a purpose implies faith in God's power to effect the cure with the means, or without means, or against the tendency of means prescribed through mistake to aggravate and render disease incurable. If faith enables us to turn the case over to the Great Physician, our modesty should secure us against the temptation to dictate the means of cure. Wholesale denunciation of the doctrine of faith-cure does not harmonize with the practice of prayer for the recovery of the sick.

H. G. W. ELLIS.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. H. G. Hawkins, P. C., Madison, Miss.: "On Aug. 11 and 15, in connection with the third Quarterly Conference of the Madison charge, there is to be held at Pearl River Church a Sunday-school Institute and celebration for Madison circuit. The intention is to have as many of the Sunday-school workers as possible present, especially all the teachers of the four Sunday-schools of the charge. The pastor and the four superintendents were appointed by the second Quarterly Conference to arrange the program. At Madison Station and Madisonville we are raising the collections ordered by the Annual Conference, and expect to have the total from those two places in a few days. The presence of our presiding elder, T. B. Holleman, was very helpful at the second Quarterly Conference, held at Madisonville. Last Sunday an Epworth League was organized at Pecahontas, and it bids fair to prove a useful arm of the work at that place. Rev. Ira F. Hawkins, of New Decatur, Ala., is expected to assist at a meeting in Madison Station in July."

Rev. A. W. Turner, Boyce, La., May 4, 1899: "We are getting along very well on the Boyce and West Alexandria charge. Haven't missed an appointment since Conference. I reached my circuit in time to preach Christmas Day. Congregations are very good at all of our church services. The Board of Stewards made a liberal assessment for preacher in charge, and they are succeeding very well collecting same. We have been pounded twice since Conference, and the last one, Mr. Editor, was the heaviest pounding we have been called on to receive since we entered the itinerancy as a Methodist preacher. But when I tell you that it was the West Alexandria congregation on one hand, and only the preacher in charge and family on the other, you will see at once we acted wisely just to take what came. We have let the contract for a new church in Boyce, and the work has begun. Our Building Committee has been very zealous in their efforts to rebuild, and our people have responded nobly to our calls for help. We expect to have the house completed by Aug. 1, and we will have a very neat, substantial house, worth $1,500. Dr. Whisner notified me yesterday that the General Board had donated $200 for our use. We have applied to the Conference Board for $100, which we hope to get. If so, we will have no debt on our house when finished."

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REVIVAL AT KENTWOOD.

We are in the midst of a meeting at Kentwood that bids fair to be far-reaching in influence and soul saving in results. The meeting began Friday last in the handsome and commodious church built by Rev. S. S. Keener two years ago, and will be continued (D. V.) ten days.

Our people at Kentwood have been sorely tried by the blood-thirsty lawlessness and high-handed demoralization that has brought our parish (Tangipahoa) so prominently before the public, but out of these trials the Lord will bring us; yea, he is leading us now, and we shall be stronger—better prepared to trust him—doing his will, anywhere and everywhere he bids us follow.

There were perceptible manifestations of divine power in the services yesterday: two conversions at eleven o'clock service, and the spirit of conviction is so manifest that men who have not been in the church for many years were anxiously listening to the simple preaching of the gospel of our Lord Christ last night. "The field is white unto harvest." The results of the meeting at Amite City were gratifying; the church was greatly blest. Had a number of conversions and accessions—total number received to date, twenty-nine; but this is nothing when we consider that there are hundreds of unsaved men living in hearing of the church bell. The Lord give us the spirit of wisdom, love, and a sound mind.

HARRY W. MAY.

Kentwood, La., May 7, 1899.

COLUMBIA CHARGE, LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

The second Quarterly Conference for this charge was held at Bonnil River last Saturday and Sunday. Dr. J. A. Parker was on hand, and when we arrived at the church we found at least two hundred people, and many of them were expecting a feast from the presence of the Lord; and, let me assure you, they were not disappointed. Bro. Parker was in fine trim, and preached a sermon that resulted in a blessing to preacher and people. He preached five times from Saturday morning until Sunday. His talk Saturday evening, along the line of prayer meeting and Sunday-school work, was timely, and can but result in great good to the church. At the close of the Sunday morning service at least one hundred church members pledged themselves to a better life, and thirty or forty sinners came up to be prayed for; so we can say that the Lord was with us, and we are thankful and happy. I am not one of the men who believe that we could get along as well without the presiding elder.

I spent the last week in April at Melville with Rev. J. W. Lee. I have never spent a more pleasant week anywhere. They turned me loose, and fed me well, and I felt constrained to do my best for them. We closed the meeting with the church greatly revived, and a bright prospect for many conversions. Bro. Lee is happy, and in high favor with his people. Not a word did I hear against him. He and the good people of his charge expect to have a new parsonage in Melville inside of six weeks. When Bro. Lee gets ready to move, any of us would like to take his place. I was domiciled with Bro. Sam Butler, formerly of East Baton Rouge parish. He and his family were dear, good friends of mine when I was their pastor in '87 and '88. It was so home-like to be with them. No Methodist preacher ever had a better home. I came away in love with the Melville people, and with the hope that if I never meet them on earth again, that I will meet them in heaven.

G. D. ANDERS.

May 10, 1899.

What the world needs now, and has needed for a long time, is a people who stand for something and are not afraid for the world to know it.

He that unduly fears man can not truly fear God; and he that lives much in the fear of God will not regard overmuch what man can do to him; the want of faith is the root of all such fear which becomes less and less as faith gathers strength and increases in the soul.—Serle.

Death Sometimes Spares.

A pathetic story of fact is told by an ex-Confederate soldier of one dark night on the skirmish line during the war. When on the instant that his musket was aimed to kill a Union picket the latter, suddenly inspired with a sense of his own defenceless condition, began to sing those beautiful words: "Cover my defenceless head with the shadow of thy wing." The Confederate withheld his hand. He could not fire. The picket's life was saved.

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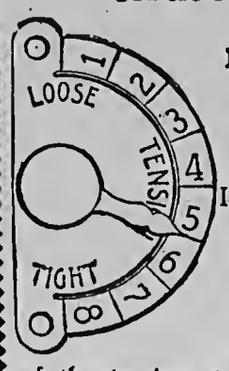

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—James Buckham.

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"Live and let live," is a good maxim, hnt "live and help live" is a better.—Exchange.

No man can tell another his faults so as to benefit him, nnless he loves him.—H. W. Beecher.

We have no more right to worry than we have to obscnre onr vision by any other means.—Lafferty.

Not everything that succeeds is success. A man may make millions and be a failnre still.—Exchange.

Conscience is permanent and nni versal. It is the very essence of individnal character.—Samuel Smiles.

Trne meekness is without weakness. The meek and lowly One is still the highest type of manliness. —Lafferty.

Many church members have two-thirds churchianity to one-third Christianity. The best formnla in practice is two-thirds Christianity to one-third churchianity.—Selected.

Men talk about overwork in the Lord's service. I don't believe in it. It is overworry. That is what frets, and tears, and wears ont the worker. You can't have that liberty without the Spirit.—D L. Moody.

Some people seem to rake np all the sorrows of the past; to them they add the burdens of the present; then they look ahead and anticipate a great many more trials than they will ever experience in the fntnre.—D. L. Moody.

The grand difficnlty is to feel the reality of both worlds, so as to give each its dne place in our thonghts and feelings, to keep onr mind's eye and onr heart's eye ever fixed on the land of promise; without looking away from the road we are to travel toward it.—Angustns Hare.

The great means of doing good, though we can not tell why or how, only because God so directed it, is by example. We are to be ourselves what we would have others to be. And this not only when others know it, bnt in all places; for I believe that what we do in secret affects others.—Mary Lyon.

Good manners (observes Locke) are the blossom of good sense, and, it may be added, of good feeling, too; for if the law of kindness be written in the heart, it will lead to that disinterestedness in little as well as great things—that desire to oblige and attention to the gratification of others, which is the foundation of good manners.—Selected.

MISSIONARY EXPANSION THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

From every one of onr mission fields come stirring appeals for more missionaries and for a mighty enlargement of onr missionary enterprises. Along with these ringing appeals come also the glad shonts of victory, and the joyous news of wonderfnl spiritnal conqnests, and of the triumphal march of the gospel through the very centers of heathenism. The church has no longer to pray for the removal of barriers; the doors in heathen lands now stand wide open, and the nations hitherto in darkness are loudly and piteously calling to ns for the truth that saves. Will the church respond to these providential calls and heaven-sent opportunities, or will she turn a deaf ear to the cries of the benighted, and sit down in sinful sloth and self-complacency? We have a consecrated and faithful band in the foreign field; but how few they are in comparison with the millions of heathendom! We ought, in the near future, to increase this number tenfold—yea, a hundredfold. Nor will this seem impossible when the church becomes fully aroused to the grandeur and importance of her mission, and gives herself for the world's conquest.

Bishop Wilson, who has just returned from a visit to our mission stations in the East, writing to the Review of Missions a short time ago, stated that, "Reform is the great word in China now from Pekin to Hong Kong," and mentioned that the people there know that reform must and will come. He also declares further that: "They know that our teaching and training alone can prepare them for it, and make it a blessing when it does come. Hence the field is practically ours. Christian literature is circulated as never before through almost the whole Empire and through Chinese agencies. Christian schools are patronized by the best families. In the city of Suchow I am confident that if we had the teachers for them, we could, in two years' time, or less, establish a dozen self-supporting schools."

This is the most encouraging news we have yet heard from that sin-cursed land. How it ought to stir us to action!

The wretchedness and degradation of the masses in China are thus graphically depicted by the Rev. F. S. Brockman, who, last Fall, was sent out as a missionary to the students of the East by the College Y. M. C. A. of America. Writing to the Review of Missions, he says: "It costs less in China to keep a man than to keep a donkey, and if you hire a donkey, you can have a man thrown in to run behind and hurry it along. Three cents a day for food is luxury. An unspeakable sadness comes over one as he looks upon thousands and thousands, a countless crushing throng of beings meant to be in God's image, and with eternal destinies, forced into lives beside which that of a dog or a horse in America would be heaven. Not only is there no danger of overstating it, but there is no hope to give you at home a realization of the degradation of man which an hour here would reveal. Intimately connected with this, and equally evident, is the poverty of the masses. A Chinese city is a sea of hovels. It was a common sight when in Nankin to see people out hunting snails for food, or scouring the fields for fuel; and yet China might be rich. It is said that the dead in China occupy more land than the living."

Bishop Warren A. Candler, after a personal visit to Cuba, and a careful study of the situation there, declares that "it is our nearest, neediest, and ripest mission field." Writing to the Wesleyan Advocate not long since, he said that if our people could realize how near it is, and if they had any comprehension of its urgent needs, we might make Methodism strong there in a very short time, and in a decade evangelize that island. He also goes so far as to say that if the church will give him forty-five men, in a year he will show more Southern Methodists in Cuba than the net increase of Georgia Methodism for two years past. The present is our grand opportunity; now is the time for us to go and possess for the Master this newly-freed and expectant land. Delay is dangerous. As Bishop Candler points out, "The greatest danger is that Protestantism may delay too long to go to the Cubans, and an obstinate irreligion may overcome the faith and destroy the life of the people."

The church member who imagines that he has no part or lot in this grand missionary movement of the church, not only has missed the chief meaning of Christianity, but is in danger of losing his own spiritual life. We can not be true Christians, and be indifferent to the salvation of others. Unless the love of souls burns within us, we may well doubt whether we be in Christ. As the lamented Bishop Haygood once said, "He who does not understand that the gospel is necessary to the heathen does not understand that it is necessary to himself." There is much significance in the fact that Christ's promise to be with his disciples always was coupled with the command to evangelize the world. In proportion as the church discharges this sacred duty will she be filled with the power of God. In proportion as any church lacks in missionary zeal will it lack in revival power. The Rev. A. N. Somerville, of the Free Church of Scotland, gives it as his testimony that "he has scarcely ever known a congregation favored with a minister who took an active part in mission work that was not prosperous."

Yes, there must be expansion in missionary effort, or contraction in spiritual life will surely overtake us. Every true Christian is an expansionist, for he longs to see the "kingdoms of this world made the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ." The honored founder of Methodism was a most pronounced expansionist, for he said, "The world is my parish."

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

It was the privilege of the writer to attend the Ninth International Sunday-school Convention, which met in Atlanta during the closing days of April. The sessions of the Convention, three a day, were held in the Grand Opera House, a splendid building capable of seating probably twenty-five hundred people; and it was none too big. The sight of such a gathering of evangelical Christians, day after day, and night after night, was as great a novelty to one accustomed to the faithful few of New Orleans as were the red hills of Georgia to eyes used to the lowlands of Louisiana.

The arrangements for the reception and entertainment of this host—it is estimated there were 1,500 delegates in attendance—were as perfect as foresight, business sense, and executive ability could make them. The delegates had been asked to send their names and other particulars concerning themselves in advance to the Entertainment Committee, so they could be at once assigned to homes, and their cards of introduction sent them by mail, and they could then proceed immediately from the depot to their place of entertainment. It was our good fortune to be sent, in company with Bro. J. B. Streater, of the Mississippi delegation, to one of the finest homes in the West End of Atlanta, where everything possible was done for our comfort. Our hostess, a charming Baptist lady, remarked that she was glad the committee had sent her Methodists to entertain, as it was so much nicer for the various denominations to exchange courtesies on such occasions. Everyone of the Louisiana delegates—six Methodists and seven Presbyterians—insisted they had been sent to the best home in the city.

Ample provision had been made for music. On the stage was a chorus of some 200 voices under the skilled leadership of Prof. B. C. Davis. The singing was hearty, bright and spiritual; the entire musical program as varied as one could wish. For those who like the old songs, there was, "How firm a foundation," and "Coronation;" among the newer songs there were, "Throw out the life line," "Faith is the victory," and "Onward, Christian Soldiers." There were sacred solos, classic and well-nigh unintelligible, pleasing the cultured and fastidious; sweet and pathetic pieces were sung by those whose enunciation of every word was as clear as the recitation of a good elocutionist, delighting those who like to feel and understand what they are hearing. "Dixie," "The Star-Spangled Banner," and "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," roused the enthusiasm of the Convention to the highest pitch; and, lastly, we must mention the universally appreciated "Palms" played as a cornet solo. No convention should slight the musical portion of the program.

The spiritual feeling was excellent. One could not but feel that the leaders of that host were not only men of brains and ideas, but men of prayer; men who know the Bible, and who know its Author, and who are accustomed to look to God in every time of trouble and difficulty. This was especially noticeable, when the little breeze upon the color question came up the second day. That matter at one time bid fair to give some trouble, but the clear headed, warm-hearted B. F. Jacobs averted the difficulty. The question was referred to the Executive Committee to consider and report on a solution. All day and half the night carefully and prayerfully the committee toiled, striving only to do the right in the sight of God. The next morning they reassembled, and, after again waiting in prayer before God, the solution came. Mr. Jacobs appeared on the stage at the Friday morning session to present the report. None can forget his sweet Christian spirit, as, referring to the difficulty and delicacy of the question, he told how hard they had striven to settle it right, and then asked all to bow in supplication to God, that he would give them a right spirit and a right mind to do and to know God's will in the matter. He then led the Convention in a brief prayer, simple as a child's, and, on closing, a vote was taken, the report adopted, and the incident closed, not to come up again.

And right here we want to say that in the treatment of the delicate matter of the color question, too much can not be said in praise of the moderation of our Northern brethren. One and all, they seemed to feel it was a local question, and, though largely in a majority, and could, therefore, have carried their views with ease, they refrained from any expressions, leaving the entire matter to the brethren of the South. Such trouble as was had was due entirely to the "bumptiousness" of one or two colored delegates and to the indiscretion of two or three over-liberal Southerners.

Nothing, not even the full stenographic reports, can do justice to the addresses. Full of eloquence, facts, figures, methods, sanctified wit, as well as spiritual power, they had to be heard to be fully appreciated. No one, however, who is interested in the Sunday-school cause should fail to get the official reports of the Convention, and read them all.

Friday afternoon was devoted to the Primary Work, and this session was generally commented on as the most interesting of the Convention. The speakers were Mrs. Crafts, Mrs. Semelroth, Miss Minnie Allen, Mrs. Woodworth, Mrs. Bryner, Miss Harlowe, of Wannaker's School; Miss Vella, and Mr. Archibald, of Quebec. The address of the latter was very bright. The reports on Primary Work by the ladies were full, and exceedingly interesting. Mr. Jacobs had said: "Lift your hat reverently when you meet the lady teacher of the primary department. She is the guardian angel of the republic;" and as one listened to them he felt Mr. Jacobs was right. At the close of this meeting one of the delegates said to another, "Now I know why these are called 'Primary Queens.'" "Why," he was asked. "Because they are queens, every inch of them." They were Christians, ladies, everyone sweet, modest, refined, as beautiful without as within.

But time would fail me to tell of the rich address of Dr. John Potts, of Canada; the inimitable C. D. Meigs, of Indiana, never so well described as when he was called a sacred humorist; the happy inaugural of the president, Hon. Hoke Smith; the inspiring account of Decision Day in Philadelphia, by Prof. Hamill—I had almost said, "Our own Hamill;" and, after all, why not "our own?"—the superb speech of Major Halford, pleading for Denver as the place of the next Convention; the many bright, scrappy, felicitous things that were being said all the time, and lastly the vast audience, singing, "God be with you till we meet again." The benediction was pronounced, and the Ninth International Convention, as a concrete thing, was at an end, but its life, its influence will go on, till we all meet at Jesus' feet, not in Denver in 1902, but in the New Jerusalem in eternity.

ALLEN F. GODAT.

FROM THE BISHOPS.

At their recent meeting the College of Bishops adopted the following with reference to the Publishing House War claim:

"In considering what action should be taken by the College of Bishops following the action of the United States Senate in our communication to that body respecting our unwillingness for the church, under conditions reflecting on her honor, to receive of ever so just a claim of our Publishing House, which had been pending for over twenty-five years, we make the following statement:

"We find that the Senate, after full investigation, exonerated the church from all censure, and we transfer to our records their official action, namely:

"'Resolved, That the report of the committee made July eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, be approved, and that no censure should rest upon the M. E. Church, South, for the misstatements and concealments of the Book Agents in connection with the passage of the bill for the payment of the claim referred to in the letter of the Bishops now under consideration; that the injury resulting therefrom affected only the beneficiaries of the fund and not the United States, and the Senate should take no further action in the matter.'

"The Senate having thus declared that the United States Government sustained no injury in the passage of the measure and declined to take any further action in the matter, we have no occasion to make other communication to that body.

"As to the proper administration of the connectional officers the law has specifically charged the Book Committee with that responsibility.

"We deeply deplore any language used by the Book Agents that has been the occasion of humiliation and action among the ministers and laymen of our beloved church. We sympathize with their jealous concern for the good name of the church, believing, as we do, that even so just a claim of the church should be maintained only by methods perfectly candid and righteous.

"We have given much consideration to the communications sent to us under a misapprehension as to our authority. The Bishops have not been members of the Book Committee since 1878, and that body is solely responsible to the General Conference.

"We recognize the distinguished courtesy of the United States Senate in its dealings with the church, and its desire to protect the beneficiaries of the church."

NOTES.

The commencement sermon of Wesleyan Female College will be preached by Dr. James Atkins.

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Rev. R. H. Wynn has been somewhat ill for a few days. His pulpit was filled last Sabbath by Rev. T. Carter.

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Dr. C. H. Payne, Secretary of the Board of Education of the M. E. Church, died a few days since at Clifton Springs, N. Y.

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Rev. J. C. Park has been appointed to the pastorate of Main Street Church, Water Valley, made vacant by the death of Rev. H. P. Gibbs.

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Rev. G. W. Huff writes: "The dear old ADVOCATE gets better as the days go by. Long may its editor live to wield his tongue and pen for the right."

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A wide-awake layman recently ordered two hundred copies of "The Gospel of Giving" for gratuitous distribution in the charge of which he is a member.

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We were pleased to receive a call on Tuesday from Dr. W. L. C. Hunniontt. He and Sister Hunniontt are spending this week in the city visiting relatives.

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We appreciate the following complimentary notice concerning our Epworth League Department, which recently appeared in the Epworth Era: "The League notes in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE are the very best we see. Clifford is a successful paragrapher."

The commencement sermon of Johnston Collegiate Institute will be preached by Rev. F. S. Parker.

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Dr. J. M. King, of New York City, has been elected Secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the M. E. Church, in place of Dr. A. J. Kynett, deceased.

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A note from Dr. H. W. Featherstun brings the gratifying intelligence that Rev. J. W. Chambers is recovering from his recent illness, which has been quite serious.

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Rev. C. T. Munholland, assisted by several of the city pastors, has had a meeting at Gonldsboro, which resulted in seven accessions and a number of conversions.

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Rev. R. M. Blooker writes: "My work is in fine condition. I held a splendid revival meeting at Shell Mound of ten days under tent. Another good meeting at Lacoshe."

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The commencement sermon of East Mississippi Female College will be preached, May 28, by Rev. M. L. Burton. The annual address will be delivered by Prof. W. L. Weber, of Millsaps College.

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Under the efficient leadership of Rev. B. P. Jaco, Pleasant Grove charge is making progress along many lines. Bro. Jaco and his flock seem to have formed a mutual admiration society.

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Rev. S. A. Brown writes: "Send me some sample copies of the ADVOCATE. I want to distribute them among my people, and let them see for themselves what they miss by not taking their church paper."

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The mandolin and violin recital given by the pupils of Mr. C. Erhard Schreuk in this city, last week, was an unqualified success. The technique and training evinced in the solos and concerted numbers made the concert an enjoyable one.

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The "New Camelia" excursion to Pineland Park was a success. The weather was perfect. Everybody seemed pleased with himself and all mankind, and the whole affair passed off most delightfully. The net proceeds amounted to fifty dollars.

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Rev. J. W. Ramsey, writing from Pontotoc, Miss., under date of May 8, says: "I have just closed a meeting at this place which resulted in a reconstruction of a large part of the church membership, some conversions, and some accessions to our church."

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Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, presiding elder of the Corinth district, North Mississippi Conference, writes under date of May 11: "The prospects on the district are encouraging. The preachers are hard at work, and better paid to date than usual. The church is yearning for a great revival, and expecting it."

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The Seashore Camp Meeting will begin July 12. It is confidently expected that the attendance will be larger than for many years. An extended notice will be given in our next issue, it having reached us too late for this issue. No stone will be left unturned to make the meeting a success from every standpoint.

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Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard writes from Mansfield, under date of May 15: "We are in the midst of a gracious meeting. Several have been blessed; The church greatly strengthened. Neighboring pastors, Bowmen and Williams, have rendered me valuable assistance. Bowmen still remains with me preaching in demonstration of the Spirit. We expect Bro. C. P. Smith from Minden this P. M. The meeting will continue."

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Dr. I. W. Cooper was present at the Preachers' Meeting on Monday morning, en route home from Hattiesburg, where he spent the last week assisting Pastor Jones in a meeting. He reports the meeting as quite a success. The attendance was large, and quite a number professed conversion. There were several accessions to the church, with more to follow. The Doctor is jubilant over the prospects of Centenary. The indications are that the enrollment during next session will break all previous records.

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In this age of Sabbath desecration any need to be reminded of that Scripture which says, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." It is, of course, expected that every Epworth Leaguer will regard this strict command.

The League in Georgia is moving mightily. The State Conference, recently held at Columbus, was an occasion of profit and power. Bishop Candler's speech on Cuba wonderfully impressed the vast audience. The seed sown promises to produce abundant fruit.

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In some parts of Mississippi and Louisiana the friends of whisky are endeavoring to secure "the ordering of an election." Bishop Galloway is sounding his temperance horn in Mississippi. What a power he has been, and still is, in that grand old State! Oh, that we had many more men like him! Every Epworth Leaguer is expected to stand firm for God and home and native land."

Rev. A. C. Crews, General Secretary of the Canadian Epworth Leagues, is visiting in the South. The Leaguers of Louisiana and Mississippi herewith send to him a hearty welcome. Those who visited Toronto in '97 remember this typical Canadian Methodist and his many kindnesses to the "Southern delegates."

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VIC THOMPSON,
Sec. and Treas.

Tupelo, Miss., May 8, 1899.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY.

The Epworth League Rally for Shreveport district was held in First Church, Shreveport, May 3-5. A few Leaguers were kept away on account of sickness in their family; yet it was gratifying to note the attendance of so many clerical and lay delegates and visitors, among the latter being Rev. P. Moncrief, of Ruston, and Rev. J. P. Smith, of Minden, who made several ringing speeches. The Rev. Robert P. Honnell, of Zwolle, was chosen president of the Rally meeting, and Miss Bessie McCutchen secretary, each of whom rendered excellent service. Those to whom numbers had been assigned on the program were well prepared, and not a few of the papers read and the addresses made would have been creditable at a State, or Interstate, or even International Conference of Leaguers, where the magnates mostly shine. Rev. Perry O. Lowrey, upon whom the bulk of preliminary work fell, is to be thanked for the very choice program, which was mainly the result of his good judgment and experience in such things. Where all acquitted themselves so well, it would be unfair to single out the efforts of any as of superior merit; but it is allowable to say of Col. A. C. Mitchell, who, though well on in years, is an active Epworthian, that he was never missing from a meeting, and helped the cause by frequent sage and soulful talks. We ought also to say of the talented and genial pastor of First Church, Dr. W. T. Bolling, that, while he spoke to most every subject, all were highly delighted and mightily helped by his talks, that sparkled with genuine oratory, wisdom, wit, and pathos.

Great good has been done by the Rally, and all signs must fail if the Shreveport district does not make a splendid Epworth League showing at Monroe in December.

Resolutions were passed against Sabbath desecration, and other rampant evils and public sins.

An organization was effected, and a committee to prepare a Constitution and By-laws elected as follows: Revs. H. W. Bowman, P. O. Lowrey, J. B. Williams, and Mrs. Delia Boyd, Miss Mertis McCutchen, and Miss Daisy Lofton.

The Nominating Committee, composed of Jno. T. Sawyer, A. C. Mitchell, H. H. Hammett, Miss Lizzie Paxson, Mrs. Della Boyd, and Miss Bessie McCutchen, reported the following, who, on motion, were unanimously elected as the officers of the District League: Frank R Hicks, president; Mrs. J. P. Ratliff, first vice-president; Miss Ruth Sligh, second vice-president; H. P. Dance, third vice-president; Miss Johnnie Abbott, secretary; Miss Bessie McCutchen, treasurer; and Revs. Perry O. Lowrey and Robt. P. Howell, organizers.

The first regular District Conference of Epworth Leagues for the Shreveport district was fixed for the Fall, exact time and place to be determined by the officers.

JOHN T. SAWYER.

May 8, 1899.

COMMENDATION.

To the Members of the Sardis District Conference:

As this is the last official opportunity we will have to express our admiration of the character and labors of our presiding elder, we feel that we would be remiss in duty to ourselves should we let the occasion pass without that expression.

Dr. Wier's labors as presiding elder of Sardis district are rapidly drawing to a close, and it is not only right and meet, but our bounden duty to commend him for the very acceptable manner in which he has performed his arduous labors and the many Christian graces he has displayed in his official visitations. And while we feel that, perhaps, this expression of our regard for him as a man and Christian soldier has been withheld until the closing days of his labors, we assure him that it is none the less sincere, and when the time for separation does come our prayers for a long continuation of usefulness will follow him.

And we here and now, in Conference assembled, consistently and conscientiously commend him to whomsoever in God's providence he may be sent.

C. R BROWN,
A. KENDALL.

Rev. B. P. Jaco was asked to take the chair when the above paper was introduced, and, after a modest response from Dr. Wier, was adopted by a rising vote and requested to be published in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

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THE FOREST DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

It was with much pleasure and great profit I attended the Missionary Institute of the Forest district; Bro. T. L Mellon, P. E I went as a visitor; hence had nothing to divert my attention from the full enjoyment of the occasion. The church was hung with a large map of the world, showing the various mission stations occupied by the Christian churches, and smaller maps emphasizing the fields occupied by the M. E. Church, South. A wide range of subjects was embraced in the programme, and each preacher and speaker seemed to have thoroughly informed himself for his part of the work. The Institute lasted three days—Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The exercises began at 8:30 A. M., each day, with a prayer service for some special phase or difficulty of missionary work. There was preaching on stated subjects at 11 A. M, 4 P. M, and 8 P. M. The intervening hours were filled with interesting papers and spirited discussions. I heard most of these papers, and all the sermons except one, and not one was of an inferior order. All the preachers were present except one or two, who were detained at home from providential causes, and also quite a large number of local preachers.

Two things impressed me forcibly. First: the presiding elder of the Forest district held a Missionary Institute. He did not play at it by calling his preachers together to spend a few hours discussing a few phases of missionary work with which every intelligent layman is familiar. The occasion was magnified by a three days' session. The range of subjects compelled each participant to thoroughly inform himself as to the latest missionary intelligence. They led step by step up to a climax. The presiding elder posted himself on these subjects, and threw life into the discussions by pertinent questions. The sermon on missions, Sunday morning, was not an old one, but the most masterful it has ever been my pleasure to hear.

Second: An enthused presiding elder meant an enthused pastor; an enthused pastor meant an enthused church; an enthused church, large and liberal missionary collections, with a broadening, deepening missionary intelligence and spirit. The beneficial effects of this Missionary Institute can not be fully estimated.

If every presiding elder in Southern Methodism will hold a few Missionary Institutes on the order of this one, there will be no more deficits of $10,000 in our missionary collections, and no more net decreases of 8,000 in memberships. "A church which is absorbed and inspired by missionary activities has little to fear from heresy, or worldliness, or spiritual degeneracy. Christ himself walks in the midst of the golden candlesticks that are lighted with the flame of his own consuming zeal for the souls of men."

B. F. LEWIS.

Brandon, Miss., May 9, 1899.

PREACHERS' MEETING.

The preachers' meeting of the northern part of the Greenville district met at Belen, on the eighth and ninth of May, 1899, all the preachers being present except Rev. J. T. Murrah, Rev. J. E. Cunningham and Rev. J. M. Moose. The programme was taken up at 9:30 A. M., Tuesday morning. Subjects discussed with great interest and enthusiasm. The sermons preached by Rev. J. J. Brooks, Rev. Q. A. Oats and Rev. W. McN. Campbell were listened to with full satisfaction to all.

We hope the brethren throughout the whole Conference will organize their preachers' meetings, believing them to be of great good to all. We need work along this line. It is strength to the poor, hard-worked itinerant.

G. W. STRICKLAND.

Belen, Miss., May 12, 1899.

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8:30 P. M.—Primary and Intermediate Department.

JUNE 9.

8:30 P. M.—Elocution Class.

JUNE 11.

10:30 A. M.—Commencement Sermon—Rev. Walter E. Bogg.

8 P. M.—Epworth League Sermon.

JUNE 12.

8:30—Cadmean and Cleonian Literary Societies. Address, Rev. F. S. Parker.

JUNE 13.

Alumnæ Day.

2 P. M.—Meeting Board of Trustees.

8:30 P. M.—Annual Concert.

JUNE 14.

Commencement Day Address, Rev. W. T. Bolling.

Notice.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Louisiana Annual Conference, will be held at Minden, La., June 15-19. We urge all societies to send delegates. Delegates and visitors must secure from agents at starting-points, and at intermediate points where tickets are purchased, certificates that they paid full fare going. Return rates, one cent per mile. Send names at once to Mrs. W. S. Heard, Minden, La.

Annual sermon by Rev. J. L. Pierce, D. D.

L. PAXSON, Rec. Sec.

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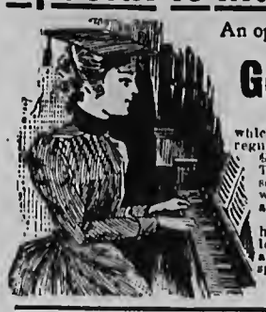
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THE TONE OF VOICE.

It is not so much what you say,
As the manner in which you say it;
It is not so much the language you use,
As the tones in which you convey it.

"Come here!" I sharply said,
And the baby cowered and wept;
"Come here," I coned, and he looked and smiled
And straight to my lap he crept.

The words may be mild and fair,
And the tones may pierce like a dart;
The words may be soft as the Summer air,
And the tones may break the heart.

Whether you know it or not,
Whether you mean or care,
Gentleness, kindness, love and hate,
Envy and anger are there.

Then would you quarrels avoid,
And in peace and love rejoice,
Keep anger not only out of your words,
But keep it out of your voice.

—Youth's Companion.

WORRY.

"Anxiety," says Blair, "is the poison of human life. It is the parent of many sins, and of more miseries. In a world where everything is doubtful, where you may be disappointed, and be blessed in disappointment—what means this restless stir and commotion of mind? Can your solicitude alter the cause or unravel the intricacy of human events? Can your curiosity pierce through the cloud which the Supreme Being has made impenetrable to mortal eye? To provide against every danger by the employment of the most promising means is the office of wisdom, but at this point wisdom stops."

Says J. Mortimer Granville: "Overwork is barely possible, and seldom or never happens, while the mind is acting in the normal modes of mental exercise. The moment, however, the natural rhythm of work is broken, and discord ensues, the mind is like an engine with the safety valve locked, the steam gauge falsified, the governing apparatus out of gear; a breakdown may occur at any instant. The victim of worry is ever on the verge of catastrophe if he escape; the marvel is not at his strength of intellect, so much as his good fortune. Worry is disorder, however induced; and disorderly work is abhorred by the laws of nature, which leave it wholly without energy."

With what weapons shall the dragon be met? Reason is the first blade which should be used to cut him down. As the old stanza declares—

"For every evil under the sun,
There is a remedy, or there is none.
If there be one, try to find it;
If there be none, never mind it."

Some things, though painful and sometimes disastrous, occasionally benefit. Worry is not one of these. Its utter and never varying uselessness should be dwelt upon and made one of its exterminators.

Early storms destroyed two men's peas. One fretted, the other replanted. The first came to the second, surprised at his growing crop. "I sowed again, while you were fretting. I put off my fretting till I repair the mischief." "Why, then, there's no need to fret at all." "True; that is the reason I put it off." If the energy given to worry were expended in work, much of the worried-about evil would disappear.

"The mind cure," says Granville, "for the malady to which worry gives rise, and from which so many suffer, is not idleness or rest, in the ordinary sense of that term, but orderly and persistent work."

A lady asked me, one day, if I had learned to put H instead of D. I asked her to explain. "Why," said she, "if you put H instead of D, Disappointments become His appointments." Another person explained his habitual cheerfulness by saying that he treated every unavoidable accident as if it were the best thing that could have happened.

Bishrod Whitlocke, Cromwell's envoy to Sweden, was one night so disturbed over the state of his country that he could not sleep. His servant observed it, and said: "Pray, sir, will you give me leave to ask you a question?" "Certainly." "Do you think that God governed the world very well before you came into it?" "Undoubtedly." "And do you think that he will govern the world quite as well when you are out of it?" "Certainly." "Then, pray, sir, excuse me; do you not think you may trust him to govern it as long as you are in it?" No answer could be given, and the great man went to bed and to sleep.—Success.

TWO GENTLEMEN.

One gentleman was little and the other one was large. The large one was very tall and very straight. He wore a suit of fine broadcloth, and in his polished linen shirt-front a great diamond sparkled like a star. His boots were of patent leather, and so bright that you could almost see your face in them. He had on new brown kid-gloves, and carried an elegant silk umbrella with a silver handle, on which was engraved his monogram.

The little one was very short and very crooked, with a hump on one shoulder and a limp in his gait. His clothes were threadbare; his cap was ragged; his shoes had holes in them; his little hands were bare and red with cold. He held a clumsy newspaper bundle in his arms.

The two stood side by side upon the curbstone of a crowded street, waiting for a chance to cross. The little one looked up at the large one with admiration. "What a fine gentleman!" he thought. Suddenly a poorly-clad old woman, carrying a great basket of clothes, came from the opposite direction. As she neared the sidewalk she dodged suddenly to avoid a cart that was passing, and stumbled against the tall gentleman, her basket of clothes knocking out of his grasp the umbrella with the monogram on the silver handle. With an angry glance and a muttered oath he gave her a rough shove to one side, while he stooped to recover the umbrella.

The little one had seen it all. He threw down his newspaper bundle, while with one hand he caught the old woman, and with the other kept her basket from being overturned in the gutter.

"You're a gentleman—that you are!" she said, fervently, putting one of her hands with tenderness on the threadbare coat which covered the poor, misshapen back.

But the tall one did not hear her. He had crossed the street. And the little one was surprised. —Caroline B. Lerow, in Outlook.

BOYS, DON'T DRINK.

A lawyer in Chicago relates that, going home one night from his office, he was accosted by a beggar clad in rags. Looking at him more closely, he asked his name. His suspicions were confirmed. It was an old college friend, the brightest man of his year.

"Give me a dollar for old acquaintance sake," whined Misery, piteously.

"What has happened to you?" said his friend. "You have been in trouble."

"No trouble," he said, "but of my own making. I succeeded well enough for some time, but I went into company and drank hard. Not at first, but I could soon drink as much as any of them. It became a habit. After carousing into the small hours I was not fit for business the next day. One good chance after another I let slip through my being unnerved, until I sank to this."

His friend looked at him pitifully. He said: "You can make a new start out here, and I will help you."

"No," said the other, "I have lost energy and hope. Give me enough to get a meal and a bed. That is all you can do for me."

His friend pleaded with him, but to no purpose. He took him to a restaurant and fed him, and found him a lodging for the night. The next morning he went in to see him, but during the night he had committed suicide. Slain by the liquor that had ruined thousands.—Exchange.

THOUGHT OF HER BOYS.

During the early part of a dinner recently given in Washington, the guest of honor, a young married woman who is the proud mother of two very small boys, suddenly paused, with a startled look, in the midst of an animated conversation with her host, and cried: "There, if I didn't forget those boys again! Have you a telephone in the house, and may I use it?" Her host, says the Argonaut, conducted her to the telephone, and presently she returned. "I do hope you will pardon me," she said; "but, you see, I always have Georgie and Eddie say their prayers to me before they go to sleep. In the hurry of getting off, I forgot it to-night, so I have just called up their nurse. She brought the children to the 'phone, and they have just said their prayers over the wire, so my mind is relieved."—Philadelphia Record.

NAPOLEON AND THE PLOW.

A certain incident connected with the great Napoleon while he was in exile at Elba is commemorated in the island, to this hour, by an inscription affixed to the wall of a peasant's house.

A man named Giaconi was plowing when the famous exile came along one day, and expressed an interest in his work. Napoleon even took the plowshare out of the man's hand, and attempted to guide it himself. But the oxen refused to obey him, overturned the plow, and spoiled the furrow.

The inscription runs thus: "Napoleon the Great, passing by this place in MDCCCXIV, took in the neighboring field a plowshare from the hands of a peasant, and himself tried to plow; but the oxen, rebellious to those hands which yet had guided Europe, headlong fled from the furrow."—Youth's Companion.

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Happiness does not consist in the possession and enjoyment of wealth. The miser is the type of wretchedness. The hearts of millionaires ache as bitterly as our own. And yet most of us would like to have money and try the experiment. Others have failed, but we might be more fortunate. So the game of self-deception goes on. A competency wisely and temperately enjoyed will yield more true gratification than abounding affluence in the majority of cases. The finest pleasures of life are few, simple and wholesome, and are largely independent of money.—Texas Advocate.

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We all know Punch's famous reply to the query is life worth living—"It depends upon the liver"—and the noon day doughnut or leathery pie is responsible for more of this world's wickedness than is put down in the histories. Not long ago I passed a public school building just as the boys were rushing into the playground for recess. As is usual with many schools a vender stood outside close to the rails, and was instantly besieged by the youngsters and his basket soon bought out. I noted with interest the contents of that basket: Cinnamon bun, flabby, soft and wettish-looking; pretzels, white and unsalted; doughnuts—shades of New England defend us, such doughnuts!—hard as bullets and of most villainously bilious hue.

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BEALL—The subject of this sketch, Mrs. LIZA ANN BEALL, relict of the late George Wood, was born in Noxubee county, Miss., June 21, 1811. She was married to Dr. Wm. T. Beall in Moss Point, Miss., Dec. 12, 1832, and died at 7:15 P. M., Sunday, March 26, 1899, aged sixty-seven years seven months and five days.

The highest encomium which can be passed upon a human being is not to be found in the mournful dirge which wails their absence from the fireside and the home, nor is it to be found in the jubilant doxology which sounds at the public demonstrations of a congregation, however numerous and devout, but to be known by well-attested, consistent conduct, a Christian. Consulting my own heart's testimony, I can say without reserve that Sister Beall was a Christian.

She was a woman of shrinking modesty, naturally and excessively timid, but remarkably courageous in her well-timed expressions of loyalty to her Master; not, indeed, by sounding her professions of sanctity to the world, but by unobtrusively moving about among the poor and needy, the sick and the unfortunate. One of the prominent traits in her well poised Christian character was her denial of self in order to contribute to the comfort of others. All classes and many nationalities have been the beneficiaries of her exuberant kindness and Christian charity. Her home was the preacher's home. The most cordial welcome was always extended, whether she was sick or well. This welcome was not only extended to the Bishop and his cabinet, but to the humblest preacher in the connection. She honored the great, but she paid respect unto the meritorious, regardless of station or garb.

She was a woman of implicit confidence in God and his promises. Her faith was of that genuine kind which satisfied the questionings of an active, inquiring mind. It was to her the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." She understood and treasured up the wonderful disclosures and revealments of this vitalizing agency in making real the things not seen. She believed in God and in his Son, Jesus Christ. Sickness, or pain, nor death, had power to destroy the matchless comfort of her abiding faith. The future life to her, as a consequence, was a glorious reality. On one occasion she proffered to take a message from her husband to some of his loved ones gone before.

Were I to consult my own heart prompting I would write more at length; but I forbear, and commend all those who loved her to the tender mercies of that heavenly Father whom she delighted to serve. C. A. POWELL.

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CARMICHAEL—Three out of four have gone home: MALCOM, ELLA, and LOYD YARBROUGH CARMICHAEL. Loyd, the son of Bro. Malcom and Sister Ella Carmichael, was born Feb. 24, 1891; died March 17, 1899. Bro. Malcom, the husband and father, was born Oct. 1, 1862; died March 23, 1899. Sister Ella (nee Rose), wife and mother, was born July 6, 1863; died April 3, 1899.

Thus God has recently taken home three of the family in a little over three weeks, only leaving Lenard, a little boy about five years old; a little girl, Samantha Octava, having preceded them July 25, 1893, having been born Jan. 8, 1888.

On Feb. 25, 1899, I made a pleasant pastoral visit, and we united in prayer after having talked over his past life, which was not satisfactory, religiously, but at the present time being fully determined to do God's will, let come what may.

Bro. Carmichael had not been on good terms with his neighbors; but a month, or more, previous to this time, while at work on his farm, the quickening spirit of conviction was received, and he there left his work and went from house to house begging them for peace, determined to have peace at any hazards, and succeeded in establishing peace, although he had to make some financial sacrifices. He then told them he did not expect to live long. He stated to me that he had done many things that he ought not to have done, and that it took all his manhood and grace that he had to tell what he had undertaken, but that, by the help of God, he was determined to do right. His wife said, while her husband was to blame in many things, others were also to blame, and that her husband had held out faithful so long, and she believed he would continue to do so. His neighbors were profoundly astonished, and said he was in earnest; he was a changed man. To the credit of his neighbors it was said they were as kind to him as they could be to his sickness.

This is the deepest case of conviction that I ever come before my observation. They both died trusting in Jesus. We pray this sad bereavement may bring us all nearer God, and that the little boy left may be useful in the vineyard of the Lord. J. C. ELLIS, P. C.

MATHEWS—Mrs. LOVENIA MATHEWS (nee Barlow) was born Dec. 9, 1836, and died in Jasson, Miss., Feb. 14, 1899. She was first married to Dr. Hugh McLaurin. Two children survive this union: Dr. McLaurin, of Brandywine, and Mrs. Hollingsworth, of Wesson. She was afterward married to Mr. John R. Mathews, who died about one year before his wife. Mr. John R. Mathews is the only living child of this union. She joined the Methodist Church when a child; lived a consistent member until removed by death. Her home, until a short time before her death, was near Pleasant Valley Church. Many a weary itinerant will remember her kindly. Her home was the preacher's home. Kind and thoughtful to everyone, she was by all held in high esteem. I visited her often during her sickness. I found her perfectly resigned, ready to depart and be with the Lord.

Sister Mathews has gone from us, but we love to dwell on her memory. Like the sweet aroma from the flower that fills the air with its fragrance, so from her life influences have gone out that are felt in nobler lives. Her body is dead, but her influence lives. She built wisely and well. Her foundation was Christ the Lord. Not only among her friends, but in her home she exerted an influence for her Lord. All of her children are Christians, following mama as she followed Christ. It seemed that she was just ready to be more useful to the church when she was summoned home.

Weep not, dear ones; God knows best; nothing happens by chance. God will guide you in this sad hour; look to him. We will meet again. May God comfort the family, the Most High graciously lead them until they meet their loved ones! J. M. MONSE.

MARR—Sister MARY JANE MARR, wife of W. T. Marr, and daughter of Ferrel and Lorain Gorman, was born in October, 1835, in Marshall county, Miss.

Sister Marr professed religion in early life at Grub Hill Church. She first joined the Presbyterian Church; later she joined the Southern Methodist Church. She was ever a devoted, consistent, happy Christian. It was not a surprise if in the services she would praise the Lord aloud. Yes, she could shout the old-fashion way. It was an inspiration to see her radiant face and hear her shouts of glory.

She suffered much before death, but was resigned to her Master's will. In her last sickness she often rejoiced in the Savior's love and the prospect of the home of eternal joy, and died praising the Lord in full triumph of the Christian's faith, Feb. 12, 1899, at the home of her son, Bro. Antony Marr, near Grub Hill. They miss her much, but hope to meet her again where parting will be no more, where the husband and many loved ones were ready to welcome her home. J. H. SMITH.

BANKSTON—Mrs. A. D. BANKSTON (nee Oneal) was born in Hinds county, Miss., April 27, 1870 and died at her home near Brownsville, Miss., on March 15, 1899.

Sister Bankston's death came sudden and unexpected to her loved ones. She had been usually well, but was taken suddenly and violently ill, and her husband went hastily for a doctor, and in a very few minutes she died. The cause of her death is not known. This death reminds us of our Savior's warning, "Be ye also ready, for ye know not what hour he shall come."

Sister Bankston had made preperation for this in early life, joining the Methodist Church in 1884. She had lived a beautiful Christian life ever since. She lived that quiet and gentle life that caused everyone to love her. She was the mother of seven loving children, all of which she has preceded to the glory world. We pray God's blessings and tenderest care upon these little ones, and his comfort and guidance upon the greatly afflicted and sorrowing husband. J. G. CAMMACK.

Flora, Miss.

NOLAND—Mrs. ARHENA R. NOLAND, daughter of Bro. and Sister Adams, was born in Avoyelles parish, La., Nov. 1 1874; was married to Mr. W. M. Noland in November, 1889. She joined the M. E. Church, South, at Marine Church under the ministry of Bro. W. T. Woodward, and has been an acceptable member thereof ever since. After a short illness, though suffering intensely, she died March 17, 1899, leaving a bereft husband and five children, and father and mother, with several brothers and sisters. May the comforts of divine grace be with the bereaved!

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Confederate Veterans, who met in Charleston last week, adjourned on Friday. Lenisville has been selected as the place for the next reunion.

A collision of passenger trains occurred on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad at Exeter, Pa., on May 12, and a great number of people were killed and injured.

The Civil Service Commission recommend the extension of their system to the colonies as the only means of securing a satisfactory class of office holders.

In his dispatch to the War Department General Otis announced that Aguinaldo had sent a messenger to him expressing a wish to send the commission "to arrange terms of peace."

The cruiser "New Orleans" arrived before this city on May 16. A magnificent reception was accorded the vessel upon her arrival. A silver bell and silver service were presented by the citizens of New Orleans to their namesake.

Satisfactory conclusion is expected by administration officials to follow the conference which will be held by the American Philippine Commission with the committee which Aguinaldo proposes to send to Manila.

The recently enacted anti-trust law of Arkansas and the legislation which is now about to be finally enacted by the Texas Legislature are being denounced by the friends of the trusts as radical and shortsighted.

The Chinese Government, in acknowledging the receipt of a communication regarding the Anglo Russian agreement as to spheres of interest in China, expressly declares that the acknowledgement in nowise implies acquiescence.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who has accumulated some $100,000,000 or so out of his vast manufacturing of iron and steel, has given out, so it is reported, that he intends to distribute the greatest part of his wealth in public benefactions.

A deputation have waited upon the Secretary of State to the Home Department, in London, protesting against Sunday newspapers. The Home Secretary replied that, though he was in entire sympathy with the deputation, he was afraid the government could do nothing in the premises. He, however, would fully consider the matter.

The Russian demand for a new railroad concession connecting Pekin with Russia's present railway system in Manchuria is exciting the gravest anxiety. The chief Chinese officials are having constant consultations with the dowager empress. The Germans and Japanese are particularly uneasy on the subject of this unexpected move upon the part of the Russians.

Admiral Dewey will leave for the United States as soon as he can arrange his business and give full instructions for the management of the fleet to his successor. The United States cruiser "Olympia," on which Admiral Dewey will make his way home, will sail leisurely, stopping at Mediterranean ports for some time to give the admiral, the officers of the ship and the crew an opportunity for rest. It is expected the voyage will occupy about four months.

An anti-trust bill passed by the Michigan Senate differs in a few particulars from like laws in other States. In prosecutions under the proposed law the character of the trust may be established by proof of its general reputation, without the presentation of any written agreement or contract. Another section provides that any person damaged through the operations of a trust may sue the agent of the offending combination and recover double the amount of damage actually sustained.

It is announced by the Navy Department that Admiral Dewey is soon to return to the United States, and is expected to leave Manila when he has been relieved by Rear Admiral Watson and has completed his duties in connection with the Philippines Commission. As is customary when a flag officer returns from a foreign station, Admiral Dewey will return home in his flagship, the "Olympia," which played so conspicuous a part in the battle of Manila Bay. Now that it is certain that the Admiral is soon to return, the greatest rivalry has sprung up between New York and the Pacific coast cities to secure the honor of first receiving the hero of Manila.

General Gomez has sent a message to Governor-General Brooke that he will do himself the pleasure of calling at headquarters for a further conference regarding the payment of the Cuban troops. The appointment for the interview is the result of a direct inquiry as to what General Gomez intendeot to do in view of the resignation of and non-acceptance of all the Cuban officers nominated by him to represent the several corps in the distribution of the $3,000,000. General Brooke is determined to disregard for the present the reports that reach him from various soarces as to the alleged intention of Gomez to withdraw his co-operation, and thus to throw into confusion the carefully matured plans for distributing the fund.

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Greenville District Conference.

The Greenville District Conference will convene in Hollondale, May 31 to June 3.

The Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies will occupy Wednesday.

Thursday morning will be devoted to Sunday-schools, with the following topics for discussion:

Are We Putting Forth the Proper Efforts in Behalf of the Sunday-school?—Q. A. Oats.

What of the Home Department in Sunday-school?—J. C. Park.

Is It Ever Proper to Engage Irreligions or Only Nominally Religious People in the Official Places of a Sunday-school?—W. R. Trigg.

The following brethren will probably be appointed as follows:

Elder's Orders—J. J. Brooks, J. E. Thomas, and J. C. Mimma.

Deacon's Orders—J. T. Murrah, J. C. Park, W. C. Harris.

Admission—T. H. Dorsey, J. R. Countiss, J. M. Moose.

License—H. P. Crowe, J. E. Cunningham, W. L. Graves.

Let the brethren bring their records, and come praying for the Spirit's presence. J. W. DORMAN.

Notice.

The preachers of Vicksburg district will please send me by the tenth of June names of all delegates who expect to attend the District League Conference, to convene at Utica, June 15. Please do not send any names but those who expect to attend. G. A. GUICE.

Notice.

The Brookhaven Epworth League Conference has been postponed. Will give notice when it will be held.

J. M. MOOSE, Dist. Sec.
Wesson, Miss., May 15, 1899.

Opelousas District Conference.

Our District Conference will convene in Lake Charles, June 22, at 8 o. m. One day will be devoted to missionary subjects. Different speakers will discuss missions in their various phases. The Twentieth Century Educational Movement will also receive attention. Preachers and delegates will so arrange their plans and work as to be able to spend the Sabbath in Lake Charles, giving and receiving blessings.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

VICKSBURG DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Bolton, at Clinton	May 20, 21
South Vicksburg	23
Port Gibson	23
Edwards, at Learned	27, 28
Warren, at Wesley Chapel	June 3, 4
Anguilla, at Bethel	10, 11
Utica, at Cayuga	24, 25
Satartia, at Satartia	July 1, 2
Hermanville, at Sarepta	8, 9

F. H. MOFFNGER, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Wildaker	May 20, 21
Martin	27, 28
Jefferson Street	June 3, 4
Wesley Chapel	3, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11
Beholoth	17, 18
Percy Creek	24, 25
Woodville	25, 26
Knoxville	30, July 1

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Puchuta, at Puchuta	May 20, 21
Middleton, at State Line	27, 28
Marberville, at Andrew Chapel..Sun P. M., Mon. A. M.	28, 29
Enterprise, at Enterprise..Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.	June 4, 5
Shubuta, at Shubuta...Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.	11, 12
Daleville, at Lakewood	17, 18
Binnsville, at Binnsville	24, 25

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

CORINTH DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Booneville station	May 28
Iuka circuit	June 3, 4
Iuka station	night 4
Corinth station	11
Ripley and New Albany	18
Blue Springs circuit	July 6
Booneville circuit	8, 9
Kossuth circuit	15, 16
Corinth circuit	22, 23
Saltillo circuit	28
Guntown and Baldwyn	29, 30
Jonesboro circuit	Aug. 5, 6
Ripley circuit	12, 13
New Albany circuit	11
Marietta circuit	19, 20
Jacinto circuit	25
Brown's Creek circuit	26, 27
Belmont circuit	29

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Macon station	June 3, 4
Hebron	10, 11
West Point station	25, 26
Crawford	July 1, 2
Tibbee	8, 9
Brooksville	15, 16
Shuqualak	22, 23
Starkville station	29, 30
Cedar Bluff station	Aug. 5, 6
Starkville circuit	12, 13
Sturges	19, 20
Columbus circuit	26, 27
Columbus station	Sept. 2, 3
Lagrango	9, 10
Winstonville	16, 17

The District Conference will be held at Pheba, July 4-7. Program will appear later.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Sherard's	May 20, 21
Laconia	27, 28
Gunnison	28, 29
Rosedale	June 3, 4
Bolivar	10, 11
Lehrton	17, 18

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.
Greenville, Miss.

GRENADA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Strathmore	May 20, 21
Ellzey, at George's Chapel	27, 28
Pittsboro, at Tabernacle	Tues. 30
Chapel Hill, at Mars Hill	Thurs. June 1
Slate Springs, at Spring Hill	3, 4

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Fulton circuit	May 20, 21
Buena Vista circuit	27, 28
Shannon circuit	June 3, 4
Okolona circuit	10, 11

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

SARDIS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Orwood mission	May 19
Eureka	20, 21
Longtown	27, 28

T. C. WIER, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Carrollton circuit, at Enon	May 20, 21
McNutt and Shell Mound, at Shell Mound	27, 28
Black Hawk, at Acona	June 3, 4
Dublin and Webb	10, 11
West	17, 18

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Fort Jessup and Many, at Fort Jessup	May 20, 21
Florien, at Holly Grove	24
Zwolle, at Bayou Sole	27, 28
Pleasant Hill, at Beulah	31
Mooringsport, at Blanchard	June 3, 4
Wesley, at Campte	7
North Bossier, at Emma	10, 11
Mansfield	18
Red River, at Campohello	21
Pelican, at Mt Pleasant	24, 25
Coushatta, at Coushatta	28
District Conference, at Coushatta	29-July 2
Opening, 9 A. M.	June 29
Conference sermon by Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, 11 A. M.	29
Missionary Institute, led by Rev. J. O. Bennett, 3 P. M.	29
Sunday-school and Epworth League, led by Revs. W. G. Evans and P. O. Lowrey, 3 P. M.	30
Twentieth Century Educational Fund, led by Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D. 3 P. M.	July 1
District Conference love-feast, led by the presiding elder, 3 P. M.	2

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Vidalia, at Vidalia	May 20, 21
Waterproof, at St. Joseph	27, 28
Girard	June 3, 4
Tallolah	10, 11
Providence, at Providence	17, 18
Bonita, at Bartholomew	24, 25
Delhi	July 1, 2
Floyd, at Midway	8, 9
Harrisonburg, at Sicily Island	15, 16
Wannsboro	22, 23

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The annual Spring meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Seashore Camp Ground was held on Wednesday, the tenth instant, at the camp ground. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: John A. Woodville, of New Orleans, president; J. B. Leftwich, Mobile, Ala., vice-president; W. B. Thomson, of New Orleans, treasurer; S. H. Meyer, of New Orleans, financial secretary; J. H. Bancroft, Mobile, Ala., recording secretary. A. S. Daniels, of New Orleans, was appointed chairman of the Executive Committee.

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New Orleans, May 16, 1899.

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We have not heard finally from the Southern. They are conferring with other lines, but have written us they will be pleased to authorize certificate-plan rates. We will notify delegates through the ADVOCATE as soon as final arrangements are made with the Southern.

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MARRIAGES.

MONTGOMERY—STUART.—In the Methodist Church at Madison, Miss., on Thursday, April 27, at 8:30 P. M., by Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Mr. Hugh Cameron Montgomery and Miss Willie Minter Stuart.

OWEN—JOYCE.—At the residence of the bride, Durant, Miss., April 12, 1899, by Rev. N. C. Augustus, Miss Fannie Joyce and Mr B. H. Owen.

WILLIAMS—WATKINS.—At the residence of Mr Luther Watkins, near Pleasant Hill Church, Leake county, Miss., May 11, 1899, by Rev. Irvin Miller, Mr. E. R. Williams to Miss Daisy Watkins.

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"FARMING OUT" OUR COLLEGES.

Rome, toppling to her fall, showed her weakness by "farming out" her civil functions, and merited the fine scorn of the old satirists. Although Methodism was born and cradled in a university, and has, from the beginning, been a patron of higher education, yet the M. E. Church, South, has manifested lamentable weakness by "farming out" her colleges for girls. The "farming out" of colleges by the church is as vicious as the "farming out" of tax-gathering by the State. When the church "farms out," or leases, one of her colleges to some man, and thus turns over to him her educational work, she runs fearful risk, first, of having sham work done, and, second, of tempting her lessee to dishonesty. These risks are real, and by no means exaggerated in this statement. If he to whom the church "farms out" the college for girls is thoroughly honest and consecrated to the cause of Christ, as was our own H. F. Johnson and a few others—and are some still living—he will do good, honest work, and will build up the college even at his own expense, and send forth graduates who are really educated; but, as every honest educator in our church will attest, many to whom we have thus "farmed out" our colleges for girls pursue a policy that brings money into their own pockets and ruin to the college by sending out girls with diplomas, but without education. No fraud is meaner, none is more direful than this. To induce a girl to believe that she is being educated when she *is* not, and to lure her unwitting parents to pay for what they do not get, is to perpetrate a wrong that can not be righted, for the poor victim finds out her mistake too late to change her plans, and so her whole life is marred. The sham work is done, the awful fraud is perpetrated, and the life-plans of our best girls are marred by presidents of so-called Methodist colleges, because any other policy means loss to themselves, while this one insures gain, and the church pays no heed to the fraud, but rather encourages him in his policy by applauding his seeming success, gauging his success by the extent of his patronage. Thus the church, by the very system in vogue, becomes the temptress of the men who defraud her, and a party to the fraud of a sham education perpetrated upon her own helpless young daughters. These are strong statements, but they are true. I stand prepared to prove them with a long list of actual cases and an array of competent witnesses. I challenge denial.

This policy of "farming out" colleges for girls has proven so simple, easy and inexpensive to the church, and so remunerative to men with more love of money than conscience, that such so-called colleges have been multiplied until the lessees have been driven to false advertising, meretricious displays, unseemly rate wars with each other, and various "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain" to make "ends meet." That some of these lessees keep themselves free from such unholy devices is a most refreshing truth; but he who does so in these days of numerous colleges—church, State, and private—does it at great loss financially, and at sacrifice of heart and brain-weariness. I know a college president of stalwart integrity who is killing himself trying to keep up an unequal contest where unflinching honesty meets fearful odds.

The church can not be any longer a party to such a vicious policy. She sees this; she is getting to be wide awake to the fact; she says that the policy must be changed; the edict has gone forth that we must have fewer and better colleges for our girls; the Annual Conferences have been notified that they must centralize their educational work for women. It is sensible to do it; sheer honesty demands that it be done at once.

Now, what is the Mississippi Conference getting ready to do in this matter? To-day she owns one-half of one college for boys and four colleges for girls. She does not believe it wise to attempt to own even one whole college for boys, and yet she owns and "farms out" four for girls. The inconsistency is too manifest to be argued. She is going to centralize this work; she must do it; it is the inevitable. When will she do it? This is the question for every member of the Conference to consider well. We are now inaugurating a movement to collect for educational work about $40,000. Twenty per cent. of this—i. e., $8,000—very properly goes to Vanderbilt University. What will we do with the remaining $32,000, or possibly $30,000? Millsaps College, as a matter of course, ought to get, and will get, a large share of it. Will her proportion be one-half? If so, there is left $15,000, possibly $16,000, to go to the educational work for women. What will we do with it? Divide it out between the four struggling girls' colleges that we own, and continue the vicious "farming-out" policy? The church, in ordering the Twentieth Century Thank-offering, did not contemplate any such senseless waste of the fund, and, as a matter of course, we shall not think of such squandering of the Lord's money.

What, then, shall be done? There is but one thing to do: fix upon one of the four as our college for girls, and turn the other three into academies or preparatory schools. The sooner this is done the better for all concerned and for the cause itself. There is nothing to be gained by delay, and much to be lost. I think it probable that steps looking in this direction ought to have been taken at the last session of our Conference, for we could have prosecuted the Twentieth Century Movement this year with more success if all uncertainty on this question had been removed. In the absence of positive action on the part of the Conference we are compelled to prognosticate, and act with a view to what will be done. The question is being asked by those who need to know, "Which one of the four will be the college?" I answer them, "As a matter of course, it will be Whitworth." I base my conclusion upon the following facts:

1. Whitworth College has, according to the reports made to the last Conference, $20,000 more property than all of the others combined; $60,000 more than Edward McGehee, $45,000 more than East Mississippi, ignoring East Mississippi's debt, and $55,000 more than Port Gibson. Her property is worth nearer $80,000 than the $70,000 reported.

2. She is the only one of the four centrally located. East Mississippi is in one corner of the Conference and Edward McGehee is in another, while Port Gibson lies near the border on one side.

3. Her health record can not be equalled by any of the others. Brookhaven has never had a yellow fever epidemic. She is almost as immune as Atlanta.

4. She has a much larger clientele than all of the others combined. For more than thirty years she has reached annually, and without interruption, a large and widely-scattered patronage, and she has sent out 475 graduates, among whom are some of the best-educated women of the South. The loyalty to their worthy alma mater of such a host as this means a vast deal to the life, and especially the forward movement, of a college.

These considerations indicate the supreme unwisdom of any other policy than the one herein prognosticated. A suggestion has been privately made that all of the colleges for girls be sold or turned into preparatory schools, and that Millsaps be made co-educational. The suggestion, which has no sort of authoritative or official sanction, will not be adopted, because, 1. We in the South are not ready for co-education, and were we to adopt such a policy, we would but drive our Methodist girls to other than Methodist colleges; and, 2. Co-education is nowhere wise or safe in any school other than primary, or in the university. This is generally conceded by all who have experimented in co-education.

All of this means that we Methodists of the Mississippi Conference must rally around Whitworth College, improve its plant and endow it and quit farming it out. The Mississippi Conference owns four and one-half colleges, and runs one-half of one. We must quit this policy; we must run, as well as own, a first-class college for girls. Let us quit playing at education. Let us have and run a college for girls, or else let us sell them all out, quit the whole business, and turn over the education of our girls to the State, or to some other denomination. The time to act in this matter has come.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

A KICK, AND WHEREFORE?

On May 2, 1899, Vol. I., No. 1, of a new daily paper made its appearance in one of the interior towns of Louisiana, which contained an extract from Christian Work, giving the following as a matter of news:

RAFFLING FOR SOULS.

Rev. Francis Borton, a missionary in Mexico, writes: Yesterday, in a Roman Catholic Church in Mexico, I read the following notice:

Raffle for Souls—At the last raffle for souls the following numbers obtained the prize:

Ticket 841. The soul of Lawyer James Vasquey is released from purgatory, and ushered into heavenly joys.

Ticket 762. The soul of the aged widow, Francesca de Parson, is forever released from the flames of purgatory.

Another raffle for souls will be held at this same blessed Church of the Redeemer on Jan. 1, at which four bleeding and tortured souls will be released from purgatory to heaven, according to the four highest tickets in this most holy lottery. Tickets, $1. To be had of the father in charge. Will you, for the poor sum of $1, leave your loved ones to burn in purgatory for ages?

Of course, there were certain religionists who could not, or would not, relish such a bit of news as this, and forthwith set up a howl against the paper in question, which brought the publisher to his knees. In the next number but one, an editorial paragraph promised that the paper should be run in the future clear of sectarianism, and solely in the interest of "the city and country."

Whether this apology will "restore the status quo" is more than an observer can now foresee. The extreme sensitiveness of some people when told of their faults is amazing. That the statement is true seems not to be called in question, but tremendous stress is laid on the idea of propriety.

To bleed the people in the superstitious vein has been the policy of the Roman Catholic Church in all the ages. The lancet which goes in for the blood may be desire-to-do-wrong (as in the sale of indulgences) or a desire-to-do-good (as in the "Lottery for Souls"), for truly "for the poor sum of $1" no one would "leave your loved ones to burn in purgatory for ages."

We all know the present condition of the average Mexican—his social and religious status—and we know that in Mexico, as in other places where Catholicism is dominant, 300 or 400 years of subjection to the yoke of papal tyranny has not elevated the people, nor materially changed their idolatrous forms of worship. In Mexico, e. g., the old heathen goddess has been changed into "The Virgin of Guadalupe"—as pure a fiction and as glaring an idol as ever pagan bowed down before. Why not carve an image out of stone, or mould one in gold or iron, or chisel one out of wood, or mould one out of wax or clay, and "bow down to it, and worship it," as well as a merely ideal one? Either take the place of God in the mind of the worshiper, and is alike idolatrous.

In all seriousness, may we not properly inquire whether or not certain ritualistic forms have had something to do with the worship of "images and relics"? In the Bible we are taught to pray to God. In the ritual we have the example of praying to the Son or to the Holy Spirit. In poetry—hymns even—we have examples of supplicating angels. Of the departed saints St. Paul suggests they are "all ministering angels." Mary, Peter, and all the glorified ones are such angels. Why not pray to them, if prayer is to be offered to any angels? The law says, "Worship God," not the Son, nor the Spirit, but "the Father which seeth in secret." If the Spirit leads me to Christ, and through Christ, I approach the Father. Shall I turn my worship to the instruments of my approach, and away from Him to whom I have been thus led?

In my view of this matter of worship it is not a question of honoring the Son, or the Spirit, but a question of dishonoring God. "In the unity of the Godhead" there is but one God. In the individuality of the Godhead "there are three that bear record in heaven." All worship directed to the Father goes also to the "Son and Holy Ghost," for God is the essential head of the "Triune One." This can not be said of the Son, nor of the Spirit. To offer worship to these (worship in the meaning of the Decalogue) seems, therefore, out of place, and supplanting of the Father.

But I have followed my thoughts away from my subject.

What has Romanism done for the masses of her people? Look at conditions in Europe and "the islands of the sea," where she has undisputed sway, and tell me what Catholicism has done to enlighten her people. Nowhere on earth has Romanism so small influence as in England and the United States. (By this I mean those countries where Catholicism is known to exist.) In these countries civilization has marched on and steadily up in spite of the practical suppression of the Holy Scriptures.

Look at Cuba, Porto Rico and Luzon, where Romanism has been richly supported by public taxation; where hundreds of millions have been gathered by authority of Spanish law and turned into the church coffers. All this money-gathering, and gloating over fabulous salaries, and donning of costly apparel at the expense of the half-fed and more poorly-clothed victims, running through a period of 300 or 400 years, has not materially bettered the condition of the oppressed burthen-bearers.

Without national support, with no tableaux in which to estimate values for purposes of taxation, with only the Holy Scriptures as our commission and our defense, in the strength of our God let us lift up these fallen ones.

J. A. PARKER.

"OXFORD FEMALE COLLEGE."

In this ADVOCATE, of May 18, Pres. J. W. Malone makes a statement of the course he has taken concerning our Conference school at Grenada, and the organization of one at Oxford. He tells us, "I will open a college for girls and young ladies at Oxford, Miss., next September for the North Mississippi Conference and for the church, and I propose to make it equal to any in our connection."

I can not see how this announcement can be made, for the North Mississippi Conference has no "college" in Oxford, nor any school property of any kind. Nor has this Conference taken any step of any kind whatever to possess, or to establish, or to have any part in a school in Oxford. The Conference will not meet till late in November, and it has no organ through which authorized action can be taken to "open" a Conference school there.

At the session of our Conference, held in Aberdeen in December last, the Board of Education reported in part as follows, referring to our school at Grenada: "This school is constantly increasing in the number of pupils in attendance and in the number of boarders in the college. Your Board believes the time has come when the Board of Trustees should increase the boarding capacity of this college.

"We recommend the re-appointment of Rev. J. W. Malone, A. M., as president.

"We also recommend the appointment of the president, Rev. J. W. Malone, as agent of this college, to do such work and on such terms as may be agreed upon by the Board of Trustees."

This report was adopted, and the Conference also ordered "that the amount heretofore appropriated to Millsaps College be equally divided between that institution and Grenada Female College." Not the least hint is here given of the existence or bestowment of any power beyond the proper management and development of the Grenada school. The property of that school was made the possession of the North Mississippi Conference by legitimate purchase, in which our people paid several thousand dollars, and in consideration of which the Conference obtained and holds a complete title. What our people paid in this transaction was only a fraction of the real value of the property, say four or five thousand dollars, for what had cost forty thousand, and is still put at that figure in our reported statistics. The advantageous location of that property, the excellence and fitness of the large and handsome structure, still intact; the high character of the people of Grenada and vicinity, the ready accessibility of the place by railroad, were inducements to the Conference to seize the great opportunity and make that her permanent school for our daughters. For these years we have gone steadily forward. The school has grown in character, in constituency, in influence and in good service to the Conference. Why should it not be allowed to go on in its hopeful career, rising, though by slow degrees, to the full measure of a real college for young women, endowed, and with an elected faculty, taking its place in that family of schools which is to rise and bless our great church under the wise administration of that new law which gives organized form and power to our work of education?

W. T. J. SULLIVAN.

Kosciusko, Miss., May 19, 1899.

NOTES OF ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

THE ADVANCING CHURCH.

Never in our history was the church more thoroughly committed to the work of its Leader than now. Throughout every quarter vigorous life is manifested in the great plans which are being deeply laid for a mighty forward swing.

REVIVALS.

The reported loss of 3,800 in membership during the last quadrennial has aroused preachers and people. Plans and prayers are being laid and offered that this reproach may be soon taken away. One of our presiding elders called his preachers together a few weeks ago. They talked and prayed until the holy fire descended and sent them all back to their fields of labor prepared to fight and win for Christ.

Dr. Leftwich has been among us. He held a meeting of two weeks' duration for Bro. W. P. Hart, of St. Francis Street, Mobile, in which the standard of piety was lifted, the church elevated, and a goodly number added to the membership.

Dr. Leftwich is a great teacher. He does not circumnavigate his texts, but goes right in, on, up and out on the mountain-top, with his people with him. The church has a correct definition of evangelist in him.

Our District Conferences are being made central places of spiritual power. Our own Mobile District Conference was historic. Never have I attended a Conference of such spiritual momentum. We closed on the Mount of Transfiguration. We hear pæans of victory from many quarters.

EDUCATION.

The Twentieth Century Fund movement has taken hold of our people. Our Board of Education has planned for two educational rallies—at Birmingham and Montgomery, in which the best talent of the church will appear. The Board has also appointed a representative man to meet each district with light and inspiration. We feel that our portion of the million and a half will be forthcoming. This will place our institutions of learning on ascending ground.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Our State League Conference has just been held in the Gulf City. More than two hundred of the church's young from all portions of the State gathered in this annual convocation. Reports showed growth and inspiration. The signs portend a wide expansion by our next gathering. Dr. DuBose came and saw and conquered. He sees everything and everywhere with one ocular sweep. Surely he is a man of providence.

Bishop Candler closed this Conference with a great speech on Cuba, out of which came light, conviction, and inspiration, and money.

As you know, Mr. Editor, we have suffered great loss from our ministerial ranks during the past year by death. Dr. M. S Andrews, the ecclesiastical statesman; Dr. J. O. Keener, the son of thunder, with five others, passed from cross to crown. We feel our loss. Dr. Keener stood as a chieftain at the head of our leading institution of learning. His speech before the last General Conference was historic. Though the law for which he plead was lost, the principle involved therein lives.

More changes have occurred in the presiding eldership since then than ever before in the same length of time. We had five changes in our Conference. It is found to work well. All of these new men are men of affairs, and will magnify the office. Our own presiding elder, Bro. W. M. Cox, of Mobile district, is one to the manner born. He rises to all expectations. He is firm without austerity, gentle without weakness, and strong without strain.

But ours is a great church. She has the facility of making more great men than any other institution on earth.

J. A. SEALE.

Crichton, Ala.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES, 1899.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4.

11 A. M.—Annual Sermon by Rev. E. N. Evans, of New Orleans, La.

8 P. M.—Annual Address of the Young Men's Christian Association by Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, of Crowley, La.

MONDAY, JUNE 5.

11 A. M.—Exhibition of Preparatory Department and Prize Declamation.

3 P. M.—Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

8 P. M.—Literary Address by Dr. E. H. Monnger, of Port Gibson, Miss.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6.

11 A. M.—Annual Meeting of Alumni Society. Address by Rev. W. W. Drake, of Franklin, La.

8 P. M.—Joint Oratorical Contest between the Literary Societies.

9 A. M.—Meeting in Union Hall.

4 P. M.—Meeting in Franklin Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7.

11 A. M.—Graduating Exercises.

Senior Class: Albert Simon Lutz, John Magruder Pearce, William Henry Pipes, George D. Pickles, William Leonard Covington Wailes, George Gilden Zenor, Jr.

IT'S SUMMER-TIME SOMEWHERE.

BY FRANK L. STANTON.

When fall the wintry flakes of frost, it's Summer time somewhere—
Wildes in the valleys—bird songs in the air;
The chilly winds they only blow the lily's lips apart;
It's Summer in the world, my dear, when it's Summer in the heart.

When gray the skies are glooming, it's Summer 'n the dells—
In the merry songs of reapers, in the tinkling of the bells;
The sweet south skies are brightening as with Spring-time's magic art,
But the sweetest season, dearest, is the Summer in the heart.

Still, still the birds are singing, and still the groves are green,
And still the roses redden and the lovely lilies lean;
Love fades not with the season; when Summer days depart
It's Summer still, my dearest, in the Eden of the heart.

—Atlanta Constitution.

Communications.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

We are standing upon the borderline of a new century and amid the breaking light of a new era. The pulse of the time beats with feverish celerity, and mighty principles are struggling to the birth, while old theories, customs and notions are perishing by the way. New life, purposes, ideas and broader views are stirring the heart of the nations as never before. The vast and mighty interests of humanity, and the kingdom of God, are rolling in upon us and beating upon the surf of the receding century with tremendous emphasis. The potential forces of wealth, mind and power never, in any previous period, needed wiser direction, a more consolentions and generous devotion to the chief considerations of life. The present is the key to the future—yea, more, it will give color and direction to events yet unborn, and seal like a demon of fate the character and destiny of many movements traveling down the years to come. The new century now opening upon us lays at our feet obligations and responsibilities we can not neglect or spurn without proving recreant to the highest imperatives of the age, and unworthy of the marvelous blessing of God and the heritage of our fathers. The watchword of the civilized world at this time is, "Forward." It takes no skilled student of the times to see that the most prominent characteristic of the age is toward expansion. The marked tendency now is toward enlargement and universality; not expansion in the material and physical merely, but also in the intellectual and nobler ends of life. The flow of the blood is to the extremities. The narrow and the little are no longer centers of hope and desire. Old lines of thought and theory and action which have marked the limits of progress, and held men in narrow inclosures, and separated sect from sect, and party from party, are now being leveled to the ground. Limitations and restrictions are vanishing like the fogs of the early morning, and human action is larger, freer, and nobler. Thought has forced the dungeon of racial prison, and broken the fetters of provincial narrowness, and is set free for a divine destiny. Science and philosophy have escaped from the studio of a few gifted bards, and became the guide and possession of all, without respect to persons. Fields of inquiry and knowledge have been multiplied and enlarged till the thoughts of men widen with the circle of the suns, and yet they are at sea, in a large sense, as to the real meaning, purpose and end of all living. The minds of men are hot and restless, and they are anxiously inquiring, "Who will show us the fixed, the enduring good for which we pant?"

I have laid down the preceding premises to show the nature, extent and all-importance of the opportunity God has thrust upon us. The exigency is upon us; what will we do with it? In the way of the rapid progress and final triumph of this educational movement are only two obstacles worthy of note. The first is ingratitude to God. This fund was put upon the ground of a thank-offering for the marvelous and signal blessing of the Great Head of the church upon her membership, life and enterprises for the past hundred years. Gratitude will yield itself a willing sacrifice to the object of its benefactions. Ingratitude has no soul, no heart, no sensibilities, no eyes, no ears. It is blind and deaf and dumb in a world of beauty, harmony, and good cheer. Ingratitude is as stolid as a corpse, as unyielding as adamant, and as dark as Erebus. Ingratitude receives all you give, gulps down all it can get, and when it is full, like the horse-leech, it cries, "Yet more."

The second obstacle is a false or incorrect idea of Christian education. We are aware of what we have to meet here. Education, as popularly used, is a vague and indefinite term, with no fixed value. There are almost as many notions as to what education is as there are minds. This is an opportune time when millions of minds are directed to the subject to clear away all false ideas and notions, and give a deeper and better understanding of it.

And, after all, the value of the campaign going on in these great Methodist branches stretching around the world will not be measured by the dollars and cents actually taken for this purpose, but by the rooting up of narrow and false views, and giving of broader, deeper and truer ones. The collection of $1 500 000 from 1,500,000 Southern Methodists would be a breakfast spell if our people could see the contingencies and appreciated Christian education. Some consider education of questionable importance. Some think it a relative good, since it gives pecuniary advantages over the less fortunate members of society. Others measure it entirely by its commercial and business value in accumulating dollars and cents. And still there are others who have been dupes of the better enlightened and more gifted that consider it an unmixed evil. All these are false notions. Education, in its real meaning, comprehends all good. It is the seed of all development and progress in the race.

(To be continued.)

The Influence of Recent International Events on the Church of the Future.

(Read before Pastoral and Theological Institute of Durant district, and requested for publication.)

(Concluded.)

The churches in England and America have not failed to recognize in this a most opportune time for full and fraternal co-operation. Hence there has just been published in England by the "Evangelical Free Churches," "A New Evangelical Catechism," unanimously accepted by the Baptist, Congregationalist, Presbyterian, and Methodist Churches as a platform of religion upon which they can stand in common, and discharge a high and holy service to the world.

Dr. Hoss, in commenting on the catechism, said, "It goes to the very center of the deep things of religion, and marks a real advance in the Christian world."

It emphasizes the points of agreement rather than of difference. Such harmony could not have been effected fifty years ago. In America the fraternal spirit is dominant among the evangelical Protestant Churches. These were very largely represented in July, 1898, at New York, where plans, mutual and co-operative, were agreed upon for the most effectual occupation of the new fields thrown open to these churches by the recent political and military complications and events. "We are co-workers together with God; ye are God's husbandry; ye are God's building." (I. Cor. iii, 9.)

Now, in view of all these facts and conditions, what is the answer to the question?

I reply briefly: One of two results to the Christian church is certain. Either the church, as it is organized to-day, will enlarge her bounds, "lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes," and rise to the sublime height of the glorious task offered her by the divine coincidences, or she will shrink from her mission, and in suicidal shame relegate herself into inglorious, "innocuous desuetude," while our God "will let out his vineyard to husbandmen who will bring forth the fruits thereof."

My judgment favors the former alternative. While not a prophet, nor a son of a prophet, I fancy I see weak hands feeling strengthened, and trembling knees straightening, and a mighty "shaking of the dry bones in the valley." I can foresee "strange fire" avoided, and novel and speculative methods shunned, while the world witnesses again, for the third time in the Christian era, the majestic march of the martyr spirit, the reformer's zeal, and the apostle's enthusiasm and fortitude—marching to victory. This time "not to doubtful disputations" and to unwholesome strife, but shoulder to shoulder, heart to heart, and shield to shield, entering the open doors and pressing onward, led and actuated by divine love, "conquering and to conquer" till the "kingdoms of this world become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ!"

Not long since Dean Farrar was asked if there would ever be a universal religion, and whether all nations and all peoples would eventually worship the same God. He answered: "I have no doubt of it. Christianity will be the only religion of the far future, and we are fast coming toward a universal religion. Have you ever thought how rapidly the Christian religion is growing? Three centuries after Christ, of all the people in the world, only one in every one hundred and fifty was a Christian. Now one-third of the world's population bows down to the Christian's God. Our missionaries to-day are in every part of the globe. In Hindoostan there is a vast number of Christian churches. The Fiji Islands have become Christian, and a great work is now going on in New Zealand and elsewhere. The opening up of the interior of Africa means that Christianity will follow the explorers, and I can see the time coming when a great corps of Christian workers will be pushing the standard of the cross into the most remote corners of the globe."

"Let us, therefore, not judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling-block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way." (Rom. xiv, 13.)

Happy is he who is privileged to live in these awful days, and to take part in these great and dreadful movements. Shall our arm of the service be weak or strong? Shall we dally with time, or shall we rally with faith and love around the blood-stained banner of truth and salvation? There stands the arbitrage of the whole momentous matter! Self-preservation dictates, "Follow into these open doors," and this, by divine grace, we will do, and "To the only wise God, our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen." (Jude 25)

W. L. ANDERSON.

Chester, Miss., March 10, 1899.

PERSONAL REMINISCENCES OF REV. ROBT. B DOWNER.

(Continued)

Some seven miles' travel brought me to Dr. Wroteus' home. During the night a fearful storm of rain flooded the country. At breakfast Dr. Wroten said, "Robert, I am sorry, but a very sick patient forbids my leaving home at this time, and you can't go, either, as Tangipahoa and Amite rivers are booming full, and you can't possibly get to the bridges without swimming." My reply was, "Doctor, I must go." Off I started, and as I inquired of those passing me on the road, it was but to have Dr. W.'s opinion confirmed. On I went into the back-water over unknown dangers, aiming for the bridge, and expecting every moment to fall into swimming water, but, to my agreeable surprise, my horse kept his footing, and while I was somewhat wet, passed Tangipahoa safely. Amite river was more formidable, and not far away. People advised me not to attempt its crossing, but I felt impelled to go forward, and again I was in "perils of the deep," and again passed through safely.

While passing through a swamp bottom free from back-water, I began to rejoice over Satan, and boast that he had failed to turn me back. The thought had scarce passed my mind before I was swept from my horse by a low-hanging tree limb that I had failed to observe. "Well, well." I am in a fix now, prone on the ground. I was somewhat bruised, but, on feeling my bones, consoled none were broken, and I found on trial I could stand up, but to mount my horse was the question. Looking about, I found a tree stump not far away, and, in the saddle once more, I became exceeding humble the rest of my journey.

At Liberty, county seat of Amite county, I found several preachers going my way, and nothing unusual transpired between there and Woodville.

I was now at my journey's end, and felt sure of an honorable release, and in a few days go home relieved of all responsibility. I felt sure that no body of sane men would deem me physically competent for the work of an itinerant preacher; but, strange to say, after calm deliberation, those preachers disappointed me. The new-sainted Wm. Barton looked at the case like I did, and stoutly resisted my admittance, saying it would be but a few years until I was upon the superannuated list. (All this I learned later on.) Well, God's ways are not our ways, and it took forty years' service to put me there.

Natchez, as junior to J. J. Wheat, D. D., initiated me into the itinerant service, and no horse was needed. It would needlessly tire my readers to give a detailed account of my labors in the various circuits and stations committed to my charge. Ready at any Conference session to be told, "Stand aside, you are not needed," I have borrowed no trouble, and did what I could, fully conscious of the many disadvantages for me to overcome. I have accepted any work given me without a murmur. The Conference Minutes will show that I have served works that required consecration, patience, self-sacrifice, and great physical endurance. When, in 1865, the Bishop called, "Covington circuit (La.), Robt. B. Downer," I knew what it called for on my part; but no one ever heard a murmur from my lips on receiving an appointment. I have, in good faith, accepted my appointments as from the hand of the Lord, remembering that I could go nowhere where Christ's promise, "Lo, I am with you always," would not be verified, and where Christ is, is always heaven.

Bro. J. M. Pugh, in parting at Conference, charged me to tell about my mule. "Mack" made the trip possible from near Canton, Miss., to Covington, St. Tammany parish, La. For several years he was a prominent factor in my serving the Lord.

In 1865 my presiding elder was Kenneth A. Jones, and for some unknown cause he allowed me to be presiding elder, as well as preacher in charge, the entire year. I suppose he concluded that the raids of Federals might make him a political prisoner if he ventured into my work that year. The people were impoverished to almost starvation-point. Several times I carried feed from my mother's home, near McComb City, to feed old Mack.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

FOREST DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The Missionary Institute of the Forest District, Mississippi Conference, met in the Methodist Church at Forest, Saturday, April 29, at 8:30 A. M., and closed with the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Monday afternoon, at 5:30.

Bro. T. L. Mellen, our presiding elder, conducted the opening exercises, and presided over all the sessions, directing affairs with a steady hand, and bringing out interesting facts in connection with the various phases of the questions discussed.

Fourteen itinerant—including Bro. B. F. Lewis, of Braudon—and seven local preachers were present, and manifested considerable interest, each one taking part in the discussions as he felt inclined.

Bro. P. H. Howse, pastor of the Neshoba circuit, was detained at home on account of the serious illness of his wife. Only three other itinerants were absent, but twenty local preachers failed to appear. It is to be regretted that so many were absent, for the meeting was a blessing to those who attended.

The papers read gave evidence of careful preparation, and showed that our preachers are keeping posted as to the movements of the church in her efforts to save the heathen, and are in close sympathy with her plans. Highly instructive and interesting papers regarding the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society were furnished by Miss Addie Purnell, president, and Mrs. Clara Harmon Cope, corresponding secretary of the Mississippi Conference W. H. M. Society. Miss Sallie Smylie was present, and read a paper on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, giving many items of interest connected with its work. A fact stated, which should bring a blush of shame to many of our home churches, was the existence of an auxiliary to the Woman's Board in Trinity Church, Shanghai, China, with eighty-five members.

Special prominence was given to the preaching. The sermon by the presiding elder, Sunday, at eleven, on "The Destructive and Constructive Effects of Missions," based on Jeremiah's commission, though more than an hour and a half in length, was heard with unabated interest.

The pulpit was filled at other hours by Bros. J. G. Galloway, D. C. Langford, W. M. Stevens, W. M. Sullivan, B. F. Lewis, and this writer.

Bro. W. P. Donnell, our missionary to the Choctaws, gave a good account of himself and his work.

He is deeply in love with his people, and rejoices over the gracious opportunities he has for doing good. We expect rich results to follow his labors.

The Holy Spirit was present and manifested himself to his people. Those who attended the service on Monday, at eleven o'clock, will not soon forget the sermon by Bro. B. F. Lewis on Acts i, 8, nor the gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the glad hallelujahs and many hearty handshakes.

A wave of revival power will, doubtless, sweep over our district as a result of our Institute.

Forest entertained royally, and has the gratitude of those who shared her hospitality.

W. L. LINFIELD, Sec'y.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

At the Missionary Institute of the Brookhaven district Rev. R. Selby delivered an address on "Our Obligations to Give the Gospel to the Heathen." The following synopsis of the address was prepared by the secretary, Rev. J. D. Ellis:

1. It is plain to the mind of every thoughtful student of the situation that the church is under orders from Christ for the dissemination of the gospel. This is the key-note of the church's divine character and progress, and without it we lose the highest mark of its superiority. We study all the characteristics that belong to it, and we note that its fundamental basis is that it gives impetus to the spread of the gospel. This is not merely an assumed relation, but a duty imposed by virtue of our existence as a church. As such we can not shirk it if we would, and at the same time maintain our heritage as the people of God. The divinest mission of the church is in the prosecution of the work definitely marked out by the Master. There may have been some misconceptions with the disciples, but none with us. It has been said, and truthfully, too, that the church which does not accept its obligation from a missionary point of view is not Christian, and this applies to the individual. The command is absolute and irrevocable, and the progress of Christianity is in proportion as we comply with God's plan as indicated.

2. As the command is not limited as to the obligation of the church, so there is no limitation with respect to nations. The sway of the gospel in its mighty sweep is universal, and we can not justify ourselves in proscribing our operations. The appreciation of each local church upon this vital question is limited to their intelligence of the same. There are few in sympathy with the plans of the church in penetrating the darkest places of earth, and because they do not know. The heart on fire with the love of God does not stop to question plans. The sacrifice required in carrying the gospel is of small moment compared with its necessity. Its achievements have been miraculous with limited resources, but when we view our possibilities its neglect is alarming.

3. The obligation of the church rests upon the fact that this is God's plan for saving the world, and our own spiritual life hinges upon working in harmony with it. You may ignore it, but this is God's method. We have reached a crisis in this sublime work, and it rests with the church to turn the tide in favor of the salvation of the heathen. We hear notes of triumph from every mission field. This should be an inspiration to greater effort. Let us go forward.

The danger of the church to-day is from "society." The savage beasts of the arena may not be ready to leap from their dens upon the loyal followers of Jesus Christ, who would meet death rather than deny their Master, but the scorn, the hiss, the social "cut," are the means sometimes now employed by the same tempting and malicious spirit of the world to compel Christians to surrender their principles and convictions at the demand of the prince of the power of the air. Let us stand by our principles. Let us follow conscience, and not fashion; Christ, and not the world.—J. H. Vincent, LL D.

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DO PROTESTANT MISSIONS ENCOURAGE GOOD CITIZENSHIP?

BY MISS GENEVIEVE COCHRAN, MERIDIAN.

(Concluded.)

The Hawaiian Islands, with their ideal situation, beauty and productiveness, are now ours. That the stars and stripes wave over fruitful fields, pleasant dwellings, schools and churches, is due, under Providence, exclusively to the Christian zeal, fortitude and devotion of those early missionaries who staked all that life held for them in that remarkable venture which, resulting in the reconstruction of an entire people, will always remain one of the loftiest tributes to New England zeal and Christian endeavor.

Dr. Paton, the Saint John of the New Hebrides, labored with his colleagues in a hostile territory, speaking different dialects, and rightly has the interest of the world been given to his apostolic story.

The Fijis are the paradise of the Pacific, for the reason that English Wesleyans were willing to dwell by cannibal ovens, that they might hold up, in the midst of demoniacal orgies, the banner of the cross.

India has presented, perhaps, the most formidable barriers ever encountered in any mission field. The subtlety and acumen of Brahmanic priesthood, its power over ignorant masses, the rigid restraints of caste—in itself a wall of ice, mountain high against the approach of the gospel—a system of frigid immobility which, like a vast polar zone of frost, locks in eternal winter the whole society it engirdles; the long sway of that purest and best of oriental religions, notwithstanding its practical corruptions—these are some of the obstacles Christian missions have to meet. And yet, withal, the gospel is slowly raising these walls, undermining these strongholds, and melting these ice-coastles like the resistless Summer sun.

The spiritual phenomenon which follows Protestant mission work in the kingdoms of earth has a most beautiful and suggestive figure in that physical phenomenon which Pierson, quoting from Tyndall, has wrought into an exquisite illustration.

"In the process of crystallization the particles, like disciplined squadrons under a governing eye, arrange themselves into battalions, gather around distinct centres, and, forming themselves into solid masses, assume, after a time, the visible shape of a crystal. Such, in a far more transcendant way, is the conversion of a heathen community into a well-ordered and organized Christian State. A secret, unseen, mysterious power, which none can describe or can define, is at work. Around the name of Christ the disorderly and confused elements of moral chaos arrange themselves in symmetry and beauty, and society become crystalline, reflects the glory of God."

We are pleased to see such enthusiasm and earnest work as manifested by some of our district secretaries, for upon them depends very largely the success of the work.

In a lengthy, kind letter from Mrs. Scott Phillips, district secretary Vicksburg district, she expressed great regret that the time of holding the district meeting at Port Gibson had to be changed to the first Saturday and Sabbath in May. She wrote: "Our missionary society will be entertained with a reception at the home of one of our best loved members this afternoon.

"We are steadily increasing in numbers and interest, and will have a fine report to make at our meeting in June. Our wide-awake little president, Mrs. A. F. Watkins, believes that 'Well begun is but half done.' With her valued help, and that of Miss Olive Watkins, she does not wonder that 'matters missionary are looming up in Crawford Street Church.'"

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PROGRAM

For the next Preachers' Meeting of the northern part of the Greenville district, to be held at Jonestown, Miss., on Monday after the first Sunday in June:

Sermon at 8 P. M. by G. W. Strickland.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Meeting opens at 9 A. M. Religious services, with experience meeting, for one-half hour, conducted by W. L. Graves.

Ques 1. What Ought a Preacher to Read, and How Ought He to Read?—Led by J. T. Murrah. General discussion, closed with a sermon by J. M. Meese.

EVENING SESSION.

Meeting opens at 2:30 P. M. Religious exercises conducted by W. McN. Campbell.

Ques. —. The Place of Prayer in God's Spiritual and Moral Economy; and Does God Always Answer Prayer?—Led by W. McN. Campbell.

At 3:30 P. M. an address by W. L. Graves on any subject he desires.

At 4:30 P. M. an Epworth League address by Q. A. Oats.

Sermon at 8 P. M. by J. E. Cunningham. W. McN. CAMPBELL, Sec.

BRO. UPTON'S QUESTION.

MR. EDITOR: The silence of the "beloved" who promised an article on Bro. Upton's question prompts the writer to express his opinion.

1. I do not know that assessing per cent. is strictly legal, but it is, in my judgment, better all around, for it equalizes the assessment for the presiding elder. (I perceive that the root of the matter is the salary of the presiding elder.)

2. It is the pro rata that is in need of "doctoring." Whether the presiding elder is assessed a per cent. or a direct salary, the law of pro rata division is the same; so, where is the difference? Personally, I had rather settle on the per cent. basis. I then have the satisfaction of knowing that all the brethren in the district are settling in the same way. When the presiding elder is allowed a per cent., there is uniformity; when allowed a salary, differences sometimes of at least 5 and 6 per cent. is discovered. If the pay of the presiding elder is short in the end, the preacher in charge has, perhaps, $15 or $20 to pay to balance up the salaries. By all means, let the district stewards adopt the per cent. plan.

3. I hope the "beloveds" will take no offense if I pay my respects to the pro rata division of receipts. After all, here is the trouble. I am serving my fourteenth year in the Conference, and at the end of each of these years, save the first two, I have had to settle and pay over a balance due the presiding elder. One presiding elder exacted his at the end of each quarter. One year I paid the "beloved" over and above his four collections $70; the next year, $65. In these years I received (i. e., the amount "left for the preacher in charge," as Bro. Kent says) $500, and $410 for the two years. The salary of the "beloved" was in the neighborhood of $2,000 for each year. Please understand me. I believe our presiding elders should be well paid. They are not overpaid. But when the presiding elder has had four "fair and square" chances, and fails to get his money, he should have conscience and mercy sufficient to let the poor preacher in charge off. If I run behind my presiding elder, he is welcome to his excess. The prospect just now in this place is that the presiding elder will run ahead of the preacher in charge. Praise the Lord! I generally pay the presiding elder $1 a quarter anyway, and he is welcome to all the rest I can collect for him.

4. One other thing, and I shall be through. I have never noticed a presiding elder giving anything to the Lord's cause. Certainly not on my works. I think our "beloveds" should strive to stimulate giving by personal example. How nice it would be to be able to say to the people: "Brethren, the presiding elder handed me $10 (or $5) for the Conference collections. Now, he gives all over the district; how many will give ten times this amount, five times, or even one time this sum?" Why, don't you see the Conference collections would run over!

Mr. Editor, the above is my opinion. I honestly think there is room for reform along some lines.

Yours truly, H. S. JOHNS.
Montgomery, La.

PRAYER.

Without claiming to be a theologian, or pretending to settle any of those questions about which doctors disagree, this writer would respectfully offer a few suggestions in reply to Bro. Johns' article, "A New Departure."

When one of his disciples said to the Master, "Lord, teach us how to pray," he received the reply, "When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven," and from that day the beautiful prayer has been ascending to heaven from every form of conscious and unconscious human need; from the child at the mother's knee, from the baptismal font, from the marriage service, from the family altar, from the death bed of saint and sinner, and from worshiping congregations the world over. But that the Master meant to prescribe this as the only model, or to limit prayer to the first Person of the Trinity, seems scarcely borne out by the Scriptures.

We read of the rules of the synagogue that, "when he saw him, he fell at his feet, and besought him greatly;" of the centurion, that he "came beseeching him;" and when, in that climax of belief, he cried, "Speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed, for I am a man in authority" (that is, know what authority implied, and recognized the Savior's power), we find not only the fullness of faith, but the perfection of prayer. Of the Syrophonician woman we are told that she came "worshiping him;" of Stephen, that he looked up to heaven, and cried, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

All these are examples to us, whatever the thief on the cross may have been, and all received the things for which they prayed, and that without rebuke or instruction.

As to the difference between request and prayer, this depends upon the conditions under which the request is preferred, and the spirit in which it is offered. Paul seemed to find no incompatibility in the terms when he wrote to the Philippians, "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God." That Christ is God, we know; that the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity, we know; therefore, in worshiping either, we are justified.

To ask of the Father in the name of the Son is our exalted privilege. "If ye shall ask anything of the Father in my name, I will do it," and, "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

Note here that the Master does not say, "Ask for my sake," but, "in my name." He leaves us what merchants call a "per pro," or lawyers style a "power of attorney," conditioned only on, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

FANNIE MINOR MONTGOMERY.

AN EXAMPLE FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Some weeks ago we were invited to attend the exercises celebrating the anniversary of the Rosdale Temperance Band, at Rosdale School, in the Seventh Ward of East Baton Rouge parish, La.

Mrs. Rosalie Hillman, for many years a resident of this community, has for a long time been teacher of the school. Her extraordinary ability as teacher has won the confidence of the people and the hearts of all the children.

The liquor business has long been a fearful curse to this parish. With an open saloon for every street in Baton Rouge, and a grog-shop for nearly every public thoroughfare in the country, the work of death has gone on unrestrained.

A year ago Mrs. Hillman, touched with the influence of strong drink on the young life, organized the Rosdale Temperance Band, solely for the children of her school. About twenty of the children signed the pledge for a year. The fact that some, although very few, broke the pledge is convincing proof of the great necessity of the work. It would, however, be hard to find a firmer or more zealous little temperance band.

At this anniversary the object was to have the children renew their pledge, and also to get other signers who wished to join. The school-house was very nicely fixed with stage, curtains, decorations, etc., and the programme was excellent. The recitations, songs, dialogues and tableaux would have done credit to any city school of like size. Through the whole you could discern the temperance sentiment.

At the close Miss Mable Hillman, Mrs. Hillman's only daughter—a young lady of excellent ability, endowed with many of the attributes of her gifted mother—delivered a thoughtful and earnest address striking directly at the need of the temperance work, and it was delivered in such a manner that every word was carried straight to the hearts present.

After this opportunity was given those who wished to renew their pledge to come to the front and put their names on the roll. Nearly all the old signers renewed, and about twenty-five new ones were obtained.

We are thankful for the noble company of women who are ably and willing to do much for Christ's cause.

After all the agitation for legislation against the liquor business, unless temperance principles are wrought in our coming generation, our foundation is weak and our laws will not avail.

I would that many school teachers of our State would follow this example, and help protect our children from this deadly foe. M. F. JOHNSON.

"CALL NO MAN YOUR FATHER UPON THE EARTH."

Matt xxiii, 9.

All who have been associated with Catholics know that they call their priests "fathers." This practice is contrary to the instruction of our blessed Savior, who has said, "Call no man your father upon the earth." We are not to understand by this instruction that we are not to call our parent father, or the man who brought us to Christ; neither does it prohibit us from calling persons of great length of years or experience in the divine life fathers, or those who were the first to follow our blessed Savior; but it does forbid us calling Catholic priests fathers (of course, not only us, but Catholics, too.)

It is mortifying enough to hear a Catholic call a priest father, but much more so when Protestants call them fathers; and when our religious papers call them fathers, our mortification boils into a holy indignation. The very thought of religious newspapers, that are intended to guard the people against wrong practices and errors of every species, dignifying a Catholic priest by calling him father! The glaring inconsistency of all such papers appears unmistakably when we remember that they denounce Catholicism and its priests as the very embodiment of evil, and then turn right around and dignify the priests by calling them fathers. As little as some of them may have thought or intended to call a Catholic priest father, it is an endorsement of his life and office. May God help us who are to save the world to be consistent in right things!

Every preacher, not only in our church, but in every Protestant Church, should show Protestants the folly and sinfulness of such a practice. Do not call Catholic priests "fathers," for Christ has forbidden it, and he has forbidden it because it is wrong.

ISAAC L. PEEBLES.

McComb City, Miss.

To praise the good deeds of others is one of the best of good deeds.—Selected.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. J. N. Tucker: "Tuesday night, after the third Sunday in April, we closed a meeting of five days at this place. Rev. W. B. Lewis, of Yazoo City, did the preaching, which fully met and even surpassed the expectation of the people. The Baptists, Presbyterians, and sinners, as well as the Methodists, sat with attentive ears and yearning hearts to catch his words as they fell from his lips. While his sermons were varied in their subject-matter, he made prominent, by special sermon and frequent reference thereto, the crowning work of redemption—the entire sanctification of the soul by the renewal of the Holy Ghost. Quite a number were brought under conviction, one professed to be regenerated, and two applied for membership, and the church somewhat aroused. Later: We have organized a prayer meeting, which, so far, has been attended almost solely by our young people, who, after all, are the hope of our church. Let all the readers of the ADVOCATE pray for a great revival of religion on Raleigh circuit this year. I have lately made an appointment in a very much-neglected community. The people turn out in scores—more than a hundred last Sunday—and seem ripe for the harvest now. I expect to be able to organize a Sunday-school there next month, and a church later on, God helping me."

A daring balloonist sometimes tumbles nearly two hundred feet through the air hanging on to a parachute until it opens. "O! well," he says, "It usually opens in time." Sometimes it doesn't open and he is doomed. This seems foolhardy but no more so than the sick man who says, "O, I guess I'll get well all right!"

Disease is no guessing matter. If it isn't stopped it keeps on getting worse. Many a man begins with dyspepsia or "liver complaint," and gradually loses strength and vitality until before he knows it his lungs are attacked and he finds himself in consumption. The parachute doesn't open.

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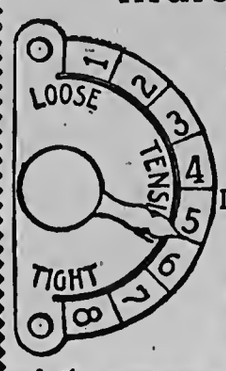

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THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1899.

PUSH THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

The Sunday-school has been fitly styled the nursery of the church, and the more its benefits are observed, the more appropriate seems the characterization. A live Sunday-school nearly always means a live, growing church. The two have a vital relation to each other. There was a time in the history of the church when the religious instruction of the young was sadly neglected, but happily that day is past. While not abating their efforts for the conversion of adults, Christian workers of all denominations are giving larger prominence and greater attention to the religious training of childhood and youth. The Christian world is at last waking up to the supreme folly of allowing the human twig to become bent and dwarfed by vice and sin, and then of attempting to remedy an evil that should have been prevented.

The Sunday-school has proved itself one of our most efficient agencies for giving the right inclination and nurture to the young sprout of humanity. In many communities, however, its power for good is but half utilized; its measureless benefits are but feebly appreciated. The strengthening of this force means the strengthening of the church and the fortifying of Christianity. There is no question of the fact that the church that looks after the young, especially through the medium of the Sunday-school, is destined to be the most influential in the future.

While there are few in this land who do not believe in Sunday-schools, their value is often greatly discounted by those who ought to know better. Because the Sunday-school has to do with the little folks, and not infrequently with small beginnings, many professed Christians ignorantly suppose that this work amounts to little, and hence neither encourage it with their presence or their prayers. The influence exercised by even a small Sunday-school is incalculable. It is related that through the faithful and persevering efforts of three persons who, about seven years ago, started a Sunday-school with only thirteen members in a God-forsaken community in New England, a remarkable transformation in morals has been effected. At the time the school was begun intemperance, Sabbath desecration, and a horde of accompanying evils flourished. Sunday dances were held, at which shameful scenes were enacted, fighting and drunkenness being common on such occasions. Now all this is changed. The evils once rampant there have well-nigh vanished. The hall formerly used for Sabbath dances has become a store-house for farming utensils. Nearly all the children in the community now attend Sunday-school, several of the young people have become Christians, and the moral tone of the place is pure and wholesome. So much for the benefits of a single live Sunday-school.

How to make our Sunday-schools more effective and interesting is a problem that demands serious and constant consideration at the hands of pastors, teachers, and parents. Many a school is in a languishing condition simply because little or nothing is done to make its work attractive. There is no variety, no enthusiasm, no progress in the use of new methods and appliances. We are confident that a large proportion of our Sunday-schools are unsupplied with maps, charts, blackboards, etc., for illustrating and enforcing the lessons, which ought to have all the light possible thrown upon them, so that the children can not help but understand and be impressed. A small investment in this direction would yield a splendid return in the way of quickened interest and clearer knowledge.

It is a great pity, too, that comparatively few of our Sunday-schools are properly equipped with libraries; yet these are now so cheap as to be within the reach of all, and would help immensely to interest and stimulate the pupils. Pastors and superintendents should see to it that the splendid helps and appliances now available for Sunday-school work be employed as far as practicable. The slip-shod methods that characterize the running of many Sunday-schools are a shame to the church and a grievous hindrance to her progress. A flourishing Sunday-school was never the result of indolent, hap-hazard effort.

In some schools the principal attraction is the music, and a powerful one it is when wisely employed. The children should, by all means, be encouraged to sing. To let the grown people do the most of the singing is a fatal mistake.

Sunday-school teachers can not realize too strongly the importance of leading their pupils to a personal application of the truths taught them. There is far too much of perfunctory teaching, which neither impresses the children with their need of a Savior, nor inculcates reverence for spiritual things. It is not enough to tell the young the facts and truths of the Bible, to narrate the story of Jesus and his love. There should also be, on the part of every teacher, a heartfelt interest in the spiritual welfare of every pupil in his or her care—such that prayer and effort go forth to this end. The Sunday-school teacher must be pious as well as intelligent, else the young will get nothing but husks.

How wonderfully attendance upon the Sunday-school would improve if parents but half performed their duty in sending or bringing their children thereto! But getting them to appreciate its advantages—ay, there's the rub. Is not such indifference startling in the extreme when we consider that nowhere else, save in the house of God under the preaching of the Word, can be found such a combination of holy influences, such wholesome companionships, such innocent pleasures, such gracious privileges as the Sunday-school affords? Who can predict evil for the boy or girl who loves the Sabbath-school, and whose life is moulded by its teachings? What an encouraging fact it is that at least one sixth of our population are studying the Bible in connection with the Sunday-school! Let the work be pushed everywhere, for in proportion as the children are instructed in the truths of the Bible will the kingdom of God be advanced, and the church be built up. Our church can not afford anywhere to neglect the young. Let the absentees be hunted up, newcomers be cordially welcomed, and every laudable means be employed to make the Sunday-school an enthusiastic and helpful organization. Zeal and knowledge can hardly be utilized in a worthier cause than this.

ADDRESS.

To the Preachers and Members of the M. E. Church, South:

Your chief pastors call you to the observance of a Week of Prayer, beginning Sunday, June 25, and including Sunday, July 2; Friday to be kept as a fast-day.

The nineteenth century is far spent, the twentieth is at hand. The time summons us to serious thought. A hundred years pass before us for review. We are confronted with the problem what preparation we should make to meet the responsibilities and opportunities of the new century. We should close well the passing, that we may begin well the coming age.

CONFESSION AND GODLY SORROW.

The General Minutes of the past year show a decrease of preachers and members, 8,633, and of Sunday-school scholars, 14,939; a decrease also in ministerial support and in benevolent contributions, except for domestic missions and church extension. Falling off in membership is a new thing to us. It was preceded by a lessened rate of increase for a few years. Any check to our steady and rapid advance demands candid and earnest consideration. May it be the occasion, not of censoriousness and prophecies of evil, but of self-searching and repentance to salvation! Let us humble ourselves before God, that his mighty hand may exalt us. Shortcomings and losses should teach us wisdom, and stir us up to vigilance, zeal, and diligence.

THANKSGIVING AND REJOICING.

Partial and temporary checks should not interrupt grateful praise for the ceaseless and overflowing mercies of God and joyful acknowledgment of the wonderful progress of the church since 1800. He crowneth the century with his goodness. The love of God makes the conscience more acute and the heart more tender, deepens abhorrence of sin, intensifies desire to please him in all things, and incites to glad, energetic, tireless obedience and service. To us belongs, through grace, not doubt, but full assurance of faith; not the spirit of bondage, but the spirit of adoption; not despondency, but the inspiration of hope in the God of hope; not the torment of fear, but the triumph of love which casts out fear. Behold what great things our God has wrought for and by us, and bless and magnify his name. In the name of our God we will set up our banners. The joy of the Lord is our strength. He gives us beauty for ashes, a garment of praise for heaviness. Hallelujahs fill our lips. Joy, hope and courage are the dominant and abiding marks of his people. They march on from strength to strength, from height to height, from victory to victory. Let them that love the Lord be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might.

THE BRIGHTEST OF CENTURIES.

The nineteenth is the best century the world has ever seen, and the present generation enjoy the best part of the century. We do not shut our eyes to existing evil, nor exaggerate existing good, in declaring the present state of the earth a vast advance on all her past history in wealth, knowledge, power, culture, morals, humanity, and true religion. The darkness of the darkest spot is not so dense as it was a hundred years ago. If the day-spring from on high has not yet visited it, there are, at least, signs that the light approaches. The most favored spot is happier to-day than ever before. Christendom is in advance of the rest of the world, but is fast carrying the spirit and means of progress into heathendom. Christian nations have entered all lands with their commerce, railways, schools, literature and missions. Nearly every church is aggressive, missionary, confident of conquering the world for Christ.

OUR SHARE IN THE BLESSING.

This new world is professedly Christian from ocean to ocean and from pole to pole. The whole hemisphere acknowledges the only true God and his Son, Jesus Christ. No country has greater cause for gratitude than these United States. Its population has multiplied during the century from five to sixty millions. Its western border has moved from the Mississippi to the Pacific. Its wealth is said to surpass that of any other country. It ranks among the foremost powers of the world. May we be as eminent in virtue, piety and good works as we are in privileges!

No form of Christianity has prospered more than Methodism. In this Western soil it has specially flourished. The Minutes of 1800 report its total strength in America, from Georgia to Upper Canada, "white and colored members, 64,394." The Methodists of every name in the United States now exceed six millions.

Our own church has been greatly blessed since its separate organization. In 1846 she had 455,217 members; in 1860, 749,068. In 1866 there were 425,404 white members; now there are 1,458,259. From both counts preachers are excluded.

These numbers are significant. They suggest, but do not express, the magnitude of our blessings. We can not call one by one the roll, and listen as each tells the story of his own experience of grace. We can not follow each minister in his evangelical labors, enter all the happy homes of our people, mingle in the worship of every church, look upon the many myriads of scholars in the Sunday-schools. Heaven, too, has drawn largely from our communion during the century. They are praising God in nobler strains above.

WELCOME TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

With eager desire and hope we anticipate the advent of the next century. Brighter be its hundred sections of world-history than the records of all preceding times. The new century will have its own needs, burdens, dangers. Ours is the responsibility, as far as we may, to lessen its inheritance of woe, and to supply it with resources for the accomplishment of a grand work to the glory of God and the welfare of our race. Generations to follow should have cause to exclaim, Thank God for the church of the nineteenth century! Let us prepare the way of the Lord among the nations.

Brethren, we ought to equip our own beloved church for larger and better work. We should hand down to our sons and daughters a heritage not only vaster in extent, but also richer in quality, than we received from our fathers. As the result of evangelical growth and maturing for so many years, the Christianity we transmit should be purer, wiser, more lustrous, stronger in faith, more fervent in zeal, richer in the graces of the Holy Spirit, better furnished for every good work, than the Christianity of 1801. Knowing the time, it is high time to wake out of sleep, to put on strength and beauty, to be a mightier and holier factor in the civilization and regeneration of our country and of our world. A million and a half of lights, holding forth the word of life, should cause a brilliant and far-reaching illumination. A million of Christian citizens, leaving out all minors, should be a felt power for good in all our land. What may not be achieved by the right use of so large a capital as the sanctified brain and heart and muscle and property of a million and a half of Southern Methodists? We say that we are the Lord's; that all we are and have belongs to him; that the end of life is to glorify God in our bodies and souls. Let us mean and live what we profess.

Preachers and pastors, stir up the gift of God that is in you; stir up the church of which you are leaders; be examples, teachers, evangelists, flaming torches; by your faith and zeal rebuke the sluggish and encourage the timid. Laymen, fill the houses of worship, teach or learn in the Sunday-schools, help in the Epworth Leagues, set up the family altar, consecrate your children in baptism, bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and send them to our institutions of learning; commend religion by your spirit, speech, and behavior; give your personal influence and help to every good cause. Sisters, be zealous and unflagging in your Home and Foreign Mission Societies, and in all good works. Backsliders, return, and God will heal all your iniquity; lukewarm professors, pray that fire from heaven may kindle your love; half-hearted believers, make a full consecration, and seek a full blessing. Save sinners singly, for there is joy in heaven over one sinner that repents; save them in multitudes, as at Pentecost. Let these closing years witness peace, unity, holiness, and active, hopeful enthusiasm in all our connection, an auspicious augury at the dawn of the new century.

A THANK-OFFERING.

No church, no disciple, can be complete without the grace of giving. Gifts must speak our gratitude. Thank-offerings should bear proportion to benefits received. God has great claims on the church he has so richly blessed and increased. He loves a cheerful giver; therefore, give without grudging; not of necessity, but of choice; not sadly, but with a glad heart; not with hesitation, but of a ready mind. Give from a sense of duty until you learn the blessedness of giving, and to give spontaneously as the spring sends forth its waters. He that sows bountifully shall reap bountifully. God is bountiful, and you are the children of God. Convert your corruptible treasures into incorruptible. Glorify God with your means, and he will count himself your debtor. Everything given for the love of God is a loan which he will repay without fail and with largest interest.

The pressing need of the day, says the General Conference, is to free from debt, improve and endow our institutions of learning. The church can not succeed without schools at home and in foreign fields. Education should be the handmaid of religion; it may be the foe. Culture should not be infidel, nor heretical, nor worldly, but sound, spiritual, divine. Let us see that Methodism shall offer to both sexes schools unsurpassed in mental training and wholesome influence. We want an educated ministry and an educated laity. Our schools have been of inestimable service, though clogged and restricted by debt and poverty; poor, yet making many rich. The present numbers and aggregate wealth of our church suffice to secure adequate relief and enlargement. Within the eighteen months which remain to this century a million and a half dollars, or more, should be placed in our treasury—the free-will offering of a devout and grateful people. This can, and should, be done without diminishing the annual collections. It is a contribution to the twentieth century, that we may be partners in a greater work for God and humanity than our age has wrought. Let no one stand in the way, or fail to do his part, and get his share of blessing. Speak no word of discouragement, nor keep silent, but let each man cheer his neighbor. As God has prospered you, so give. The millionaire should give his draft for myriads of dollars. He will if he has more faith and delight in God than he has in mammon. If it hurts to part with his money for the love of Christ, the pain is a sign of spiritual sickness, and he should seek at once the Good Physician. Rich men whose estate falls far below a million should give each his thousands. Men of competence should give each his hundred, or, perhaps, hundreds, equaling by their larger number the wealthier class. Fifties, twenties, tens and fives should pour into the lap of the happy church from her many loving children. Poverty, rich in faith, though not in gold, should give dollars or dimes. The smiling child should totter forward with his nickel. Let all give with one accord, as an expression of gratitude and consecration, as children of the same Father, and heirs of the same kingdom. "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye, through his poverty, might be rich."

"Now He that ministereth seed to the sower, both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness."

J. C. GRANBERY,
In Behalf of the College of Bishops.

Life is a building. It rises slowly, day by day, through the years. Every new lesson we learn lays a block on the edifice which is rising silently within us. Every experience, every touch of another life on ours, every influence that impresses us, every book we read, every conversation we have, every act of our commonest days, adds something to the invisible building.—J. R. Miller.

NOTES.

Rev. J. F. Scurlock has gone to Dongola, Ill., to spend the Summer.

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Rev. E. N. Evans took an outing last week on the coast of Mississippi.

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Mrs. W. H. LaPrade is in Nashville attending the meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.

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Rev. J. E. Denson spent last week in Abbeville, La., assisting the pastor, Rev. J. B. Cassity, in a meeting.

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Samuel Cupples, of St. Louis, has donated to Vanderbilt University a sum sufficient to endow a chair of Practical Theology.

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The Board of Trustees of Grenada Female College will meet soon to elect a president in place of Rev. J. W. Malone, resigned.

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Mrs. E. Nicholson, of Nashville, has given fifteen thousand dollars to endow a chair of Applied Christianity in Vanderbilt University.

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Mrs. H. P. Gibbs has brought suit for $25,000 damages against the two men who assaulted her husband. This we learn not from the great dailies (they have not yet heard of the assault upon Gibbs), but from papers published in Mississippi.

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We invite special attention to the notice of the Seashore Camp Meeting. Our readers will also find in this issue several notices of cottages on the grounds for rent or sale.

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Bro. and Sister Witt, of the Mississippi Conference, are sorely bereaved in the death of their infant son, a little over a year old. They have our warmest sympathies in their deep sorrow.

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The petition for a local-option election in Hinds county, Miss., failed for lack of the requisite number of signatures. More than 900 names were stricken from the petition as illegal. Umph!

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Rev. T. J. Martin writes that Rev. C. F. Staples is recovering from his attack of measles. The sick members of his family are doing well, with the exception of one of his children, who is quite ill.

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Several pastors have recently ordered a number of copies of "The Gospel of Giving" for gratuitous distribution among their parishioners. Rev. J. M. Huggin, of the North Mississippi Conference, took 200 copies.

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Rev. W. M. Williams, of the Mississippi Conference, organized an Epworth League a month ago. It now has a membership of forty-five. Its literary department is in successful operation. Our brother is to be congratulated.

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Writing from Natchez, under date of May 17, Rev. R. D. Norsworthy says: "Rev. H. D. Howell, pastor of Wesley Chapel, this city, accidentally fell and broke his right arm, last Saturday evening. He is doing well, and will soon be at his post again." We hope our brother will very soon recover.

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A movement is on foot to hold an Interstate Epworth League Institute at the Seashore Camp Ground, commencing Aug. 15, and lasting ten days. Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama will be the States represented. An excellent programme will be arranged, and a large attendance is anticipated.

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On the eighteenth, at Carondelet Street Church, we had the honor of celebrating the rites of matrimony between Louis E. Black, of Sligo, Pa., and Miss Jennie C. Fought, of Newark, West Va. We extend to the handsome young pair hearty congratulations and wish them unalloyed felicity through life.

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Rev. B. F. Phillips, of the North Mississippi Conference, died at Ocean Springs on the seventeenth, having gone there for his health about a week previous. As previously stated in our columns, he had been in bad health several months. He was a most excellent man, a good preacher and a diligent, faithful and successful pastor. His death will be mourned by a large circle of friends.

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Rev. R. N. Sledd, of the Virginia Conference, died at Atlanta last week. On his way home from the Board meetings at Nashville he was taken sick, and could get no further than Atlanta. He was one of the leaders of his Conference. At the General Conference of 1890 at St. Louis he lacked only a few votes of being elected Bishop.

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H. H. Ahrens, of the Passenger Department of the Southern Pacific Company, accompanied Hon. James Wilson, of President McKinley's Cabinet, as far as Houston, Tex., while on his Southern trip. Bro. Ahrens reports that the Secretary is a Christian gentleman, and was much pleased to meet so many of the members of the Louisiana Conference en route.

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Rev. W. S. Shipman, P. E., held a most successful Quarterly Conference at Enon last Saturday and Sunday. As many as 250 people attended each day of the meeting. It is pronounced one of the most pleasant and profitable meetings held this year. Rev. Mr. Sullivan is in fine favor with his people, and is doing a fine work. On Sunday night Mr. Shipman preached in Carrollton to a large congregation. The sermon gave great satisfaction, as did Mr. Shipman's presidency over the District Conference, which we reported last week.—Carrollton (Miss.) Conservative.

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The Epworth Era, dated May 11, was issued as the "International Conference number." Those expecting to visit Indianapolis in July will do well to examine carefully as to the information given anent the coming Conference.

Indianapolis, like Toronto, is denominated a convention city. It has a population of about two hundred thousand, composed largely of Methodists and Presbyterians. The present United States senators from Indiana are members of one of the prominent Methodist Churches in Indianapolis.

It is stated that nearly every great commercial house has a prominent Methodist connected with it. The newly-elected president of the street railway company is a member of the Roberts Park Methodist Church.

Those who have charge of affairs confidently count on a larger attendance than at either of the international gatherings previously held. The railroads are offering special inducements, and accommodations for board, etc., are being arranged by a competent committee.

Those expecting to attend should write at once to L. F. Lewis, the Denison Hotel, Indianapolis. It is important that you write at once; then there will be no difficulty in securing a desirable home. The rates in private homes will not exceed one dollar per day.

A letter recently received from Rev. Henry G. Hawkins, of Madison, Miss., brings cheering news concerning League work in the bounds of his charge. Following we quote several passages:

"Since Conference there have been organized and chartered on the Madison circuit three Epworth Leagues—one at Madison Station, with Miss Helen Stewart as president, and Mrs. Hugh C. Montgomery as secretary; one at Madisonville, with Miss Nettie Ogden as president, and Mrs. John Sandidge as secretary; the third at Pocahontas, with Mr. David Conghlin, president, and Miss Jeanie Dewees, secretary."

"The devotional department of each meets every Sunday afternoon, and some work is being done at all three of the places in the other two departments. At Madison Station 'Dawn on the Hills of T'ang' is being studied by about half the members, and will soon be finished."

"It is our intention to have representation at West Point in June. We are planning to have Dr. H. W. Featherstun, of the Brookhaven district, to visit us soon and deliver his address on 'The Epworth League Idea: How to Work It.'"

CAMP MEETING AT DENHAM SPRINGS.

MR. EDITOR: Ninety-four years ago a Mr. Alexandria Hogue, of Scottish descent, and a native of Georgia, came to Livingston parish, La., and settled at a place now known as Denham Springs. This place derived its name from the son-in-law of Mr. Hogue, Mr. Wm. Denham, who owned the property from 1827 to 1855, when he sold it to two Swedes residing then at New Orleans. These two gentlemen, Messrs. Covos and Negro forte, made considerable improvement, fitting it up for a health resort. For awhile it was a famous watering-place, but was destroyed during the Civil War. Old soldiers of this section have a distinct recollection of the Springs, and how they used to "drill" in the beautiful hotel erected there in the days of long ago.

Denham Springs is a thriving little town twelve or thirteen miles east of Baton Rouge, just on the east bank of the beautiful Amite river. Having a daily mail from Baton Rouge and other points, and enjoying the blessings of superior educational advantages, being the home of several professional men and the center of this section for business, with a high-toned weekly paper published, our people are abreast with the spirit of our times.

The water of these springs, by analysis, contains iron, sulphur, magnesia, potassium, and other mineral substances.

A recent writer to the Denham Springs News says: "An Indian maiden once composed a song, and sung to the health-water dancing at her feet, because the water had healed her lover. In those days numbers of Indians would camp at the springs every Summer, I suppose, for their health, and in the Fall of the year would leave."

Besides these mineral Springs, this is a healthful locality, noted for its beautiful woodland scenery, having all the natural advantages possible to make it a desirable place for a Summer home.

It seems that nature hath provided everything to make this a desirable place for a Methodist camp meeting. We are now moving on with this religious enterprise. Land has been purchased. The grounds have been selected, surveyed, and cleared. The posts and other building material are on the grounds, and the contract for building tabernacle has been let. A Board of Trustees was appointed at our recent Quarterly Conference, to whom titles will be made in the name of the M. E. Church, South. Already the people are looking into the matter of building tents, etc. The time for holding meeting will, perhaps, be the fourth Sunday in July. All ministers will be entertained and provided with transportations from and to the railroad. Let those who expect to attend notify us at once. Brethren, come filled with the Holy Ghost. This will be the place for earnest work. We are expecting a glorious time. There is a future for Methodism at Denham Springs. All the preachers of the Baton Rouge district are expected to be on hand. Doctor, you are most cordially invited to attend.

Yours in Christ,
J. M. ALFORD, Pastor.

Magnolia, La., May 16, 1899.

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CHURCH EXTENSION.

It is due the church that at this time special attention should be directed to the cause of church extension. Applications for donations amounting to more than $80,000 were presented to the Board at its recent meeting, and heartily endorsed by Conference Boards and Bishops as very needy and many of them distressingly needy. The Board could give relief only to the amount of about $23,000, leaving many applicants entirely unprovided for. The Loan Funds in hand were sufficient to provide for only about half the applications. Under these circumstances it is exceedingly important that pastors and presiding elders throughout the church should look carefully after the collections for this object, and while giving all due attention to the other objects that are pressed upon them with unusual emphasis at this time, church extension must not be allowed to suffer. The payment of assessments in full in every charge would provide only in part for the work that ought to be done and that the condition of the church requires.

P. H. WHISNER, Cor. Sec.

PROHIBITION IN LOUISIANA.

To the Members of the Louisiana Conference, Lay and Clerical—

DEAR BRETHREN: At our last session we resolved, unanimously, to do what we could to have the question of prohibition submitted to a vote of the people in the several parishes of the State during the present year; and, as a member of your Committee on Temperance that submitted the resolution to the Conference, I desire to make a few suggestions:

1. Procure the hearty co-operation of all who are in favor of abolishing the saloon, irrespective of their denominational proclivities, age or sex, wherever practicable. This is not a denominational, but a moral and religious question.

2. Begin the work immediately by inviting this co-operation and circulating petitions to the Police Juries in all the parishes, asking that an election be ordered at some future time, to be suggested later, to determine the will of the voters on the subject.

3. Have a well and carefully written ordinance prepared for adoption by the Police Juries, requiring the abolition of the saloons in each of the parishes in which a majority of the voters voting do not vote for its continuance.

4. These elections should be supervised by honest, reliable and competent men; therefore, get the Police Juries to appoint such men, and such only. They should be held, if practicable, on the same day in all the parishes. I will suggest the day later on.

5. See that perfect arrangements be made for a public discussion of the subject the week immediately preceding the election, and by men who are competent to present the prohibition side of the question forcibly.

6. Now, brethren, let us begin at once to redeem our pledge and work with all the earnestness of men who feel that responsibility is upon them. If we do, I am satisfied that success will crown our efforts, and that most of the parishes in our State will be redeemed from the thraldom of the saloon. Let us undertake this gigantic work in the name of our God.

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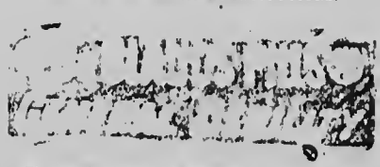

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Then over the mud and sea I'd scatter
I'd scatter the smiles to play,
That the children's faces might hold them fast
For many and many a day.

If I knew a box that was large enough
To hold all the frowns I meet,
I would try to gather them, everyone,
From nursery, school and street.

Then tolling and holding, I'd pack them in,
And turn the monster key;
I'd hire a giant to drop the box
In the depths of the deep, deep sea.

—Tribune Sunshine Column.

A CHARMING WOMAN.

In one of our most intimate and confidential talks, a dear girl asked me to tell her what I think the most desirable gift for a woman. She spoke of several friends—one of them as having grace of movement; another, as rarely beautiful, with brilliant eyes and lovely complexion; a third, as accomplished, playing and singing, and speaking two or three languages besides her own; and a fourth as very clever. We may multiply the list, and as we look over our circle of friends we easily see that nearly everyone has something bright and individual which commands her to us; but the sum of the matter is that the gift of all gifts for a girl is expressed in one little word of five letters—charm.

If you insist on my defining charm, I am afraid I will disappoint you, for it is as difficult of analysis as a perfume. The better way, if I could manage it, would be to show you somebody who has it; as I would show you a painting on the wall, or a flower in the garden. Very plain girls and women are sometimes endowed with this grace. I remember one who was not pretty at all—a little dumpy brown thing, who had not the art of dressing very well, and who slipped in and out of a room as softly and shyly as a mouse, bless her heart! But this sweet Elizabeth was popular beyond all the girls of her class; she was constantly in demand, and nothing could be done without her.

In her case charm had several elements. Her voice was low, yet clear. She never made an effect of insisting, as girls with shrill voices do; her tones were soft and distinct. She was gentle, but she was not overlooked in consequence. She always knew where to find things. At home her father and brothers appealed to her for the books and papers which were out of sight, but which it was important to have on the instant. Elizabeth could explain away little vexations. She remembered people's names and faces—a very great talent, and one worth everybody's cultivating. Elizabeth was considerate and full of tact. I never saw her do a rude thing, or heard her say anything unkind.—Harper's Round Table.

THE HABIT OF INTERRUPTING.

A few days since I was present at a small lunch party of ladies, and I noticed with some surprise the scant courtesy they showed to one another during conversation. One of the party would start to say something, and before she had finished another would break in with another topic, only to be interrupted in turn. I must confess that I was a bit surprised, for all these women were supposed to be well bred, and yet they were disregarding one of the simplest rules of polite behavior.

A little later I was calling on some friends, and I noticed the same thing. Each member of the family would interrupt the others, and the interruption was considered quite as a matter of course. Then I understood the situation better, and put the blame just where it belonged, on the lack of home training. If the mother grows careless and allows her children to contract the habit of interrupting one another constantly, she must not be surprised if this habit is carried beyond the home circle, and her children show in society the result of indulgence of thoughtlessness.

The habit is one of the most unpleasant that can be contracted, and the fact that it is such a common one does not make it one bit the better or the more excusable. It is a habit that grows on one unconsciously if one does not keep close watch. It should be the care of the mother in the home to teach her children respect for one another, and insist upon that courtesy of treatment which she expects them to give to strangers. Unless politeness is a habit it will never be a grace. It must be ingrained, and the teaching can not be begun too early.

I wish the girls would keep a little watch upon themselves to see whether they have fallen into the pernicious habit, and if they have, just set to work to break themselves of it at once. It may seem a little thing, but it is one of the indications of fine breeding to treat anyone with the respect due to him as an individual.—Golden Rule.

STUMBLING-BLOCKS MAKE STEPPING-STONES.

Strive vigorously to form, early in life, a habit of using everything that comes to you, whether pleasant or unpleasant, fortunate or unfortunate, to your advantage. Do not allow an unpleasant letter, a disagreeable criticism, an uncharitable remark, loss of property, or other trial of any kind, to cloud your whole day and cast shadows over your life. Resolve vigorously to make every seeming stumbling-block a stepping-stone to higher and nobler endeavor. If you can make no other use of misfortune, you can use it as a point of departure for new and more determined effort, an occasion for turning over a new leaf. Make up your mind resolutely that nothing shall stand in the way of your genuine success. You can not allow your life to be darkened by the clouds cast over your path by others who seem to wish to injure you. Treat trouble and misfortune as the oyster does the grain of sand which irritates it. Cover them with pearls, and make them things of beauty. Misfortunes and difficulties make stronger those who have the courage to surmount them and use them as stepping-stones instead of stumbling-blocks. If you will determine resolutely and vigorously that every apparent misfortune that comes to you shall be turned into a blessing, you will soon lose all fear of evil, and will become strong to battle with seeming opposition. For, after all, what we call the misfortunes of life and the things that make us unhappy are not such, in reality.—Success.

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We ought, therefore, never to be afraid of God's providences when they seem to break up our lives and crush our hopes, and even to turn us away from our chosen paths of usefulness and service. When he shuts one door it is because he has another standing open for our feet. When he breaks our lives to pieces it is because they will do more for his glory and the world's good broken and shattered than whole.—The Presbyterian.

LOSING TEMPER.

Losing the temper takes all the sweet, pure feeling out of life. You may get up in the morning with a clean heart, full of song, and start out as happy as a bird, and the moment you are crossed and you give way to your temper, the clean feeling vanishes and a load as heavy as lead is rolled upon your heart, and you go through the rest of the day feeling like a culprit. And anyone who has experienced this feeling knows that it can not be shaken off, but must be prayed off.—Selected.

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By the Christmas firesides of some of you there will be vacant chairs and vanished faces. Forget not that the joy of the Incarnation is the joy of the Resurrection also, and that there is not one single innocent joy on earth that is not a shadow of a promise of the eternal joy in heaven. The end of our journey, and the end of their journey whom you loved and have lost, is not here. In human life, at one time the wind blows, the rain falls, the frost is cruel; at another the sun shines, the birds sing, and all is May; but through shadow or through sunlight we are traveling onward.—Canon Farrar.

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VENTILATION.

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WHYTE—WILLIAM JOSEPH WHYTE was born in Chapel Hill, N. C., April 9, 1852, and died at the home of his son-in-law, W. J. Evans, Bond, Miss., Feb. 22, 1899. He graduated at the State University of North Carolina in 1850.

About 1852 he came to Alabama. For several years he taught school in, or near, Mobile. Here he met and married Miss Josephine Chastang. In 1860 he moved to Mansfield, La. In 1861 he entered the Confederate Army, where he did faithful service. The last two years he was hospital clerk at Keachie, La. In 1866 he returned to Mobile. He was employed two years in the Toll Institute. He lived several years at Manville, Ala. About 1877 he came to Mississippi. He traveled several years for the American Bible Society. He loved this work, although full of hardships.

He was fond of literature, and had a highly cultivated mind. He was efficient and faithful as a teacher, and was universally loved by his pupils, many of whom are now useful men and women.

Mr. Whyte was reared in the Sunday-school, and united with the M. E. Church, and became a Christian, while a school-boy. He was undemonstrative in his feelings, but his life was molded after the "divine pattern." He was humble, patient, and sincere. He obeyed Paul's exhortation, "Let nothing be done through strife or vain-glory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." He was punctual in attending worship, and always ready to assist in prayer meeting or Sunday-school work. He is sadly missed as a teacher in our Sunday-school at Bond. He seldom spoke evil of anyone, but was constantly looking for the good he could find in others.

For a number of years he was prematurely feeble, but his will-power kept him up. Two years ago he took charge of the Bond post-office, where he labored faithfully until death. He was conscious to the last, and on the eve of death he said, "I am perfectly reconciled, and have no fears." He then dictated a letter to his sister, one to his brother, and one to his old friend and desk-mate, Dr. R. M. Whitfield, of Meridian, Miss. To each he spoke calmly of the end. To Dr. Whitfield he said, "Come down immediately, and let us terminate our fifty-three years of friendship on this earth by renewing one which shall never end in eternity." His wife and two eldest sons had preceded him to the "better world."

Truly a good man has fallen. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." He always encouraged me in every good plan, word, or work, and through the grace of God I hope to meet him in heaven.

His daughter-in-law, E. LOU WHYTE.

BURNHAM—Mrs. SERILDA BURNHAM (nee Screwes) was born in Jefferson county, Ga., July 29, 1820. She removed to Rankin county, Miss., in 1835, where she resided until her death, which sad event occurred Saturday, at noon, April 29, 1899.

In January, 1836, she was married to Joshua Burnham, who preceded her to heaven thirty-four years ago. To them were born twelve children—eight sons and four daughters. Two sons lost their lives in support of the "Lost Cause;" two daughters died years ago. Eight children, fifty-seven grandchildren and sixty-seven great-grandchildren survive her.

In the death of Grandma Burnham one of the purest of God's saints is translated from earth to heaven. Converted in early life, she became an ardent and devoted Methodist, and for more than threescore years she was true to the solemn vows assumed in early girlhood. She was truly "a mother in Israel." By her sweet, Christ-like spirit, gentle demeanor, and loving solicitude for the welfare of others, she won the love and confidence of all.

Sister Boroham was a model mother. She really "trained up her children in the way they should go," and the Lord has given her a remarkable fulfillment of the promise, "When they get old they will not depart from it." All of the children, and most of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren who have reached years of maturity, are earnest Christians and active members of the church, many of them occupying official positions in the church. Surely "her works do follow her." "Her children will rise up and call her blessed." She lived a very active life, insisting upon laboring with her own hands and keeping her own house until her last illness. Gradually and peacefully she passed away. Without a struggle or a groan she sweetly fell on sleep." On the lovely Sabbath, the last day of April, we laid her body to rest in hope of the glorious resurrection of God's saints.

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COLE—No greater shock has come to the people of Macon, Miss., than that caused by the sudden death of THEODORE N. COLE, which occurred Feb. 21, '99. He was noted for probity. His word was as good as his bond. He knew not how to take advantage, or to stoop to do a little, mean thing. He was the very soul of honor. Industrious, charitable, he never turned a deaf ear to the cry of the needy and the afflicted.

He was born in Alabama, Oct. 7, 1836; professed religion and joined the Methodist Church while quite young, in which he lived until his death.

For many years back he has been devoted to the cause of Christianity, helping, with his influence and money, to build up the waste places of the earth. He will be sadly missed at his church (X Prairie) in the support of its institutions. The Methodist preacher has lost a substantial friend, and many who have traveled the Brooksville and Hebron circuits, and who have been stationed at Macon, will regard his death as a personal bereavement. His home was the welcome retreat for the weary itinerant.

He was never married. He came out of the war between the States a wounded, walking skeleton; stopped at an uncle's house for a short while. His uncle soon died, leaving a widow and several orphan children. At the earnest solicitation of the family he went to live with them, becoming a father in management for the family. Finally the aunt died, but the relationship continued to his death, and never were more kindness and substantial favors shown an uncle's children than he showed. He felt to them like a brother. Thus has passed away the ideal citizen, loyal to God and his church, loyal to his country and home, loyal to widows and orphans, loyal to the poor and suffering. May his virtues be emulated, and may we all meet him in heaven!

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CALHOUN—The subject of this tribute, DANIEL CALHOUN, son of John and Nancy Calhoun, was born Aug. 11, 1816, and departed this life March 17, 1899, at his home near Mt. Olive, Covington county, Miss., surrounded by a host of friends and loved ones.

Bro. Calhoon was twice married, his first wife being the daughter of Daniel and Nancy Graham, and whose given name was Christian—characteristic of her life, which life ended just before the beginning of our late Civil War. His second marriage occurred with Miss Martha A. Ford, March 28, 1861, who still survives him.

This old servant of God was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life, constantly holding on to his Christian integrity through all the years of his earthly pilgrimage; hence he was enabled to say to the writer a few days before he died, "I am not ashamed of my life."

Bro. Calhoun was held in high estimation by the whole community in which he lived as an unobtrusive, generous Christian character. He was an old member of the Masonic fraternity, and was buried with Masonic honors.

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COOPER—ELLA MAE COOPER, child of W. B. Cooper, was born March 12, 1893; died Feb. 13, 1899.

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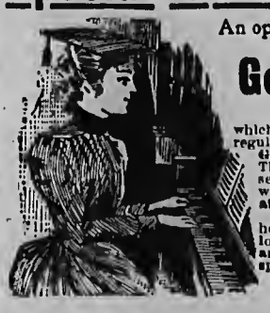
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The new Japanese cruiser, the "Chitose," which has left San Francisco for the Orient, is the first warship ever built in San Francisco for a foreign power.

The women of Alabama have decided to present Miss Annie Wheeler, daughter of General Wheeler, with a handsome silver set as a testimonial of her work among the soldiers at Santiago during the war with Spain.

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The German Reichstag proposes to grant the sum of $300,000 for the expenses of an Antarctic expedition, to start in 1901. The expedition will go as far as possible in a wooden ship, and attempt to reach the South Pole by means of dog sleighs and a captive balloon.

The cloud of uncertainty that has been hanging over Cuban affairs has been dissipated as the result of a long conference between Generals Brooke and Gomez, and there is no reason why the three million dollars should not be distributed and the arms surrendered, unless unexpected opposition develops among the officers and soldiers.

The conference between the civilian members of the United States Philippine Commission and the representatives of the Philippine Commission continues. The military and civil members of the American Commission differ regarding the wisdom of continuing the conference, the former adhering to their original demand for the unconditional surrender of the insurgents.

M. de Staal, head of the Russian delegation, and president of the conference, received final instructions from Emperor Nicholas to deal with the question of realizing compulsory arbitration, whether by a supreme tribunal of several great powers or by private tribunal, consisting of the powers whose interests might be at stake, with the subsequent friendly mediation by some third power.

President McKinley has strongly objected to the Cubans surrendering their arms to the municipal authorities instead of to the United States arsenals, and, pending the ultimatum, General Brooke is withholding the decree ordering the surrendering of the arms and the distribution of the money. The delay is again causing dissatisfaction among the Cubans, and it is believed that if the plan agreed upon between Generals Gomez and Brooke is not carried ont, trouble seems imminent.

Berlin, Germany, is soon to have an "American church," where "American religion" will be the attraction. The American colony meets for worship in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A., and has a minister, Dr. Dickey. The congregation owns a lot and has $20,000 in hand for a building fund. This has been largely increased of late by subscriptions in this country, obtained by Dr. Dickey, who is now in the United States. The new church will of necessity be non-sectarian, inasmuch as the thirty-five Americans now resident in Berlin represent seventeen denominations.

It was stated that Aguinaldo had finally sued for peace, and had agreed to the terms offered by the special Philippine Commission; and it was freely asserted that the trouble was practically at an end. It now turns out that the Filipinos have not sued for peace, but have, on the contrary, sent a commission to General Otis to ask for a suspension of hostilities for the purpose of summoning the Filipino Congress. This is practically the same request that was made several weeks ago, after the taking of Calumpit, and, like the prior request, was promptly refused by Major-General Otis.

Regarding arbitration, the present position of the delegates seems to be this: Germany and the other powers of the triple alliance are entirely against it, and Turkey follows in their wake. Great Britain and the United States are entirely in favor of it. Prof. von Stengel, of the German delegation, has said "Arbitration is impracticable when two nations are divided by a vital issue, while in less important questions it exists already." France is hesitating and will probably agree with Russia. Several delegates confess that they came to the conference unprepared and have already learned much.

While pressing the United States to agree to arbitration of the Alaskan boundary controversy, the British Government has entered objection to the dispatch of additional American troops to the territory. The controversy between the two governments has assumed a more serious aspect than is generally supposed. While the President is bound to the principle of arbitration, and while, on its face, the case the United States could present would, it is believed, result in a triumph for this government, there seems possible that the arbitration might decide that the British Government is entitled to a port on the Pacific coast, perhaps Skagnay, of which Great Britain desires to obtain possession.

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DEAVENPORT—THOMAS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Capt. C. M. Thomas, in Noxubee county, Miss., April 12, 1899, by Rev. S. M. Thames, Rev. J. M. Deavenport, of the North Mississippi Conference, and Miss Ethel Thomas.

SPEAR—WADDEL.—At Mt. Pleasant Church, near DeKalb, Miss., April 9, 1899, by Rev. L. F. Alford, Mr. Henry Spear to Miss Ida Waddel.

DANIELS—WATKINS.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near DeKalb, Miss., May 10, 1899, by Rev. L. F. Alford, Mr. J. J. Daniels to Miss Terry Watkins.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Raleigh at Cedar Grove..Sat. and Sun	June 24, 25
Forest, at Pulaski.....Sat. and Sun..	July 1, 2
Morton, at Zion Grove..Sat. and Sun.	8, 9
Trenton, at Prospect..Sat. and Sun..	15, 16
Clarksburg, at Holly Bush..Sat. and Sun	22, 23
Preacher's Institute, at Hickory. Thurs. and Fri	27, 28
District Conference, at Hickory. Sat.-Mon	29-31
Newton and H., at Hickory.... Sat..	29
Hillsboro, at Hillsboro..Sat. and Sun.	Aug. 5, 6
Carthage, at Liberty..... Thurs..	10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland...Sat. and Sun	19, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia..Sat. and Sun	26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——..Sat and Sun	Sept. 2, 3
Decatur, at ——.....Sat. and Sun..	9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville. Sat. and Sun	16, 17
Rose Hill, at ——....Sat. and Sun..	23, 24
Montrose, at ——.....Tues..	26
Chunkey, at ——....Sat. and Sun.	30, Oct. 1
Shiloh, at —— .....Sat. and Sun..	7, 8
Lake, at ——.....Sat and Sun..	14, 15

Church Registers and Church Conference Records must be presented for examination. Pastors must be prepared to answer Questions 17 and 19. Wherever practicable and desirable services will be protracted. Let us pray for and expect revivals.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SARDIS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Como.....June	3, 4
Sardis.....	10, 11
Nesbit.....	17, 18
Senatobia.....	24, 25
Batesville and Wesley.....July	1, 2
Arkabutla.....	8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando.....	15, 16
Orwood mission.....	15, 16
Pleasant Hill.....	22, 23
Wall Hill.....	29, 30
Cockrum .....Aug.	5, 6
Courtland.....	12, 13
Pleasant.....Wed..	16
Eureka.....	19, 20
Tyro.....	26, 27
Longtown.....Sept.	2, 3

T. C. WEBB, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ARCADIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Calhoun circuit, at Lepin.....June	10, 11
Ruston station.....	17, 18
Simsboro, at Simsboro.....	24, 25
Lisbon and Summer, at Alabama.....July	8, 9
Vernon, at New Prospect.....	12, 13
Flat Lick, at Evergreen.....	15, 16
Farmerville, at Marion.....	22, 23
Gibsland, at Athens.....	29, 30
Downsville, at Willhite.....Aug.	5, 6
Lanesville, at Andrew Chapel.....	10
Minden station.....	12, 13
Haynesville.....	15, 16
Homer, at Hamer.....	17
Arcadia, at Arcadia.....	19, 20
Gansville.....	26, 27
Valley, at Blocker.....Sept.	2, 3
Bienville.....	9, 10

The District Conference will meet at Homer, June 27. Opening sermon by Rev. N. S. Cornell at 11 A. M. (Tuesday). Conference convening at 3 P. M.; 3:45 P. M., Missionary Institute, opened by Rev. A. J. Notestine; 8:15 P. M., missionary speeches by S. J. Davies, C. P. Smith, W. A. Clark. Wednesday morning, 8:30, Sunday-school Conference, led by Hon. W. F. Price. This day will be devoted to Sunday-school work. Let there be a delegate from each school in the district. Thursday and Friday will be taken up with the regular work of the District Conference.

Committees for License to Preach—N. S. Cornell, H. Armstrong, and S. J. Davies. For Admission on Trial—A. J. Notestine, C. F. Staples, and B. H. Sheppard. Elder's Orders—W. F. Henderson, H. M. Banks, and T. J. Martin. Deacon's Orders—J. H. Brown, R. W. Vaughan, and C. P. Smith.

Dear brethren of the district, preachers and laymen, let us pray and expect a gracious, good time at our Conference. Pray for the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Let every recording steward be present with his Quarterly Conference Record.

Mr. Editor, we will give you right of way if you will honor us with your presence at the Conference.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

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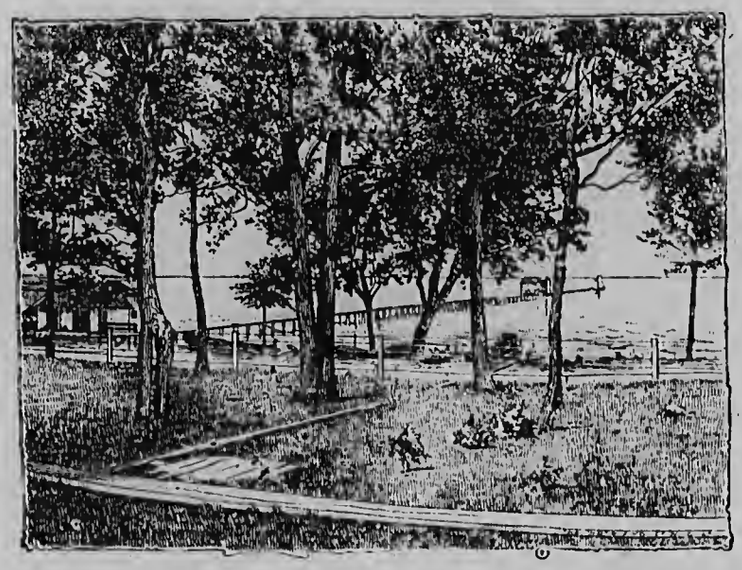

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"NIGHT."

BY ALFRED J. ROUGH.

Luke ii, 8.

It was not in the glow of noontide high,
Or the tender grace of morn,
But shadows were over the earth and sky—
'Twas night when the Lord was born.

This is ever the way God molds his deeds,
In silence and out of sight;
They hide in the dark like the precious seeds,
Then suddenly rise in light.

So, whenever a night with shadowy wing
Folds darkly over our way,
We must listen to hear God's angels sing,
And watch for the dawning day.

Let us say, when we sit in darkness long,
With aching heart forlorn,
"It was night when the angels sang their song.
'Twas night when the Lord was born."

For all the glad days that had rolled in light,
Since the first glad day had birth,
Were not half so bright as the one dark night
When the Savior came to earth.

And at last we shall own in the heavenly clime,
With a finished life in view,
That our darkest nights in the path of time
Were the brightest days we knew.

—Exchange.

Communications.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

(Concluded.)

"Knowledge does not comprise all which is contained in the large term of education. The feelings are to be disciplined, the passions are to be restrained, true and worthy motives are to be inspired, a profound religious feeling is to be instilled, and pure morality inculcated under all circumstances. All this is comprised in education."—Daniel Webster.

This definition is full and exhaustive, but not too full. Education is essentially twofold—intellectual and moral. Neither of these divorced from the other is entitled to the name. The moral nature is as distinctive, and demands equal consideration with the intellectual; and more: in the true idea of education it exceeds the intellectual as far as the intellectual exceeds the mere physical. In all true education these two faculties are to be advanced together, hand in hand. With this idea, which is the only true one, we readily see that the ground of all the improvements and ameliorations of the human race is education. It is the spring of all progress and the leaven of all society. The foundation of all good and all wealth is laid in the intellectual and moral nature of man. In these we see the shadowy angel of a new and immortal life, but, like the angel the sculptor saw, it is incased in rugged stone. Unless our efforts are directed equally to these two natures, we sow our seed upon the barren sand. Some people think, to educate a man, you have got to make him stand up straight, and stuff him like they do the geese in Paris—till he is full up to the neck. Stuff him full of incidents, facts, and books; teach him the mechanism of reading, writing, and arithmetic, and charge his memory with words and rules and dates, and give him a trade, and he is educated. Take a quart of history, a pint of geography, and a half gallon of mathematics, and a few hundred yards of surveying, and a thimbleful of psychology, and a telescope full of astronomy, and a smattering of philosophy, and a capsule or two of moral science, and put them all down him, and send him to the gymnasium to settle his stomach, and he is educated. He is just about as much educated as a hollow log would be if you were to stuff it full of Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. The true end of education is to unfold and direct, according to the laws of our being, the whole nature. In our moral nature and its possibilities we see the image and workmanship of God. It is in this part of our being that kinship to Deity is stamped, and the still, small voice of our origin and the prophecy of our destined future is constantly heard. In the unfolding and proper direction of the soul faculties God's law is the guide. The wealth of this world lies in enriched life and character. Man's chief good is not in the material world, not in houses and lands and stocks and bonds, not in equipage, fame, or pleasure; not in the cultivation and development of reason, the perceptive faculties, the taste and imagination, but in the discipline and culture and right direction of his soul powers—moral nature, power of affection, will, choice, self-control, and virtue; power of wisdom in selecting the highest good, and power to follow firmly the best ends. It is in our moral nature that we are still in the image of God, and as this nature is brought out and polished, we see ever more clearly the likeness of our Maker. The thinking, choice and action must be along the highway of the soul's lofty endowments and true end. The intellectual eye will discover some thing of God in land and sky and sea, but the clear image, perfection and glory of God are brought out in matchless beauty in man's moral nature, unfolded by the laws of virtue, justice, truth, love, goodness, and disinterestedness. These things form the medium of communication between our souls and God, because these attributes belong to the divine nature. As our higher nature is wrought upon by pure, holy and unselfish motives, we take on the likeness of God, and come to think his thoughts after him, and regale our spirits with the knowledge that God is. I do not mean by what I have said to even insinuate that you can educate man into religion, or educate religion into man. "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the spirit is spirit." But the real good of education lies in the purity and elevation it gives character.

Now, the education I have described is the only education that can meet the demands of our nature and the present life, and satisfy the end of our being. We must shut out all narrow, secular, and sickly ideas of a question of such magnitude, and not be contented with giving our children a little book learning to fit them for some little niche in society, or for "getting on in the world." This distinctive education is what we want, and the church alone proposes to give it to us. She alone is thoroughly qualified to give it to us. She can better understand the needs of the race she is sent to save, and appreciate more keenly the moral side of our nature. Our Methodist Church is pre-eminently fitted for this trust, as she is a close student of the needs of the time. She is a patron of scholarship and the friend of education. The sum she asks for this work is small when we consider our blessings, our numbers, and our resources. It seems that it might be easily doubled, and nobody feel it. The needs are great and pressing. Our colleges and universities are but half equipped for the mighty work they are to do. The church, with the high commission upon her fresh from the lips of God, can not afford to lag behind all the enterprises of the time. A million and a half for education! Inscribe it upon the banners of Southern Methodism! Fling it to the breeze! Let every preacher and leader put a trumpet to his lips, and sound in long and repeated blasts. A million and a half for Christian education! And let all the people in the valleys and on the mountains shout aloud, "Amen!" Perhaps it can best be done in log-rolling fashion. Let all the people get ready—hand-sticks and wrist-supports. Sometimes the big logs are left till after dinner. Give all the people a big, substantial dinner. This will be done by the preachers and leaders. Don't feed them on stale light bread and old ham; neither give them beautiful white linen, handsome china or cut glass for dinner; but give them nice, tender greens fresh from the garden, seasoned with the meat that strengthens man's heart. Then, while every fellow is in good humor, get out under the big gum logs. Let everyone get his hand on his stick. All ready! He'o heave! They all come together, and each leans to the log and braces himself against his partner. The logs are piled, the field is cleared, and everybody feels good.

L. M. LIPSCOMB.

Belzona, Miss.

Correspondence.

ECHOES FROM TWENTIETH CENTURY EDUCATION DAY IN MISSISSIPPI.

Rev. C. D. Cecil reports five dollars from DeKalb circuit. Rev. L. M. Lipscomb, fifteen and 50-100 dollars from Belzona, and "more to follow." Rev. E. C. Sullivan, sixteen and 60-100 dollars from Cornersville circuit, and "five churches yet to hear from." Rev. L. D. Worsham, twenty-five dollars from Eureka circuit, and "three other churches yet to collect from. Think I will get good amount by presenting the cause privately. Certainly going to do all I can for Twentieth Century Fund." Rev. G. W. Gordon, twenty-five and 80-100 dollars from Ethel circuit, and "will present the matter at each church till I make the round of my charge." Rev. A. T. Bell, thirty-eight and 75-100 dollars from Quitman, and "one-half of the membership yet to be seen. Published notices of the work in both town papers. Have very little doubt that my charge will pay in full." Rev. J. R. Counties, fifty dollars from Gunnison, and "this is only a beginning." Rev. R. J. Jones, fifty and 25-100 dollars from Capitol Street Church, Jackson, and "some of our best-paying members were absent." Rev. W. C Harris, sixty-one dollars from twenty persons at Shaw, and "have seventy-five members. Confident of securing one hundred dollars." Rev. W. B. Lewis, one hundred thirty-one and 50-100 dollars from Yazoo City, and "will follow the public collection with private solicitation," etc.

This shows what can be done. Dollars have been received from charges which some thought would not contribute a cent. Some charges that should have been forward to remit have not yet reported. "There's more in the man than there is in the land." Several brethren observed the day, but thought the time not favorable for a collection. Some wrote they were not yet ready to begin the work. Several had written in advance they would observe a Sunday in June.

Every pastor must be his own judge of conditions in his charge; but it is easy to fall into a snare in waiting for a favorable time. "A favorable time" for anything will never come of itself, but we must, by prayer and effort, compel a favorable time.

While it is necessary and right to consult officials and the membership to a certain extent, still this has its limitations. Many (most) will advise you to wait for a "convenient season" for anything you suggest. And their advice will be ever, only, always, "Wait." If the "convenient season" about which Felix spoke ever came, the record does not mention it.

Having furnished every preacher in Mississippi with a post card addressed to me, is it too much to expect a report of what was done, or when the day will be observed, and what are the prospects for success? If I seem too persistent in this work, it is because I firmly believe the very existence of our church is involved in what we are trying to accomplish by this movement. If this Twentieth Century Movement fail, by some other method this work MUST be done, or our beloved church will go into decline. But the Twentieth Century Movement will not fail. It must succeed. What must be done can be done and will be done, and we are the people to do it. The great heart of the church is being stirred as never before. Dear brother, give your people the opportunity to have a part in it. LET EVERYBODY HELP NOW!

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., May 15, 1899.

P. S.—Information has reached me of a difference of opinion in some places about the use of the roll books. Some contend names of all members should be enrolled at once; others say only names of those who pay should be enrolled. It is proper to enroll names of all members; then, as they pay, the amount is set opposite the name of the party who paid. By this means it can be readily seen who has paid and who has not, and the preacher will know whom to approach for contributions. Bear in mind this is to be a free-will thank offering. No attempt will be made to coerce anyone into giving. But argument, appeal and opportunity will be given each individual to have part in this great work for the benefit of humanity and the glory of God. The only reason the roll-books will be carried to the Annual Conference is, that where there is a change of pastors, the new pastor may have the book, in order that he may intelligently take up this work where his predecessor left off. J. R. B

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

BY REV. W. S. LAGRONE.

We regret exceedingly the unfortunate state of things likely to exist in North Mississippi on the school question. If we are not careful, we are going to seriously damage our cause just at a time the most hurtful to us. I am sure all the parties concerned are honest in their convictions, and have the cause of education at heart, and would not intentionally get in the way of the work already in hand, or hinder an advanced movement; but unless some of us move up a little, and others hold back a little, we are going to get wide apart, and seriously hurt the cause we are anxious to help and advance.

The Oxford Globe makes an announcement that will be hurtful not only to Grenada College, but to Oxford and the worthy brethren whom it intends to honor. The Globe announces without knowledge or consent of the Board of Trustees, or the Board of Education, or the authority of the Conference, that "At last, after many hitches and set-backs, the Union Female College buildings and grounds have passed into the hands of the North Mississippi Conference, the deal having been made by Revs. R. M. Standifer and J. W. Malone, acting for the church. That these brethren will open the school in September."

This notice is going to do harm, because it is not true. The Conference has taken no action in the matter, and no one is authorized to make such a deal. The law provides that no such contract shall be made.

This notice puts Bros. Standifer and Malone in a position they can not afford to assume:

1. Because they are members of the North Mississippi Conference, subject to the appointment of the Bishop; and unless they have concluded to locate, they are not likely to be appointed to Union Female College.

2 The Board of Trustees have given notice that Grenada College will open in September. If these brethren open at Oxford, they will do it without the authority of the Conference, and in opposition to the only school owned and run by the Conference.

When the Conference meets, will it recommend the appointment of two such men as Standifer and Malone to an institution over which we have no control, and in which we have not a dollar invested, to oppose Grenada College, owned and controlled by the Conference? We are all pledged to stand by the Board of Trustees and Grenada College, and this we will do. If it is to the best interest of the church in North Mississippi to make a change in the location of the college, that Board is competent to suggest, and the Conference the only authority for a change. Whatever might have been the prospect for a change from Grenada to Oxford, this move will interfere. It is premature.

Suppose these brethren open in September at Oxford, and the Conference fails to recommend and the Bishop to appoint them. Then what?

The school at Grenada will certainly open in September with a president and full corps of teachers.

Suppose the trustees recommend to the Conference, and the Conference recommends the change from Grenada to Oxford. Who will be the president and teachers?

We all see the necessity for an advanced movement in this work, but we can not, and must not, sacrifice what we have, and we certainly will not take another debt.

Water Valley, Miss., May 21, 1899.

THE GRENADA COLLEGE.

The article of Bro. J. W. Malone, under the caption of "The Oxford Female College," is calculated to mislead the readers of the ADVOCATE.

The trustees of the Grenada College will in due time proceed to elect a new president to take charge of the school, and continue it as the North Mississippi Conference School for girls. I think the moving of the school to Oxford is only contemplated by a few individuals, and not by the Conference.

G. W. SHARP,
A Trustee.

ARCADIA DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

About forty-five delegates and some visitors from a fair proportion of the charges of the district met at the choice town of Minden, April 27, with a good opening sermon by Rev. S. J. Davies, of Arcadia. The service was inspiring and helpful.

The president of the district being absent, the first vice-president of the League, Rev W. W. Nicholson, took the chair at the opening business session, April 28 Miss Gussie B. Tooke was the efficient and tactful secretary. The pastor of Minden station delivered an impromptu address of welcome, to which Miss Eula Yarbrough, of Arcadia, responded in well-chosen words.

The presence of Rev. P. O. Lowrey, of Shreveport, and Dr. I. W. Cooper, of Jackson, added interest to the occasion and power to the influence of the rally upon all present. The strong and eloquent address of Dr. Cooper will not soon be forgotten. "Success" was his theme, and many a life went out that night with nobler purposes, and grander prospects, and more heroic faith.

Bro. Lowrey's helpful address on "The Epworth League Worker" was clear in its emphasis of the power of individual life, the touch of man to man, the voice of love.

Some splendid papers were read. We do no injustice to the high character of all the essays when special mention is made of three. Miss Beulah Rhinehart, on the "Charity and Help Department," touched the highest level of literary style, and the clearest notes of the duty of charity, and the privilege to help. Prof. O. B Staples gave us a thoughtful and scholarly paper on "The Student Missionary Campaign." Missionary enthusiasm will be more intelligent after listening to Prof. Staples' paper. Miss Anna T. Clingman read a finished essay on "The Young Men of the Church—Where Are They?" So pleasing, appropriate, direct and strong was this paper that its reading was requested at the prayer meeting on Sunday afternoon, April 30. Miss Clingman read the duty of putting a premium on righteousness out of a consecrated life.

Other papers were strong—in fact, a high level of excellence was unbroken, save by the superior excellence of these three papers mentioned above.

Dr. Cooper made a good talk to the Leaguers, and on Sunday preached a strong sermon on "Conscience."

Sunday night, after a sermon on missions from Rev. A. J Notestine, which stirred our hearts, the president of Centenary College gave us a talk on his college work. Following this, our popular presiding elder, Rev. B. T. Crews, appealed to the Leaguers present for help for a needy student for the ministry in that grand old institution of learning. Ninety-two dollars was pledged, Minden leading with $20 from the League and $10 from individuals. (Since that time the local chapter has provided for more than the amount pledged.)

The officers chosen for the present year were elected unanimously, as follows: President, W. W. Nicholson; first vice-president, Miss Anna T. Clingman; second vice-president, Mr. O B. Staples; third vice-president, Miss Beulah Rhinehart; corresponding secretary, Miss Gussie B. Tooke; recording secretary, Miss Viola Miller.

The Program Committee for the year is composed of Rev. C. P. Smith, Miss Anna T. Clingman, and Mrs. S. J. Davies.

The meetings were well attended, the spirit fine. The preachers are enlisted in the work more than ever before, the young people full of zeal and enthusiasm for the Master, and the cause of missions on the hearts of our common Methodism in these parts with deeper power than the past has known.

We meet next year in the town of Homer. Mr. Editor, come.

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Many of the Leaguers are anxiously looking forward to the home coming of their brothers and sisters, some of whom will "finish" during the next few weeks.

What wonderful opportunities await the trained young men and women of to day who have studied "to show themselves approved unto God" as workmen that need not to be ashamed.

The bugle blast of the latter days of this nineteenth century ought to call into line a mighty army of trained soldiers, armed for the conflict against the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Let every League in Louisiana and Mississippi organize itself into a "college canvassing society," to secure boys and girls during the Summer for our own church colleges which will (D. V.) open in September.

The League and the college are closely connected; their work is harmonious; they stand for the training of young men and young women for Christ and the church.

The Epworth Leaguers of the Western North Carolina Conference have notified the presiding elders and pastors in the bounds of the Conference that they propose to assist them in raising the missionary assessments in full. Thus they will prove to be true helpers in the cause of Christ.

A change has recently been made in the chairmanship of the Home Committee for the International Epworth League Conference, soon to convene in Indianapolis. Hereafter let all communications relating to homes be addressed to Rev. C. E. Bacon, D. D., care of "The Denison," Indianapolis, Ind.

STATEMENT FROM THE BOOK COMMITTEE.

To the M. E. Church South:

The Book Committee of the M. E. Church, South, published in July, 1898, a statement setting forth the facts in connection with the collection of the claim against the United States Government for the use, consumption, injury, and destruction of the Publishing House by the army of the United States during the war between the States. That statement, containing all the pertinent facts in the case, gave assurance to the church that the Book Committee, in discharge of the obligation imposed upon it by the church, had made a careful and exhaustive investigation into the acts of the Book Agents in the collection of said claim, and also declared it to be the unanimous opinion of the thirteen members composing the Book Committee that the Book Agents, in the communications addressed to senators, and complained of as deceptive and misleading, had not intended to mislead the Senate of the United States.

Since the publication, last July, of said statement no new facts bearing on the collection of this claim have come to the knowledge of the Book Committee.

It is true, as we learn from the public press, though not from any communications sent to us—for no such communications have been received—that some Annual Conferences have passed resolutions in connection with one or more features of this claim. These resolutions cover three demands or suggestions:

1. The return to the United States Government of the money appropriated in satisfaction of the claim of the church.

2. The resignation of the Book Committee.

3. The displacement or resignation of the Book Agents.

The action of any of our Annual Conferences deserves and receives from this committee careful and respectful consideration. At the same time it will be recognized and admitted that in matters with which the church has charged the Book Committee, that Committee must, in conscience and in discharge of responsibility, reach such conclusions as convince the judgment of the individual members of the Committee.

In reference to the return of the money appropriated to satisfy the claim of the church, we believe that the resolution adopted by the United States Senate, Feb. 21, 1899, in which resolution it is declared that no injury was done the United States, so definitely settles that question as would make any further agitation of it improper. In addition to this fact, the Book Committee, even if so disposed, has never had the power to return this money, being precluded from taking such a step by the express terms of the Sixth Restrictive Rule.

Touching the suggestion or request of some that the Book Committee should resign, we have only this to say: that having been charged by the general church, whose servants we are, with very responsible duties, we do not deem a difference of opinion between ourselves and others who have not been charged with our responsibilities a sufficient ground for such a step; and, indeed, the resignation of the Book Committee is impossible under the law of our church, for there is, during the intervals of the General Conference, no one authorized to accept such resignation, nor any authority to appoint a new Committee. It seems, on the contrary, to be our duty to continue hereafter as hitherto, in the conscientious discharge of the duties of the office to the best of our ability. The General Conference to which alone we owe our official existence laid certain responsibilities on its Book Committee, and committed certain functions to it. The Committee has shirked no responsibilities; has assumed no functions not committed to it.

Some Annual Conferences, less than one-third of the whole number, asked for the removal of the Book Agents. About thirty communications have been received by us, some requesting, others demanding the removal of the Agents. Some of these communications were from District Conferences, stewards' meetings, and preachers' meetings, though most of them were from individuals. It should be noted that two-thirds of these communications came from one State, more than three-fourths from two States, and but three came from individuals outside of three States. It should be noted further that many of these communications largely agree in form and language, showing that they are the results of a printed circular extensively distributed for the declared purpose of influencing the judgment of this Committee, and of thus effecting the removal of the Book Agents. A copy of this circular is in possession of the Book Committee. Only two of these communications, and those from individuals, came from the bounds of Annual Conferences that are not reported to have asked for the removal of the Book Agents. Consequently it will be sufficient to reply to the resolutions of these Conferences as being the larger and more representative bodies, and inclusive of District Conferences, stewards' meetings, preachers' meetings, and individual members.

After this Committee had published in July of last year its deliberate and unanimous judgment that the Book Agents had not intended to deceive or mislead United States Senators, the responsible presiding elder legally appointed an Investigating Committee to inquire into the moral conduct of Dr. Barbee. This Investigating Committee, after long and careful inquiry, unanimously reported that no trial was necessary. The Tennessee Conference, of which Dr. Barbee is a member, after a discussion extending over more than two days, passed his character without a dissenting vote.

It has been stated to the Book Committee that Dr. Barbee's character was passed with the express or implied agreement or understanding on his part that he would resign his position as Book Agent. Dr. Barbee denies that he was in person or otherwise a party to such agreement or understanding, or had any knowledge of such agreement or understanding. This denial was scarcely necessary, for the very intimation that the Tennessee Conference was capable of being a party to such an agreement or understanding would be a most unjust reflection on the integrity of that Conference.

It will not be claimed by any well-informed member of our church that Annual Conferences have any jurisdiction over the Book Committee. Requests from such Conferences can be only advisory, not mandatory. This Committee has an open ear for advice from Conferences or from individual members of our church, and gives it patient, careful, and respectful consideration. But the responsibility for the determination of such questions as have, by the supreme power of the church, been laid on this Committee, and alone on this Committee, must be left to the conclence and judgment of the individual members of the Committee. This responsibility could not be shared with others even if the Committee were so inclined.

As no charge of immorality is pending against either of the Agents which would authorize this Committee to proceed under paragraph 431 of the Discipline, if this Committee has authority to remove the Agents, it must be under paragraph 427, giving power to the Book Committee "to suspend the Book Agents in the intervals of the General Conference for misconduct or inefficiency in office." This Committee has long since deliberately and unanimously declared its judgment on this point. No less than four regularly constituted church tribunals—being all the tribunals to which the church has given jurisdiction, either over the acts or the moral character of Dr. Barbee—have unanimously held that he was not guilty of misconduct in office.

Recognizing the binding authority of the judgments of our regularly constituted church tribunals in matters over which they have jurisdiction, and that the Agents have already answered to every such tribunal in the church, and have been acquitted of any intention to do wrong in connection with the prosecution of the Publishing House claim, the Book Committee regards this question as settled, and feels bound by this settlement. It could not, therefore, if it would, remove the Agents for misconduct. To do this would be not only to go behind our law and overturn it, but would also be an unlawful impeachment of the verdicts of those alone qualified to determine responsibilities committed to them by the General Conference.

We do not understand the charge of inefficiency in office to have been made by anyone against the Book Agents.

The sole legitimate conclusion we can reach, or that, in our opinion, can be reached by those subject to the Discipline of the church, is, that the charge against the Agents is res adjudicata.

To go outside the law of the church for any purpose would be to break down all protection given to our preachers and members, and this Committee respectfully, but firmly, declines to do what it believes to be unauthorized and unlawful.

The Senate of the United States adopted, Feb. 21, 1899, a report in which it is stated that many senators regarded the fee paid the attorney employed by the Book Committee to collect the aforesaid claim as "excessive and unreasonable," and "a waste and improper use of the fund" appropriated by the government in discharge of its obligation to our church.

The report further implies that the aforesaid contract, so far from guarding the interest of the beneficiaries of the Publishing House—for the safe guarding of which interest the church has appointed the Book Committee—had wrought an injury to these beneficiaries.

The following facts will probably be sufficient to convince the church that the contract was legal, customary, and reasonable; and that the Book Committee, in a conscientious and just manner, has cared for the interests committed to its trust:

Three times—viz., in 1870, 1874, and 1878—the General Conference authorized the necessary steps to be taken to remedy, as far as possible, the great wrong done the beneficiaries of the Publishing House by the unjust seizure, retention, and use of its property, and the General Conference also approved the steps taken to collect such a sum of money from the Government of the United States as would in some measure reimburse the church.

In addition to the payment of more than eleven thousand dollars to one of our preachers to cover his expenses for years while he worked to induce Congress to do us justice, different Book Committees entered into contracts with attorneys to collect this claim. The contract under which we were at last, and after many years, successful in securing partial remedy for the wrongs inflicted on the beneficiaries of the Publishing House by the authorities of the United States was, except as to the amount of the contingent fee to be paid the attorney, an exact copy of a previous contract entered into between a former Book Committee and an attorney, which previous contract had been approved by Judge E. H. East, of Nashville, Tenn., at that time the chairman of the Book Committee, and recognized as one of the leading and ablest lawyers in the State of Tennessee, and, indeed, in our church. The Hon. A. H. Garland, of Arkansas, formerly Attorney-General of the United States, pronounced the contract with the attorney who succeeded in collecting the claim to be legal, customary, and reasonable. That this is a correct opinion, as far as concerns the legality of the contract, is further attested by the fact that the Senate Committee did not even utter a hint against that legality.

The report of the Senate Committee, made July 8, 1898, shows that effort was made to introduce evidence to prove that the contract with our attorney was legal, and the fee paid neither unusual nor exorbitant. This evidence was rejected, the point being raised that the investigation should be confined to the question of misrepresentation

Mr. Clay said: "I thought the sole question was in reference to misrepresentation."

The chairman, Mr. Teller, said: "That is what I announced—the misrepresentations which had been made by anybody with reference to securing the passage of the bill—not as to the merits of the bill or as to the value of the services rendered."

Mr. Pasco said: "If an outrage were perpetrated by the contract, it was upon the church, and that is a matter which the church itself must investigate. The only matter for the Committee to investigate is whether an outrage was perpetrated on the Senate by the willful misrepresentations of the parties engaged in this matter. If there was an outrage perpetrated upon the church, the church is capable of following that up and acting upon it, but the Senate has not intrusted it (that is, the Senate Committee) with that investigation."

On such grounds the proffered evidence as to the reasonableness of the fee was rejected. Yet, in its report the Committee does undertake to pass judgment upon the fee as "excessive and unreasonable," and the implication is plainly made that the Book Committee was unfaithful to its trust in that it failed "to protect the beneficiaries from what many senators regard as a waste and improper use of the fund," from what the Senate Committee characterized as "excessive charges and extortion."

The Investigating Committee thus passes judgment upon a matter into which it refused to inquire, which was not submitted to it for investigation, and on which it declined to receive evidence when proffered.

Thus it is shown by its own action that the amount of the attorney's fee was a matter in which the government had no interest or concern; was not a proper subject of inquiry by the Senate; was not, in fact, submitted for investigation, and the attempted decision of that question was ultra vires, and without any force or authority.

When the Senate, on Feb. 21, 1899, adopted its resolution approving the report of its Investigating Committee, it said: "The injury resulting therefrom affected only the beneficiaries of the fund, and not the United States, and the Senate should take no further action in the matter."

This final action was taken without debate, and without any reference to the proof taken, the resolution being passed after the statement of Senator Pasco that the matters had "been carefully considered before the Committee." The reasonable inference is that the Senate, as a body, was not familiar with the facts in the case, and was not cognizant of the fact that evidence on the point involved had been rejected by the Committee.

The Senate has, therefore, itself passed judgment on a matter which was never investigated, and which, by the action of its own Committee, was excluded from consideration.

Evidently, according to the view of the Senate itself, the church is the only body having authority to investigate this question, and the church has investigated and decided it.

At the last General Conference the Committee on Publishing Interests, after a careful investigation, declared that the contract with the attorney "was, under all the circumstances of the case, a reasonable and proper one, and in accordance with the usual business methods in like cases, and is approved."

The Book Committee, after investigation, unanimously held in its report of July, 1898, that the fee was not only reasonable, but was for a less sum than is customary in such cases. As the church is capable of determining this matter, and has done so, it might be taken as conclusively settled.

But we will go further, and show by the action of the Senate itself in similar cases that the contract fee was not only reasonable, but below the customary amounts allowed and paid by the Senate.

By Section 9 of an Act approved June 29, 1888, an appropriation of $2,858,798.62 was made by Congress in favor of the Choctaw Nation of Indians. Congress fixed the fees of the attorneys, and the report of Mr. Carlisle, Secretary of the Treasury, shows that the sum of $913,703.75 was paid to the attorneys.

By an Act of Congress, approved August 23, 1894, approximately $3,000,000 were appropriated for the benefit of the Western Cherokee Indians and other tribes, wards of the Government. Thirty-five per cent. was reserved to pay the fees of attorneys. The Court of Claims decreed twenty-five per cent. to attorneys. Not satisfied with the amount decreed by the court, the attorneys appealed to Congress, and by an Act, approved June 7, 1897, the remaining ten per cent. of the whole was paid to the attorneys. This, too, by the same senators who, one year later, concluded that thirty-five per cent. of a much smaller claim, which probably required more time, toil, and expense, was "excessive and unreasonable."

As to private claims granted by Congress in which attorneys, as stated by Senator Morgan on the floor of the Senate, which statement was uncontradicted, even unchallenged, received fifty per cent. of the amount collected, we cite the John Roach claims for $358,311.67 allowed by Acts of Congress, approved April 9 and June 3, 1898.

On June 9, 1898, within one hour after the debate closed on the Lodge resolution to investigate the circumstances connected with the passage of the Publishing House claim, an omnibus bill to appropriate about $10,000,000 passed the Senate without division; and included in that sum were claims adjudicated by the Court of Claims amounting to $1,897,000, composed of private claims in which attorneys are reported to have had fees ranging from twenty-five to fifty per cent. of the whole.

The same bill appropriated $1,055,473.04 to pay what is known as the "French Spoliation Claims," where the attorneys' fees are reported as fifty per cent. of the whole.

Numerous other cases might be cited to show that the usual fees paid for getting claims through Congress, not so old or so stale as was the Publishing House claim, were fifty per cent. of the whole. But enough instances have been given to show that the same senators who found our fee of thirty-five per cent. to be unreasonable had themselves set the precedent of thirty-five per cent. in the case of larger and less difficult claims.

That an attorney or agent living in Washington during the session of Congress, and constantly pressing, by all legitimate means, our claim upon the attention of members, was indispensable to success, is palpable to all persons who have had experience in such matters before Congress, and in this case was emphasized by the great loss we had suffered of money vainly expended, and by the great delay to so much as a report upon the claim, which last fact had discouraged the Agents and some of the attorneys. There were few persons familiar with the history of the effort to secure compensation who had the least faith that it would ever be obtained.

If it be thought that the contingent fee agreed to be paid was so large that the attorney received substantially and relatively more than the beneficiaries, it is only necessary to remember that the same Committee of the Senate, which at last reported in favor of the payment of $288,000, had previously proposed and urged that we should be content to receive $150,000 in full satisfaction of our claim. By the contract made by the Book Committee, and successfully fulfilled, $37,200 in excess of that sum was, in the end, secured as the net result, clear of all expenses and charges, to the beneficiaries of this claim.

How, then, can it be truthfully said that the beneficiaries of the fund have been wronged by any action of the Book Committee?

The report adopted by the Senate implies that the contract made by the Book Committee was an injury to the beneficiaries of the fund. That the beneficiaries were greatly injured is not only shown by the affidavits contained in our petition for relief, but is also confessed by Congress in granting the sum of $288,000 to reimburse the church. But this injury to the beneficiaries was not an injury done those beneficiaries by the Book Committee in its efforts to collect this amount, but was an injury done by the Government of the United States. A further injury to these beneficiaries was in the long delay to pay this claim, and again, after this long delay, in the payment of a sum but little more than half the amount shown to be due by the affidavits in the hands of the Senate Committee that recommended the payment of the amount finally granted. Had Congress thirty years ago, or even at a later date, manifested a desire to protect these beneficiaries, there would have been no necessity to employ an attorney, but unfortunately for the beneficiaries this desire was not manifested in time for practical purposes. The Book Committee, so far from injuring the beneficiaries of the fund, took the steps by which those beneficiaries have recovered the portion of the fund which they have finally received.

The Senate Investigating Committee, in its report of July 8, 1898, makes an assertion which the Book Committee feels bound to controvert, believing that this assertion, if successfully maintained, is subversive of most important rights of ecclesiastical bodies, such as our Church and its General Conference and subordinate standing Boards and Committees.

This assertion is as follows: "The Committee do not agree with the contention that the Senate has no right to inquire into the subject of compensation for services rendered by their attorney to the Book Agents. The Senate was passing upon the question of a claim against the United States made by trustees, not for their personal use, but for the benefit of certain beneficiaries, and there was the same jurisdiction and right to protect the beneficiaries from excessive charges and extortion that is constantly exercised by the courts of the land when cases are being tried which affect the estates of infants and trust funds."

We venture to say, with all due appreciation of the Committee's desire to protect our beneficiaries, that no more fallacious position has ever been put forth in a public document.

The Congress of the United States, in passing on this claim, was in no view a court trying a case and protecting the interests of all parties concerned, plaintiff and defendant, adult and infant, fiduciaries and cestuis que trust; but a legislative agent of the United States, ascertaining and settling by honest payment a claim of debt against the United States. As the government is honest, so its agent is presumed to be honest, and, therefore, willing to pay a properly ascertained debt. With questions as to what the creditor may do with his money, or may have contracted to do with his money, not fraudulent in itself, or "contrary to public policy," according to well-settled law, such a body has nothing whatever to do.

The Senate Investigating Committee was evidently acting under a misapprehension as to who the creditors are to whom this claim was due. The corporate name of the publishing concern is, "The Book Agents of the M. E. Church, South." The church was thus; under its own corporate name as a publishing concern, claiming the payment of an amount due for the damage done to the substance of the Publishing House—that is, to the capital or producing investment of the concern. This being the case, the fund, when obtained, would, of necessity, take its place with the other capital of the Publishing House. Thus it clearly appears that the creditors to whom this claim was due were neither infants nor helpless objects of eleemosynary provision. They are ultimately the whole membership of the M. E. Church, South, clerical and lay, by whose means and for whose benefit their Publishing House was established and is conducted, its object being defined in the Discipline, paragraph 418, as follows: "To advance the cause of Christianity by disseminating religious knowledge and useful literary and scientific information in the form of books, tracts, and periodicals." The eleemosynary feature was from the beginning an incidental one, both in the provisions of the law of the church, and in its custom in applying that law to the distribution of the products of the House.

These "beneficiaries" have an interest in the profit of the funds used in the business of the House, and, since the vast majority of them are not "infants," and those who are having competent legally appointed guardians, the beneficiaries are well able to protect whatever interest they have, and to prevent through the proper ecclesiastical tribunals of the church and the courts of justice the waste of their property without conceding to the Congress of the United States, or either House thereof, the dangerous power of inquiring into the disposition of money by an honest creditor before making payment of his debt, and thus exercising the powers of the judicial as well as the legislative department of the government

Having submitted to our church and the public the foregoing statement, the Book Committee respectfully and earnestly suggests to all persons interested in these matters, and in the welfare of our church, that until the next session of the General Conference, when, if deemed desirable, these affairs may be passed under review by the legislative body of our church, the chief source of power and influence among us, all agitation of the subject, especially in an acrimonious and bitter spirit, shall come to an end.

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NEW DOORS.

At the Brookhaven District Missionary Institute, Rev. I. L. Peebles delivered an address on "The Doors Lately Opened before Us." The following account of the address is from the pen of the secretary, Rev. J. D. Ellis:

Bro. Peebles presented in a strong and enthusiastic speech the gradual and successive opportunities of the church in foreign fields from the apostolic times, and especially its present opportunity in Cuba and Porto Rico. His speech showed a wonderful familiarity with church history. He said that it was God's plan from the beginning to open doors for the church as fast as it desired to enter. This he did until the church backslid, and in proportion as the church backslided in that proportion were doors closed against her until ensued what is known as the "dark ages." In the beginning of the nineteenth century nearly the whole world was closed against the church. Madagascar was entered in 1818, and fully opened 1861. Siam opened in 1813, and fully in 1851. Hawaii was opened in 1819, and captured for Christ in 1870. Five parts of China were opened in 1812. In 1860 access was had to the interior, and now the whole nation is open. In 1859 Japan opened a door, and in 1881 protection given to all religions. Korea, for centuries shut up to herself, opened several of her ports to Christianity in 1882, and now she cries, "Come over and help us."

The most recent opportunities of the church are Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines; but for lack of means we are unable to enter any but Cuba. He said that the whole world is open save Mecca and L'hassa (Lassa). Mecca is in Arabia, and is the birth-place of Mohammed. If this place does not open its doors to the church of God, it is likely her very existence will cease, for her population has recently been reduced from 100,000 to 40,000. The doors of Lassa of Tibet are still closed. It is the place where Dalai-lama lives and is worshiped. But God will open all closed doors as soon as the church is ready to enter. He said if the church does not enter the open doors, she will backslide.

PREACHERS' INSTITUTE, FOREST DISTRICT.

The Preachers' Institute for the Forest district, Mississippi Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in Hickory, Thursday and Friday, July 27 and 28, 1899. This first session will begin Thursday, 8:30 A. M., with devotional services led by J. M. Corley. Brief papers, requiring not more than ten minutes each for reading, will be prepared and read on the following subjects and by persons named:

"Who Was Pelagius? and What His Heresy?" W. L. Linfield.
"What Do We Know of the Arian Heresy?" M. L. White.
"History of the Filioque Controversy." G. W. Huddleston.
"Martin Luther." D. C. Langford.
"John Calvin." W. M. Sullivan.
"John Knox." B. W. Lewis.
"Melancthon." J. H. Foreman.
"Zwingli." T. H. Harrod.
11 A. M.—Sermon. "The Call to Preach." W. M. Stevens.
2:30 P. M.—Devotions led by W. W. Murray.
"John Wesley." H. J. Moore.
"Charles Wesley." C. W. Campbell.
"John Fletcher." J. N. Tucker.
"Francis Ashury." Ira B. Robertson.
"Wm. McKendree." R. S. Gale.
4 P. M.—Sermon. "The Atonement." P. H. Howse.
8 P. M.—Sermon. "Adoption." D. Scarborough.

FRIDAY.

8:30 A. M.—Devotions led by W. H. Lane.
"Can the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Be Enforced? Should It Be Entorced? and How Should It Be Enforced?" Discussion led by P. D. Hardin and L. J. Jones.
"What Are the Cardinal and What the Distinctive Doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South?" Paper by T. J. O'Neil.
11 A. M.—Sermon. "The Mode of Baptism." M. L. White.
2:30 P. M.—Devotions led by W. P. Dennoll.
"Why Should 'Doctrinal Sermons,' or Sermons on Controverted Questions, Be Preached?" Paper by W. M. Stevens.
"Is the Episcopacy an Order or an Office in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South?" Paper by J. G. Galloway.
4 P. M.—Sermon. "Infant Baptism." D. C. Langford.
8 P. M. "Apostasy." W. M. Sullivan.

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FROM THE WORK.

Rev. W. E. Akin, P. C.: "Assisted by Bro. G. D. Anders, of Columbia, I held a six days' meeting at Pollock, which resulted in some conversions, a number reclaimed, the membership greatly revived, and ten accessions to the church. Bro. Anders' preaching was heart-searching, and the results will be substantial. This makes eighteen added to the membership of the church during the year, and we are praying and working for a revival all along the line during the year."

Rev. Roht. L. Phillips, Porterville, May 22, 1899: "We closed an eleven days' meeting with Bro. Crossley at Marion, May 9. There were two accessions to the church. Several young ladies trusted Christ for salvation. Miss Bennie Erwin received a happy witness to her conversion. Miss Allie Brogan, the talented daughter of the sainted Brogan, of the Mississippi Conference, was 'perfected in love.' Oh, what a happy face! Many others blessed in the meeting. The Baptist pastor, Bro. Lowry, kindly recalled his appointment on the second Sabbath, he and his people worshiping with us. There was no war with denominations or authorities in this meeting. 'Perfect love' 'doth not behave itself unseemly.' Glory to God for a love and joy which make all the avenues to the soul windows of heaven. Bro. Crossley is nobly serving a noble people."

Rev. R. L. Wohh, McLauria, Miss., May 23, 1899: "The second Quarterly Conference on Galloway circuit was held at Brooklyn, Miss., on the sixth instant. Bro. W. W. Simmons, our beloved presiding elder, was with us, and magnified his office, preaching for us Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Simmons is indeed 'a soul-winner,' and has endeared himself to all who know him. Following Quarterly Conference we had a few days' protracted meeting. Bro. Geo. P. McKeown was with us, and did the preaching. It was a feast of good things, and while there were no conversions, we believe that a good work has been accomplished in the hearts of God's people, and are confidently expecting to gather much fruit as a result of that sowing. We are sorry to report the death of the infant son of Bro. and Sister A. P. Courtney, near Brooklyn, on the tenth instant. May the Holy Ghost comfort their broken hearts!"

Rev. W. B. Van Valkenburgh, Atlanta, La., May 21, 1899: "We have just held a most delightful Children's Day service at this place, using the programmes entire as prepared by our Publishing House, with a few choice supplementary selections. The occasion proved to be a most delightful one. The children and young people assigned recitations performed their respective parts most admirably. Special mention is due to Mrs. Geo. C. Lewis, who, without stint, devoted her time to the young people in practice and drill-work, and for her part rendered us at the organ. The congregation was representative in character; the Baptists and Methodists on the programme, and preparing dinner, mingling together, and assisting each the other as members of one common family. The Baptist pastor was also on hand, honoring us with his presence, and encouraging and endorsing our service in many ways. Collection, including cost of programmes, $3.65. The first Children's Day ever observed here. The superintendent had it announced as an ever-hereafter-to-be-observed day and service. I feel that real good will result. To God be the glory. Amen."

Rev. P. H. Howse, P. C., Coffeeville, Miss., May 17, 1899: "We reached our field of labor Jan. 13, and was kindly received at the parsonage, Jan. 14, by some of the faithful people of this (the Neshoba) charge. Since that time we have had a variety of experiences—some cold, some hot, some joyful, some sad; but God was with us all the way. Another preacher was born to us in February, but has not, so far, proven to be a family affliction. The people have been thoughtful of us, and we have enjoyed many kindnesses at their hands. My wife lay very near death's door for several days, but was kindly nursed by the precious good women of this charge, who will always hold a sacred place in our memory. Our Quarterly Conference is chronicled with past events. Our presiding elder was with us, and as happy as a sunflower. He did his work manly and Christianly. There was nothing covered or on the sly; no equivocating, but openly and decently. He preached us two awakening sermons. I believe that if his health holds out (which it seems to bid fair to do), he will instill new life into the district by the assistance of the Holy Ghost and his co-laborers. This charge is doing very well. The people are cheerful and the pastor busy."

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RESOLUTIONS.

The members of the M. E. Church residing in the vicinity of the Low Creek School-house met here to-day for the purpose of organizing a society of Methodists. Rev. I. S. Few in the chair; Robt. F. Bedingfield, secretary.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, We do hold to the teaching, tenets of the M. E. Church, and in the past have been as sheep without a shepherd until Rev. I. S. Few, M. D., D. D., came into ("as God sent") our midst and called us together with goodly words and godly counsel, and exhorted us to unite and re-enlist under the banner of the cross, we do hear his voice and give heed unto his counsel; be it hereby

Resolved, That we this day, with God's help, organize a church under the name of Henlah.

Resolved, That we hereby petition to the Louisiana Conference of the M. E. Church, South, that our society be admitted into its fold, and be incorporated into whatever circuit the wisdom of Conference may see fit. The chairman, Dr. Few, then suggested that a Sunday-school should be organized, which was immediately done. He then appointed Robt. F. Bedingfield, superintendent; William Peasson, secretary; Miss Bettie Bedingfield, treasurer; Charley Miller, teacher senior class; Mrs. Minnie Bruce, teacher of junior class; Mrs. Mary Cox, teacher of juvenile class.

Resolved, That Dr. Few is requested to remain in charge of our society until Conference shall have made other arrangement.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings shall be forwarded the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and one to Rev. J. T. Sawyer, P. E., Shreveport district, and request that he take charge of our petition before the next Annual Conference of the Louisiana Conference of M. E. Church, South.

I. S. FEW, Chair'n.
ROBT. F. BEDINGFIELD.

Low Creek School-house, Second Ward, Caddo Parish, La., May 7, 1899.

LEHRTON CHURCH.

We, "the Lehrton Church," held a Church Conference yesterday and revised our roll. The results were very gratifying indeed. (This is the first time the roll was ever revised.) Out of 151 members we only eliminated three, leaving 148 members in good standing.

After the Church Conference we discussed the advisability of moving our church and parsonage, as had been previously announced. We had some speeches, after which the vote was taken. The vote stood: For moving, 19; against, 6 (8 cast against, but 2 illegal ones). Some did not vote at all, though they were in favor of the move. There is, of course, some dissatisfaction.

The present site of church and parsonage is very inconvenient to the preacher in charge and family. We are more than half a mile from the "little village of Ruleville," and we belong to the paper-sack brigade, and it's not very pleasant to have to catch our horse and ride to town (wet or dry) for five cents worth of soda or salt.

In our speech we tried to show the dear ones the hardships, but "they were set in their ways," and could not see through our speeches. But we are going to meet to-morrow to complete arrangements to start to moving our church to a convenient location. Messrs. Rules have donated a nice lot for the church. I am sure the move will be greatly advantageous.

Our District Conference is almost on us. I am utilizing many of the nights now trying to get ready for my examinations. We had so much sickness through the Winter that I get very badly behind with my studies; then my work is very heavy. I have six appointments, and that keeps me a-stirring. My wife has been out at Starkville sick for sixty-five days. Of course, this is a great hardship on me.

Our "Children's Day" exercises will be late, but I think they will be very interesting. The little fellows seem to be very enthusiastic, and the prospects are flattering. We have some very godly men for Sunday-school superintendents.

On the whole, my work is progressing nicely now.

I feel like Bro. E. P. Nasbet, a fellow school-mate and preacher who lives in Texas. Writing me some time ago, he said: "I got the 'dear old ADVOCATE' (through papa's kindness). I enjoy the contents very much, especially 'From the Work.'" Then adds: "I wish more of the old Millsaps boys would write, so I could keep up with them." "Ditto."

J. W. MCGEE.

"What Headaches Mean."

The dreadful headaches which women suffer mean nineteen times out of twenty that there is more trouble than headache.

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—C. F. Adams.

To live poetry is infinitely greater than to write it.—Selected.

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Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe.—St. Augustine.

Good books, like good friends, are few and chosen; the more select, the more enjoyable.—A. Bronson Alcott.

A man who has in his pocket the Proverbs of Solomon has more brains in his pocket than the world generally have in their heads.—H. W. Beecher.

Any man can sing by day; but only he whose heart has been tuned by the gracious hand of Jehovah can sing in the darkness.—William M. Taylor, D. D.

No man gets a proper view of life who closes his eyes to the fact that this world is only a training-school for the world that is to come.—Baltimore Advocate.

When maligned and persecuted unjustly, do not imagine that you are forsaken of God; be brave and firm, remember that they called the master of the house Beelzebub.—Baltimore Advocate.

Were you to get a kingdom or twenty kingdoms, it were but a pitiful trifle compared with this, whether you walked as God commands you, and you did your duty to God and to all men.—Carlyle.

He who in poverty, or sickness, or solitude, can preserve a merry heart and a cheerful countenance is a benefactor to society, a testimony to his God, and the best of all possible friends to himself.—Bishop Thorold.

Speak well of everyone. If you can not, then speak no ill. Silence there is golden. This does not mean that no criticisms are permissable, but never say of others what you would not be willing to say to them or in their presence.—Exchange.

Yes, things are hard sometimes. And we must live on and bear God's will. Because he makes a plan for us and there will be always something coming, we can't tell, day by day, what may be; only he never forgets us or leaves anything out.—A. D. T. Whitney.

All that you and I are responsible for is doing our duty. Ours is the seeding, and God alone beholds the end of what is sown. How do we know how much good we accomplish when we do any good thing or utter any truth in love? Eternity will be full of surprises to us. Wait and see.—Theodore L. Cuyler.

There is not much gain in thinking about the things over which one can have no control. It is better to leave them prayerfully with God. The man who tries to think of such things worries. He is worried about his health and about the weather and about his family and about the wickedness of the world until he has learned the lesson of prayer. Then he does the best he can each day and leaves the rest with God.—Sunday-School Times.

OUR EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT—THE WHY OF IT.

Educational enthusiasm is one of the chief characteristics of the times. All over the land there are unmistakable evidences of deep interest in and genuine appreciation of culture. In fact, education has become one of the hobbies of the American people, and a most excellent hobby it is, provided it be ridden in the right direction.

It needs to be remembered, however, that not every kind of education is an unmixed blessing to the individual and to society. Culture is not a cure-all either for vice or for poverty. Refinement and improved environment have never proved effectual remedies for moral corruption. Though, in the age of Pericles, Greek literature and art reached their highest development, the whole social fabric of Athens was honeycombed with iniquity. Intellectual culture, unaccompanied by the restraints of a pure religion, finds its logical expression in characters like Voltaire, Rousseau, and Aaron Burr, who, though keen in intellect and learned in worldly wisdom, were moral lepers and sowers of discord. Education is not complete unless it includes the spiritual nature as well as the mind and body. All other education produces lop-sided development, and is apt to lead to pernicious effects. Intelligence does not imply self-mastery, or freedom from the dominion of vice and immorality. It is every day becoming more apparent that nothing short of the best Christian education can be depended on for the building up of noble character and a pure and safe citizenship. While a thorough education wonderfully increases a man's capacity for usefulness, it also increases correspondingly his capacity for evil.

Some say it matters not where youth are educated, provided they receive thorough instruction. One might as well say it matters not where we get water, provided the supply be ample. But, as every one knows, many sources of water supply are impure and unwholesome. Likewise the fountains of instruction are sometimes poisoned.

Since the State can not consistently teach religion or adequately emphasize its importance, the church would make a grievous mistake were she to leave the work of education entirely to State and secular enterprise. The time spent by a boy or a girl in college is usually the most critical in the formation of character, the final impress, so to speak, being then imparted. Hence, it is of momentous importance that during this period the student should be surrounded by the best possible influences, and have before him the noblest ideals.

Christianity has from the first been engaged in educational work, and has constantly sought to train her converts both in mind and soul for future usefulness. The great revival and reform movements that have purified the church, and saved Christianity from becoming an effete and forceless religion, have almost, without exception, originated in institutions of learning.

Though a trite statement, it is nevertheless significant, that Methodism was born in a university, and was cradled in the lap of learning. Our church has, from her very infancy, been an ardent promoter of intelligence, and a fosterer of schools and colleges. John Wesley was a pioneer in the field of popular education. He let no opportunity slip for the establishment of schools. That wonderful man was far-sighted enough to perceive that evangelization must be accompanied by education, or fail in the best results.

It is not enough for the church to seek to evangelize the world; she must also train those who come within her pales, and prepare them for service. She must seek the best means, not only of spreading the gospel, but also of perpetuating the powers and benefits of Christianity. In no other way can she do this than by establishing and maintaining schools and colleges in which youth shall be trained, as Bishop Galloway puts it, "for life and for eternal life." Colleges are recognized as strategic centers of culture and influence. Hence, if the stream of young life that flows from them can be trained into right channels, who can measure the benefits to society? The church that most adequately provides for the intellectual and religious training of youth is destined to become the most influential and expansive. Who is so unwise as to question that consecrated intelligence is more acceptable to God and serviceable to humanity than consecrated ignorance?

The majority of the missionaries who evangelized the South Sea Islands were college men, and the same may be said of the majority of those who to-day are carrying the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth. The various Mission Boards have long since found it expedient to send the best-trained men and women to the most degraded and benighted peoples.

It is related of that famous missionary, Dr. Judson, that one day, as he approached Madison University, he said, "If I had a thousand dollars, do you know what I would do with it?" The person asked supposed he would give it to foreign missions. He replied, "I would put it into an institution like that," pointing to the college. "Planting colleges" (he meant Christian colleges) "is planting seed-corn for the world."

It is because Methodism believes with all her heart the truth just stated that she is endeavoring, during the closing years of this century, to strengthen and enlarge her educational machinery. The leaders of our Zion are deeply convinced that an advance in this direction will result in greater good to the church, and be more far-reaching in its results, than the fortifying of any other of our forces. In view of the rapid advance of general intelligence and the constantly increasing demand for an educated ministry, both in the home and the foreign field, it would simply be suicidal for us to allow our denominational schools to languish. We need to bestir ourselves at once.

With two or three exceptions, our female colleges are all unendowed, and our male colleges are nearly all seriously hampered for lack of funds. The hour has arrived for us to give them adequate equipment, or bring reproach upon ourselves. If we are to continue to educate, let us do our best; otherwise, let us retire from the business. The hour has passed when superficial work will pass muster.

WHO WILL WEAR THIS CROWN?

There is not a Methodist Church building on the Island of Cuba. There is not, so far as I know, a Protestant Church building.

The Baptists, who are the most numerous Protestant body on the island, have their largest congregation (that at Havana) housed in an old theatre.

Our missionaries are preaching in chapels provided by adapting the parlors of houses built for residences, which we rent. In those inconvenient and temporary quarters they are having remarkable success. Already, before most of them have worked as long as six months, their quarters have overflowed. If their work is to succeed, they must have proper places of worship. They confront a Romanism intrenched in splendid houses built by the treasury of the State.

We need at once a suitable place of worship in Havana, the capital and commercial metropolis of the island. There dwell 200,000 people—at least one-seventh of all the population of Cuba. In that great city there is not a Protestant Church building! Think of that. I can buy a suitable property near the centre of the city now for $30,000. At that figure it is very cheap. The property of the Baptists, not so well located, cost, I am told, $35,000. The chance to buy this property may slip out of my hands any day. I have not had the money to secure an option on it. The Board of Church Extension and the Board of Missions have authorised me to raise the money and buy it. Neither Board's treasury was in condition to supply the money. I make this statement, appealing to all who love the Lord Jesus, and who care for the needs of this unhappy island, to help in this great emergency.

A brother beloved starts me with a subscription of $500. Who will join him? Are there not a hundred persons in all our Southern Methodism who can give each $500 to buy this ground and put upon it a commodious church, a good school building, and a parsonage? It is large enough for all these, and the buildings now on it would supply material for at least two of the buildings desired.

Oh, that some man or woman would come forward and build the first Protestant Church in Cuba! What a monument it would be!

Sir Christopher Wren is immortalized by St. Paul's, London, the inscription upon it being, "If ye seek my monument, look around you." Not less honored will be the man who erects the first Protestant Church in Cuba. Who will wear this crown? W. A. CANDLER.

[The above appeal from Bishop Candler ought to meet with a hearty response throughout the church. Here is a magnificent opportunity for Southern Methodists to honor the Lord with their substance. A little judicious sowing in that field will ensure a bountiful harvest in the near future.]

BRO. PHILLIPS' FUNERAL.

The remains of Bro. B. F. Phillips, who died at Ocean Springs, Miss., Wednesday, May 17, were shipped to Shannon, Miss., Thursday, the eighteenth, and the funeral was preached by Bro. K. A. Jones, of Okolona, Friday, 10 A. M., from Eph. iii, 15. Bro. Anderson, of Verona, and this scribe also participated in these sad rites. Besides the above-named, Bros. J. T. Cunningham and H. M. Young were present.

That Bro. Phillips was much beloved by the people of Shannon, irrespective of denomination, was evident from the vast congregation assembled, and the many sad faces and tear-dimmed eyes present.

After the funeral services the Masons present took charge of the remains, and conveyed them to the cemetery, where they were interred with masonic honors.

The grave was almost covered with floral offerings carried by loving hands as tokens of respect and appreciation. As the last flower was laid upon the new-made mound the benediction was pronounced by Bro. Jones.

We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved wife and sorrowing sons, and pray the God of all grace to comfort their hearts.

S. B. MYERS.

ATTENDANCE ON THE SERVICES OF THE CHURCH.

Every member of the Methodist Church promised at her altar to attend the ordinances of the church, yet how many never think of it again. Some may run well for a season, then get cold or lukewarm. They satisfy their conscience by one service a day or one a month, and as to the mid-week service, they never even think of the prayer meeting. What kind of Christians do such church members call themselves, and what kind are they in God's sight?

Will you be made "ruler over many cities," or will the sentence be, "Depart; I never knew you!" It is the duty of the members of the church to attend the Sunday services, morning and night, and to be in their places at the prayer meeting. If you really want to go, you will go. If you do not want to go, Satan will help you to an excuse. Did it ever occur to you that while you professed to be the servants of Christ that you were really in partnership with Satan? That you are not living as Christ would have you do, but as Satan suggests? The Holy Spirit never suggests a turning away from duty; the evil spirit does, and every time you stay away voluntarily from the services of the church you are following the leadings of the evil spirit. You may think you are not well enough to go, as the weather is too inclement, and you may deceive your pastor in this way, but you can not deceive God. He knows that you do not go because you do not want to go. When the day of reckoning comes, what will you say? What use has God for church members who have no heart for the services of his house or no love for the preached word? What does the dear Lord think of you, and what interest have you in the blood that was shed on Calvary? This is a vital question and one you will have to answer at the bar of God.

A sister who thus neglected her church duties lay on her death-bed. Her many lost opportunities rose like specters to torture her soul, and as she cried out her pastor tried to comfort her, but all in vain, for her conscience goaded her to desperation. She had a beautiful voice, but she had persistently refused to sing in the church. She had declined to do church work, she had studiously absented herself from the services of the church, she had a name to live, yet was dead. Her cry was, "Spare me a little longer that I may give my life to the service of God," but the fiat had gone forth, "Cut the barren fig tree down," and thus she went into the presence of her Maker. May God help you to see where you stand before it is eternally too late!—Central Methodist.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Ian Maclaren, who has done very little literary work for some months, has just written for The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, an important series of four short stories, under the general title, "A Scots Grammar School," the first of which will appear in the issue of June 3.

The June Ladies' Home Journal opens with a page drawing of Longfellow's "Evangeline," and gives a group of pictures showing some "Fetes of College Girls." An interesting description is given of "The Creole Girl of New Orleans," and "Housekeeping on an Ocean Steamship" is graphically portrayed. "How a Young Man Can Work His Way Through College" has a practical value for every poor boy ambitions for higher education, and "Telling the Character from Handwriting" is interesting and entertaining. Bishop, priest, rabbi and minister contribute to a symposium on "What Is the Good of Going to Church?" and the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, D. D., discusses "Pains that Polish Perfection."

In McClure's Magazine, for June, appears a description of Marconi's wireless telegraph. The article is written with the assistance of Mr. Marconi himself, by Mr. Cleveland Moffett, who himself sent and received messages by the wireless telegraph across the English Channel. Another interesting and valuable article in this number is an account of negotiations between Admiral Dewey and the Spanish commanders that led to the final surrender of Manila practically without any fighting between the land forces. A graphic account of the strange life of the miners who work a mile out under the sea off the coast of Cornwall, reminiscences and anecdotes of "Lincoln and the Soldiers," and a dramatic description of "Paul Jones' Greatest Fight," by the Rev. C. T. Brady, are other attractive features of the number.

In Self-Culture, for June, the opening paper, on Harvard University, contains several fine portraits of members of the faculty whose names are linked with the extraordinary recent growth of that ancient institution of learning. Rear-Admiral Roe, in an article entitled "The Unrest of the Nations," reviews the powers of the world, and points out the tendencies to unrest among their peoples, together with the causes of those tendencies. A sketch of the life and work of Honore de Balzac shows the great novelist at work, and tells of his early struggles for fame and fortune.

Some interesting private letters of Dr. O. W. Holmes, and personal reminiscences of that amiable anatomist and litterateur, are given by Dr. George Stewart. Dr. Marcus Benjamin presents a description of the Smithsonian Institution, and Mr. Hezekiah Butterworth describes the country of our Pilgrim forefathers under the title, "A Legend-Haunted Summer Land."

SCRIBNER'S MAGAZINE, FOR JUNE.

William Allen White, the Kansas editor, whose "Boyville Stories" are so well known, writes a tale of Western political life with which his editorial duties have brought him in close contact. He calls it "A Victory for the People," and gives the inside history of the appointment of a United States senator by the governor.

Another story by a new writer is, "A Burial by Friendless Post," by Robert Shackleton, a New York journalist, who has made a particular study of the strange life on Blackwell's Island.

Henry James contributes a short story in the field in which he won his first successes—a character study of Boston people of the most pronounced New England characteristics.

Scribner's most remarkable serial is brought to a close in this number where Governor Roosevelt, under the title of "The Return Home," gives the final scenes in the life of the most famous regiment of recent times.

Sidney Lanier's poetical music impressions are concluded in this number.

NOTES.

Bishop Galloway preached the commencement sermon, last Sabbath, at the Texas State Normal at Huntsville.

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At the New Orleans Preachers' Meeting, on Monday morning, twenty-four accessions were reported for the last month.

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We were pleased to receive a call recently from our genial friend, Hon. R. H. Henry, editor of the Clarion-Ledger, Jackson, Miss.

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Presiding Elder Wyatt has appointed Rev. W. O. Sadler to take charge of Shannon circuit in place of Rev. B. F. Phillips, deceased.

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Col. E. W. Cole, of Nashville, a leading layman of the M. E. Church, South, and one of the wealthiest men in the South, died of apoplexy at Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, on May 24.

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Bishop Keener will leave the city Saturday to attend the Centenary commencement. Rev. S. S. Keener and Rev. E. N. Evans will accompany him. Several of the city pastors will go up on Monday.

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Miss Minnie Cowan, Mistress of Latin in the North Texas Female College, Sherman, Texas, arrived home (Oxford, Miss.) last week. All of the schools of Sherman closed on account of small-pox.

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Rev. R. H. Wynn is taking a short vacation, and is visiting his parents in Baton Rouge parish. His pulpit was filled last Sabbath by Rev. J. E. Denson, Bro. Denson's pulpit being occupied by the presiding elder.

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At the ADVOCATE office, on May 23, we celebrated the rites of matrimony between Mr. Demetrius Hoose and Miss Sadie Haynes, all of Rosland, La. Our best wishes attend the happy pair as they embark upon the sea of matrimonial life.

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Bishops Galloway, Hendrix and Candler, and Dr. Hammond, have been stirring up the Methodists of Montgomery and Birmingham on the Twentieth Century Education question. Much enthusiasm was developed, and plans were laid for systematic work in all parts of the State.

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MR. EDITOR: Your editorial, "Push the Sunday-school," is timely and suggestive. It ought to do good.

I am just home from a week's service on Montpelier circuit, during which time I preached seven sermons at five different places, made Sunday-school talks, took subscriptions for church papers, sold a goodly number of books, and had a pleasant and religious time, generally, with those good people. Bro. Raper is serving his third year on that work. He is in good favor with the people, and doing effective service.

I enjoyed one day in the parsonage at Houston with Bro. Ball and family. He reports encouragingly of his work.

Bro. Bowen is assisting in a meeting in Greenwood this week.

I go to District Conference at Holloudale next week.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., May 27, 1899.

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The following will be read with interest by the numerous friends of Bro. Randolph:

MR. EDITOR: We are now aboard the U. S. transport "Sherman," and in two or three hours we will start for the Philippines. I write to say good-bye, and to ask to be remembered by the brethren of Mississippi. I will miss the State League Conference, and probably our Annual Conference. This I much regret. The Lord is blessing our work with the Sixth. More than a score of the men have professed conversion, and we have organized a Y. M. C. A. of nearly 200 charter members. I have purchased an organ and hymn books, and will hold daily services on the way to Manila. We have about 1,500 men on the transport, and quite a number of officers, including Gen. Fred. D. Grant and Gen. Bates. With much love for you personally, and all the brethren, I say, Good-bye.

Your brother,

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I spent last week in Mansfield assisting Bro. Sheppard, the pastor, in protracted revival services. It was my fortune to be entertained for one night, and to spend some hours of day, in the only female college under the control of the Louisiana Conference.

To say that I was favorably impressed expresses it mildly. The department of the girls in the institution speaks volumes in favor of the excellent, careful, and discriminating control exercised by Professor and Mrs. Sligh over their pupils.

The recitation I heard was good, and the methods of teaching up to date. The curriculum equals and even surpasses some more pretentious colleges. The fact is, this school depends upon real work; some others upon the name and fashion and expense, which are about the only things they have to commend the institutions to the people.

An afternoon joint-meeting of the two literary societies, in which they presented an improvised program in splendid style, showed the talent as well as the culture in literary grace and musical sweetness and melody, of the daughters of Louisiana, who have the privilege of attending this college in the hills of DeSoto parish.

The best feature of all is the religious atmosphere that prevails. In the recent revival a number of the pupils were converted and brought into the church. The management insist on this feature of success with the emphasis which it demands. The health of the location of this college is apparent at a glance. Mansfield is said to be the highest town in the State. The ozonic atmosphere of these piney heights is surely conducive to health.

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Don't put your boy under the control of the State; the State can not teach religion; religion is the only safe basis of a sound morality. Can you afford to do less for your girls than for your boys? Send the fair ones to Mansfield! Send your boys to Centenary! C. P. SMITH.

Minden, La; May 23, 1899.

ABOUT CHILDREN'S DAY.

READ.

Collections from Children's Day are being reported. We want the name of every Sunday-school that observes the day; so, when reporting, please give the name of the school as well as the name of the charge which it is on. We want to give every school credit in the Year Book for the amount it raises. The book will go to the press the first week in July; therefore, every school should report at once after the day is observed.

Send money to W. T. Griffin, of Mayersville, Miss. He will forward to Thomas Monnt, treasnrer. Bro. Mount is temporarily located in New Orleans, and is liable to be removed to Vicksburg at any time; so, to prevent confusion, send money to Bro. Griffin, and he will turn same over to Bro. Mount.

D. SCARBOROUGH.

A GREAT MEETING.

MR EDITOR: We have just closed a meeting of great power at Antlers, I. T. Twenty-five additions to our church, many conversions in and out of the church; also at the close of the meeting an Epworth League was organized by Bro. Mitchell, the pastor, and a heavy storm at the parsonage in the way of a ponnding. I thank God for success in loading souls to the blessed Christ. I am en route home now. W. D. BASS.

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MISSIONS.

MR. EDITOR: The second round of Quarterly Conferences is nearly over, and yet I am without missionary bulletins from several of the presiding elders of the Mississippi Conference for the first quarter.

E H. Mounger, P. E, Vicksburg district, reported as follows: Vicksburg, Crawford Street, foreign missions, $27 60; South Vicksburg, foreign missions, $3 55; Port Gibson, foreign missions, $4; Flora, foreign missions, $9; Satartia, foreign missions, $10, and domestic missions, $6; Mayersville, $5 for foreign and $2.50 for domestic missions.

C. G. Andrews, P. E., Meridian district, reported: Lauderdale, $12; Daleville, $3; Wayne mission, $0.49; Shubuta, $51.85; West End, $1 63, all for foreign missions.

T. L. Mellen, P. E., Forest district: Decatur, $14 50; Newton and Hickory, $13 for foreign missions; and 58 subscribers to the Review of Missions—including every preacher in charge and every supply in the district.

Of course, further collections were made in some of the charges after the holding of the first Quarterly Conferences and before the completion of the rounds; these will appear in the bulletins for the second rounds now drawing rapidly to a close.

The largest number of subscribers to The Review of Missions in Mississippi is at West Point; and the largest list of subscribers in the Mississippi Conference is at Meridian (East End having "the lion's share"), and the next at Gloster, with Canton for the third. T. L. MELLEN,
Miss. Conf. Miss'y Sec.

FROM BRO. POE.

I wish to tell my friends that I have about fully recovered, and am now able to be about "my Father's business."

All the brethren and friends who prayed for me, and in any way sympathized with me, have my sincere gratitude. My recovery was unusual, and, I think, in answer to prayer. I surely passed through the valley of the shadow of death. For twenty-four hours my feet were laved in the turbid waters of "chilly Jordan," and in a few days after my recovery was despaired of. The fever left me and never returned. My strength in seeming supernatural power came to me. Since that time I have been constantly improving. My people were very kind to me. I will never forget them. I no longer fear nor dread death. Faith in God takes away all of its sting. My suffering has been a blessing to me, and I thank God for it.

J. A. POE.

Marianna, Miss., May 21, 1899.

ATTENTION, MISSISSIPPI LEAGUERS!

The five-cent assessment for carrying on the State League work is now due, and should be sent to our State treasurer, Miss Vio Thompson, Tupelo, Miss., at the earliest day possible. The State officers are entirely dependent upon this assessment for means to meet the necessary expenses of our coming State Conference, so the importance of paying it promptly is manifest. We urge the pastors and League presidents throughout the State to bring this matter to the attention of their local chapters at once. R. A. MEEK,
For State League Ex. Com.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

REDUCED RATES TO CENTENARY.

Y. and M. V. R. R. will sell tickets on all lines between Vicksburg and New Orleans from June 3 to June 5, on the following plan: Purchase ticket at full fare. Get certificate from agent to that effect, and you can return at one cent per mile. Let Centenary College's friends come in great numbers. I. W. COOPER.

NOTICE.

The delegates and visitors who will attend the W. F. M. Conference at Sardis, Miss., June 10-13, will please send names to Mrs. W. H. Wall, so that homes can be provided for them. MRS. W. H. WALL.
Rec. Sec. W. F. M. S.

Program of Whitworth College.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9.

8 P M—Exercises of the Primary and Preparatory Departments.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11.

11 A. M—Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. W. C. Black, Editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate.

4 P. M.—Exercises of the Epworth League. Speeches by Visiting Brethren.

8 P M—Sermon before the Epworth League by Rev. R. Selby, of the Mississippi Conference.

MONDAY, JUNE 12.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Art Levee. Gold Medal Contest in Elocution. Anniversary of the Literary Societies. Address by Dr. W. C. Black.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13.

11 A. M.—Anniversary of the Alumnæ Association.

8 P. M—Grand Concert.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14.

11 A. M.—Graduating Exercises. Address by the President. Delivery of Medals and Diplomas. Announcements.

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Opening sermon Tuesday, July 11, at 8 P. M., by J. J. Golden.

Wednesday afternoon session will be given to discussions on Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues.

Rev. W. B. Lewis will prepare program for this occasion.

8 P. M., Thursday, grand rally in the interest of the Twentieth Century Fund, conducted by Rev. H. G. Hawkins.

Committees: Admission on Trial—J. W. McLaurin, T. B Cottrell, L. T. Fitzhugh. Deacon's Orders—Jas. A. Moore, R. Bradley, Frank Robinson. Elder's Orders—B. F. Lewis, F. M. Williams, J. D Crymes.

Brethren will please have Quarterly Conference Records on hand.

We hope to have Bishop Galloway with us.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.
Jackson, Miss.

ARCADIA DISTRICT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

PROGRAM.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28.

8:30 A. M.—Relation of School and Church—Led by Hon. W. F. Price, of Ruston.

9:30 A. M.—Duty of Parents to Children and School—Led by J. W. Dawson, of Lisbon.

10 A. M—Doctrines of Our Church in School—Led by Hon. W. H. Leslie, of Arcadia.

3 P. M.—Qualification of Officers and Teachers—Led by Jno. M. Davies, of Minden.

3:45 P. M.—How to Succeed in Building Up Our Schools and Keep Them Going—Led by W. W. Nicholson, of Arizona.

4:30 P. M.—The Importance of Missionary Societies in All Our Schools—Led by Hon. G. L. P. Wren, of Minden.

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AT BEDTIME.

When my good nights and prayers are said,
And I am warm tncked up in bed,
I knew my guardian angel stands
And holds my head between his hands.

I can not see his gown of light,
Because I keep my eyes shut tight;
For if I open them, I knew
My pretty angel has to go.

But while my eyes are shut I hear
His white winge rustling very near;
I know it is his darling wings,
Not mother folding up my things.

—Pall Mall Gazette.

FRANCES WILLARD'S COUNSEL TO GIRLS.

Miss Willard was constantly impressing it npon her hearers and readers that every woman, rich or poor, married or unmarried, shonld cultivate individnality and independence. One of the most characteristic chapters in her breezy, helpful book for girls, How to Win, is the one in which she urges every young reader to cultivate a specialty. "By this means," she writes, "you will get into your cranium, in place of aimless reverie, a resolute aim." And she goes on to say:

This is where your brother has had his chief intellectual advantage over you. Quicker of wit than he, far less unwieldy in your mental processes, swifter in judgment, and every whit as accurate, you still have felt, when measuring intellectual swords with him, that yours was in your left hand, that his was in his right; and yon have felt this chiefly, as I believe, because from the dawn of thought in his sturdy young brain he has been taught that he must have a definite aim in life if he ever meant to swell the ranks of the somebodies upon this planet, while you have been just as sednlously tanght that the handsome prince might whirl past your door "'most any day," lift you to a seat beside him in his golden chariot, and carry yon off to his castle in Spain.

And, of course, you dream abont all this; why shouldn't you? Who wouldn't? But, my dear girls, dreaming is the poorest of all grindstones on which to sharpen one's wits. And to my thinking the rust of woman's intellect, the canker of her heart, the "worm i' the bud" of her noblest possibilities has been this aimless reverie; this rambling of the thoughts; this vagueness, which, when it is finished, is vacuity. Let us turn our gaze inward, those of us who are not thoronghgoing workers with brain or hand. What do we find? A mild chaos, a glimmering nebnla of fancies, an insipid brain soup, where a few lnmps of thought swim in a watery gravy of dreams, and, as nothing can come of nothing, what wonder if no brilliancy of achievement promises to flood our future with its light? Few women, growing up nnder the present order of things, can claim complete exemption from this grave intellectual infirmity.

Somehow one falls so readily into a sort of mental indolence; one's thonghts flow onward in a pleasant, gurgling stream, a sort of intellectnal lnllaby, coming no-whence, going no-whither. Only one thing can help yon if you are in this extremity, and that is what your brothers have—the snag of a fixed pnrpose in this stream of thought. Around it will soon cluster the dormant ideas, hopes and possibilities that have thns far floated at random. The first one in the idle stream of my life was the purpose, lodged there by my life's best friend, my mother, to have an education. Then, later on, Charlotte Bronte's Shirley was a tremendous snag in the stream to me. Around that brave and steadfast character clustered a thousand new resolves. I was never quite so steeped in reveries again, though my temptations were nnusual, my "Forest Home" by a Wisconsiu river offering few reminders to my girlish thonght of the wide, wide world and its sore need of workers.

The next jog that I got was from the intellectnal attrition of a gifted and scholarly woman who asked me ofteu to her home, and sent me away laden with volumes of Wadsworth, Niebuhr, and the British essayists, not forgetting Carlyle and Emerson. Margaret Fuller Ossoli was another fixed point—shall I not rather say a fixed star?—in the sky of my thonght, while Arnold of Rugby, to one who meant to make teaching a profession, was chief of all. Well, is it possible that any word I have here written about a definite object iu life toward which heuceforth you may bend a steady gaze? I am not speaking of a thorough intellectnal training only. It is to the life-work, which only a lifetime can fully compass, that I would direct your thoughts.—United Presbyterian.

SERVED THEM RIGHT.

In a neighboring county there is a church whose pastor is not only learned and eloquent, but he is also a gentleman of stalwart proportions. He is usually meek, bnt at times his "Irish gets up," and he shows that, along with his meekness, he possesses a certain amonnt of nerve.

A few evenings ago, at one of his services, two tough young men created a disturbance by langhing and talking aloud. They scoffed at all the preacher said. At length the preacher's patience became exhansted and he remonstrated with the two smart alecks.

"Why came you to this house of worship?" inquired the preacher.

With a loud laugh one of the fellows replied: "We want to see a miracle, and came expecting to see one performed."

The minister made no reply. Stepping down from the pulpit, he walked to where the two young men were sitting. Seizing one after the other, he proceeded with them to the door. Then his strength came in play, and he threw the two ruffians into a snow-bank several feet from the door. And as they struck the snow they heard these words from the preacher's lips: "No, young men, we do not perform miracles here, bnt you are probably aware by this time that we 'cast ont devils.'"

And resuming his place in the pulpit, the preacher finished his discourse.—Exchange.

"LOVE YOUR ENEMIES."

Dnring the Revolutionary war a Dunker leader named Miller was grievously insulted by a man named Widman, who was afterward sentenced to be hanged as a British spy. Miller went to General Washington and begged for Widman's life. The commander-in-chief replied:

"I would like to release Widman becanse he is your friend; but I can not, even for that consideration."

"Friend!" cried Miller, "he is not my friend; he is only my enemy, and, therefore, I want to save him."

The general was so touched that he pardoned the man.—Christian Leader.

An exchange reports the following: "Why did yon strike little Elsie, yon nanghty boy?" "Well, what did she want to cheat for?" "How did she cheat?" "Why, we were playing at Adam and Eve, and she had the apple to tempt me with, and she never tempted me, but went and ate it all up herself."

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AS A MATHEMATICIAN.

Although Mr. Gladstone became the greatest chancellor of the exchequer England has ever had, when he was at Oxford University he wrote home, saying that he didn't care for mathematics, and intended to concentrate his attention upon classics. His father wrote back that his son's decision grieved him. He did not think a man was a man nnless he knew mathematics. Mr. Gladstone, on receiving this intimation of his father's wishes, abandoned his own plan, and applied himself with his nsual concentration to the stndy of mathematics. Much to his snrprise, he came ont donble first. He often said in after life that he had done it to please his father, and that he would never have been chancellor of the exchequer had it not been for the bent given to his mind by his compliance with his father's wish that he shonld pnrsue mathematical studies.—Northwesteru Advocate.

A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE.

Attending the funeral of a dear friend the other day, her pastor, speaking of her who had gone, said: "In all the years of my acquaintance with her I have never known her to speak nnkindly of anyone, or have I ever heard anyone speak unkindly of her. When others were censorious, this dear woman always found an excuse, saying, 'I think they could not have understood; I am sure they did not mean to do wrong.' Although always an invalid, she kept her own weakness in the background, never talking abont it, always interested and anxious to help others, always going to those in sorrow, carrying them comfort." It seemed to me that no tribnte could be more beautiful than this.—Christian Intelligencer.

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METHOD OF READING.

Mr. Gladstone nsnally had three books he was reading at the same time, and changed from one to the other, when his mind had reached the limit of absorption. When he read a book he did so pencil in hand, marking off on the margin those passages which he wished to remember, querying those about which he was in donbt, and putting a cross opposite those which he disputed. At the end of a volume he constructed a kind of index of his own which enabled him to refer to those things he wished to remember in the book.—Selected.

Let us not climb the high wall till we get to it, or fight the battle till it opens, or shed tears over sorrows that may never come, or lose the joys and blessings that we have, by the sinful fear that God will take them away from us. We need all our strength and all the grace God can give us for to-day's bnrdens and to-day's battle. To-morrow belongs to our heavenly Father; I would not know its secrets if I could. It is far better to know whom we trnst, and that he is able to keep all we commit to him until the last great day.—T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

Let us do our duty and pray that we may do our duty here, now, to-day—not in dreamy sweetness, but in active energy; not in the green oasis of the future, but in the dusty desert of the present; not in the imaginations of otherwhere, but in the realities of now.—F. W. Farrar.

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The body is made np of purely organic material; and if it be renewed every day by proper nonrishment, what can it know of advancing years? The strain and stress and fret and worry of mental attitudes are the largest factors in bringing lines into onr faces and feebleness into our limbs, and inducing general and specific conditions of disease. The effects are wrapped up in the causes, and we can not take the one without the other.

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The subject of the above sketch illustrated, in a remarkable degree, the graces of our holy religion. Especially in the marital relation did she exemplify those principles. The stricken husband says, "No man ever had a better wife." She was one of the "keepers at home." (Tit. ii, 5.) During a married life of nearly sixty-three years she was never absent from her home at meal time, when her husband was at home, but once. The affairs of the home were directed with consummate skill, the spirit of Christ being manifested in domestic as well as social relations. In this home children were properly reared. There grandchildren were moulded into noble womanhood.

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Her religion was profound and constant. She had read the New Testament through annually for years. Had read as far as Romans during the present year. Her seat was always filled at church as long as she was able to attend. She loved the Methodist Church and delighted in entertaining Methodist preachers. When the time for her departure came there was no suffering, physical or otherwise. Death had no sting. The end was peace.

J. M. Huggin.

Nashville Christian Advocate will please copy.

SHELBY—Dr. Russell B. Shelby was born in Kentucky in 1824. When he was a boy his father, a Presbyterian minister, moved in the Mississippi Delta, and, with others, founded the first settlement in what is now Coahoma county. At an early age the doctor was graduated from the Cumberland University, when he then began the study of medicine. Having completed his course, he entered a successful practice in Mississippi. Afterward he held positions of honor in the hospitals of Cincinnati and Saint Louis, but finally returned to Mississippi. He soon acquired a handsome practice. His skill in managing the diseases peculiar to this section was marked, and both at home and abroad his ability was recognized. He visited all alike, both rich and poor, when called.

In 1859 he was married to Miss A. Cravens, of Memphis, Tenn. For fifty years they lived and loved together. Several children blessed their union, of whom but three are left.

He was a Christian and a gentleman of the old school. He was the poor man's neighbor, a generous citizen, a devoted husband and father. Ever philanthropic and loyal to truth and duty, he was a blessing to the world.

He loved his church. For some fifty years he was a consistent Methodist, and the greater portion of the time a steward. His last Sabbath at preaching he led the closing prayer. His favorite text was John iii, 16.

He died of la grippe at his home in Lula, Miss., Feb. 18, 1899, and entered into rest. He leaves the sorrowing wife and children the priceless heritage of a record that is untarnished by anything small or unmanly. What a legacy!

We shall miss him here, but we shall meet him again. God fervently bless the sorrowing loved ones and comfort them!

Lula, Miss. J. E. Cunningham.

GRANBERRY—Mrs. Serena Granberry was born March 27, 1825, and died March 13, 1899. She joined the M. E. Church in the year 1840. In the year 1850 she received the Holy Spirit in great power into her soul, and her life was thoroughly consecrated to the service of God. She was a woman of a very pure character. Her Bible was her daily companion. The Word of God was pure; therefore, she loved it above all other books. She drank freely from the fountain of eternal life. She was an active worker in the church and in the Sunday-school, and was always in her place. Her health had been bad for twenty years, or longer, but she had been sustained by strength from on high to wait on her aged companion, who was her constant care for several years before his death. When his pure spirit passed out to the bright world above she prayed to God to take her, too, as she had nothing now to live for. So the God she had so faithfully served answered her prayer, and in one short month took her to heaven to be with loved ones there forever. Her death was a beautiful translation from a world of sin and sorrow to the bright world above. "We sorrow not as those who have no hope, for we believe that Jesus died and rose again," and that "those who sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." Here is bright hope of all God's children. That is a desolate grave indeed over which there does not creep out a single sprig or blade of hope. J. S. Parker.

WOODWARD—Samuel A. Woodward was born April 26, 1807, in the State of Virginia; moved to Illinois while quite young; lived for a few years in Kentucky and Tennessee. In the latter he was married to Miss Emily P. Harris, and then moved to Alabama; thence to Mississippi, where, in 1845, he settled the place in Lafayette county on which he lived more than fifty years, leaving it only one year before his death to live among his children. He had raised a large family of children, but only five are now living.

In early life he became a Christian and joined the Methodist Church. His house has been the resting-place of many a weary itinerant preacher when this was a pioneer country. He loved the church, and was never happier than when associated with Christian people in his own hospitable home, or worshiping with them at God's house. Few men have been more useful in the community where they live. Through his long life he lived at peace with men, and, last of all, at peace with God. The last few weeks of his life he suffered much, but spoke often of the assurance that he enjoyed that he would soon be at rest. On the twenty-sixth of November, 1898, at the home of his son, Henry E., he peacefully slept in Jesus.

A. W. Lanoley.

HAMILTON—Miss Jane P. Hamilton was born Nov. 24, 1829. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1853, and lived a consistent member until her death, April 3, 1899.

She was a modest, unassuming Christian, retiring in disposition; went to church whenever she could, and always expressed herself when talking to the writer as "doing the best she could" to be ready when the summons came. She was a great sufferer; her illness was quite protracted, but she bore it as a Christian alone, helped by divine grace, can bear affliction. When the end came she expressed herself as "just waiting." She was so weak that she could not talk. No doubt if she had had the power of speech, she would have talked of many beautiful things revealed to her in this hour as the spirit was just on the ground separating the two worlds. Who can tell but while sisters and brothers were bidding her good-by, but that father and mother, who had gone on ahead of her, were greeting her with fond love and bidding her welcome to the home where sickness and death can never come? May my God sanctify her life and death to the good of all the family! Let us all meet her in heaven, is my prayer.

Her pastor, B. F. Phillips.
Shannon, Miss.

FERGUSSON—We have been called upon to mourn the loss of Mrs. May Ola Fergusson, whose sweet spirit passed from earth to heaven Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1899. While our hearts are sad, yet we bow in submission to Him who gave, and who hath taken away, for "death is the crown of life."

The W. F. M. Society, of which she was an honored member, adopts the following:

Resolved, That while we mourn the loss of such a consecrated Christian, faithful wife, self-sacrificing mother and loyal friend, we rejoice that she is "safe on the other side."

Resolved, That we strive to be ever patient, gentle, loving, and kind, as was she, for the power of such a life only eternity can tell.

Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy in this great sorrow, and pray that the "everlasting arms" be around them.

Resolved, That we deem it both a merited tribute to the dead and a duty to the living that a memorial of this life of faithful service be spread upon our records, a copy be furnished to her family, and that these resolutions be forwarded to the New Orleans Christian Advocate for publication.

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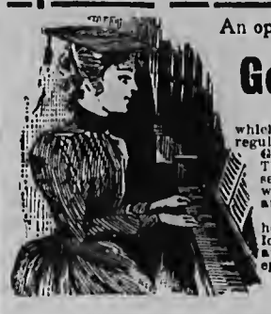
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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Queen Victoria was eighty years old last Thursday.

Rosa Bonheur, the famous animal painter, died in France last week.

The State Fair, which was held in this city during the past month, closed on Wednesday.

The Court of Cassation met in Paris, May 29, to hear the debates in the application for a revision of the Dreyfus case.

Admiral Dewey telegraphs the Navy Department that he will stop at various places on his way to the United States, and will reach New York about Oct. 1.

The students of Lincoln University have been informed by the Chester Presbytery that hereafter no trial sermon preached from a manuscript will be accepted.

Aguinaldo's "peace" envoys have been dismissed by the American Peace Commissioners, and were told not to return unless they came prepared to make an unconditional surrender.

Although left absolutely destitute by the incendiary fire which recently destroyed his home, General Wade Hampton has refused to accept the donation of a home from the people of South Carolina.

The sugar cane crop has kept up wonderfully well, notwithstanding the continued dry weather, and the stubble, which at first showed the most signs of damage from last Winter's freeze, is constantly developing fresh signs of latent life.

The gross expenses of the State of New York in the year 1899 will, it is computed, amount to $25,000,000, of which nearly 10 per cent. will be necessary to pay the deficits of departments which exceeded in 1898 or in previous years the appropriations made for them.

Orders have been issued from Pekin directing the viceroys and governors of the neighboring provinces to put all their forces on a war footing owing to the arrival of six Italian warships in San Mun harbor. It is thought also that the Chinese propose to drive the Germans from Shun Tung peninsula.

The transport "Logan," with the Second Volunteer Infantry Immunes, Colonel Duncan N. Hood commanding, from Gibara, Cuba, arrived at New York quarantine on May 29. After from twenty-four to twenty-eight hours' detention, the regiment will go to Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa. The Second will be mustered out about June 21.

Many of the British Government leaders are recognizing the advisability of taking early and practical steps toward the better housing of the working classes. In Glasgow 136,000 square yards of ground have been purchased by the municipality, on which to build workingmen's houses. The total sum allotted for this purpose is $500,000.

Miss Annie Wheeler, daughter of General Joe Wheeler, has asked the War Department to send her as an army nurse to the Philippines. If her request is not granted, she will probably go to Montgomery, Ala., in June, to receive a beautiful silver set presented to her by the women of Alabama as a testimonial for her heroic work among the sick and wounded soldiers at Santiago.

The Public Order Committee of the City Council has recommended for adoption by the Council an ordinance providing that it shall be made a requirement in the letting of every public contract that the contractor shall employ persons who have been for six months previous residents of the city, and that the city engineer shall have power to dismiss any persons so employed who are not such residents.

Paper money can not be used in the Philippines, for there is a variety of ants in the islands which eat almost everything and are particularly fond of paper. In a recent shipment, say reports, was $100,000 in paper money of small denominations, and preparation were being made to send more paper in the next shipment, when a warning was given that hereafter nothing but gold and silver coin must be sent to the islands.

It is already evident that the Czar's Peace Conference is not likely to result in disarmament or in any material change in the policy of European powers with respect to armaments. All the propositions which have been so far advanced refer principally to regulations looking to the mitigation of the horrors of war rather than the elimination of the incentives to war. The committees have discussed the better care of the wounded and the protection of property of neutrals, as well as several other kindred subjects. Arbitration, restriction of military inventions and disarmament have dropped into the background, with every indication that they will be kept there.

The anti-American and anti-Gomez faction are jubilant over what they term the failure of the United States to bribe the soldiers to give up their arms. A meeting of Cuban officers, under the leadership of Mayia Rodriguez, has been held at Marianao. General Rodriguez said he was delighted with the discipline shown by the Cuban troops. Not one real soldier, he declared, had accepted the money at La Punta, nor would there be a man in the provinces of Pinar del Rio or Matanzas who would accept the American payment. He added that the Yankees would have to take back to the United States the $3,000,000 which they brought here as bait to get control of the Cuban arms.

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Corinth District Missionary Institute.

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PROGRAM.

TUESDAY.

9 A. M.—The World's Need of the Gospel H. C Parrott, J H. Shumaker, W. W. Edge.

9:30 A. M. Progress and Present Condition of Missionary Enterprise D. C. Foust, W A. Woods, J D Boggs

10 A. M.—What Is Our Church Doing for Missions? H. P Fullilove, Thos. Taylor, J. D. Simpson.

11 A. M.—Sermon, F A. Whitson.

3 P. M.—Work of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—Mrs H. A. Keane, Miss Levi Phillips.

4 P. M.—Work of Woman's Home Mission Society—Mrs. Mary Inge Hoskins, Mrs. J. M. Bynum.

8 P. M.—Sermon, R G Porter.

WEDNESDAY.

9 A. M.—My Personal Obligation to Missions—W A. Clark, R W Evans.

9 30 A. M.—Necessity of Medical Missionaries—J. Y. Murray, M. D; J Wesley Price, M D.

10 A. M. The Superintendent and Missions—W. P Hammerly, J P. Collier

10:30 A. M The League and Missions—W. J. Lamb, Miss Sallie Kilpatrick

11 A. M.—Sermon, J W Lewis.

3 P M Best Methods of Raising Collections—W R Williams, J M Bradley

4 P M How a Layman Would Raise Missionary Money—J K. Young, E C Hinde

8 P. M.—Sermon, J. H. Shumaker.

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

Corinth District Conference.

The Corinth District Conference will meet at Iuka, Miss., June 29, at 9 A M. Bishop W. A. Candler will preside Thursday afternoon will be reserved for the Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies. Rev F A. Whitson will preach the Conference sermon Thursday evening.

The following are the Committees on Examination: License to Preach T. W. Lewis, D C. Foust W F Rogers Admission on Trial—J. M Bradley, J H Shumaker, W. A Clark For Orders R. G. Porter, B. P Fullilove, F. A. Whitson. T Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

Aberdeen District Conference.

The Aberdeen District Conference will be held this year at Tupelo.

1. W. F M S will convene Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, June 27, and continue through Wednesday, June 28. Let us plan, pray, and go for a great meeting

2. The Sunday-school Conference convenes Thursday at 8:30 A M. June 28, and continues through the day Let all the members of this important Conference go to show trails, and to pray and receive sanctifoughs to bear more fruits.

3 The "regular" District Conference convenes Friday, at 8:30 A. M., June 29, and continues through July 2.

I trust all the members of these several Conferences will be present with thoughtful minds hearts full of love, and souls burning with godly zeal. Let us all prepare for good reports, and then co operatively plan for better ones.

Doctor, come and be with us.

J. M. WYATT.

Aberdeen, Miss., May 26, 1899.

MARRIAGES.

PURCELL—BROWNE.—At the residence of Dr. N. Brown, Red River parish, La., May 24, 1899, by Rev. P M. Brown, Rev. G. D. Purcell, of the Louisiana Conference, to Miss Ela Browne, of Red River parish, La.

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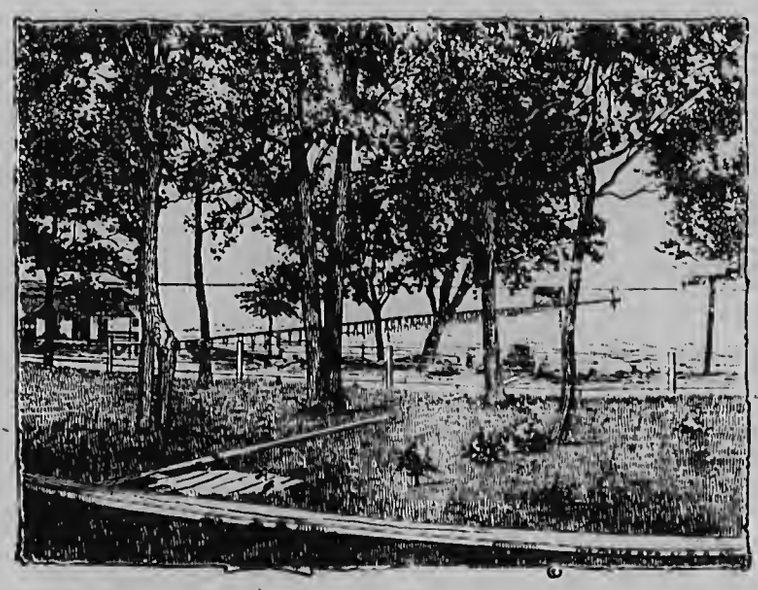

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FOUR THINGS.

BY DR. HENRY VAN DYKE.

Four things a man must learn to do,
If he would make his record true:
To think without confusion clearly,
To love his fellow-man sincerely,
To act from honest motives purely,
To trust in God and heaven securely.
—Exchange.

TO THE METHODISTS OF NORTH MISSISSIPPI.

The trustees of Grenada College are proud of the record this school has made during the past seventeen years. During that time hundreds of girls have been taught in the institution, and scores of graduates have gone out from its halls. The good thus done, who can estimate? Surely the value of this work is "above rubies." This is the work we propose to continue, and to this we pledge our best efforts, and we invite your continued patronage and support. This property is yours—paid for, established, and maintained by you. It is the only property owned by the Methodists of North Mississippi, and the only school authorized by the North Mississippi Conference to educate our girls. Asking you to sustain it is simply asking you to sustain your own. We do this, too, on the basis of the work heretofore done at Grenada, to which we invite your closest scrutiny. The school is in better condition than ever before in its history. Last session it reached high-water mark, being full to overflowing. Those wanting rooms for next session will do well to make engagements at once. The building is so admirably constructed that at some time of the day the sun shines into each room. Not a case of serious sickness has originated in the institution during its entire history. Can any other girls' school in our territory say as much? The building has been overhauled and refitted and furnished. A splendid system of electric lights, sewerage and water works has been put in. There is hot and cold water on every floor. The property is clear of debt, and there is nothing to hinder its onward march to greater prosperity. We ask of the preachers and people the undivided support which their only authorized girls' school is entitled to receive, and which this school so richly merits. While our motto is, "Not how cheap, but how good," still the price of tuition and board has been put at the lowest point consistent with thorough and honest work. This school will be run in strict conformity to the legislation of our recent General Conference, which meets our hearty approval and unqualified endorsement. The newly-elected president, the Rev. W. M. McIntosh, A. B. (Emory College, Oxford, Ga.), needs no introduction or commendation to Mississippians. An important factor in bringing the school to its present exalted position, Mr. McIntosh thoroughly understands its present conditions and future needs. His unanimous election was not alone the judgment of the trustees, but also in response to a widespread desire of the patrons and friends of Grenada College.

J. R. BINGHAM,
Pres. Board of Trustees.

OUR COLLEGES FOR GIRLS.

If the special friends and champions of Whitworth College are wise, they will quit claiming for Whitworth a part of the Twentieth Century Educational Fund, to the exclusion of other colleges in the Mississippi Conference equally as meritorious, or there will be no such fund to be divided. It is better not to forestall the action of the Conference Board of Education or of the Conferences.

It does not do to undertake to dispose of East Mississippi Female College—the most successful and liberally-patronized school for girls in our Conference—by saying it is on the eastern line of the State, and overlook the fact that it is in the most prosperous city in the State, and otherwise most advantageously situated for drawing patronage, not only from Mississippi, but also from Alabama, Louisiana, Tennessee, and elsewhere. And our Methodism is not restricted to Conference boundaries.

If the plans of some over-zealous brethren are to be carried out, and our most successful college for girls is to be degraded into a "feeder" for Whitworth, the sooner the fact is made public the better—if it be a fact. Then let Whitworth look to its over-zealous friends for its endowment, and not to the Twentieth Century Fund. If Whitworth, with less patronage and a smaller faculty, is to be preferred, and its president is to be made president of all the other colleges for girls in our Conference (a la Randolph-Macon and the Virginia schools), make that public, and the Twentieth Century Educational Fund in the Mississippi Conference will be too small to do anybody or any college any good whatever. But the Board of Education of our Conference will not perpetrate the folly some of the brethren are disposed to advocate. The repeated assaults, direct and indirect, on East Mississippi Female College are hurting neither the college nor its consecrated and competent president; but recent publications are defeating efforts to raise the Mississippi Conference's proportion of the educational fund, as well as making some people think "how hard it is for human nature to forgive another who has succeeded where one's own self has failed."

Mr. Editor, I have never been a college president (although I have declined the presidency of three colleges—and they still live!), and so have never failed in conducting one for girls or boys, or for both. Perhaps that is the reason why I rejoice as much in the success of East Mississippi as I do in the measure of success which has come to Whitworth, and why I would be glad to see like success vouchsafed to Edward McGehee and Port Gibson. And that is also the reason for my declining an offer of land and of money a few years ago to build another college in one of the thriftiest towns in the bounds of the Mississippi Conference. And I do not believe that Whitworth will be helped at all by destroying East Mississippi, or that East Mississippi will be more firmly established by the overthrow of Whitworth. And I do believe that Port Gibson and Edward McGehee are doing work which neither Whitworth nor East Mississippi would do were we to abandon these institutions of learning. T. L. MELLEN.

FROM THE DISTRICT.

Since our last communication we have been confined altogether to the county of Yazoo, except a mid-week appointment at Brandon. At the latter place we found the diligent pastor with everything in order. While, territorially, he belongs to Jackson, he really has the opportunity of using three of the beloveds, and this writer is gratified to know that he does not hesitate. On the basis of per cent., Brandon leads the district in the collections for all purposes, being nearly up to date. The pastor is reaching out to other points.

At Yazoo City our work is growing in interest, and the pastor is on the alert on all points. Quarterly Conference was well attended, and the matter of being ready to occupy at Lintonia (a suburb of Yazoo City) at earliest moment was fully discussed. Already we have here a chapel, and a Sunday-school presided over by Dr. Carruthers, and doing fine work. If the Y. and M. V. R. R. establishes its shops at this point—which is considered now next to a certainty—we will be on the grounds and right in the neighborhood of the shops. It is possible that our next Conference may have to provide for this as a charge.

Having coupled the Yazoo circuit with Yazoo City, we did some doubling up on Sunday, preaching three times and riding twelve miles.

Benton and Tranquil also being joined and adjoining, we pursued same course, only the brethren here had mapped out work beginning with Friday night and ending with Monday, 3 P. M. Two Quarterly Conferences, seven sermons, and overland rides of sixty miles, and yet one brother thought the elder was rather hasty.

On this trip I passed by the Rocky Springs Baptist Church, where we spent a while among the tombs. Here we noted one stone, on which we read, "Matilda Adams," erected by her brother, our Rev. T. W. Adams. Though far from kindred and friends, she sleeps among the people of our Lord.

Silver City and Lodi were our next, and here we found our brethren doing their best to keep interest in the cause of the Master awake. Sparseness of population, an unsettled citizenship, and the deceitfulness of riches, make this territory a difficult field. At Silver City good congregations met us, and also many friends of my youth. Church work is moving on slowly-ascending lines. Finances generally good. As said one brother, "Here we have not many praying members, but lots of paying," and yet we have some paying, and hope for more. At Silver City we took the collection for foreign missions, and secured nearly the full assessment.

Brandon, Benton and Silver City all appointed committees to look after the repairing or building of parsonages. At each place something is needed before another Winter. Good and true men were appointed at each place, and we look for good results.

Crops, generally, are promising, and in the Delta the planters express great satisfaction at their condition. No fruit, few berries, and the chicken crop late ripening. T. B. H.

ORPHANS' HOME.

MR. EDITOR: The Orphans' Home located at Water Valley is certainly a great success. Sixty little unprotected, almost uncared-for, children have been received into this asylum for real godly development. They are faithfully taught text-books, and how to cook, milk, wash, attend to all the phases of housekeeping, and labor in garden and field, proper distinction being made between boys and girls in these industries.

The directors met on the tenth and eleventh of May, and very minutely looked into all matters pertaining to the Home. Their thorough investigation was very satisfactory. The management, we assure you, is all that could be expected or asked.

The true economy of the institution is truly remarkable. The plans devised and efforts put forth are controlled by one aim—that is to accomplish the greatest good for our land and church with the smallest amount of money. The greatest, most pitiable extravagance on earth is to so niggardly spend "means" as there will be no "cleanliness," cultured mind, or breathing of "Jehovah's breath."

Oh, how humanity would be lifted if we all, with that "love that never faileth," helped the poor! The large hearts of Bro. M. L. Burton and his accomplished wife are wholly in this great work. They wisely select efficient helpers. It is a beautiful sight, and one that touches and bestirs any soul that is "humane" after the Christ sort, to see these precious buds gathered from the "wayside" discharging their domestic duties orderly, cheerfully, and promptly, and watch them as they are instructed in lessons for a broad, noble, successful Christian life. These "little ones" will make magnificent men and women if they grow up in this soil that brings forth "much fruit." Here is a plain way to be useful: aid in elevating the human race, and lay up treasures in heaven. We must all be heartily united in relieving the needy, and liberally succoring the friendless and helpless. Let everyone do something for this praiseworthy cause. The highly-favored children should be trained to give money with their parents and guardians to carry forward and enlarge this Christ-like enterprise. Do not lose an opportunity of doing immeasurable good for yourself, family, State and Church. Pray for these now neat, bright children. Send in such children as should enter the "Home," and forward money, that you may be one who assists in building up our splendid country and have perennial gladness.

J. B. STREATER,
J. M. WYATT,
Committee.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The new church-buildings at Greenwood and Winona are nearing completion. They will both be occupied soon. Steps are being taken for a district parsonage for the Aberdeen district, and Aberdeen has been selected as the place for its location. This, when consummated, will enable us to report a presiding elder's home for every district in the Conference.

The Greenville District Conference has just closed a pleasant session at Hollondale. The preachers were all present excepting Bros. Thomas, Harris and Graves, who were detained at home by sickness. We missed their genial faces, and hope they will soon be restored to health. Campbell Trigg was licensed to preach, and he and J. W. McGee were recommended for admission on trial in the Annual Conference.

Good reports are coming in from Children's Day observance. The indications are for a general observance of this occasion and good collections. So may it be. Send the money at once to Rev. J. A. Leech, treasurer, Minter City, Miss., and a postal card report to the agent, that we may know of the work.

We are anticipating a great meeting of the Epworth Leaguers at West Point, on the twenty-second instant. We hope that it will be an occasion of great interest and profit. Let everybody get ready for it; especially prepare to sing by procuring "The Young People's Hymnal," the song book which will be used. Send to me at once for it, or be ready to get a copy as soon as you arrive at West Point. I shall have on hand there a full stock of this, "the best song book on the market;" "Teachers'" and "Workers' Bibles," and other good books at Publishing House prices. Persons who may desire any special book will please write me in due time, so that I may be sure to have it. I hope to be present as follows: Woman's Missionary Conference, Sardis, June 10; Vicksburg District Conference, June 15; Aberdeen District Conference, June 29; Corinth District Conference, June 30; Columbus District Conference, July 5.

The election of Rev. W. M. McIntosh to the presidency of Grenada College gives general satisfaction, and the outlook is propitious for the continued prosperity of our beloved Institution. G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., June 3, 1899.

REPORT OF DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION.

ADOPTED BY THE WINONA DISTRICT CONFERENCE, MAY 14, 1899

Your Board of Education beg leave to report as follows:

The Loan Fund now belonging to us amounts to three hundred dollars. Seventy-five dollars of this amount is a gift from Dr. W. T. Johnson, of Greenwood, Miss., this year. This money is loaned to young men to enable them, to attend Millsaps College, preparatory to entering the traveling connection. At present there are three beneficiaries of this fund.

We are glad to note the continued prosperity of Millsaps College, and feel that we were highly favored in having Dr. Murrah with us. We greatly appreciate his very able and instructive address on Christian education.

We report with much gratitude the great prosperity of Grenada College, which has grown so much during the last session that the applicants for training there exceeded the capacity of the building, and had to be turned away with great sadness on the part of our worthy and progressive president. We favor the enlargement of the building and thorough equipment of this school, and pledge our help to this end. We appreciate the faithful work of Bro. Malone as president, and deeply regret his resignation. We pray that divine wisdom may direct the trustees in selecting his successor, and pledge our hearty and undivided support to this, the only school property owned by the North Mississippi Conference for the education of our girls.

We favor the Twentieth Century Educational Movement with all our hearts, and pledge our earnest efforts to secure the $3,925 asked for as the minimum amount from this district.

We appreciate the great labors of Bishop Galloway in this cause. His labors are inspiring to us all, and we trust his enthusiasm may be communicated to the whole church, so that we may not only raise the million and a half dollars, but we may go even beyond that. We welcome him to our midst, and pledge him our hearty co-operation.

In conclusion, we would emphasize that qualifying word in the name of the work done by our schools, viz.: Christian education. Let our trustees and college presidents see to it that all our schools impart an education that is truly Christian, so that pupils leaving our college halls shall go out to enter into the work of bringing the world to Christ.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO RITCHEY, for Board.
Attest: J. R. BINGHAM,
Sec'y of the Conference.

Report of Committee from Board of Trustees of East Mississippi Female College.

(Adopted Unanimously by the largest Board Meeting held for years.)

We, your Committee on the State of the College, beg leave to report as follows: We are glad to note the fact that the religious influence of the college is of such pronounced character that few indeed of the student body will go to their homes without an experimental knowledge of salvation. This, we believe, ought to be the distinguished feature of all institutions of the church.

We also note that the president, true to his promise of last year, has greatly raised the course of study, and that even now it is on a par with any other institution of the kind in the South.

The president also reports that very thorough work has been done in all departments. This, in the opinion of your committee, is, next to the religious influence, the highest aim of this institution; so that, when our girls shall go out from the halls of our college, having a diploma at our hands, it shall be enough to say she has been to East Mississippi Female College.

President Beeson informs us that it is his intention to continue to raise the standard until it shall be superior to any.

The grade of teachers is especially worthy of commendation. Without mention of departments, we will simply say that they, as a whole, are specialists in their several lines, measuring step by step with the most progressive in this progressive age of the land.

Our buildings are in good condition; indeed, all indicate that they have been under the eye of one whose interest was one of ownership. Several hundred dollars have been spent in repairs and needed improvements.

Realizing the great improvements, the tremendous success of the school, the fine religious tone, and many other things too numerous to mention, we recommend for adoption of the Board the following resolutions

That for his great service to the church in bringing the college to its present prosperous condition, under the providence of Almighty God, we express to President J. W. Beeson our profound appreciation; and that we do hereby pledge him our heartiest support and sincere prayers; and that we commend to the parents and guardians of girls, who are looking after their religious and mental welfare, to place them in the care of our president, J. W. Beeson, as being eminently worthy of their profoundest confidence.

W. H. CURTIS,
J. C. CAVETT,
G. H. GALLOWAY.

FROM CLINTON, LA.

The court-house, on June 1, was filled with the brains of this parish to hear Drs. Cooper and W. H. LaPrade discuss the saloon. The president of Centenary is a live, robust, earnest, pathetic speaker, full of incident and illustration. He can not only tell the truth, but make the truth tell. The inimitable LaPrade, so versatile, shrewd, felicitous, had the wind taken out of his sails by the larger vessel ladened with the golden grain of thought. He hauled in his main-sheet, shoved down the tiller, pointed up a little higher, and on the home-stretch made a magnificent finish that stirred the blood of the crowd.

The echoes of these two speeches will be educative voices long after the sixth of June has sped by to mark wet or dry on the idea of June.

In pursuance with the resolution I voted for at Mansfield, I have been before the police jury, and, with others, the election was fixed by them for us on the sixth day of June. As clerk of the Dry Campaign Committee, I am in touch with sources of information from the eight wards, and I think it will be dry, dry, indeed, to many a wet throat.

Mr. Editor, I wonder if you can beat Drs. Cooper and LaPrade making dry speeches. They tell me you were very fine at that in Mississippi.

H. W. RICKEY.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

As some of my brethren seem to misunderstand my position, I desire to call attention:

1. To the exact statement made in my communication in the ADVOCATE, of May 18, viz.: that "I will open a college for girls and young ladies at Oxford, Miss., next September for the North Mississippi Conference and for the church."

2. That I will have no partner in the school, and will alone be responsible for its entire management. Bro. Standifer has no further connection with the enterprise than to sign the paper securing the plant.

3. That the property will be tendered to the church without asking the church to pay out a single dollar. Whatever part of the purchase money Oxford does not pay I will assume for a lease on the property.

4. My action in this whole matter has been based upon the conscientious belief that this is the best opportunity that has ever presented itself to us in the history of our Conference for the education of our girls, and that this providential door open to us had to be entered now, or never. J. W. MALONE.

It is better to make a mistake while attempting to do right, than to do nothing at all for fear of making a mistake.—Selected.

GOING AWAY.

Passing out of the shadow
Into a purer light,
Stepping behind the curtain,
Getting a clearer sight.

Laying aside the burden,
This weary mortal coil,
Done with the world's vexations,
Done with its tears and toil.

Tired of all earth's playthings,
Heartsick and ready to sleep,
Ready to bid our friends farewell,
Wondering why they weep.

Passing out of the shadow
Into eternal day.
Why do we call it dying,
This sweet going away?

—Northwestern Advocate.

Communications.

"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST."

MR. EDITOR: I think myself happy, because I shall answer for myself before you and the minds of your many readers "touching the things whereof I am accused" in your paper, of May 11, by Rev. W. L. Anderson. I beseech the editor and my dear fathers and brethren "to hear me patiently." For receiving money for my labors as an evangelist "I am called in question." It can not be proven that I have ever entered any man's pulpit contrary to his consent and invitation. Nor can it be proven that I have ever preached any doctrine contrary to our church. I am a local elder, holding ordination papers signed by Bishop C. B. Galloway. When a man's mind becomes prejudiced against another man on account of a few dollars, like Bro. Anderson's is against me, he is led to publish things that are calculated to injure the cause of Christianity and slander a man's character before the public. My hard-earned character is all I have in this world. It is surprisingly strange to notice how Bro. Anderson, or anyone else, can profess "to judge me after the law, and command me to be smitten contrary to the law." I am amenable to the Quarterly Conference for my official character, and not to the "Pastoral and Theological Institute of the Durant district."

Viewing the matter from the contents of Bro. Anderson's communications to the ADVOCATE, my personal ministerial character and usefulness was arrested—"reviewed"—witnesses examined, and the sentence of condemnation passed upon me, and now that "action" has been published to the church. That trial, or "action," took place in my absolute absence and ignorance of the whole affair. The pastors together assembled in that Institute had a right to discuss any subjects they saw proper for the glory of the Master and the spread of his kingdom. But they had no right under the law to call in question my ministerial character, and publicly cripple my usefulness, and condemn and pronounce me a Judas, without first referring my case to the proper authorities, and giving me a chance as the law provides. They have gone contrary to the law, and are, therefore, held responsible for it. I am a preacher of the same church they are, and know the law, and claim the same right to protection by the law as any other brother. I love the dear brethren, and have always felt and endeavored to show the profoundest respect for them ever since I started out a poor boy to make a preacher, and get home to heaven. Our church has always had honorable local preachers, who have been useful in helping to save the world. I am prepared to prove before the proper church court that I have been true to the church. I am not free from mistakes; but what blunders I have made were made during my most earnest and sincere endeavors to lead blood-bought souls to Christ, and to help build up the church of God. Every court under heaven provides for the accused to be heard in self-defense, except the mob law. And I most heartily agree with Dr. Hoss on that subject. I would have all the brethren to remember that my character as a Methodist preacher is as sacred to me as any of theirs. Our Discipline says (page 117, Sec. 4, Ques. 1), "To whom is a local preacher amenable for his conduct?" Par. 280 answers, "To the Quarterly Conference, which shall have power to try; and acquit, suspend, or expel him." On pages 119, 120, Ques. 5, Par. 288, we have the following instruction: "What shall be done when a local elder or deacon is complained of as being so unacceptable or inefficient as to be no longer useful in his work, and the Quarterly Conference, for that reason, refuses to pass his character? The Quarterly Conference next succeeding shall proceed to investigate the case (not a District Institute, if you please); and if it appear that the complaint is well founded, and if he fail to give the Conference satisfactory assurance that he will amend or voluntarily surrender his credentials, the Conference may depose him from the ministry. He may defend himself before the Conference, in person or by representative."

Now, if I have been condemned by a few brethren—all of whom I honor—contrary to the plain law, I certainly have the right, as one among them, to say so, and show where, and plead for justice according to the law. "We shall all appear before the judgment-seat of Christ." Making a preacher has not been a small matter with me. "My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first," and is now well known among as intelligent and as loyal a class of Methodist people here at Corinth as can be found elsewhere in North Mississippi. At eighteen years of age I was powerfully and scripturally converted to God at the back of my father's field, about noon, while I was on my knees wrestling, like Jacob, for salvation, when I had surrendered myself into the hands of God. "Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing, mighty wind," and the light of God flashed on my face and into my heart, and I praised God aloud and fell over on the ground. I have declared this to the world, and will declare it. I confess that after the manner of what they call "evangelistic work," I have been preaching the gospel "of my fathers" ever since Bishop Wilson gave me an honorable "certificate of location at Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 21, 1893," which says, "He is, therefore, authorized to exercise his ministry as a local elder in this church, according to the rules and regulations ordained by the same." I have worked in all harmony and "good conscience" among our preachers to this day. I have always thought it beneath the dignity of a Christian gentleman and minister to think of holding revival services within the bounds of a pastoral charge without the consent and invitation of the pastor. If it is a violation of my vows to preach the gospel of my Lord in connection with the pastors of our church which I love, I want some one who knows to tell me, and then I will know what to do. I appeal to the Bishops. They are great and good men, and know the law. There are thousands of local preachers in our church who desire, above everything else, to live loyal to God and to his church, and help bring the world to Christ and get to heaven. We need information from our chief pastors on this point of law.

Dear Bishops of the M. E. Church, South, please answer the following question: Is it in keeping with perfect harmony with our vows and the law of the church for local elders and deacons to go out of the pastoral charges where they hold membership, on invitation of other pastors, and assist them in revival meetings, and receive pecuniary remuneration for their labors?

I represent one of a growing class of consecrated local ministers who most sincerely desire the correct information on this point. It is time this question was settled one way or the other. Every true local preacher in the church will rightly honor and appreciate an answer from our Bishops. Tell us plainly, yes or no.

I believe in and preach all things contained in the Holy Scriptures, to the best of my ability, by the help of God; I believe in the interpretation of the Word according to our doctrinal standards; I believe in our Book of Discipline; I believe in the communion of saints, and in loyalty and "brotherly kindness" among preachers and all men. Those who know me intimately will consent that I "have hope toward God."

Dr. Sullivan and Bro. D. W. Babb "will bear me witness" that I am in perfect standing as to my official and private character at Corinth, Miss., where I have been familiarly known from childhood.

I have been wronged, publicly "unoondemned." I am myself a minister called of God and ordained to the office of an elder by the "imposition of hands." I have met all of the prescribed conditions of the law by which to become a Methodist preacher. The brethren know that I passed the various committees with creditable examinations, and was unanimously elected an elder in the godly judgment of the North Mississippi Conference. This all meant something to me. If I have committed anything worthy of the penalty of death, I refuse not to die as a Methodist preacher; but if the complaints be a mere matter of opinion about my having "received" a few dollars for my labors, or my "methods" of conducting revivals, what "instances" I should have "related," what I should have "prayed for," etc., then I only have to say to the brethren, Let him among them who has not some, or all, of these "faults" (?) "cast the first stone at" me.

As to Bro. Anderson's "pertinent questions" that he "thinks eminently proper" for this "particular evangelist to be allowed to answer," "to the satisfaction of the church," I shall answer to the satisfaction of God and truth, as all of us shall have to answer at the judgment.

Bro. Anderson wrote up my work on the Rural Hill circuit some time ago, and misrepresented what I knew to be the facts; but some prominent ministers suggested that I pay no attention to it. I always disliked a wrangle with a brother preacher. Any intelligent person can see at a glance down the column containing his "pertinent questions" that it's more of a "money matter" with him than anything else. I quote his questions, and give answers below, and readers can make their own decisions.

"1. Is it not true that the evangelist above referred to (W. D. Bass) received $265 for three weeks' work on Rural Hill circuit in 1896, while the pastor only received $264.25 for twelve months' work?"

No, it is not true; but if I had, it would have only proven that my work was that much more appreciated by the people. What they did give me was strictly the business of those dear people under the godly advice and control of the preacher in charge. The North Mississippi Conference knows that Rural Hill circuit was not very strong, financially, at that time. But some of the best people on earth are on country circuits like that, and only need men full of faith and the Holy Ghost to develop them into good works. I began with Rev. W. A. Bowlin at Center Ridge, on Rural Hill circuit, the latter part of August, 1896. The meeting was held under a brush arbor. We had a great meeting. The pastor said about "one hundred conversions." Above fifty, I think, joined our church. The latter part of the week I was preaching on the third chapter of Malachi. Rev. J. H. Mitchell, P. E., came. Soon after he was seated I remarked in my discourse, "Here it is the latter part of August, and Rural Hill circuit hasn't paid the pastor but $50." Bro. Mitchell interrupted me for a moment, and remarked that it was not quite that much, and as well as I remember, stated the correct amount from his book. I took a collection for the pastor that night, and the people subscribed above one hundred dollars, which was paid him that Fall. The people paid me at that place, through Bro. Bowlin, $78.90. Then the pastor had me to go with him to Plattsburg and hold another meeting, for which I received $35.15. Next to Rural Hill Church, where we had a great meeting, that I never shall forget. There the people paid me $54.30. Add this all up, Bro. Anderson, and we have $168.35, which is the amount I "received," except, possibly, some other little mites not put down. I take these figures from my memorandum which I had at that time. As to the figures on the "fourth Quarterly Conference Record," it is positively an error, for which I am not responsible. In all three of those meetings I took collections and secured the pastor's salary before he took any collection for this "particular evangelist" (that sentence is well used; I have endeavored to be particular). In these meetings I preached 57 times. The pastor said that I got him about "one hundred dollars that would not have been paid." I took those collections for him under his advice and that of the stewards. I love those dear people yet. W. D. BASS.

(To be continued.)

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LIBRARY.

In the equipment for a Sunday-school there is, perhaps, nothing which fills so important a place as the library.

When we consider that in many places the number is small of those parents who thoroughly supervise the reading of their children, and who conscientiously provide books and papers for them adapted to their needs and capacities as immortal creatures, we should not think of the Sunday-school circulating library as an unnecessary expense or useless adjunct. In order that the influence of the Sunday teaching be perpetuated through the week and made the more effective, good books should be furnished to the pupils adapted to their various tastes and ages. Much religious teaching of parents, pastors and Sunday-school teachers fails of the good designed for lack of appropriate reading-matter in the hands of the children, or it is neutralized by the bad character of the books and papers that they do read.

This is emphatically a reading age. Everybody, old and young, of capable mind is reading that which is either helpful or harmful to the mind and to the soul. The printing presses are pouring upon the reading public books of every conceivable character, size, and price, both good and bad. Corrupt and pernicious literature is widespread; it is pressed upon us by the dealers, newsboys, and mails; it confronts us in the homes of the rich and the poor, in business houses, workshops, and offices. The minds and hearts of our youth are being poisoned by these books and papers, the reading of which leads to wicked and ruined lives by destroying moral feeling and exciting evil passions. Therefore, it becomes all guardians of the rising generation to use all possible means to prevent the circulation and counteract the influence of bad reading-matter. This can most effectively be done by putting into the hands of the children and young people attractive and useful books, such as are suited to their various tastes and conditions.

If we would save our pupils from the damaging influence of bad books, we must supply them with good ones. It is worse than useless to warn our young people against light, trashy, or vicious reading, if nothing better is put within their reach. While the church is sleeping the enemies of truth and purity are sowing the tares of corrupt literature broadcast, and it is needless to ask, "What shall the harvest be?" if their works of darkness are not counteracted by "the children of light."

From these considerations we think any reasonable person can see the great importance of having and using circulating libraries in all of our Sunday-schools, in order to their more effective service in bringing souls to Christ, and building them up in the knowledge and practice of Christianity.

Our great church is not wanting in facilities for supplying all demands of our people for "something good to read." Hundreds of volumes of the choicest books, carefully selected for the purpose, are on the shelves of our "Publishing House" at Nashville, Tenn., at lowest wholesale rates, for Sunday-school libraries; and the Sunday-school Board of the North Mississippi Conference proposes to add one dollar for every two dollars invested by a Sunday-school for this purpose. By this plan a school can procure books by the payment of about one-half the retail price. Surely we can, with these liberal advantages, during this year put libraries into most of our schools.

Brethren of the ministry and laity, help us. Write me for information, catalogues, etc.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss.

Correspondence.

WINONA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The District Conference for the Winona district has come and gone, leaving a pleasant impression. The meeting was greatly enjoyed by our citizens, and it was a common remark by the preachers that they had never attended a better. The only disappointing feature to our people was the small number who attended. At no time during the meeting was there present more than half those for whom entertainment had been provided. All told, members and visitors, about fifty persons attended. The business sessions were both pleasant and profitable. Able papers were read on various phases of church work, and interesting discussions followed. The more serious issues of the meeting were at intervals interrupted by the flash of wit and the play of humor, which added to the enjoyment of all. Of course, all did not always see everything alike, but after full and frank discussion all readily yielded to the judgment of the majority on all questions.

Reports from the various pastoral charges showed the condition of the church to be wholesome and growing, both in material and spiritual things. New church and parsonage enterprises are being carried forward. Among the most noted we mention the new $10,000 church at Winona, which is soon to be ready for occupancy, and a $10,000 one at Greenwood, which will be ready for use within the next forty days. They are elegant, substantial buildings, which will stand for generations as monuments to the wise leadership of the pastors, Rev. George H. Lipscomb and Rev. John H. Mitchell, and eloquent proofs of the large liberality of the Methodists of those two rapidly-growing towns. Carrollton will, within the next few days, let the contract for a new parsonage, which will be one of the most substantial, tasteful and best-arranged in the North Mississippi Conference.

The singing was an important and pleasing feature of the meeting. A fine choir, composed of our best singers, led and directed by Mr. Henry Spence, of Nashville, Tenn., greatly pleased and edified the large congregations which assembled from day to day. The preaching during the week was done by Revs. T. G. Freeman, W. C. Lester, J. A. Leech, J. H. Mitchell, J. W. Malone, L. M. Lipscomb, and John Rickey. It was plain, practical, and spiritual, and enjoyed by the people.

Two pleasant and welcomed visitors were Rev. J. W. Malone, of Grenada College, and Rev. W. S. Lagrone, representing the Methodist Orphans' Home at Water Valley. The congregation contributed fifty dollars to the home.

The Conference granted license to preach to Robert Paine Neblett and James S. Purcell, Jr., and recommended Wm. Thomas Browning for elder's orders, and Wm. E. M. Brogan to the Annual Conference for admission on trial into the traveling connection.

J. R. Bingham, J. B. Streater, A. H. George and Thomas P. Turner were elected lay delegates to the Annual Conference, with T. C. Sledge and F. O. Reagan, alternates.

"The Twentieth Century Educational Movement" is engaging the attention of Methodists everywhere. It is being given special prominence in all Conferences. Great emphasis was given it here. On Wednesday night Dr. Murrah spoke on Christian education—an utterance of profound depth and broad scope, which marks him as one of the great thinkers of our times. As president of Millsaps College, he is doing a work the value of which only the eternities will fully reveal.

On Saturday, Bishop Galloway delivered an address on "The Twentieth Century Movement" to a congregation which filled the auditorium and vestibule of the church. A fine presence, flashing eye, alert mind, cultivated intellect, and a voice of marvelous compass and richness, combine to make Bishop Galloway one of the foremost orators of this generation. The matter of this address, and the manner of its delivery, stamp him a thinker and speaker of the first rank. For more than an hour he held the undivided attention of the vast audience. It seems to us that all that is needed to make this great movement a success is for Bishop Galloway to visit all parts of the church and speak to the preachers and people.

On Sunday, to accommodate the great crowds who were eager to hear the Bishop, the service was held in the Baptist Church, the largest building in our town. Every pew was filled, chairs placed in all the aisles and every vacant space, and the window-sills and the pulpit floor used for seats. The service was opened by the congregation singing, "Come, Thou Almighty King." Then followed a fine anthem by the choir. The sermon was striking in conception, full of great thoughts, elegantly, yet simply expressed, felicitously illustrated, and profoundly impressed the mind and greatly stirred the hearts of the audience.

At 3:30 o'clock there was a delightful celebration of the Lord's Supper, when a large number of communicants partook of the emblems of the broken body and shed blood of Christ the Lord. At night Rev. Jno. Ritchey preached a suggestive sermon, after which the congregation sang, "God Be with You 'Till We Meet Again," and this closed one of the most delightful meetings it was ever our pleasure to attend. The next session of the Conference will be held at Indianola in 1900.

The Rev. H. T. Cunningham made an ideal Conference host, and was untiring in his efforts for the comfort of the members of the Conference. The following resolutions express the feelings of the Conference:

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the town of Carrollton for the excellent entertainment given us during the session of the Conference.

To the pastors and members of the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches for the use of their houses of worship, and to the citizens of the community generally for uniform courtesy and kindness.—Carrollton (Miss.) Conservative.

W. F. M. S.

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Gleanings from letter of Miss Sallie Smylie: "I attended a public meeting of the South Side Society last night. This society is doing well. Bro. Hicks Ellis was with us and gave us a very fine talk on the work. The address of our district secretary, Mrs. Phillips, was full of encouraging news and enthusiasm. She is an excellent worker and so much interested in her work. Miss Mary Andrews was with us and read a very fine paper on the work.

"All of the officers of the society are interested in the work, and exert themselves to make others interested.

"Our Central Church Society rarely holds a meeting that there are not new members reported.

"I am glad to tell you that recent news from Miss Bettie Hughes is that her health is better than for six months past.

"Mrs. Trueheart's reports from the foreign fields are very encouraging. I wish I could say as much of all our work.

"A letter from Miss McNemar today (April 10) says Miss Gibson had just returned from Chicago. You know she had rheumatism all the Winter, and went there to be treated. I hope to attend the Missionary Institute to be held at Forest, the twenty-ninth.

"I have a supply of mite-boxes, and Buds and Blossom cards, and will be glad to send them to all societies that will order them.

"The Woman's Board meets at Nashville, May 18. I hope all societies will observe May 5—the day set apart by the Board for fasting and prayer.

"Our Conference will hold the annual meeting at Hattiesburg, June 24. They have a good auxiliary recently organized there, and I think we should encourage these new auxiliaries by meeting in that part of the State."

A letter from Mrs. Scott Phillips, Vicksburg, dated March 25, just received, in which she wrote: "Tomorrow night our missionary society holds its public meeting, and a very interesting programme has been arranged. We hope to make one of our most beloved women a life member. I will ask Mrs. Watkins to send a report of it for publication. [We regret that it has not been received.—Editor.]

"Vicksburg district is doing very good work." MRS. E. D. JONES.

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PERSONAL REMINISCENCES OF REV. ROBT. B. DOWNER.

(Concluded.)

I had an appointment near the end of dry land, on West Pearl river. Old men, and wives, and children of our Confederate soldiers, made the audience. High water wrecked a bridge over a stream I must cross, the night previous. I was advised not to waste time attempting the impossible. Having a rule, never to say I can't until I had given an honest, hearty trial, I proceeded upon my way. On approaching the bridge place, it seemed a total wreck. Close inspection revealed the frame unharmed, and the flooring alone was gone. At the base on both sides, and at the comb, a few planks remained intact; planks were floating about. I planned to go over by placing planks endwise from comb to base on both sides. When my temporary bridge was constructed, I knelt down and prayed for God to make "Mack" willing and confiding, obeying my wishes. Boldly I moved towards the frail structure, leading the mule, and without any hesitancy Mack followed, as though a two-plank bridge was an every-day affair. And yet, at a subsequent period, he ran away with me, because he thought two cows, with young calves, was the "Behemoth" of Scripture. Often that year I rode Mack over unfrequented paths, "as nigh-cuts," when it was ten, or more, miles between houses. Should I be thrown to the ground, I would have no hope of rescue, as men folks were scarce and paths were rarely traversed. I felt that it was my duty to go where duty called, without regard to dangers. My life was an incidental matter, of no great special importance, compared with a failure to meet an appointment to preach the gospel. I have made it a life rule to begin on time, without regard to size of congregation present.

Looking over my life since the Winter of 1858, and noting how God has opened up my way, and since 1867 blessed me with the companionship of a consecrated, patient, loving wife, who has proved a blessing to others, and made it possible for me to do what is on record; granting me children of whom I am not ashamed, and true friends wherever I have served, now that in my old age I find myself free from the pastoral relation by action of my brethren, and allowed to go out into the busy world to begin life anew, I find myself almost alone with God. I attend prayer meetings, yet hear no one pray; the preached Word, yet rarely ever know what has been said. My presence around the fireside of friends entails suffering to their vocal chords. Yet, while I am cut off from a means of livelihood except by manual labor, my soul is in a state of profound quiet, perfectly willing to suffer anything yet in store that God may see proper to permit or inflict. It does not take much now to make me silent aloud the praises of God.

Had I an hundred lives to live at my disposal as to choice of occupation, no hardship, privation, or sufferings incident to the itineracy would deter me from asking the honor of being counted worthy to labor for Christ as a poor piney woods circuit rider.

Whatever of good in me is found, the church, under God's blessing, has produced it. The church gave me a holy, consecrated mother and wife; obedient, affectionate children, and friends everywhere that I have labored, who, I feel sure, will never allow me to suffer to distress. I have not pleased everybody, for I have tried to please Christ. I have made mistakes that cause me regret, but, as far as I know, no one will charge me with being a time-server, or unfaithful in dealing with their souls in public and private. I have tried faithfully to practice what I preach, and live in good conscience with all men. If I have an enemy, I don't know it. The most difficult lessons ever presented me to learn are now before me: 1. Be dependent upon others, without ability to make adequate compensation of service rendered. 2. Be burdened with the spirit of preaching, and nobody expecting me to fill an appointment.

May God's choicest blessings abide upon my beloved brethren of the Mississippi Conference, and the kind people that I have been privileged to serve these forty years! Should heaven be an hallucination of the mind, all right. I am now paid for all I have ever done for him. Glory to God, though, I believe his word, and where he is, I expect to be, and though I now "see through a glass darkly," after awhile it will be "the King in all his beauty."

ROBT. B. DOWNER.

Ellisville, Miss.

TWO BIG PREACHERS.

"They have a mighty big preacher in B., and he has another big preacher helping him in a meeting;" so said a good woman to me a few days ago. A big preacher being assisted in a big meeting by another big preacher ought to accomplish big results. This was the conclusion I came to. But, upon reflection, does it not take something more than big preachers and big preaching to reach the hearts of the people and bring them to Christ? Jesus said to his disciples, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high." And, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." It is said, "These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women." "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place." Nothing is said about big preachers or big preaching, but there was much earnest praying done by men and women, until the power of God came down upon them, and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost. Then followed an unpretentious sermon by a Spirit filled man, and three thousand people were converted in a day.

About eight years after this, "There was a certain man in Cæsarea called Cornelius; a devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always." "And Cornelius said to Peter" (who had come to him in response to a message from him and from above), "Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and behold a man stood before me in bright clothing, and said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God." "Now, therefore, said Cornelius, are we all here present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God." Then Peter proceeded to preach a plain gospel sermon, simple and true, and "while Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word," and many souls were saved.

What a lesson for us in these times of spiritual dearth! After fastings, almsgivings, and much prayer, a plain sermon by a Spirit-filled man is blessed of God with great results. If Peter had read his sermon on that occasion, or if he had made an effort without his manuscript to preach a big sermon, or to pose as a big preacher, no such results would have followed his preaching. What the church and the world need today is not big preachers or big preaching, in the ordinary sense of those terms, but more fasting, humility, almsgiving, and prayer; and more of the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon us.

H. P. LEWIS.

Jackson, Miss.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The discussion of the third item, "How to Get our Collections in Full," was led by Rev. C. A. Powell. One of the sources of failure was attributed to the low state of piety of the individual member. The remedy suggested is an appeal to the individual conscience. His remarks were based on Rom. x, 15. He said that home and foreign missions sustained the same relation, and the mission of the church is to the unsaved wherever found. Our obligation to carry the gospel to the lost is not lessened by the amount of space intervening. Christianity is missionary in nature and design. Non-appreciation of this argues moral and mental stupidity. An anomalous state of affairs, he said, existed in the church, viz.: intense enthusiasm in the matter of professing personal sanctity, but a painful lack of expressed interest in the material advancement of the church. No type of piety is superior to the material expression of it in the interest of the unsaved. All profession of sanctity is spurious which does not materialize in dollars and cents. The resources of the church are sufficient to meet all its demands, even the salvation of more than a thousand millions of the unsaved. To deny this is to charge God with folly—or his demanding of the church that which can not be done for the lack of means which he has failed to supply. The amount of ability committed, he said, is the measure of the duty of the church or individual. The censure lies at the door of individuals who compose the church. The apathy of individuals is the cause of the church's failure. Its leaders are in accord with the design of the gospel, and the intelligent sentiment far superior to the willingness manifested to give success. The duty of the church is to preach the gospel to every creature. It is too late, he said, to flaunt that old hackneyed objection that the gospel is not designed for all men. The heathen can not believe whom they have never heard, can not hear without a preacher, can not preach except they be sent, and can not go without the money. The duty of the church is to go or send. Millions will perish for the lack of the truth and individual members will be held responsible. There is only one missionary to every five thousand heathen, and the average individual contribution is about five cents a month. Thousands give nothing. Nineteen hundred years have elapsed with barely one-fourth of the human race reached.

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NOTICE.

The District Conference of Baton Rouge district will convene in the Zachary Church, July 5. Opening sermon, 11 A. M., by H. W. May; Conference organization, 3 P. M.

The Missionary Institute will be held in connection with the Conference.

The following subjects will be called up for discussion:

The Retrospect and the Prospect of Missions—Rev. F. S. Parker.

Present Results Estimated—Rev. H. W. Rickey.

Relation of the Foreign to the Home Work—Rev. I. W. Cooper, D. D.

How to Increase Missionary Intelligence among the People—Rev. F. N. Parker.

The Best Method of Raising the Missionary Assessments—Rev. T. J. Upton.

The Literature of Missions, and Its Practical Use in the Congregations—Rev. C. C. Miller.

The Epworth League, and Its Relation to Missions—Rev. A. S. Lutz.

The above brethren will prepare ten to twenty-minute papers on the subjects indicated, and the Conference will be expected to take part in the discussion.

Rev. J. I. Hoffpauir will preach the missionary sermon during the Conference; the sermon to be followed by a collection raised by the presiding elder.

The following are the committees: For License and Admission—F. N. Parker, W. H. Benton, N. J. Roberts. For Orders—John F. Wynn, H. W. May, G. P. White.

Brethren, let us come together in the spirit of our Master.

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. H. O. White, Lake Providence, La., May 25, 1899: "We have just closed a meeting of one week's duration here at Lake Providence, with good results. Many (perhaps 40 or 50) souls were blessed of God; not all converted, but many of them had backslidden in heart and life, and have been made anew in Christ. I think the number of persons converted for the first time quite small, but the number converted over is many. Rev. Robt. A. Davis, of Waterproof, did all the preaching, which was after the apostolic style, 'They spake as he was moved by the Holy Ghost.' The future looks brighter than before. This, we hope, is but the forerunner of a very gracious revival at a time not far distant. Money is very scarce in these ends of the earth; therefore, it is difficult to move forward where it requires money to move. The people are taking tolerably good care of their preacher, but without much money. Our congregation and church have been very much depleted, both financially and in membership, since Conference; so much so that I fear very little can be done there. Only a probable congregation of about 20 persons. That would be a very large one. We hope to build a church in that community soon. The money has been subscribed for a year, perhaps, but not much of it has been collected. If we can collect and carry out Bro. Parker's plans, we will have a beautiful church."

Rev. H. Armstrong, Spring Hill, La., May 31, 1899: "On reaching Spring Hill, I found no house of worship and no church membership, except six. Now we have a church, and money in hand for the purchase of an organ, a flourishing Sunday-school, and last week Bro. P. O. Lowery held a series of meetings here, resulting in about twelve professions of faith and ten additions to the church. The mill paid last year only $23 for ministerial support. It has paid the pastor $50 this year to date, and at the close of the meeting, last week, Bro. Lowery was presented with a purse of $28. The charge consists of four churches, all on the railroad, and the pastor has a free pass. It is very sickly here. If I can keep up, you shall hear of better things than these."

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THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1899.

"We need not bid for cloistered cell
Our neighbor and our work farewell,
Nor strive to wind ourselves too high
For sinful man beneath the sky:
The trivial round, the common task,
Would furnish all we ought to ask—
Room to deny ourselves; a road
To bring us daily nearer God."
—Exchange.

I have lived to know that the secret of happiness is never to allow your energies to stagnate.—Adam Clarke.

Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.—Richter.

When a man has not got a good reason for doing a thing, he has one good reason for letting it alone.—Thos. Scott.

And we may always be sure, whatever we are doing, that we can not be pleasing Him if we are not happy ourselves.—Ruskin.

A book is valuable not solely nor chiefly for the knowledge which it furnishes, but rather for the stimulus which it gives.—Exchange.

Even when your own heart is bleeding you ought not to forget that you are sent of God as a minister of mercy to others who are in distress.—Selected.

Faith draws the poison from every grief, takes the sting from every loss, and quenches the fire of every pain; and only faith can do it.—J. G. Holland.

The man who does not overcome ennui by occupying himself, soon tries to fly from it by intemperance. The idle man is almost necessarily vicious.—Raimondi.

I can hardly understand how any great imaginative man, who has deeply lived, suffered, thought and wrought, can doubt of the soul's continual progress in the after life.—Alfred Tennyson.

He who in poverty, or sickness, or solitude, can preserve a merry heart and a cheerful countenance is a benefactor to society, a testimony to his God, and the best of all possible friends to himself.—Bishop Thoroid.

Love, the true love of God, is the love of his truth, of his holiness, of his whole will; the true love is that which reflects itself in obedience; the true love is that which stirs and purifies the conscience.—Vinet.

My experience of life makes me sure of one thing which I do not try to explain—that the sweetest happiness we ever know comes not from love, but from sacrifice—from the effort to make others happy.—O'Reilly.

Jesus Christ ended the miracles, he only began the parables; and it is for us to carry out those parables and multiply them according to the ever-varying color and tone of the times in which we live.—Joseph Parker.

We are prone to make our lives too commonplace and monotonous, and to plod in a matter-of-fact way, forgetting that there is anything higher than our every-day tasks. In this condition we only half live; our eyes are not lifted from the dead level of mere existence, and our hearts are strangers to the refined enjoyments which might be ours.—Selected.

TAKING OUR BEARINGS.

Just as the seaman, in voyaging over the pathless ocean, makes observations daily in order to ascertain his bearings, so the Christian, as he journeys through the world, ought frequently to examine himself and closely consider the trend of his life, lest he unwarily be deflected out of the right course by the currents of sin and the winds of temptation. "Examine yourselves," says Paul, "whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." Unless we are careful to take our spiritual bearings every now and then, we are sure to drift with the world, and at last suffer shipwreck on the rocks and shoals of sin.

We are over in danger of forgetting that the world's moral standard is far short of that set forth in the gospel; that its ideals of success and honor are of the earth, earthy. Society condones vice in its gilded forms, encourages shiftlessness, and oft puts a premium on trickery and aristocratic exclusiveness. It measures men not by what they are, but by what they are worth, by the dignity of the positions they occupy. The world sets the seal of approval upon many things that, if not absolutely evil, at least tend to lower the spiritual life, and weaken religious convictions. It pretends to see no harm in the Sunday newspaper, in the dance that has corrupted thousands, in cards, the recognized tools of gamblers; in the theatre, which, in the majority of instances, scarcely deserves any better name than that of "a school of vice and vulgarity." The world ever puts gain before godliness, show before substantiality, self-gratification before self-denial, prudence before principle, policy before truth.

It matters little, according to the world's notions, that a man is selfish and extravagant, that he is not God-fearing and prayerful, that he is a neglecter of religion. If he be a man who succeeds in business and who shows himself public-spirited, he is regarded as a model citizen. But, alas! there are many who conform to this standard who are deficient in the eyes of God. "Going about to establish their own righteousness, they have not submitted themselves to the righteousness which is of God."

We can easily ascertain our religious state by asking ourselves what we love most. Our lives are no better than the object that is supreme in our thoughts and affections. Whatever we are most concerned about determines whether we are moving heavenward or heliward. We ought frequently to ask ourselves questions like these: "Which worries us most—loss of goodness or goods? A fall from grace or a fall of stocks? Which interests us most—the conversion of a soul to Christ, or the conversion of a note into cash? Are we coming to feel more and more at home in the thought of heaven and the angels and the life of the Spirit?"

It is only the man whose life is a real offering to God who can say, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed to him." God does not give his peace to a half-hearted disciple any more than a king would entrust his treasures to a subject whose loyalty was under suspicion. "Love not the world, neither the things of the world," says the Apostle John. "If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." As Henry Drummond significantly remarked: "John says of the world, not that it is wrong, but simply that it passeth away. There is a great deal in the world that is delightful and beautiful, that is great and engrossing, but it will not last. All that is in the world—the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life—are but for a little while. Therefore, love not the world. Nothing that it contains is worth the life and consecration of an immortal soul."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The Hon. John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, contributes to Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for June, a complete and interesting account of "The Building of the New Navy." Besides Secretary Long's illustrated article upon "The New Navy," the number contains the following articles: "The Building of a Battleship," by Frederick J. Gauntlett, with splendid pictures of the new Kearsarge and Kentucky; "From Stone to Steel," by George Willis Bardwell, a richly illustrated paper reviewing the history of arms and armor, from the rude weapons of the stone age to the modern Krag-Jorgensen rifle; "In Hayti in War-Time," by Reuben Briggs Davenport; "The Horseless Carriage," by Mary Sargent Hopkins, and "Women as Travelers," by Margherita Arlina Hamm, in the popular Woman in Action series.

Among the important papers in the June Forum are: "The Crisis in the Church of England," by Francis Allston Channing, M. P.; "The Value of Porto Rico," by Robert T. Hill; "England's Decadence in the West Indies," by Brooks Adams, and "Some Light on the Canadian Enigma," by A. Maurice Low.

The leading article in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly, for June, contains an important announcement by Prof. G. F. Wright regarding a "New Method of Estimating the Age of Niagara Falls." "San Francisco of the North" is an article by Prof. Angelo Heilprin, giving an account of Dawson, the metropolis of the Klondike. "The Reptiles and Fishes of the West Indies," by Dr. F. L. Oswald, describes and pictures a number of the curious creatures which inhabit the newest of our possessions. Prof. Pelham Edgar contributes an interesting essay entitled, "Tendencies in French Literature." "The Botany of Shakespeare," by Thomas H. Macbride, calls attention to one of many interesting sides of the great bard's work.

In the American Monthly Review of Reviews, for June, Mr. Byron W. Holt contributes an article on "Trusts—The Rush to Industrial Monopoly," in which he sets forth the facts in connection with the recent startling development of the trust-forming mania, as it is beginning to be called. Mr. W. T. Stead writes on "Oliver Cromwell and the National Church of England." The Hon. Charles W. Kindrick, United States consul at Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, contributes an interesting account of the Mormon settlements in Mexico, of which little is known in this country. Mrs. Leonora Beck Ellis describes the recent progress in agricultural methods made by the Southern States, as illustrated in the work of the Georgia Experiment Station.

The June number of The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine opens with "Shakespeare's One Hero: a Drama of 1599," referring, of course, to "Henry V." "A Ramble in Naples," by Dora M. Jones, is of exceptional interest, both in matter and illustrations. The fourth in the series of "Famous Hymn Writers" papers treats of Joseph Addison. "The Theology of Byron" is the rather startling subject of a beautifully illustrated article. The fourth part of "The Illustrated History of Methodism" treats of the Wesleys in America. The paper is richly illustrated with Georgia scenes which are of especial importance in this article because of their association with John Wesley, the founder of Methodism.

The June Century is an out-of-doors number. Outdoor papers in this number are Capt. J. C. Ayres's "After Big Game with Packs," an illustrated account of a hunting expedition in which pack-mules played an important part; "Out of Doors in Texas," by E. S. Nadal, author of the delightful "Notes of a Professional Exile," and "Out of Doors in Colorado," by H. P. Ufford. In the same out-of-doors category is "The Tramp and the Railroads," in which Josiah Flynt, the well-known expert in tramp life, presents the results of an investigation of the means adopted by a great railroad to abate the tramp nuisance on its lines. Mr. Crawford's "Via Crucis" is continued, and there are short stories by Tudor Jenks, Ruth McEnery Stuart, and Senmas McManus, author of "Through the Peat Smoke."

Sister Harriet Gibson, of Summit, Miss., in renewing her subscription to the ADVOCATE, writes: "I have just passed my seventy-fifth natal day, and have had my church paper in my home for the past sixty-five years." This is an excellent record. Would that all Methodist homes were of this type.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered May 9, 1899, by Board of Trustees, Grenada Female College, in called meeting:

"Whereas, Rev. J. W. Malone, A. M., has unconditionally tendered his resignation as president of Grenada Female College; And, whereas, Dr. Malone has accomplished more for our school than the most sanguine friends of the institution expected, and by his wise management, safe financial methods, and untiring efforts, he has increased the patronage of our college beyond the capacity of the present building—best of all, he and his noble Christian wife, aided by their excellent faculty, have developed the Christian experience and usefulness of the daughters committed to their care; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we highly appreciate Dr. Malone's wise, active, faithful and valuable services for Christian education throughout the North Mississippi Conference for our girls.

"Resolved, That we have implicit confidence in his ability to further the very important interests of educating our daughters.

"Resolved, We truly regret to lose him and his excellent and efficient wife from Grenada College.

"Resolved, That our earnest prayers and sincere regards shall be with him for his continued success."

The above preamble and resolutions were voted upon as a whole, and unanimously adopted by the Board. JNO. W. GRIFFIS, Sec'y.

THE MILLSAPS COLLEGIAN.

The June number of the Millsaps Collegian will give a fair picture of college life. It will contain eleven full-page pictures and much interesting reading matter. It is desired to put a copy in the hands of every boy who thinks of going off to college. The Collegian will appear about June 25. As the edition is not large, every friend of the college who would like to see a copy of the magazine is invited to file his application at once. Apply by postal card to the business manager, E. H. Galloway, Jackson, Miss.

W. L. WEBER.

MILLSAPS COMMENCEMENT.

The commencement sermon of Millsaps College will be preached by Bishop W. A. Candler, Sunday morning, June 18. At night the Rev. Dr. W. T. Bolling, of the Louisiana Conference, will preach the annual sermon before the Y. M. C. A.

Bishop Candler will deliver the annual address Monday morning, the nineteenth. The Board of Trustees will meet Monday morning.

Entertainment will be provided for our preachers if they will notify our pastors, the Rev. R. J. Jones or the Rev. R. W. Bailey, of their purpose to attend. W. B. MURRAH.

REMARKABLE MOVEMENT IN FRANCE.

The Methodist Times, of London, brings intelligence of a most remarkable religious movement in France; which is nothing less than the breaking away of hundreds and thousands of priests and people from the Roman Catholic Church. The matter was lately called to the attention of the president of the British Wesleyan Conference by the Bishop of one of the Oriental churches. After hearing the matter the president called into the Conference Mr. Percy F. Bunting, one of the most honored and trusted of British Wesleyan laymen, with the result that the Abbe Bourrier, the leader of the movement, was invited to London, and was Mr. Bunting's guest for a week. Full information on the subject was given by the French expriest, who also accepted an invitation to return to London during the sitting of the British Wesleyan Conference in July, and attend a meeting of the ministers, and address them on the subject.

It is believed that when the movement has been properly developed four or five thousand Romish priests will be found in it. Hundreds have already committed themselves, and are preaching a pure and simple gospel. This is its character—a revival of pure religion and the abandonment of the corruptions of the papacy. The Romish hierarchy does not seem able so far to stem the tide. So good and pure a man is the Abbe Bourrier that his former associates have not adopted their usual methods of scurrilous attack; they still treat him with respect.

A paper has been started in the interest of a new Reformation which is said to have not fewer than fifteen hundred subscribers among the priests, a number of whom are attending the lectures of Protestant professors of theology.

This is, in brief, the case as outlined by the Times. To what it may grow, no one can tell. Much influence in awakening this state of affairs is attributed to the late Spanish-American war. It has opened the eyes of many to the real conditions of the Romish world. It is the most significant that these things should appear in France, heretofore for many years the political bulwark of the papacy. Further information will be awaited with interest.—Pittsburgh Advocate.

SUNDAY NEWSPAPERS IN ENGLAND.

The second attempt to start Sunday newspapers in London is not likely to succeed any better than the one made some years ago by an enterprising American. Two of the leading dailies recently announced a Sunday edition. An indignant storm of protests was raised at once. The Bishop of London, John Burns the labor leader, Sidney Webb the socialist, Hugh Price Hughes and other Nonconformists were united in opposing this robbery of the British working-men in taking away their day of rest. Lord Rosebery declared his opposition to the plan and publicly besought the rival proprietors to declare a "truce of God." The secretary of state for home affairs, replying to a deputation of prominent leaders, declared that, while he did not see how the Government could take action, he was entirely in sympathy with the opposition to the new departure. One of the offending publishers offered to suspend further publication if his rival would do the same, but up to this time he has not consented. In the face of such a wide-spread opposition, added to the fact that the venture is a losing one, it is not likely that there will be many more issues of Sunday papers in England for some years to come.—Zion's Herald.

A PROBLEM.

There is a strange thing seen in the difference with which men often treat others in the journey of life. While the faithful toilers are in the ordinary walks, trying to discharge their duties and do the work before them, there are many to criticise and discount their works or methods. This disposition seems to become more marked toward one who shows signs of success and of reaching a high place in the esteem of the world or the church. It seems hard for some people to forgive a man who succeeds. That seems to be the case, at least, until he reaches the highest success. At that point the ordinary fault-finders cease their carpings and proceed to invest the fortunate hero with all the virtues of their ideal perfection. Only the boldest carpers then keep up the firing. Why is this so? Why do some people want to keep others down as long as they can; and, when they fail, why do they turn their fault-findings into adulations? This is a problem in depraved humanity! Who can solve it?—Wesleyan Advocate.

Bishop Hendrix, in a lecture, is reported to have said: "Methodism to-day preaches the gospel in more tongues than were spoken in the whole Roman empire in her proudest days; and her children taken together in all lands outnumber the entire hosts of Christianity at the end of the first two centuries."—Exchange.

An early-to-bed club is an organization which has recently been started in Washington. There is an attempt being made in that city, and also in Philadelphia, among society leaders to inaugurate a reform in the hours for evening entertainments. This movement has reached organization, and is known as the "Early Hour League" in Philadelphia, and the "Early-to-Bed Club" in Washington, where it has the sanction of many women prominent in official life, among them Mrs. Lyman J. Gage, one of the most delightful of the Cabinet hostesses. The Washington society proposes to enter upon an educational campaign in this line by means of lectures by specialists on this particular phase of hygienic living. The necessity for sleep at night, and the practice of turning night into day, will be points to which special attention will be called. The movement, as started by the society set, is of value, and should work at least a modicum of reform.—Standard.

NOTES.

Rev. B. W. Lewis orders a hundred copies of "The Gospel of Giving."

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Rev. R. C. Grace, of the Louisiana Conference, is ill with slow fever, as is also his wife.

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Bishop Keener and Rev. S. S. Keener have removed to Ocean Springs for the Summer.

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We expected a partial report of Centenary commencement for this issue, but it failed to reach us.

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Bishop Candler has appointed Rev. J. E. Cunningham in charge of Rosedale, in place of Rev. J. C. Park, transferred to Water Valley.

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Rev. L. F. Magruder, of this city, has been confined to his bed for three weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, but is now convalescent.

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We regret to learn that Sister Hines, wife of Rev. W. B. Hines, of the Mississippi Conference, is seriously ill. Bro. Hines is also in feeble health.

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In the absence of Rev. R. H. Wynn, his pulpit was filled last Sabbath by Rev. G. D. Parker. The Carrollton pulpit was filled by Presiding Elder Keener.

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On account of poor health, Rev. Z. A. Parker has resigned the presidency of North Alabama Conference College. Rev. E. M. Glenn has been elected in his stead.

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Rev. T. Carter will preach the commencement sermon at Belhaven College next Sunday. The annual address will be delivered by Hon. A. F. Fox, of West Point, Miss.

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Rev. J. M. Wyatt, presiding elder of the Aberdeen district, writes: "All the preachers are very faithful and are planning for large success in all the interests of our blessed church."

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The pastor being absent attending the Centenary commencement, the pulpit of Carondelet was filled last Sabbath by Rev. A. E. Clay in the morning and by Dr. W. H. LaPrade at night.

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Miss Martha Andrews, daughter of Dr. C. G. Andrews, was married, on May 23, at Richmond, Va., to Dr. W. W. Cleveland. The groom was quite ill at the time, and died soon afterwards.

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At a called meeting of the Board of Trustees of Grenada Female College, May 30, 1899, Rev. W. M. McIntosh was unanimously elected president of the college for the next ensuing session.

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The synopsis of Rev. C. A. Powell's address on our third page was prepared by Rev. J. D. Ellis, secretary of the Brookhaven District Missionary Institute, and his signature should have been attached to it.

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An excellent Christian woman of high social standing, a leader in our Israel, writes: "The ADVOCATE grows better all the time. Your editorials are always fine, your selections from other papers always to the point."

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Rev. R. P. Goar writes: "I am getting along well on my work, the Paris circuit. I have collected as much on foreign and domestic missions as the circuit paid last year on all the Conference collections; so you see we are on the up-grade. The outlook is good for a sweeping revival. God speed the time again when the revival fires will burn on the family altars three hundred and sixty-five days in the year."

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From a private letter from Rev. W. G. Evans we quote as follows: "Mrs. Evans and the baby have been on the sick-list lately, but are better now. My protracted meetings begin on the twelfth of June. I will be assisted by Revs. J. M. Henry, Jno. F. Foster, and T. B. Clifford, and Drs. Sawyer and Bolling. We are making extensive repairs on the parsonage property. The ADVOCATE is being read and enjoyed by our people."

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The Mississippians will not forget their coming Conference. Time—June 22-25. Place—West Point, Miss.

Those who heard Bro. Joe Ramsey at Wator Valley in '97 will not miss hearing him at West Point. Joe is an all-right, up-to-date Leagner.

Rev. P. L Cobb will be present to stir the missionary conscience of the Mississippians. Lonisiana responded liberally at Crowley; Mississippi will, doubtless, do her part.

The five-cent assessment for State work should be paid at once by each Leagner in Mississippi. Let the treasurer of each chapter see to this, and remit at once to Miss Vic Thompson, Tupelo, Miss.

Those who expect to attend the Conference should send their names at once to Miss Josie Critz, West Point, Miss. This is important; do not delay.

Of course, great things are expected of Bishop Galloway and Dr. DuBose. Mississippi claims them both, and is justly proud of her sons, who now deservedly occupy high places in the "connection."

We have not had the pleasure of perusing the programme, but are sure that it will equal and, perhaps, excel any previously arranged in Mississippi. From every part of the State the young people are expected. West Point extends unbounded hospitality, and will open wide her doors to receive the honored guests.

The Louisiana Leagners are hereby reminded of the address of their newly-elected treasurer: A. S. Daniels, Esq., 348 Oliver street, Algiers, La. He is in a receptive mood, and will be glad to hear from the Leagues who recently pledged amounts for "Specials."

The Shreveport and Arcadia districts have recently held very interesting and helpful League Conferences within their bounds—the one at Shreveport and the other at Minden. Encouraging reports reach us from these gatherings among the young people, and we are assured of development and larger efficiency in the work which God has called them to do. Lonisiana is in line, and moving to the front.

The photo and description of the Albert Sidney Johnston monument, which recently appeared in the Epworth Era, was furnished by Mr. F. J. W. Pflug, the efficient foreman of the printing force of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

The Epworth League at Ocala, Fla., recently observed "Old Folks' Day." Invitations were issued to all the old church members, and carriages were sent for those unable to walk. The church was handsomely decorated, and beautifully printed Scripture verses for the encouragement of the aged were hung upon the walls. A programme was arranged, and a sermon preached by the pastor. The day marked an epoch in the lives of these "fathers and mothers in Israel." May God bless these young Leagners for their thoughtful care and kindness toward the aged!

TAKE NOTICE.

The Inter-State (Mississippi, Alabama and Lonisiana) Epworth League Conference will be held (D. V.) on Seashore Camp Ground, near Biloxi, Miss., Aug 15-25.

The object of this gathering of Leaguers and Christian workers is to promote systematic study of God's Word, awaken a more intelligent interest in missions, and to bind into closer union these Christian workers in order that the Gulf States may be won for Christ.

To accomplish the above the following branches of work have been organized, viz.:

I.—BIBLE CLASSES.

One of the greatest needs of our League is properly organized Bible study; therefore, special efforts will be made to train Leagners in this work that they may go back to their Leagues and teach. There will be two Bible classes taught at the same hour each morning. It is desired that each student take up one of these courses, and for this reason the classes will meet at the same hour. One well-defined course thoroughly covered will be of more benefit than two courses lightly or hurriedly studied. Two competent, experienced, successful teachers will conduct those classes. Bring your Bible and note book.

II.—MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

One hour each forenoon will be devoted to the study of modern missionary movements and methods. This important branch will be conducted by P. L. Cobb, of Nashville, Tenn., assisted by an efficient corps of workers.

III.—CONFERENCE.

An open Conference will be held each day for the practical discussion of principles and methods pertaining to League work.

IV.—DECISION MEETINGS.

Every evening at twilight there will be held on the beach a short meeting for the purpose of getting the unconverted to decide for Christ and the Christians to decide to engage in some specific work for the Master.

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Addresses and lectures will be delivered each evening by prominent speakers. The list of names will be published later.

RECREATION.

The entire afternoon of each day will be given to recreation.

EXPENSES.

Board can be had on the grounds as cheap as five ($5) dollars per week. No tuition will be charged; but a gate fee of fifty cents will be taken on entering the grounds; a season ticket will be sold for one dollar.

The Camp Ground is on the L. and N. R. R, 78 miles from New Orleans, and 62 miles from Mobile, Ala. Reduced rates will be given over this road.

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NOTICE.

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348 Oliver St., Algiers, La.

The Union Epworth League will be held, June 13, at Rayne Memorial Church.

To the Members of the Shreveport District Conference

BRETHREN: It is very embarrassing for a community to arrange to entertain eighty people at a District Conference, and have only forty to attend. Therefore, those who intend to attend the coming District Conference at Coushatta will please notify me as soon as possible. Our hearts and homes are open to all who will come, and Coushatta will do all within her power to make this Conference one long to be remembered. We are praying that you may come in the power of the Holy Spirit, and that your presence with us may result in a mutual blessing to you and to our town. A rate of one and one-third fare for round trip has been secured on the Shreveport and Red River Valley railroad. Train leaves Shreveport daily at 4 P M Let everybody come prepared to stay over Sunday. Let the preachers give their flocks a rest for one Sunday, at least. Fraternally,

P M. BROWN.

Coushatta, La., June 2, 1899

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VERNON AND SABINE.

We found all moving on well on the Florien circuit; Rev. S. S. Holladay, preacher in charge. The Quarterly Conference, held at Holly Grove, in Vernon parish, on Wednesday, May 24, was largely attended, and the pastor reported both foreign and domestic missions as paid in full. It is confidently expected that a perfect report will go up from this charge, in which event the people desire to be given their former and time-honored name of Anacoco.

Taking train to Many, and buggy in company with Rev. J. S. Sanders, we were on hand at Fort Jessup to preach the commencement sermon for the splendid institution located at that historic point. President C. C. Lewis informed us that he had enrolled 172 students, which indicates prosperity. He is assisted by an able faculty, and good work is being done for the youth of both sexes who attend at Fort Jessup. Midway between the Red and Sabine rivers, it is one of the highest points in Northwest Lonisiana and unsurpassed for healthfulness. The society and moral surroundings are most excellent, and there are no saloons to destroy the young. In the long ago Fort Jessup was the headquarters of one of the U. S. military districts; and, while Gen. Zachary Taylor was in command and residing there, young Lieut. Jefferson Davis ran off with and married his daughter. We saw the pillars standing yet of the old fort, and went into an old, but well preserved and capacious house, where Rough and Ready made his residence. The old style of fireplace is the very expression of hospitality; it is so wide, deep and high, and the rooms are no pent-up Uticas, either. I have rarely enjoyed a drink of water as I did that drawn from the bottom of the deep well out of which Taylor, Davis and other military chieftains used to drink. We drank from the old oaken bucket itself, and found the draught cool and refreshing, and felt strengthened to fight Indians, Yankees, Spaniards and any comers. Let us hope, however, that arbitration and peaceful settlements will hereafter be had among the nations to the forever passing of the dread abitrament of arms.

After holding Quarterly Conference at Jessup, and noting the fine report of Rev. J. S. Sanders, the preacher in charge, who has his work on rising ground, missionary collections up and out-look encouraging; and, after the Conference had made a wise declaration on a vexed organ question as to whether that instrument should remain or be put out of a certain progressive church on the circuit, we returned to Many, and next day by train went to Zwolle, and then by buggy to Bayou Scie Church, where we found the pastor, Rev. R. P. Howell, in the midst of a gracious revival. The Quarterly Conference at Bayou Scie showed the Zwolle charge to be in first-class condition. Bro. Howell has good ground to feel that at Monroe, in December, he can say to Bishop Galloway: "Everything in full, Bishop, and many souls saved." These three brethren down on the K. C., P. and Gulf railroad have all had success in the chief thing God has given them to do—the winning of precious souls. Back in Shreveport, we occupy our room just for a night and are off in the morning. JOHN T. SAWYER.

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PAINT TALKS—XVII.

THE SECONDARY EVILS OF "CHALKING."

If it were true that all other paints excepting white lead come off in scales or flakes and that all paints do come off in time, the assertion that chalking is a virtue might have some plausibility. But, fortunately, the assertion is not true. All paints wear out in time, from the abrasive action of the elements; but if we have two paints, one of which wears away from the surface by the grinding action of rain, hail, snow and dust, leaving the remaining paint still impervious and resisting, while the other paint decomposes, becomes porous, and disintegrates throughout its entire substance, it is evident that the former of these two paints affords the better protection.

"Chalking" or crumbling is an inherent defect in all pure white lead paints, and no care in manufacture or preparation will obviate it. It is due to the unstable chemical nature of the pigment and to its low oil-carrying capacity. On the other hand, properly made zinc paints do not chalk, but wear away.

It is easy to understand why painters like a chalking paint. Even if they have no selfish motive in wishing the paint to decay quickly, they like to be able to brush off the dusty old paint and soak in a new coat: the job is so ridiculously easy, and then the spongy surface uses up a great deal of paint, which makes it profitable.

But this porous surface which so greedily absorbs oil, takes up water with as much avidity, as any one can demonstrate by applying a soaked sponge to a chalky surface. This casual fact simply means that a chalky paint no longer protects the surface, but actually acts as a sponge to hold water, and thus does more harm than good.

Another secondary evil of the chalking and dusting off of white lead is the poisonous nature of the dust. The action of lead on the system is slow, but it is sure, and no one that is exposed to it can entirely escape its consequences.

The remedy is obvious. Use a paint that does not chalk. Such paints are offered in abundance, and they are all based on zinc white. Or if anyone is so prejudiced that white lead has become a fetich, at least give it some semblance of durability by covering it with zinc white, or by having zinc white ground into it; and zinc in a paint, whatever other ingredients it may contain, absolutely prevents chalking.

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Everyone will haste to praise him;
He is on the honor list.
I've a tender thought, my darlings,
For the one who tried, and missed.

One? Ah me! they count by thousands
Those who have not gained the race,
Though they did their best and fairest,
Striving for the winner's place.
Only few can reach the laurel;
Many see their chance flit by.
I've a tender thought, my darlings,
For the earnest band who try.

'Tis the trying that is noble,
If you're made of sterner stuff
Than the laggards who are damned
When the bit of road is rough.
All will praise the happy winners;
But when they have hurried by,
I've a song to cheer, my darlings,
The great company who try.

—Success.

WHAT IS A BEAUTIFUL HOME?

The other day I happened to hear a girl of about sixteen say in a discontented and rather vexed tone: "We certainly have the meanest, homeliest, most dilapidated old house ever built. Maybe I don't wish the old thing would catch itself on fire, and I tell you I would make it burn all the harder by throwing in those old chairs that look as though they were made in the year one, and those hideous old curtains that would take the prize anywhere for their ugliness, and then that miserable, horrid, old book-case. Mama, where on earth did you manage to get such an ugly piece, anyway?"

The mother's reply was: "Well, dear, those chairs do look rather old, but we got them when we could afford no better, and as times are still hard, they will have to do till times change. Those curtains are not the latest, but they are all we have, and while the book-case is not a good one, it holds some of the best of books, and what more would you ask? We ought to be very thankful for what we have, and not always be grumbling because we do not have more."

The daughter did not reply, but rather sullenly left the room, and I could not help thinking that if that kind, gentle mother should be taken out of that home, her daughter would think differently about what she had just been saying. Or if her pleasant, hard-working father and her jolly, good-hearted, brother should have to leave that home, she would see that it is not the furniture that makes a home pleasant, but the hearts that are in it.

And is not this the way with a great many of us? We are constantly grumbling because we have not something that we would like to have, while if we would stop to think what we do possess, and if some of those that are so dear to us should be taken out of our homes, what we would not possess, we would surely stop our grumbling and live more happy and contented lives.

What more ought we to ask for than to have those we love and cherish with us, and with these we can surely make the poorest of houses the happiest and most beautiful of homes. H.

GOOD ASSOCIATES.

How careless parents are in regard to the associates of their children and who their instructors are! Much depends on this. It is not at all difficult to see the changes produced on the minds of children by their contact with different companions. It is the same as to the influence of instructors. Give a child a true, noble man as a teacher, a man of character and decision, and the mark will be left upon the child. This was illustrated very prominently in Dr. Arnold, of Rugby. The influence he exercised upon the young mind was simply wonderful. A biographer says of him: "His very presence seemed to create a new spring of health and vigor within them, and to give life an interest and elevation which remained with them long after they had left him, and dwelt so habitually in their thoughts as a living image, that when death had taken him away the bond appeared to be still unbroken, and the sense of separation almost lost in the still deeper sense of a life and a union indestructible." It was the same with Dugald Stewart. Of him a prominent Englishman says: "To me his lectures were like the opening of the heavens; I felt that I had a soul. His noble views, unfolded in glorious sentences, elevated me into a higher world. They changed my whole nature."

We can not at all estimate how much good goodness makes. No man that is good is alone. And his goodness, like the circle caused by throwing a stone into the water, widens until it has reached the shores of the better land. There are men in whose presence we are sure to feel almost as though we were in the presence of an angel. It will certainly be for our advantage if we seek as our companions the truly good, whether it be their living presence, or the power and influence they have left through their books. The radiating force they exert is great. If we come within that circle, we can not help but feel their power on our own lives and character. Do you wish to be like Christ? Then seek his company. Do you desire to feel the influence of good men? Then walk with them, talk with them, and you will feel the touch of that which inspires.—The Christian World.

OUT OF LIFE'S SILENCE.

The gems of the world's literature, the marvelous inventions of science and art, grand thoughts and words which live age after age, are results of long pondering in silence. From the silent studio of a Raphael comes at length the work of art before which the world pauses in rapt enthusiasm.

The poet broods long in silence, and then gives to the world his immortal song, and it sings on for ages in the hearts of men.

The inventor knits his brow and bends over his models with intent, absorbing interest, in the hush of many a midnight, and by and by you see his perfected machine—a boon to the toiling race.

The orator shuts his doors, and in secret evolves great thoughts, and writes grand sentences, and polishes majestic periods; and thousands are moved and swayed by his burning eloquence when he comes forth to speak; and tyranny, oppression, and wrong are swept away.

The Christian lingers longer in the solemn hush of prayer and meditation, and when he reappears his face glows, his voice is fired with an inspiration born of heaven, and his arm is strong to do valiant deeds for his Lord.—Selected.

DUTY OF HAVING TACT.

Tact in speech and in action is a potent factor in personal influence. "Tact" means touch; it is commonly used as meaning skillful and delicate touch. He who would touch others without paining or repelling them must touch tenderly and wisely. An oculist must have a care while removing a speck of dust from the eye, to reach the speck without harming the eye; that requires tact. A man who would correct another for a fault, needs to indicate the fault without disturbing the temper; that requires tact. Touch that does what is needful without doing what is not necessary, is tact. Tact is something that we may lack, to begin with, but we have no right to live without it. Christina Rossetti says: "Tact is a gift; it is likewise a grace. As a gift, it may or may not have fallen to our share; as a grace, we are bound either to possess or to acquire it."—Sunday-School Times.

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There is always some one to smile at, somebody to give your chair to, somebody to whom a book, flower, or even an old paper, would be a boon. These small attentions will open the way to confidence, will make it possible that in need these friends will give you opportunities to help them, which, unless you had shown thoughtfulness and regard for them, they could never have done. A quiet, sympathetic look or smile many a time unbars a heart that needs help which you can give.—Exchange.

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SLEEP AS A REMEDY.

Of two men or women, otherwise equal, the one who sleeps the best will be the most moral, healthy, and efficient. Sleep will do much to cure irritability of temper, peevishness, and uneasiness. With some modification, the following from an exchange is commended: It will restore to vigor an overworked brain. It will build up and make strong a weary body. It will cure a headache. It will cure a broken spirit. It will cure sorrow. Indeed, we might make a long list of nervous and other maladies that sleep will cure.

"FRUIT CURE" THE LATEST.

According to a health expert, blanched almonds give the highest nerve or brain and muscle food, and the man who wishes to keep up his brain power will do well to include them in his bill of fare. Juicy fruits give nerve or brain food. Apples supply the brain with rest. Prunes are said to afford proof against nervousness. They should be avoided by those who suffer from the liver. It has been proved that fruits do not have the same effect upon everybody. Some men can not eat apples without suffering from acute dyspepsia. "Fruit cure" is a form of treatment which is quite the rage in continental Europe now with persons suffering from real or imaginary maladies.

That fruit is a most valuable article of food can not be denied, and that many diseases may be greatly benefited by a diet largely composed of fruit is true enough. It is a fact, too, that the majority of people eat more meat than they require. Meat eaten once a day is sufficient for a person not engaged in manual labor, or who does not take much strong out-door exercise. A large number of the complaints contracted owe their origin to the consumption of food which entails a greater drain on the gastric juices than the system is able to withstand. The cures attributed to the grape occur, for the most part, with those who are accustomed to high living, and are really owing to the fact that the organs of digestion are given a much-needed rest. Semi-starvation would answer the purpose almost as well. For the person whose work lies chiefly indoors, a mixed and varied diet is most conducive to good health.—New York Medical Record.

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KENT—COBB—A most sad thing has occurred with us on Pleasant Grove circuit, at which Church, Panola county, Miss. As we pass along the road now we go by a home entirely desolate, since death has taken every inmate from it. On March 15 the soul of Mr. JEFF. KENT left the world, and while we were gathering for the funeral service, Grandma ELIZABETH COBB died March 16, and while arranging her body for the grave, Sister HARRIET KENT, her daughter, and wife of Bro. JEFF. KENT, was taken very ill, and lingering in great pain, departed April 5, 1899. Then Sister N. A. COBB, who had been in the home attending the sick, was seized with violent pneumonia, and died also April 12, 1899.

Bro. Kent professed conversion some years since under the ministry of our sainted Bro. H. P. GIBBS, but never joined any church.

Grandma Cobb was a faithful Christian and member of our church, and whose life was sweet and fragrant. Her deeds of kindness and spirit of love will be long remembered. A large alliance was present upon the funeral service, which, by her request some years before, was conducted by Bro. W. H. Eskies.

Sister Harriet Kent was an active, consistent member of the M. E. Church, South. She loved her church, with its services and ministry. We visited her in her painful illness, and talked and prayed with her. She said it was all right, and she awaited patiently for the Lord's will to be done.

Sister N. A. Cobb, wife of C. M. Cobb, was an active member of the Baptist Church fifty years, and belonged to Peach Creek congregation. She was one of the pillars of her church, regular in her attention to all of its interests, and very much loved by its members. She prepared for death beforehand, selecting the text and preacher for the funeral service. Bro. W. H. Eskies, L. E., preached a touching discourse to a large audience in the church where she had so long worshiped; then we laid her away gently in the neat cemetery near by, which her own care had prepared, because she loved those who slept there.

May God, in his infinite goodness, comfort the sorrowing daughter and strengthen the faith of all of us, that we may humbly bow to his will, and wait until what we "know not now, but shall know hereafter," shall be revealed, and all those who sleep in him shall be united in our heavenly home!

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Pleasant Grove, Miss.

TILLMAN—The home of C. H. Tillman was a happy one—a fond father, a devoted mother, brothers and sisters. But the great interest and love of the family seemed centered in the two little ones, "WILLIE BENNETT" and ROSA, both so near the same age—so inseparable in life, so truly devoted to each other, that when scarce two months ago death entered that happy home and "Willie Bennett" was taken from their midst, Rosa, fair-haired, blue-eyed, beautiful baby child, grew lonely and heartsick for "little sister," and wanted to go, too. Can we say that God did not hear her plaint, and in loving kindness send the "little sister" after her? It was of just such little ones that Christ said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." And on the eighteenth of April little Rosa, the pet and idol, left the home desolate, the hearts of the devoted ones almost broken, while sympathizing neighbors and friends could only "sit in the shadow and weep," knowing that God alone could comfort such grief. The shadows are now deep over their pathway, but how bright and joyful will be the day when father and mother and children will be reunited in the beautiful life above that does not end in death and the grave!

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But the loving Christ can heal,
For the heart that was pierced on Calvary
Doth still for his people feel."

COUSIN ANNIE.

CRANBERRY—BENJAMIN F. CRANBERRY was born Oct. 1, 1817, and died in Coplah county, Miss., Feb. 10, 1899. He was truly converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Pleasant Valley Church, September, 1848, under the faithful and earnest ministry of the Rev. S. L. L. Scott. He lived a consistent Christian life ever afterward, and was noted for his great zeal and the sterling integrity of his character. One of his neighbors, who had known him for many years, said that he had never known a better man—one more true and faithful in all the relations of life. He had a ripe Christian experience, and was ready at all times to give a reason for the hope that was in him. His religion was a happy reality to him. His life was, indeed, fashioned after the blessed life of the Immaculate Son of God. For many years he filled faithfully and well the important office of recording steward. He took an active part in the Sunday-school, and, in fact, all the work of his church. His home was always open to the weary itinerant Methodist preacher. They found a cheerful welcome there. He was a true friend to all in trouble and distress, and a kind and obliging neighbor. Although quite feeble for several years before his death, yet he was cheerful and happy through it all.

He was twice married. His first wife was Amelie Rembert. They were married Dec. 16, 1841, and lived in great happiness for twenty-two years. They were the parents of ten children, five of whom are living. His second wife was Serena Mullins. Both of his wives were noble Christian women. Death had no terrors for him. He has, doubtless, entered into that beautiful home of the soul that our blessed Savior has gone to prepare for all his faithful followers. J. S. PARKER.

WALKER—EMILY WALKER was born in Virginia about the year 1823. She left there in the year 1860, and moved to Mississippi, and married J. H. Walker in November, 1861, and moved from there to Louisiana (Ouachita parish), and lived with him until his death, Aug. 17, 1884. In December, 1884, she moved to Texas (Bell county), and lived there till she died. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when a girl, and died in that church. She said she was willing to go; that she was going to heaven. She talked to her two children; told them to be good and meet her in heaven. She left a son with one child, and a daughter with four children, and one dead. Both of her children are members of the church, but not the church of which she was a member. She was a good mother and a true Christian, and has gone to rest with God. She died at her son's home and her home. Her son did all he could for her as long as she lived. She had been afflicted for fifteen months, so she could not walk. She died Feb. 13, 1899. At her death she said to take care of the negro girl that waited on her the most of her time while she was afflicted, and whom she raised from an infant. She has one sister living in Virginia.

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FLYNN—Bro. WILLIAM FLYNN was born in the parish of West Baton Rouge, La., Jan. 8, 1851, and died at his home in the city of Baton Rouge, Oct. 6, 1898. He was converted under the ministry of Rev. Mr. Shea in Faunin county, Texas, and united with the church in 1877. At the time of his death he was engaged in planting interests in the vicinity of Baton Rouge. He was a man of genuine worth, sound integrity, and retiring, unassuming demeanor; of good report in secular affairs, and of accredited Christian character. To the day of his death he remained in the fellowship of the M. E. Church, South.

During his last sickness it was my privilege to see him frequently. He was eager for the consolations of the Word of God, and enjoyed the ministry of intercession. The precious promises of the gospel were his constant support and prayer, the sustaining exercise of his faith. In the confession of simple trust in Christ, after a protracted sickness, he was gathered home to God. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." F. N. PARKER.

MOORE—Resolutions of New Salem Sabbath-school, March 12, 1899:

Whereas, Death has again visited our community and claimed one of our members, and caused a deep shadow to fall upon our hearts. The victim was Mrs. MATTIE MOORE. Mrs. Moore was one of our most untiring workers in the Sabbath-school. With heart and hands she was ever ready to do her duty. She was our secretary for a number of years, and performed her duty faithfully. Her bright face and smiles and kind words greet us no more on earth, but she has gone to that home where sorrow, pain and death can never come. While we feel a great loss, her last testimony assures us that it is her eternal gain. Blessed are they that die in the Lord. One by one we will all be gathered home; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we tender our sympathy to her grief-stricken husband and father, mother, brother and sisters, and pray that the Holy Spirit that upheld her in her last hours may be their guide through life, and console their hearts. Blessed assurance that they shall meet beyond the river, where the surges cease to roll.

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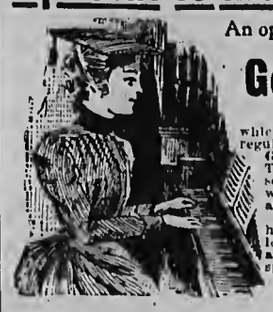
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The announcement at Madrid, in the speech from the throne to the Cortes, that Spain had ceded the Carolino Islands and Palaos and the Marianna to Germany was received with surprise The cession marks the relinquishment of Spanish possessions in the far East, save the Island of Fernando Po and dependencies on the African coast.

At the Cabinet meeting held Friday, the President and his advisers practically decided not to issue a call for volunteers for the present, but to send to the Philippines 5000 additional regular troops taken from Cuba and Porto Rico. It is held that it would be poor policy to send fresh volunteers to the Philippines during the rainy season, which has now set in.

The Court of Cassation, on June 3, rendered a verdict in favor of a revision of the Dreyfus case and ordering a new court-martial, to sit at Rennes, sixty miles from Nantes, for the trial of the prisoner. Previous to the announcement of the verdict crowds of people assembled at the palace of justice and its neighborhood, awaiting the decision. Perfect calm prevailed.

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Balfour in introducing a vote of £30,000 ($150,000) for Lord Kitchener in the House of Commons, said the fact that the power of mahdism was crushed was due to the genius of the man they desired to honor and reward. He expressed the hope that those who objected to the policy of the Soudan advance would not think that a reason for resisting the vote, as such a course would be introducing politics into military matters.

On Sunday there was a demonstration against President Loubet, on the race course at Paris, which must be considered as of the gravest character as such matters go in France. It was not merely the rabble that took part in the hostile attack upon M. Loubet, but men whose position lends importance to their acts. The outbreak was not merely an anti-Semitic riot, but was a political demonstration in which royalists, anti-Dreyfusites and others took part.

A vigorous campaign was begun on Saturday against General Pio del Pilars' force of 2000 rebels in the foothills at the mouth of Laguna de Bay and in the towns of Cainta, Taytay and Antipola, and the supervision of General Lawton. General Hall, with 2500 men, moved southeast from the pumping station, under Colonel Whalley, who relieved General King in command of his brigade, proceeded east from San Pedro Macati, the two divisions approaching each other. Colonel Whalley captured Cainta with small loss, the rebels fleeing before the advance of the United States troops. General Hall drove the Filipinos from the vicinity of Mariquina, sweeping them towards Colonel Whalley's column.

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REYNOLDS—SWANSON.—In the Methodist Church, Woodville, Miss., May 28, 1899, by Rev. John W. Crisler, Mr. William H. Reynolds, of Danville, Va., and Miss Julia C. Swanson, instructor in music Edward McGehee College. Elaborate decorations.

FLOWERS—PRESLEY.—At the home of Mr. Robt. Flowers, Loaks county, Miss., May 28, 1899, by Rev. M. L. White, Mr. F. M. Flowers to Miss Maggie Presley.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
(In Part.)

Terry, at Spring Ridge	July 8, 9
Capitol Street	A. M.. 16
First Church	P. M.. 16
Sharon, at Forest Grove	22, 23
Yazoo circuit (Short Cr.)	Sat. A. M., Sun P. M. 29, 30
Yazoo City	Sun. A. M.. 30, 31
Canton, at Thornton's	Aug. 5, 6
Vaughan's, at ——	M. to W.. 7-9
Madison, at Pearl River	12-15
Brandon	19, 20

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DeKalb, at Marvin	8, 9
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North Kemper, at Mellen	15, 16
Porterville, at Burton's Chapel	22, 23
Meridian—East End	Wed. P. M.. 26
Matherville, at Hebron	29, 30
Lauderdale, at Bethel	Aug. 5, 6
Middleton, at Manassas	12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house	Wed.. 16
Waynesboro, at State Line	19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M.. 20, 21
Pachuta, at Adams	26, 27
Enterprise, at ——	27, 28
Meridian—South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed.. 30
Shubuta, at ——	Sun., Mon.. Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at ——	9, 10
Binneville, at ——	16, 17

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FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Raleigh at Cedar Grove	Sat. and Sun.. June 24, 25
Forest, at Pulaski	Sat. and Sun.. July 1, 2
Morton, at Zion Grove	Sat. and Sun. 8, 9
Trenton, at Prospect	Sat. and Sun.. 15, 16
Clarksburg, at Holly Bush	Sat. and Sun.. 22, 23
Preacher's Institute, at Hickory	Thurs. and Fri.. 27, 28
District Conference, at Hickory	Sat.-Mon.. 29-31
Newton and H., at Hickory	Sat.. 29
Hillsboro, at Hillsboro	Sat. and Sun. Aug. 5, 6
Carthage, at Liberty	Thurs.. 10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland	Sat. and Sun.. 19, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun.. 26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville	Sat. and Sun.. 16, 17
Decatur, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paniding	Sat. and Sun.. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs.. 5
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun.. 7, 8
Shiloh, at Clear Creek	Sat. and Sun.. 14, 15

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DURANT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Ebenezer, at Hebron	June 24, 25
Sallis, at Clear Branch	July 1
Kosciusko station	2, 3
Cumberland, at Shady Grove	7
Eupora, at Waithall	8, 9
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington	15, 16
Pickens, at Goodman	22, 23
Ackerman, at Ackerman	29, 30
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	Aug. 5, 6
Durant station	12, 13
Poplar Creek, at Prospect	18
Tomnolen, at Tomnolen	19, 20
Rural Hill, at Rural Hill	25
Chester, at South Union	26, 27
Salem circuit	Sept. 2, 3
Belzoni	9, 10
Louisville	16, 17

District Conference at Ackerman, commencing Thursday, July 27, at 2:30 P. M.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

ABERDEEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Aberdeen station	June 17, 18
Prairie circuit	17, 18
Okolona station	24, 25
Tupelo station	July 1, 2
Verona and Nettleton	8, 9
Aberdeen circuit	11, 12
Montpelier circuit	15, 16
Houston and Wesley	22, 23
Nettleton circuit	29, 30
Quincy circuit	Aug. 1, 2
Amory and Smithville	5, 6
Tremont circuit	12, 13
Fulton circuit	14, 15
Buena Vista circuit	19, 20
Shannon circuit	21, 22
Okolona circuit	23, 24

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Aberdeen, Miss.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Boyce and West Alexandria, at Eden	June 17, 18
Lecompte and White Chapel, at W. C.	24, 25
Chicot and Washington, at Elm Bayon	July 1, 2
Bunkie and Marksville, at Bayou Clear	8, 9
Simsport, at Marion	15, 16
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Big Cane	22, 23
Jena and Jonesville, at White Sulphur Springs	29, 30
Oils and Pollock, at Summerville	Aug. 5, 6
Columbia, at Master's Chapel	11 A. M. 9
Ade and Winfield	12, 13
Rapides Camp Meeting	12-19
Spring Creek, at Fellowship	26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept 2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C.	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek, at ——	11 A. M., 8 P. M.. 24
Alexandria station	24, 25

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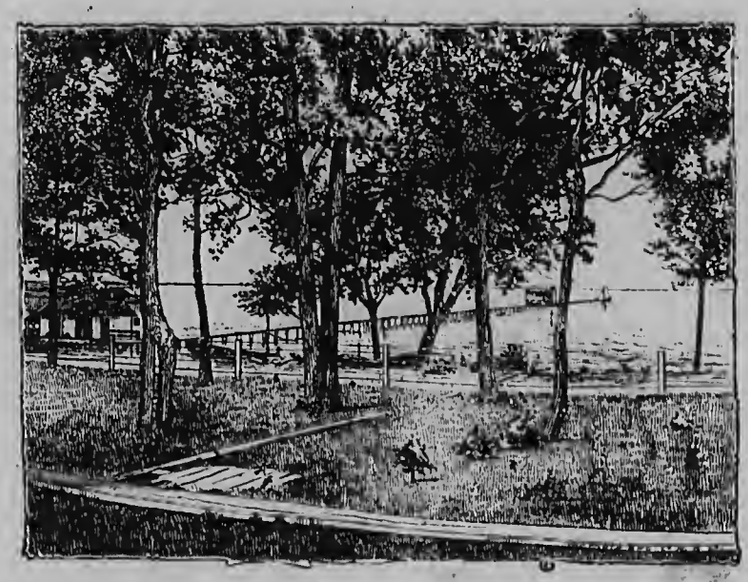

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THE MASTER-BUILDER.

The unhewn marble does not know
The place it has to fill;
That we may fit thy temple's plan,
Lord, shape us to thy will.

We ask not that thy tools, O Lord,
On us may lightly rest;
We only ask thou make us what
Will serve thy purpose best.

If, as thy column we shall rise,
Engraved with noble line,
Whereon thy goodness is set forth—
The glory all is thine.

Or if some corner be our lot,
Then do not spare thy hand,
And we will trust the shaping stroke
We can not understand

For still the lowest, darkest place
Remains the place of power
Whence springs the arch to span thy way
In thy triumphal hour.

—Episcopal Recorder.

Correspondence.

INCIDENTS OF THE WORK IN KOREA.

BY REV. C. T. COLLYER, SONGDO, KOREA.

In a far-away land, cut off from association with friends and beyond the reach of those who could give us counsel and advice, we, perhaps, see the more plainly that God is with us, that we are being guided by the Holy Spirit, and that he is working through us. That such is the case, let me illustrate by the following cases which recently occurred in one day upon this circuit:

Less than six months ago, in a casual way, my colporteur told me, among a number of other cases, there was one of two old gentlemen and the son of one of them, who had purchased several books from him, and were diligently reading them. In the course of two or three months he several times visited them, and each time sold more books. Shortly before Christmas I visited the old gentleman, and was entertained in the house of the elder brother, whose name and title is Mun Manho. The title "Manho," literally translated, is, ten thousand horses. His rank is "captain of a third-rate guard-post," or, in other words, a ruler over village settlements comprising ten thousand houses.

A more fascinating picture than the one that occupied my attention when I first saw Mun Manho would be hard to find. Imagine a background of Korean houses, and an old gentleman of sixty, with a long, snowy beard, and clad in a white robe, rushing, with outstretched hands, across the courtyard to the great gate to receive the weary and travel-stained itinerant! A few enquiries elicited the information that he dated his great desire to be baptized from the death of his nephew (the young man above referred to). This nephew was a young man of about one and twenty. He had been ailing for a long time. One evening he called his father and uncle to him and told them that he was dying a believer in Jesus. He then took up the Gospels bought from our colporteur, read several passages from them, and prayed. I have been into the eight-foot square room where he died; its very walls seem sacred to me. What a glorious and victorious sight the angels beheld as they saw that young fellow who had never been to church or seen a missionary, yet who, while he lay dying, instructed his aged relatives in the way of life, and prayed for their conversion! It reminded me of Goldsmith's beautiful expression, "Allured to brighter worlds, and led the way." There is no doubt but that the experience of the young man's last hours made a deep impression upon both his father and uncle. The latter told me that they did not employ a sorceress (as is usual) to perform "mysterious ceremony and incantations" over his grave, because he died differently from the way in which Koreans do.

The next time I visited that place the old gentleman told me that they had quite made up their minds to become Christians. I called their attention to the fact that one of the requirements before baptism was, that they should "renounce the devil and all his works," and that, so long as they retained any fetish, they could not be looked upon as Christians. "We are aware of that," they replied, "and were only waiting for your coming, that we might destroy all the things we have pertaining to devil worship." They then collected the rags, torn paper, straw, etc., that were hung from the rafters; then, diving into trunks and baskets, a large pile of clothing for the use of the sorceress during her incantations was brought forth; from odd nooks and corners a number of curiously-shaped hats were produced. These were all carried into the courtyard and burnt. When nothing of the things they had worshiped for tens of years was left but smoke and ashes, I invited them to come in and worship the living God, whom I contrasted with that heap of debris. Though it was immediately after morning prayers that they commenced collecting the fetish, etc., more than six hours had passed away ere the service was over. This is the first time I have ever seen a full equipment of devil-worship paraphernalia, and I trust I may many a time again witness the destruction of things so hateful to God.

After service was over I asked where the family ancestral tablets were. They were produced and given to me, for, as Mun Manho said, they were now treading the heavenly road, and there was no more use for them. The ancestral tablet is always the hardest and the last thing for a Korean to give up, because he believes if there is no one to pray before the shrine of his spirit after he is gone, then there will be no rest for his soul. Whatever the future may be, "Mun Manho" is a name that will live in my memory.

To continue the history of that day: After eating dinner we walked four miles to a riverside town to hunt up a Mr. Choi, who had once walked fourteen miles to attend church in Songdo. To walk three or four miles is a pleasure when roads are good, but when the path is on top of steep banks, and only six or eight inches wide, it is quite another matter. Just before reaching Husarkang there is a small river with a wide stretch of deep, soft mud on either side to cross. It was very tantalizing that the ferryman should leave us on the mud exposed to a cutting wind, while he, under shelter at the other side of the stream, haggled with us to give an exorbitant fare. Though we did not know his address, we experienced no difficulty in finding Mr. Choi's house. Everyone had heard that he had been to the foreigners. There are no secrets among the Koreans. Mr. Choi is a storekeeper, but his stock in trade is so small, and comprises things of such slight value, that an American merchant would wonder how it could be possible to make profit enough to keep the wolf away. We were very cordially welcomed into the living-room behind the shop, and invited to take seats upon the heated floor. After a while supper was served upon a separate little table for each guest. The supper consisted of rice and small dishes of vegetables, snails and eggs, all highly seasoned with red pepper. While we were eating our delectable repast we could not help listening to a good deal of fuss going on in the woman's part of the house, which grew in intensity until it broke into a storm of passion. Upon enquiries we found that our hostess had been consulting a sorceress about her husband's going to church, and had been advised to persecute him at every turn; hence the trouble. After thinking over the matter I decided that it would be better to walk two miles through the dark to the next village. It never would have done for us to have moved into one of the inns in Husarkang, for if we had, we should have caused Mr. Choi to "lose face." When leaving, Mr. Choi accompanied us some distance along the road. We tried to comfort him and encourage his faith in Jesus. We pointed out that the only help we could give him was to pray for him and for the conversion of his wife. To anticipate history a bit, for our day's work was not then finished: About a fortnight later I saw Mr. Choi, and his face was radiant as he told me that the Lord, in answer to our prayers, had changed his wife's mind; that while she persecuted him before, she now repented of her sins and wanted to become a Christian.

Without mishap, and by the aid of a paper lantern, we reached the next village at almost nine o'clock, but could find no room in the inn. A man of that village, who had piloted us over from Husarkang, very kindly took us into his two-roomed house. He carried his wife and children over to his brother's house, so that there might be room for us. Until a late hour that night we sat in a circle on the floor telling some of the gospel stories. Mr. No (our host) was at first delighted, then grave, over the story he heard. I remember seeing the tears collect in his eyes as he, for the first time, heard about the crucifixion. Glory to God! this simple-hearted countryman took in all that he heard that night, and has since shown evidences of his change of heart, for he has brought, first, his own brothers, then his father, to believe in Christ.

I can not close without a reference to my recent severe illness, which, for nearly three months, has incapacitated me for work. The Lord has dealt very graciously with us, and to him alone we owe the restored life. As my strength is gradually coming back again, so I am taking up, one by one, the lines of work which I had been forced to lay aside for awhile. In every direction we see signs of the Lord's work, and pray that if such be his will, we may be spared to work many years in Korea's white harvest fields.

Postal address: Rev. C. T. Collyer, Seoni, Korea.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The weather is hot and dry. It looks as if it had forgotten how to rain in this part of Mississippi. The gardens and the farms are suffering greatly. No one need tell me again that cold weather kills out malaria and bugs and worms. We had the coldest Winter ever known, and yet chills are common up here in the hills, and the bugs and worms have been more destructive than ever before.

It seems we are to have some discussion and agitation on the school question in North Mississippi this year. There has been much disturbance in church circles for several years past. The Presbyterians, the Baptists, the Episcopalians, the Catholics and the Methodists have all been disturbed, rent and torn by internal strifes. No matter how, or about what, the controversy begins in any of the churches, it soon degenerates into a personal matter, and gets to be a contest about men more than about things. What is the meaning of all this? What will be the end of it all? The same spirit seems to prevail in the political world. We have ceased to discuss great questions and principles, and discuss great men. The churches displace the men, but settle nothing. The questions involved remain just where they were. The men spring up in another place, or go to another church to disturb the peace of Zion, and to continue bones of contention among the people of God. It is to be hoped we will discuss the school question in North Mississippi, and not the school men. They are good, true men—men who love the church and the cause of God.

The agitators in the several churches are hard to satisfy. They get after a man, or men, and pursue them to the bitter end. The majority act, but the minority will not acquiesce. They are not willing that Zion should have peace throughout her borders. This is manifest from the controversies and contentions going on in the several leading denominations in this country.

It seems to me there is a growing disposition to ignore lawful authority, to yield to church discipline, and to abide by church action. With some individualism is more important than connectionalism. The spirit of unity is wanting;—hence the bond of peace is not maintained. The spirit of unity is so important to the progress of the church that it does seem that individuals and minorities might concede something of their personal views and feelings for the good of the whole, and in order to promote the peace and harmony of the church. It strikes me that this contest over men in the churches tends to intensify the individualism of the parties engaged in it. They are more bitter and persistent in their opposition, or defense, of men than they are in their contentions over things, doctrines, and principles. Bitter words are spoken and written, and ill-feelings engendered, that will hurt the church for fifty years to come. The parties engaged in these personal contests will have to die before these wounds are healed. In some cases an heritage of ill-will will descend from father to son. The contests of the present will be projected into the future. The sea of both Church and State seems disposed to cast up, mainly, mire and dirt.

This is a time that calls for calmness in thinking, and for moderation in writing and speaking. Our ink should not be made of gall. Spleen is not pretty on paper. Love hides a multitude of faults, or if it must deal with them, it does so tenderly and kindly.

In several of the leading denominations in this country there seems to be a large class that will not hear the church when she speaks. The investigations by the church may be calm and thorough, and the utterance of the church may be wise, dignified, and in Christian spirit, but this class have not had their way, and so they will not yield. If this continues long, the necessary and self-evident end will come soon—the church, the churches, will split up into parties and factions. Thus it has been in the past, and thus it will be down to the end of time, or so long as this spirit prevails.

It is better to endure some things in the church than to keep up a perpetual disturbance over them. We may wake up more snakes than we can scotch or kill; do more harm than the good proposed; spread an evil worse than the one we propose to cure. In every case we might pause to ask, What real good can I accomplish by keeping up an agitation of this question, or by pursuing this man?

I have been reading the leading papers of several of the churches, and have been led into this train of reflections.

GILDEROY.

June 6, 1899.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Alexandria District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, met in the Lecompte Church at 4:15 P. M., May 24, 1899, with Rev. J. A. Parker, D. D., presiding elder, in the chair, who called the Conference to order, announced a hymn, and led in prayer. Bro. H. G. Goodwyn, editor of the Colfax Chronicle, was elected secretary, and Bro. P. K. Abel and Rev. H. S. Johns, assistants. During the Conference about twenty preachers and eighteen lay delegates answered to their names. Also several visiting ministers were present, among them Dr. I. W. Cooper, of Centenary College, and Rev. J. J. Smylie, traveling evangelist.

It was expected that Bishop Key would be present to preside, but as he was called to the Indian Territory to attend to some important business for one of the church schools, he sent a letter expressing his regrets at not being able to attend.

Rev. J. A. Parker, D. D., presiding elder, presided over the Conference with great ability, and gave eminent satisfaction to all.

The decorum and facility with which the business of the Conference was transacted showed their zeal in the work in hand, and won the confidence and esteem of the community, which extended to all the ministers and delegates attending the most courteous hospitality and cordial entertainment.

An unusually large amount of important and interesting business was transacted by the Conference, of which we can not give even a synopsis, for lack of space.

The licenses of the following local preachers were renewed: P. A. Swan, L. L. Roberts, R. M. Horn, and Dransin Luneau.

Rev. L. L. Roberts was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial.

The following brethren ministered in holy things during the session: Revs. Geo. Jackson, J. W. Lee, W. E. Aiken, H. S. Johns, J. J. Smylie, Robert Randle, Dr. I. W. Cooper, J. P. Haney, and Dr. Parker. Large audiences greeted the preachers, and five persons joined the church during the Conference.

Two of the most effective discourses were delivered by Dr. I. W. Cooper, of Centenary College, who is a very eloquent preacher, polished Christian gentleman, and scholar of fine attainments. There is little wonder at the success of Centenary with such an able and attractive manager in charge of its affairs.

Rev. P. A. Swan, W. A. White, H. G. Goodwyn and R. H. McGimsey were elected as delegates to the next Annual Conference, with Dr. S. P. Ward and S. H. Kelly as alternates.

It was decided to hold the next District Conference at Bunkie.

The reports of the preachers, in the main, showed that honest work was being put forth, and successes even by the little was being won. Already the collection for foreign missions exceeds that of last year for the district, and more to follow. Accessions were reported in nearly all the charges. The Sabbath-school work—and, in fact, all the interests of the church—were carefully looked after.

Rev. Dr. I. W. Cooper, president of Centenary College, Jackson, La., made an address on education, and raised $30 for some needy students at the college.

The usual committees made their reports, some of which provoked the usual Conference debates. Everything, however, passed off pleasantly.

The following was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the editorial management of the Christian Advocate, published at Nashville, and the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, published at New Orleans, and urge subscriptions thereto.

Whereas, Rev. W. C. Black, D. D., editor of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, has offered to reduce the price of the said ADVOCATE to $1 per annum as soon as the subscription list shall reach 7,500; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we urge the 100,000 members in the three patronizing Conferences to subscribe, so this desirable end may be attained.

The Conference adjourned on the evening of May 27 with benediction.

SECRETARY.

Communications.

ADDITIONAL "ECHOES."

Since my letter, of May 15, Rev. J. T. Abney has reported twenty-two and 5-100 dollars from Roxie, and he "hopes and prays for great results." Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, McComb, one hundred dollars on Education Day, and, "of course, we expect to see every member and to get every dollar possible." A like determination and effort on the part of all will soon bring complete victory. Rev. A. T. Bell sends an additional report from Shubuta of sixty-seven and 75-100 dollars, making a total of one hundred six and 45-100 dollars from that charge, and adds: "I think we will secure one hundred and fifty dollars, or more. Quite a third of my membership is still left to be seen." Carrollton reports an additional contribution of one dollar, received from a young man now residing one thousand miles from Carrollton.

I have heard a discouraging note from only one charge. The preacher is doing heroic and faithful work there, and will continue. From several quarters I learn the interest is growing, and I expect to receive many favorable reports ere long.

It is earnestly hoped that every preacher who has not observed Twentieth Century Education Day will speedily make preparation therefor, and put forth his best effort to succeed. At our next Annual Conferences may there not be one preacher of whom it may not be said, "He has done what he could." We will be satisfied with that, but with nothing less. Dismiss from your mind all notion that the work is too great to be accomplished. "We are well able."

"So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When duty whispers low, Thou must,
True faith replies, I can."

J. R. BINGHAM.

PROGRAM.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16.

11 A. M.—Freshman Prize Declamation.

8 P. M.—Debate between representatives of the Galloway and the Lamar Literary Societies. Subject: Resolved, That the United States should adopt the policy of territorial expansion. Affirmative—T. W. Holloman, J. A. Teat. Negative—J. B. Mitchell, J. T. McCafferty.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17.

11 A. M.—Sophomore oratorical contest.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop W. A. Candler, Atlanta, Ga.

8 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. W. T. Bolling, Shreveport, La.

MONDAY, JUNE 19.

9 A. M.—Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

10 A. M.—Address by Bishop W. A. Candler, Atlanta, Ga.

8 P. M.—Meeting of the Alumni Association.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20.

10 A. M.—Graduating speeches and baccalaureate address.

A VICTORY-VOTED VENGEANCE.

On June 6 we witnessed the burial of the saloon. Strong hands laid hold of its remains, carried it out into the thicket, where it could not offend the senses, and lowered it into its political grave. The reverently bared-head buzzards were summoned as pall-bearers, and the whip-poor-will raised the tune from the limb of a tree, "Dick's done with liquor." Whilst thus reciting the ballad of its joy the broken-down politicians gathered around to shed their tears over the best friend they ever had, killed with ballots, not bullets, on that high day in June. Selah!

Mr. Editor, the parish went dry by 39 majority, for which we devoutly thank God and take courage.

H. W. RICKEY.

Clinton, La.

Every day is a vessel into which a great deal may be poured, if we will actually fill it up—that is, with thoughts and feelings, and their expression in deeds as elevated and amiable as we can reach to.—Goethe.

Communications.

"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST."

(Concluded.)

"2. Is it trne that this same evangelist persnaded the pastor at McCool, the same year, to allow him to hold a meeting at that place?" etc.

No, it is not trne that I "persnaded" him. I went from the conntry to that place to take the train home. I met the pastor there, and as some persons had spoken to me about holding a meeting there, I introdnced the matter to the paster. He was nndecided, but made an appointment for me to preach that night, stating that he wonld let me know next day. The next day he and I met at the chnrch before preaching, and I wanted to learn what he had decided npon, and I asked him the direct question. It was my place and bnsiness to do so. The main points, or sentences, were about as the following: "Well, Bro. Evans, everybody wants the meeting. What do yon say about it?" "Bro. Bass, I don't know what about it. I don't know what we could do for you in the way of remnneration." To this I replied, "I will let that matter take care of itself." The pastor then said, "Well, go ahead; we shall see what can be done." I preached in the spirit of my Master. We had a good meeting. The people treated me nicely. I was made quite welcome. It is true I was not on the interior of the pastor's mind. I can not say how mnch he had to "persnade" himself "to allow me to hold a meeting." But I do know that he treated me with becoming courtesy and "brotherly kindness," or I would not have assisted him at all. I am as far from forcing myself on a pastor, when I know it, as any man in Southern Methodism. It is my privilege to offer my services to whom I wish. It is the pastor's bnsiness to accept or reject, as he sees proper. He certainly ought to be able to decide what he wants. The fact of the bnsiness is what made some "good people" get the idea that I was snch a "money man" was simply because I preached and talked on the "dnty of snpporting the pastor," and took collections for that pnrpose. I have not heard of any pastor getting after me for doing "good work on raising his salary." They all admit that I preach "good sermons" and did "mnch good." But all I say is not like they say things every time; and, again, I "received" snch and snch an amonnt of money. Dear brethren, I don't get mnch money. I always make a record of what little the Lord gives me. I give what I do get to the snpport of dear ones depending upon me—mother and sisters—and to other pnrposes.

"3. In that same and other meetings, did not this same evangelist threaten the people by saying that he wonld pray a calamity upon them if they didn't 'pay up,' and relate instances in which he had done the like?"

No, I did not. "Many good people" oftentimes misnnderstand, and consequently misinterpret, what preachers really do say. More especially is this true in time of a heated revival. An evangelist of an opposite denomination once before reported a lot of this sort of things on me. I had assisted one of onr pastors in a revival in a certain town, and about seventy-five had joined our chnrch. Afterwards this man was given some of the different stray shells, or disconnected sentences, which were taken to him from the battle-ground, and he pnt them into his own molds, and rnn ont qnite a ridicnlons little article. It is true that I have preached to a great "many good people;" bnt who has a better right to know what I said than I do? One fact the reader mnst bear in mind is, that Bro. Anderson himself has never heard me preach, or say any of these things. However, it is sufficient to say that so long as I preach, I shall continne to "relate" snch "instances" as have fallen nnder my observation as a minister whenever occasions demand.

As to my "prayers," I offer them np to God in the name of his Son, Jesns Christ, and oftentimes thank God he answers me. I will give yon an illnstration as to how I pray what yon call "calamities" upon people. It will do for yon and others to think about in the fntnre. I pray that the good Lord, in his tender mercy and loving-kindness, may reveal to all concerned that a mistake has been made in the case of this "particnlar evangelist." Amen!

"4. Did not this same evangelist say to Mr. John Dempsey, in Winston connty, whose wife was seriously ill with chronic affliction, that if he wonld pay $20 to the meeting, his wife wonld get well?" etc.

Here is another nnconpled and side-tracked car that only needs to be rnn on to the main line, and pnt into its original and intelligent connection, to show its trne meaning. I will just say that I gave that brother an intelligent and scriptural reply to his many pnblic reqnests for prayer, which I thought appropriate to his individnal case. And an educated and consecrated pastor said, "Amen!" Readers can draw their own conclnsions.

"5. Does not this same evangelist abnse many good commnnities, and offend many good people, and belittle their work in the Lord?"

No, I do not. I preach the straight gospel from the records of eternal trnth. Sometimes people get offended. I preach the Word baptized with the Holy Ghost, and do my level best, in the best English at my command, to send the trnth home to the hearts and consciences of the people. "The offense of the cross is not ceased" yet. I do my level best on preaching a loving, simple, plain gospel as it is in Christ. I depend npon this method to draw the crowds. I always have very good crowds, and the Lord honors his work in saving sonls and bnilding np the chnrch. May God bless Bro. Anderson, and send a sweeping revival thronghont his circnit! Mnch love to all the brethren.

I will now introdnce to the readers of the dear ADVOCATE some witnesses. These are witnesses that have been with me in the battles, and that have known me from the beginning. Hear them.

First, we will hear from Rev. Amos Kendall, a man who has been for years among the most prominent and greatest preachers of the North Mississippi Conference; the man who met me on the streets of Corinth not a great while after my conversion, and frankly advised me to get license to preach. He did not make a mistake, for I had felt my call from a child. He licensed me to preach the same year at Burnsville, Miss.—June 23, 1883. I was with him, more or less, for seven years. He knew me nnder most all sorts of circnmstances dnring that time. He says: "To all whom it may concern: I had a personal and an intimate acqnaintance with Rev. W. D. Bass from the time he was licensed to preach nntil he began his evangelistic work. While presiding elder I had him in my district several years. He always did his work well. He was trnthfnl, loyal to the chnrch, pions, and consecrated. What he has been, and what he has said and done since, of course, I am not prepared to say, though I know no reasons why my opinion of him should be changed."—Amos Kendall, Sardis, Miss., May 24, 1899.

Next, I use a qnotation from Rev. J. C. Lowe's letter to me. Bro. Lowe is a man of fine cnltnred attainments, taste, and ability; one among the most cantions, painstaking and lovable pastors it has ever been my pleasnre to assist in revival work. In 1897-'98 I assisted him at Verona, Nettleton, and Pickens, Miss. These are among the most refined little towns in the State. In those three revivals I preached the straight trnth in love. The dear people treated me nicely. In a recent letter Bro. Lowe says: "As I stated in my article written after each meeting yon helped me in, so I say now: that I heartily approved all the doctrines yon preached, and all the methods yon employed in bnilding np the chnrch and in bringing sinners to God, and yonr deportment was that of a Christian gentleman." . . . "And I have heard no complaint of the work done after the meetings were closed," etc. —J. C. Lowe, Pickens, Miss., May 23, 1899.

We will now hear from another conscientions and intelligent pastor with whom I have labored.

"Mr. Editor: I want to say that Rev. W. D. Bass has been with me in six protracted meetings. While I was on the Poplar Creek charge he helped me in two meetings—at old Bethel and Wesley Chapel. In those two meetings we had about eighty accessions to onr chnrch, and over one hnndred conversions. And while I was on the Walthall charge he helped me in four meetings, with good results. Many conversions and accessions to the chnrch. The Lord was with ns in great power in all of those meetings. Bro. Bass is a strong preacher, good revivalist. I regard him as an intelligent Christian gentleman. Bro. Bass, no donbt, has made mistakes. Where is the man that never made a mistake? He is not on earth. And onr criticisms of the brethren shonld not be too severe."—J. H. Rogers, Ellzey, Miss., May 24, 1899.

I will next nse some extracts from a letter received to-day from Bro. Bowlin, the pastor whom I assisted in those revivals on "Rural Hill circnit in 1896." The letter is very brotherly—wonld be glad to give it all, bnt space forbids.

"Yonr character needs no defense; it will stand anywhere. I have known yon qnite awhile, and have had yon with me in a nnmber of meetings, and have always fonnd yon to be an honest, hnmble, and consecrated Christian gentleman. And being acqnainted with all the facts concerning yonr work on the Rural Hill circnit, can say that Rev. W. L. Anderson's article referring to the same is nnjnst, nnkind, and nnbrotherly, and is slanderons in tone and spirit. I called yon there from Dangherty, I. T., and yon agreed to come without the promise of one cent; not even traveling expenses. I merely told yon that we wonld give yon plenty to eat, and if yon snoceeded in reviving the people, they might pay yonr railroad fare one way. I couldn't afford to promise yon anything from the fact that nine months of the year had gone, and I hadn't received $50 from five chnrches, and it does seem, too, that if yon had been seeking pelf, as the brother charges, that yon wonld have songht more promising fields. I am sorry my book showing the exact amonnt that was paid to yon has been misplaced, and I can't get hold of it just now; bnt yonr statement of the amonnt is about correct. [I had written him from the West what I thonght it was before I reached home recently.] And as to what was paid to me, I am snre that I got $100 more than I wonld have gotten. Bro. Anderson's statement with reference to what yon said to Mr. John Dempsey is altogether different from my recollection of what yon said. I know I endorsed what yon said to Dempsey, and I wonldn't have endorsed what Anderson states that yon said," etc.

He then states in his letter about what was said. I received this testimony from Bro. Bowlin after having already written my answers. I have never helped a more loyal and godly man than dear Bro. Bowlin. The above letter was written nnder date, May 25, 1899, by Rev. W. A. Bowlin, Buena Vista, Miss. (North Mississippi Conference).

In the most recent revival I have conducted, which was in the Choctaw Nation, where the pastor had not received bnt $5 dnring the year in the town where he wanted me, and wrote and told me so, I wrote and told him to be personally responsible for my railroad fare, and I wonld come and help him, if I didn't get a cent. I wonld not have held him responsible for the ticket money, bnt I had to get some money from others to travel on, and I don't like to borrow without a "probability of paying." Bnt, thank God! we had a good meeting. Several preachers attended and enjoyed it. The pastor wrote me the following, to be nsed in this connection: "I have known Rev. W. D. Bass for several years. He has assisted me in two meetings. I believe him to be a trne-hearted Christian and a man of God. I can heartily endorse his manner of preaching. All who desire evangelistic help can not do better, in my jndgment, than to secnre the services of Rev. W. D. Bass."—C. F. Mitchell, P. C., Antlers circnit, Indian Mission Conference, May 19, 1899.

We could give others, bnt forbear.

Finally: "The bearer hereof, Rev. W. D. Bass, is in good standing with his chnrch at home. He is highly esteemed by all, and especially among those who have known him longest. His deportment, both as a minister and a man, has been good, and he enjoys the confidence of all onr people."—T. W. Lewis (his pastor), Corinth, Miss., May 25, 1899.

God bless Bro. Anderson, and make him a power for good in the chnrch, and in winning precions sonls to Christ!

Dear brethren, let ns all rally aronnd the blood-stained flag of onr Lord, and wave it high, and wave it long, until universal harmony, peace and love shall spread throughont the ministry and the chnrch of God. Let us stand together, recognizing the fact that there is enongh room and work for us all on the battle-field against the devil and sin. Success and blessings crown the efforts of all to do good nntil we shall cast onr trophies down at onr Master's feet, and mingle onr praises together on the haven of eternal joys.

Very trnly, W. D. BASS.

Corinth, Miss., May 27, 1899.

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REPORT OF THE WOMANS' BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The twenty-first Annnal Session of the W. B. of F. M. was held in Tnlip Street Chnrch, Nashville, Tenn., May 18-24. Every officer and bnsiness manager present, and all save three of the thirty-four Conferences represented. These, together with the many celebrities residing in Nashville, made the meeting one of nnnsnal interest and power.

The opening service, Thnrsday evening, of praise, testimony, and commnnion, led by onr mnch-loved president, Mrs. M. D. Wightman, gave evidence of a strong faith and snstaining grace, as an nnnsnally large nnmber of the Board had been called npon to snffer dnring the year, either in the loss of loved ones, or throngh months of lingering illness. Bnt God wronght ont of it all blessings to his children.

To tell of the charming hospitality of Nashville, and the many courtesies shown ns, wonld take mnch space. Snffice it to say that Bro. Stewart, pastor of Tnlip Street Church, and all the other pastors in the city; presiding elder, Bishops Hargrove, Fitzgerald, and Wilson; Pnblishing House managers and connectional officers, the Vanderbilt faculty, together with the elect women of Nashville, made onr stay one of continnal joy and gladness in the trnest and best sense.

Friday was given to the foreign and home work, being brought ont fully in Mrs. Trueheart's report. She, being secretary of Home and Foreign Affairs, keeps in close touch with every missionary, knowing fnll well the needs, success, and failnre of each, and is prepared to say wherein we can meet the demands, as she also knows the strength and work of every Conference in Southern Methodism.

Our hearts were made to rejoice over the success in every field, specially in China, Mexico, and onr newest possession, Cnba. While some of onr work is almost self-snstaining, and there is advancement on that line, the needs were never more nrgent, as new places are to be occnpied, and in all fields increased facilities are needed.

Friday evening was given to the addresses of welcome by Bro. Stewart, Mrs. T. P. Weakley; and Mrs. Stewart, the president of the Tennessee Conference Society, responded to on behalf of the Board by Mrs. F. D. Swindell, of North Carolina.

Next came onr president's address, in her own inimitable manner, without notes, and without a snbject, bnt a heart-to-heart talk of onr past and present blessings, and opportunities of the fntnre. Her motto this year is, "And they were all of one heart to make Jesns king." This was her theme, and she often said dnring the meeting, "Sisters, we need Jesns."

Satnrday A. M., presentation and discnssion of work in China and Korea. The latter remains the children's field, and the results of the year's work is very encouraging.

Miss Gibson brought a fine report from the Training-school. Though she had been kept from her post as president by an illness of six months' dnration, she had only praise and thanksgiving for the lessons learned, and felt better prepared for her work in the fntnre. Her place was well filled by onr own dear "Sister Mary," Mrs. Hargrove, assisted by Miss Billingsly. The girls lovingly called Mrs. Hargrove "mother," and the motherly pride and interest shown the five gradnates that attended the Board meeting, to be given work in foreign fields, testified of the mntnal affection.

At 4 P. M. the reception of fraternal delegates and loving messages of good-will were brought from the Baptist, Episcopal, Cnmberland, Christian and Presbyterian Churches. How the great thought of bringing the world to Christ makes ns one in heart and pnrpose!

Satnrday evening a delightfnl entertainment, complimentary to the Board, was given by the Daisy Co workers and the yonng ladies of Tnlip. Miss Tnla Daniel, of Kentncky, responded to their cordial greetings on behalf of the Board.

Sunday, the crowning day, dawned clear and cool, inviting large crowds to the services, which began with the Snnday-school. Most of the visitors assembled in a large class-room of Dr. O. E. Brown. It was indeed a treat to hear his fine thonghts on Christ before the high-priest; also bringing ont the characteristics in Peter's life.

Our annnal sermon was preached by Bishop Wilson. Text: John xiv, 12. The Bishop was at his best, and stirred the vast andience as he carried them np, np, to the pinnacle of faith, showing that all things necessary for the bnilding np of Christ's kingdom can be secnred by faith. "If yon have faith, dare to do anything. Catch Cnba with one hand and China with the other, and lovingly bring them to Jesns. If there is money needed, there is a fish ont yonder," and on and on till we were inspired to dare to do great things for onr Lord. The Bishop remained throngh the entire session, giving mnch valnable information regarding onr work in the East.

Snnday afternoon fonnd a large crowd of boys and girls assembled to hear an address by Miss Barns, editor of the Little Worker; also an address by Miss Moore, a returned missionary from Brazil, and Miss Pyles from China.

I leave for Miss Smylie, of the Mississippi Conference, to tell of Dr. Lambnth's address Snnday night, of the six missionary candidates, and of the three last days so fnll of interest.

MRS. W. M. MCINTOSH.

West Point, Miss., June 1, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

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OUR WOMEN AND THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

The Woman's Home Mission Society has decided to raise a special fnnd to help their schools and to be counted as a part of the general fnnd. It is of great importance that the Twentieth Century Movement be made to help these worthy schools. Already they have accomplished great good, bnt their nsefnlness is capable of great increase. It is in perfect accord with the spirit of the Twentieth Century Movement that the members of the Woman's Home Mission Society and others direct snch part of their thank-offerings as they may desire to these schools. This they were officially asked to do by their Board at the annnal meeting recently held in Dallas, Tex., and with this request the purposes of the General Board of Education are in perfect accord.

J. D. HAMMOND, Secretary.

AN OPEN LETTER TO OUR PASTORS.

DEAR BROTHER: The Woman's Board of Home Missions has decided to raise not less than $10,000 as a Twentieth Century Thank-Offering for the eqnipment and endowment of its educational institntions. It is to be a part of the $1,500,000 called for by the General Conference, not an ontside effort, nor is its collection to be made in any way antagonistic to it. To this end we respectfnlly request yon, as pastors, in enrolling the names of the women in yonr charge, to give them, or any others, an opportnnity to direct snch part of their offerings as they may desire to the educational institntions of the Woman's Home Mission Society, which are as follows:

The Sne Bennett Memorial School, London, Ky., and the Indnstrial Home and School, Greeneville, Tenn., for the monntain people; the Cnban schools in Florida and Key West, and the Chinese and Japanese schools in California, for onr foreign popnlation; Friendsbnry Home, Baltimore, Md., and Ann Browder Cnnningham Home, Dallas, Texas, for the training of city missionaries and resone workers.

Yon will please trn over all money so directed, with the name of the donor, to the treasurer of the anxiliary of the Home Mission Society in yonr charge. If you should have no anxiliary, send the money directly to the General Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Kirkland, 207 Fatherland street, Nashville, Tenn., giving the name of yonr Conference as well as that of the donor.

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, President.
MRS. R. K. HARGROVE, General Secretary.
MRS. W. D. KIRKLAND, General Treasurer.

MISS MELISSA BAKER'S BEQUEST TO THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

The following extracts from Miss Baker's will will be read with interest as explaining the nature of her mnnificent beqnest to the Home Mission Society: "I give, devise, and bequeath to E. B. Prettyman, W. W. Smith, and George B. Baker, the homestead property known as 'Friendsbnry' (with the request that the name of 'Friendsbnry Home' be applied to same), on which I now reside, consisting of one entire block with the bnildings thereon, . . . in trnst as follows: If, at the time of the probate of my will, the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of the M. E. Chnrch, South, shall have become a body corporate, capable in law to receive devises, bequests, and gifts, and if within two years thereafter said society so incorporated shall have raised or have provided not less than the sum of $10,000 as an endowment fund for city mission work, and shall agree to condnct snch work in the city of Baltimore, and to apply the proceeds of said fnnd to that work in said city, and shall fnrther agree to accept the said property hereby devised and use the same as a center of operations in the work of said society in the city of Baltimore, then said trustees shall convey said property to said Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society. . . . I give and bequeath to the trnstees named in the foregoing item $10,000, in trnst, to pay over the same to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society if they shall comply with the reqnirements of said item."

The Woman's Board of Home Missions accepted with gratefnl appreciation the property bequeathed to them by this elect lady, and proceeded at once to arrange for complying with the reqnirements of the beqnest. Friendsbnry Home will be made, as Miss Baker desired, the center of operations for our mission work in the city of Baltimore; and that it may the more perfectly meet her wishes and the needs of the work it will be made a home where missionaries are trained for the entire work, as well as furnishing a home for those who will be engaged in that work in Baltimore. There will also be snch indnstrial classes for the poor as circnmstances may render possible and desirable. With this pnrpose in view we have placed it in the list of onr educational institntions, and appeal to the friends of the society to direct a portion of their Twentieth Century Thank Offering toward its eqnipment and endowment. Two years are given the society to raise the $10,000 required to secnre the bequest, and we have determined, by the help of God, to do it in less than that time, not alone by Twentieth Century offerings, bnt by special donations and every means possible. Friendsbnry is valned at $50,000, and $10,000 in money is added to the gift. Is the Woman's Home Mission Society, is the Methodist Episcopal Chnrch, South, willing to lose the donation of $60,000 by failing to add to it the $10,000 necessary to secure it?

For eighty-five years Miss Baker has expended time, thought, and money in Christ's service, and when she went hence she added this one more good work for her native city.

In writing to me she said: "I give this property as a memorial of my grandfather, Richard Jones, who pnrchased it a woodland and made it a home a few years after he came to Baltimore from Wales, Nov. 27, 1[illegible]. He joined the Wesleyan Church while quite a yonng man, and continued a Methodist all his life. I have heard my mother say that this was one of the circnit appointments; her father had preaching in front of the house in the Summer, and in Winter fitted up a room in a large building on the grounds, and she was converted at one of these meetings. My father was a very holy and charitable man, and very kind to the poor. He spent mnch of his time in prayer, and had an npper room where he retired to read and pray. Over the mantel was painted: 'God's promise is mine inheritance.' So I feel that this home should be devoted to a good pnrpose, and in memory of him."

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SICK FANCIES IN CHURCH.

I wonder why people fill up the back seats first. Do they believe in the "survival of the fittest"? If they are all "back numbers," when did they go out of date? I wonder if they would be missed, only as a background to the real worshipers.

I wonder what makes the members of the choir look at each other and laugh, even while they are singing, "While life's dark maze I tread." I wonder if they can be unconscious of the solemnity of being engaged in the worship of the most High. I wonder if the service of song ever soothes and heals their broken and aching hearts, even though they seem so careless and even indifferent. I wonder what made the chief soprano put that large, shiny buckle right in front on her hat, so that it comes almost between her eyes. I wonder if she realizes how much like a target it is, and if she can possibly guess how many, beside myself, have been aiming invisible guns at such a "shining mark."

I wonder if I can persuade myself that I have "centred the spot," if I can fix my attention on the sermon.

I wonder why nature, always kind, did not bless mortals with the gift of seeing who it is misbehaving in the back of the church without turning around in their seat.

I wonder what makes some good people look so awful glum and dismal. I wonder if all their wretchedness is on the outside. I wonder if more people are not kept from the church by their presence than are benefited by their prayers and testimonies.

I wonder what makes the preacher throw up his right hand, and stand so still and majestic, thrilling one with the impression that they are in the power of the mighty angel who shall declare that time shall be no more. I wonder if it is "wise-hearted" to go to church when one is sick.

L. A. FLOWERS.

Victor, Mont., April 20, 1899.

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HASTY ACTION AND STRANGE ENLIGHTENMENT.

A short time since a private member called on her pastor and announced that she was going to "quit" the Methodist Church. The pastor asked, "Why are you going to do that?" She answered, "Oh, I am not going to stay in the church when they pay a Bishop three thousand dollars, and pay such men as good Bro. G. only three hundred dollars." The pastor replied, "The Bishops are at a great deal more expense in traveling over large districts of country than a preacher is in a station or on a circuit." She answered, "That is too much difference to make between men, and I am not going to stand it." The pastor rejoined: "The church at large pays the Bishop his salary, while the people to whom the preacher preaches pay him his salary. They are to blame if he gets no more, and are to bear the blame for Bro. G.'s getting but three hundred dollars." The woman retorted, "Bro. G. is a good preacher, and as good a man as any Bishop, and I am not going to stay in a church that makes such a difference between men." The preacher said: "My dear sister, be kind enough not to break up the church by withdrawing just now. I am in very peculiar circumstances, and if the church is dissolved now, within a few days I shall be greatly embarrassed. If you will suspend your action for a few weeks, I can adjust myself before this community, and can remain or leave in good standing. Please, on my account, do not dissolve and leave the church to dissolution." The woman had not suspected such a catastrophe. She has not expressed the design of "quitting" any further.

It takes but little sober thought to see that the church can do better without us than we can without the church.

The writer met with this information from a brother Methodist. "We have no use for presiding elders," he said. I answered, "We need them to work our system." "No," he replied. "The preacher in charge can do everything the presiding elder does, and we would save paying out that much money for no real benefit." Well, this to me was information, coming as it did from my own pastorate.

I did not go out of that same community before I heard this stated, "We have no use whatever for Bishops." My answer was, "We certainly need Bishops in controlling our Conferences and managing our work." The reply came, "No other church has Bishops, and I see no use for them." I rejoined by saying, "We have Bishops to work our economy, and make our system practical." Then came the reply, "I see no need of such expense, nor why you can not get along just as well without them."

Here was information humiliating to me. I had read up some on Methodist Church history, and for a long time have made it a principle to keep up in my reading in our church publications—that is, our weeklies, monthlies, etc.; but here was information outside of all my reading. I may confess to a want of close analysis and a want of thoroughly systemizing my literary pursuits, but I can not, on any of these lines, account for my want of the information tendered me by my advisers alluded to above.

However, this was made plain in a brief space of time, visiting in the homes of these persons. I discovered that there was not a Methodist periodical to be found in their houses, nor scarcely to be found in their neighborhoods. I could see how their knowledge came to them, though I am well advanced in years. I do not think my thirst for knowledge has abated, and I sacrifice some comforts and conveniencies to be able to keep some stand in the intelligent world; but to give up the refining culture of the mind and the soul-edifying spiritual force given in the columns of our Advocates, I can not forego for the wisdom alluded to above. Nor can I in conscience recommend to our Methodist people the repudiation of the literature of a church whose works and publications have enlightened the world and enlarged the borders of the Lord's Zion for a wisdom, the knowledge of which is to be had in the absence of the culture of a refining literature. Where there is content with such knowledge, surely "ignorance is bliss."

J. D. NEWSON.

Longtown, Miss.

A PROGRAM

For the next Preachers' Meeting of the northern part of the Greenville district, to be held at Hillhouse, Miss., on Monday after first Sunday in July.

Afternoon session opens at 3 P. M.

Religious exercises conducted by G. W. Strickland.

Ques. 1. The Preacher and the Study of Metaphysics, or, Metaphysics as an Agency to Efficiency in Preaching the Gospel. Led by J. T. Murrah.

An address by W. L. Graves on any subject he chooses.

Sermon at night by W. E. M. Brogan.

MORNING SESSION.

Religious exercises conducted by Q. A. Oats.

Ques. 1. Distinctive Doctrines of Methodism. Led by J. J. Brooks.

Address—Helps in the Preparation and Delivery of a Sermon—by W. McN. Campbell.

Sermon, 11 A. M., by J. C. Mimms.

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WHAT THINK YE!

Having settled in a few words the question as to "which is the great commandment," our Savior quickly asks the Pharisees, "What think ye of Christ?" A very wise and pertinent question.

The same spirit of worldliness which existed in the days of Christ still dwells among men to-day. There are many people living in Christian lands who have not God in all their thoughts.

Great ado will be made to welcome the immortal Dewey when he returns home; yet many who will spend hundreds of dollars and travel hundreds of miles to see that individual, rarely give anything to missions, and seldom, if ever, go to church to worship Him who has promised to meet even with two or three who have gathered together in his name. Honor to whom honor is due.

As many of the readers of the ADVOCATE will soon be called upon to exercise the highest privilege of American citizenship—that of voting—we crave their attention for just a few moments. If our country ever needed honest, sober and upright men for officers, then surely we need them to-day. Straws sometimes show which way the wind is blowing. When we have drunkards and men who favor open saloons aspiring to high office, we believe that it is time to think, speak, and act. In our humble judgment, no drunkard is fit for any office, high or low. The moral influence of such men is not righteous, to say the least of it. It is "more blessed to give than to receive."

No one will doubt that the daughters of Mississippi Methodism are worthy of any equal showing with our boys; then why do we withhold from the former the opportunities which we give the latter? He who will give of his means, be it much or little, to endow a college for our girls, invests his money in that which shall yield an hundred-fold.

One other thought: While we believe that Christianity is spreading, and rejoice that the "leaven" is beginning to leaven the whole lump, but there is much yet to be done.

From a recent issue of the Youth's Companion we clip the following: "A pretty long row was drawn the other day by the Superintendent of Education in a great city, when he told Rev. Dr. Huntington that among the children of school age in his jurisdiction there were one hundred thousand who did not know of the existence of such a book as the Bible. . . . College presidents testify that a large per cent. of college students are lamentably ignorant of the Scriptures. Sunday-school instruction does not go far, and the only safeguard against the heathenization of a part of our population seems to lie in a reviving sense of parental responsibility—a re-enthroning of religion in the family."

We heartily agree with the Companion in the above, even though it contains one phrase that is a rather hard lump for a Sunday-school superintendent to swallow. The phrase reads thus: "Sunday-school instruction does not go far." Bold as this assertion may appear to be, we believe that it is sustained by the evidence before us.

Rollin tells us that the ancients realized the value of home training. While the dark clouds of war were yet hanging over France, Napoleon uttered these words, "What France needs is not more mothers, but better mothers."

Shame on those parents who turn loose a family of children who are aliens to law and order, being a pest to the town or community in which they live. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." GEO. W. HIVELEY.

The earthworm is now accused of playing considerable part in the spread of disease. Pasteur found germs of charbon near the surface of soil in which sheep that had died from the disease had been buried several years previously, and Dr. Halstead Boylan, of Paris, finds reason for believing that not only charbon, but typhoid and yellow fevers and tetanus may be spread by germs brought to the surface from dead bodies by earthworms. An epidemic of yellow fever in the Amazon Valley in 1850 seems to have resulted from microbes rising from the soil over the grave of a Jamaica man who died from the fever and had been landed at Para for burial.—N. Y. Advocate.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. W. L. Graves, Tunica, Miss., June 7, 1899: "We have just held a revival meeting with gratifying results at Robinsonville, Miss. The church was greatly blessed, sinners were converted, and some of them saved. Rev. O. L. Savage did the preaching, and it was well done. We have increased the membership at that place by one-third since Conference. Soon we will begin the erection of a new church there. Our League at Tunica, organized with forty-five members, since the revival meeting here in April is progressing nicely."

Rev. S. S. Holladay, P. C., Florien, La., June 2, 1899: "This work is partly mission work. It extends up and down the K. C. R. R. a distance of nearly forty miles. We have organized a good church in Leesville, and will build a church shortly. The outlook all over the work is encouraging. A great deal of the fine timber is being made into lumber. There has been a great change in this country. Within a few years a man can travel the distance now in one hour that once required a hard day's ride on horseback through the pine forest. We are moving along very well. We have collected all of the money assessed to this charge for foreign and domestic missions. We have not held any protracted meetings yet. We have received about forty members into the church, most of them by certificate. My second quarterly meeting just held. Bro. J. T. Sawyer was on hand and attended to the business of the Quarterly Conference, and preached to the satisfaction of all present. We are working and praying and expecting a revival in this section. Pray for us."

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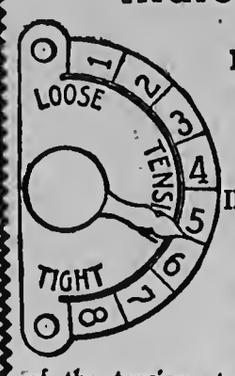

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My crown is in my heart, not on my head;
Nor decked with diamonds and Indian stones.
Nor to be seen: my crown is called content;
A crown it is, that seldom kings enjoy.
—Shakespeare.

Do what God calls you to do and you are a success.—T. DeWitt Talmage.

God has two dwellings—one in heaven, and the other in a meek and thankful heart.—Isaac Walton.

Nothing of worth or weight can be achieved with half a mind, with a faint heart, with a lame endeavor.—Barrow.

Promptness, politeness, perseverance—the young person who minds these three p's will soon learn a fourth—prosperity.—Selected.

Never fret about what you can not help, because it will not do you any good; never fret about what you can help, because if you can help it, do so.—Our Little Ones.

Some men are so excessively acute at detecting imperfections, that they scarcely notice excellences. In looking at a peacock's train they would fix on every spot where the feathers were worn, or the colors faded, and see nothing else.—Archbishop Whately.

The man who calls himself a Christian and gives less than one-tenth of his income to the Lord is a meaner man than Jacob, and has a lower standard than the King of Sodom, who was evidently accustomed to count the giving of tithes a duty.—H. C. Trumbull.

Lamps do not talk, but they do shine. A lighthouse sounds no drum, it beats no gong, and yet far over the waters its friendly spark is seen by the mariner. So let your actions shine out your religion. Let the main sermon of your life be illustrated by all your conduct.—Spurgeon.

It is a great deal easier to be up to the occasion in some shining moment of a man's life when he knows that a supreme hour has come than it is to keep that high tone when plodding over all the dreary plateaus of uneventful, monotonous travel and dull duties. It is easier to run fast for a minute than to grind along the dusty road for a day.—Alexander Maclaren.

Regarding the importance of the Sabbath day, Dr. Dwight remarked recently, "But for this day, earthly things would have engrossed all our thoughts, the world as a canker would rust, corrupt, and consume all disposition to piety and all hope of heaven, the soul would be benumbed, religion would die, God would be forgotten, and mankind would cease to be saved."—Exchange.

A Christian ought to be an ideal businessman—prompt, alert, straightforward, doing business as an agent and representative of his Majesty the King of the Universe. He must do nothing to degrade the dignity of the ancient and honorable firm of which he has been by grace made a partner. It isn't simply a matter of dollars and cents that is implied in business. These are important; but I believe that business, which is merely the exchange of things and the interchange of services, was instituted for the training of man in fellowship, and for the setting forth of God's will.—Selected.

PRINCIPLES AND POLITICS.

It is an encouraging sign in the political world that more and more attention is being paid to the characters of the men who run for office and who are placed in positions of public trust. The old notion that any man who has plenty of friends and a pleasing address is just the man for office is coming to be recognized as the source of much evil. The mischievous policy of voting for a man merely because he has been nominated by the party machine without regard to his special fitness and trustworthiness, is still far from being a thing of the past; but, on account of increasing defections from their ranks, the political parties are becoming careful about the habits and standing of the men they put forward. We trust the day is not far distant when it will be impossible for an immoral or unreliable man to get into any public position. That day will never come, however, until the majority of the Christian people of our land awake to the momentous importance of taking a hand in politics, and of voting only for the best men to fill State, municipal, and other offices. The purification of politics oft seems but a Utopian dream; but no matter how difficult or mighty the task appears, those who love God and their fellow-men must undertake it, nor think of slackening their efforts until success is assured. The splendid victories for reform and honest administration of affairs recently achieved in several large cities of the Union indicate that the conscience of the public is being aroused, and that the people are not going to be fooled all the time by rascally schemers. What vast evils the cities of America have suffered at the hands of boodlers and corruptionists! Alas! their reign is not yet ended, but the day of righteous government is dawning, though it is but slowly.

The average politician, though loud in his profession of fealty to principle, and in the declaration of his interest in the welfare and rights of the people, is too often deficient in morality and that rugged honesty that is worth infinitely more than eloquence or learning or leadership. When the public—especially the Christian part of it—has scruples about voting for this or that nominee because his character is not above reproach, the party managers are wont to silence all objections by calling out in stentorian tones, "Vote for principles, not men." As if, forsooth, it were possible to properly apply principles to the administration of public affairs without men of principle to carry them out. It is but a trick to deceive an unwary public. It is vain to expect men of loose morals and convictions to make exemplary legislators, unbiased administrators of justice, or faithful guardians of the public peace. Good laws and beneficent measures are but a farce, unless they are upheld by stannch and upright officers who are more anxious to carry out the will of the people than their own fancies and preferences. The proper enforcement of law will never be possible until we cease electing to office men of shadowy reputation and questionable character. We can never be sure of any kind of reform in politics and government unless we see to it that righteous men are entrusted with the administration of public affairs. The supply of sober, upright men is by no means exhausted. Then why should our citizens anywhere be guilty of the supreme folly of conferring honor and office upon those whose past is a mixture of good and evil, and whose chief recommendation is their promise of reformation?

Not a few Christians erroneously suppose they are doing their whole duty as citizens in minding their own affairs, and letting politics severely alone. This is a grievous mistake. The great reason to-day why so much political corruption exists is, that the better element of our population has, for the most part, taken no hand in political affairs, leaving them entirely to the ungodly. When such apathy or ignorance exists the people do not deserve good government. It is as much our religious duty to vote for good men, and to endeavor to have them elected, as it is to pay our debts or obey the laws of our country. While it is not always possible to keep bad men from being elected to office, we ought, by all means, to show where we stand, and by our attitude help to put a check upon any evil policy or practice they may attempt to inaugurate. Silence gives consent to not a few iniquities. The indifference that characterizes many professing Christians, as regards the duties and privileges of citizenship, is positively disgraceful.

In selecting men to uphold our laws and to administer public affairs, fitness and moral integrity should always be the prime considerations. Yet how oft in voting men are influenced far more by personal friendship, or by church or party loyalty, or by self-interest, than by regard for the abilities and incorruptibility of the candidate. The great need of our times is for citizens who would sooner cut off their right arms than cast a vote for unprincipled men. How shameful it is that Christians so frequently compromise their religion by supporting unworthy—yea, notoriously immoral—men in their race for office! May God speed the day when men shall cease to think that crookedness, intemperance and godlessness are excusable in political life!

ANENT THE ASSAULT UPON GIBBS.

A few Mississippi papers have recently exhausted their vocabulary of invective in denouncing J. T. Senter, editor of the Columbus Commercial, who first published the facts concerning the contemptible and cowardly assault upon Rev. H. P. Gibbs. Speaking of this, Rev. J. A. Bowen, pastor of our church at Columbus, writes: "I know that the facts, as stated by the Commercial, are absolutely correct, and I endorse everything this paper has said about the affair. The editor of the Commercial is a Christian gentleman, and one of my stewards, and is loyal to Christ and his church. He is defending Bro. Gibbs' cause without any pay whatever. He commands the respect and confidence of all good people in Columbus and in Lowndes county. The people of Columbus honor Bro. Senter for the defense he has made for the ministry." Bro. Bowen also adds: "I thank you for what you have said for Bro. Gibbs and his cause. You and Bro. Senter have told the truth, and we will stand by you both."

All Methodists—yea, all good people everywhere — instinctively identify themselves, at least in thought and feeling, with Bro. Gibbs' cause. For two strong men to choke and beat an invalid preacher because he has simply told the truth concerning the social and moral conditions prevailing in his parish, is not, as some newspaper scribblers would have us believe, a trivial offense. It is a crime against civilization, an outrage upon decency. We do not take to ourselves any credit for denouncing this contemptible outrage. We have only done what every good citizen must do.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The Spring number of Dr. Curry's Expression gives several interesting essays on the dramatic art. Of these are "Recent Methods of Teaching Oratory," "The Right Attitude Towards Art," and "One of Delsarte's Principles in Art."

In the Open Court, for June, Rev. Th. Thede, pastor of the Evangelical Church of Naples, writes on "Paganism in the Roman Church." Prof. L. Levy-Brubl, of Paris, continues his article on "French Philosophy at the End of the Eighteenth Century."

The Cosmopolitan Magazine, for June, contains an article by Mr. H. P. Nason, entitled, "Progress in Air-Ships," in which he describes the recent improvement of dirigable balloons. An illustrated sketch of the present condition of affairs in the Philippines, past and present, by Robt. Lawrence Packard, will be of interest.

In the June number of Ainslee's Magazine the chief of the New York Fire Department gives an account of the modern method of fighting fire. The leading stories in the number are: "A True Story of the South Seas," by Louis Becke and Walter Jeffery; "The Blue Dwarf of Belle Mer," by C. G. D. Roberts, and the Japanese sketch, "Sakuma Sukenaii."

The June Critic has an unusually attractive table of contents. Sir Walter Besant contributes an article, in which he explains his references to publishers in his book, "The Pen and the Book." The famous singer, Murel, writes on the musical drama. Tighe Hopkins tells how Sardou lives and works. A portrait and interview of Rev. C. M. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," appears in this number.

FOR CENTENARY.

We invite the attention of Louisiana Methodists to the following appeal from Dr. Cooper. The small amount called for can be easily raised if all will help according to ability. This is a matter of great importance. Let all respond promptly.

To the Methodists of Louisiana:

Centenary College needs a larger dining-hall and other necessary improvements. It will take $1,500 or $2,000 to make the necessary improvements. Who will help us? Who will send in subscriptions ranging from $5 to $50? We are doing what we can to give Louisiana Methodists a college equal to the best. Help us at once. I. W. COOPER.

Jackson, La., June 12, 1899.

SUNDAY PAPERS IN LONDON.

Until quite recently England was without the curse of a Sunday newspaper. Then, within a few months past, the Daily Mail and the Daily Telegraph each commenced the issue of a Sunday edition. The result was a storm among the Sabbath-observing Britons. Meetings were held, and protests both private and public were made against the innovation. Lord Rosebery made an earnest appeal to the proprietors against the wrong, and the country and the churches joined with him. As a result, the Daily Mail surrendered, and announced the death of its Sunday edition as "a frank concession to the religious feeling of the public." This was a notable victory for the right, and an honorable confession of an honest man. It shows the power of public opinion when backed up by moral sentiment.

But the Sunday edition of the Telegraph still continues, and the outcome in this case is not certain. Its owners are said to be Jews, and they can not be reached on the line of reverence for the Christian Sabbath. Against them the battle will be long and hard; but the people are continuing the warfare vigorously, and hope to succeed in stopping this publication. The English understand that there is no one thing which tends so powerfully to secularize and destroy the Christian Sabbath as the Sunday newspaper, and they do not propose to submit to the evil, if they can prevent it. We in this country know how to sympathize with them, for we are now suffering from the baleful influences of this monster evil.—Pittsburg Advocate.

WILL NOT SUBSIDE.

The Briggs agitation will not down with the admission of the noted Union Seminary professor to the Episcopal priesthood. Rev. Dr. Costa, of New York City, keeps up his attacks upon "Briggism." His sermons upon the subject from time to time have a more fearless and defiant ring. He sees in the favor which it is receiving in his denomination a Unitarian leveling tendency. He said in a recent discourse, "We have reached the end of Anglicanism in this country, and men must now shift for themselves." He declares the movement for Unitarianizing the Episcopal Church "is not only real, but audacious and aggressive, offering to furnish the literature of the subject to theological students. The propaganda has long been duly meditated, and the ring-leaders boast that interference can not take place. This confidence has some apparent support. On the eve of this festival of the Holy Trinity in the public press we find an open, categorical and defiant denial of the Trinity. This open and undisguised movement in favor of Unitarianism, this bold proclamation of unbelief, is the natural consequence of the late action of the ecclesiastical authority, which, by the admission to the ministry of the leading opponent of orthodox Bible interpretation, reduced the Scripture to the rank of fallible books, without plenary inspiration, making the belief in a fallible book a sufficient ground for admission to the ministry. The open advocacy of Unitarianism was expected to follow, and it has come, confident and unblushing."

This is no lone voice crying in the wilderness. The echoes are heard in various quarters. Alarm has possessed many of the clergy and laity for their church's peace and purity. Her fundamental doctrines are being imperiled in their estimation. With latitudinarianism tolerated and sanctioned, they think the time for action has come, and propose to do something positive to stay the tide of loose teaching and practice so strongly setting in. Rev. Dr. Houghton, of New York City, last week called a meeting of Episcopal clergymen opposed to Dr. Briggs' ordination for conference. He is reported as saying "that preliminary steps had been taken at the meeting to form an organization to make war against the higher criticism. When the organization is in marching order, the public will be informed of what it intends to do, but before then it will be impossible to give any definite idea of the plans. The campaign must be conducted with military strategy."

All this looks as if the Episcopal Church was going to have its hands full of its new, but troublesome, priest. He went out from us to have rest and freedom, but has only stirred up a fresh fight and become a bone of contention in a peaceful household. It is not the man, but what he represents, that makes his coming a peril to increasing numbers of Episcopalians.—Presbyterian.

SCOLDING PREACHERS.

"Scolding preachers are as powerless as nagging women. Nothing can atone for lack of kindness in spirit and courteous deference in manner. When one's voice rises to a shriek of petulance, it is a betrayal of conscious weakness." So says Frank Crane. He is right. We never knew of a case where a preacher did any good by scolding, in the pulpit or out of it. The worst of all times to scold is at the close of a pastorate. To accompany a resignation by a bitter and sarcastic statement of the causes which led to it—whether true or not—is to destroy one's influence in that community. —The Standard (Chicago).

Booker T. Washington, in a letter to a prominent colored man in North Carolina, says: "Unconsciously we seem to have gotten the idea into our blood and bones that we are only acting in a manly way when we oppose Southern white men with our votes. In some way, by some method, we must bring the race to the point where it will cease to feel that the only way for it to succeed is to oppose everything suggested or put forth by the Southern white men. This I consider one of our real problems. I believe that there are thousands of white Democrats in North Carolina who are better friends to the negro than Governor Russell, and I see no necessity in continuing to follow Governor Russell, who has no power to protect, or if he has the power, does not exercise it, rather than these other white men who can protect us if we cease to continually and forever oppose them."—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

Within fifty-eight miles of Pittsburg, Pa., is the little town of Bolivar. The principal business is brickmaking. This is controlled by the Reese Hammond Fire Brick Company. They have had no saloons for thirty years. There are two hundred and fifty men in the employ of the company. They nearly all own their own homes. There is no poverty, no suffering, very little crime, no strife between labor and capital. The Golden Rule is lived up to by both sides. Poverty is abolished; it goes with the saloon. There would be many towns and cities like Bolivar if the press and public speakers would tell the truth about the infernal business which fills the land with sorrow and despair. — Bishop McCabe.

NOTES.

Rev. A. E. Clay dispensed the Word at Algiers last Sabbath.

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Rev. H. H. Ahrens preached a full-orbed gospel at Carondelet on Sunday night.

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Dr. J. T. Sawyer is in the city attending the commencement of Tulane University. He seems to be in good health and spirits.

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Rev. Paul M. Brown has been elected president of Johnston Collegiate Institute, Greensburg, La., and has accepted.

Rev. A. S. Lutz is assisting Rev. M. M. Black in a meeting at Gloster, Miss.

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Rev. R. H. Wynn is much improved in health. He hopes to return to the city this week ready to resume his work.

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We were in error in stating in our last issue that Rev. S. S. Keener has removed his family to the coast of Mississippi. His headquarters are still in the city.

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Rev. H. W. Rickey is in the midst of a prosperous pastorate at Clinton, La. His pulpit work is highly commended, and he is in great favor with his flock and with the community in general.

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Columbus, Miss., seems to be favored with a revival that lasts. There have been 116 accessions to the church since Conference, and there is an advance along all lines. Would that every charge had a revival of this type!

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Dr. J. P. Greene, who was recently elected to the presidency of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, has declined, preferring to remain in his present position as president of William Jewell College, Missouri.

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At the Methodist Church at Hattiesburg, Miss., on the twenty-first, Rev. J. J. Golden, of the Mississippi Conference, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Hawkins will be united in the bonds of holy wedlock. May prosperity and happiness attend them through life!

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Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Fannie M. Rayne, daughter of Mr. B. O. L. Rayne, to Mr. John D. Rusa, all of this city. The ceremony will take place at Rayne Memorial Church on Thursday evening, June 22. We extend our heartiest congratulations.

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Much to our regret, we were unable, for sanitary reasons, to fill our engagements at Whitworth commencement. From the press reports we learn that Dr. H. W. Featherstun preached the commencement sermon and Prof. W. L. Webber delivered the annual address. So our disappointment, doubtless, proved to be Whitworth's gain.

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By courtesy of Mrs. F. E. Rue, Conference secretary, we are in receipt of a copy of the Minutes of the Home Mission Society of the Louisiana Conference, held at Alexandria, La., March 2-5, '99—a neatly-gotten-up pamphlet containing all the matter properly belonging to such a publication. The secretarial work seems to have been admirably done.

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Rev. J. M. Pugh, a superannuate of the Mississippi Conference, died at Handsboro, on the ninth, in his eighty-fourth year. His remains were carried to Yazoo City for interment. In his prime Bro. Pugh filled many important positions. A large part of his life was given to educational work. He was a thoroughly consecrated Christian, and had many admirable traits of character.

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From a letter from Rev. H. C. Morehead, presiding elder of the Grenada district, we quote as follows: "There are indications of a general revival of religion throughout the district. Bro. J. C. Park has been cordially received at North Main Street, Water Valley. His church is united for the uplifting of the poor and the vindication of the right. Bro. Lagrone has been quite sick for a few days, but is now better."

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The management of the Seashore Camp Ground is working with main and might to make this twenty-eighth annual camp meeting a great success. Hundreds of personal letters have been sent to our pastors, and a very large attendance is expected. Several hundred dollars have been spent on the ground during the Winter, and many improvements made. Bishops John C. Keener, Charles B. Galloway, and Dr. J. D. Barbee, of Nashville, will attend, with other eminent and eloquent workers in our church. Dr. DuBose has promised to do his utmost to attend, and everybody knows that when Dr. DuBose does his utmost, he usually attains the desired object.

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We have just received a programme of the fifth State Conference of Epworth Leagues in Mississippi.

It is well arranged and neatly printed, and contains good pictures of Bishops Galloway and Hendrix and Prof. Hemphill.

The Conference opens Thursday afternoon, June 22, at 3:30, with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. M. McIntosh, pastor of the Methodist Church at West Point.

The general topic will be "Twentieth Century Methodism"—discussed under three heads: (1) Its Spirituality, (2) Its Educational Feature, (3) Its Missionary Impulse.

Mississippi has done well in the past, but still greater things are expected of her in the future. It is hoped that at the West Point Conference a tidal wave of religious enthusiasm shall be set in motion which, rolling on and out, shall reach every heart and every home.

Judge L. H Estes, of Memphis, the well-known Epworth Leaguer and lay preacher, has been appointed to serve till Conference a circuit in the neighborhood of Memphis made vacant by the recent death of the pastor. He now presides over two circuits—being district judge, he administers the law in the one case, and as pastor preaches the gospel in the bounds of the other. We doubt if in the history of Southern Methodism there has occurred a similar incident.

During the Topisaw Camp Meeting (Miss.), to be held in August, it is expected by those in charge to arrange for a special Epworth League Day—a rally for the young Methodists. We appreciate an invitation to address the congregations upon that day, and, if no providential hindrance, we will be on hand to fill the place assigned.

Rev. Harry W. May sends tidings of the organization of an Epworth League at Amite City with twenty-one members. He reports the prospects good for a large increase in numbers and interest. We would be glad to hear from other pastors as to their present work among the Leaguers and their anticipations for the future.

We hereby acknowledge receipt of the Louisiana Chautauqua Annual, a well-printed, handsomely-illustrated pamphlet of about twenty pages. It contains programme and other information concerning the lectures, etc., to be delivered during the month of July on the Chautauqua grounds at Ruston, La. The editor of this department in the ADVOCATE very much appreciates the honor conferred upon him in placing his name upon the programme. For full information or for pamphlet address the secretary, W. K. Dunoan, Esq., Ruston, La.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Centenary College will send two young men to Asheville, N. C., to the Summer training-school. They go with the idea of getting information as to the latest methods in Bible study and hand-to-hand work among young men both in college and elsewhere. We pray that the blessings of Heaven may ever rest upon this great work among young men.

NOTICE.

The committees on examination for the Aberdeen District Conference:

License to Preach—J. W. Bell, J. W. Anderson and H. M. Young.

Recommendation for Admission on Trial—W. W. Woollard, K. M. Harrison and J. A. Low.

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NOTICE.

The Columbus District Conference will be held at Phœba, July 4 to 7, beginning at 9 A. M., July 4.

The morning session of first day will be devoted to the cause of missions, and will close with a sermon on missions by Rev. S. M. Thames.

The afternoon of first day will be devoted to the Twentieth Century Fund, and will close with a sermon on Christian education by Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D.

Committee for License to Preach—Revs. E. Johnson, E. S. Lewis, J. M. Barnes. For Orders—Revs. S. M. Thames, R. A. Meek, M. E. Tumlin.

I hope each pastor will see that his Quarterly Conference Record Book is brought up for examination, as the law directs.

We insist that all the lay members of the Conference be present.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

IS IT MALARIA OR ALUM?

[*Popular Science Monthly.*]

Langnor, loss of appetite, indigestion and often feverishness are the common symptoms of a physiological condition termed "malaria." All these symptoms may be and frequently are the effect of the use of alum baking powders in food making. There is no question about the poisonous effect of alum upon the system. It obstructs digestion, prostrates the nerves, coagulates and devitalizes the blood. All this has been made clear, thanks to physicians, boards of health, and food commissions. So "highly injurious to the health of the community" does the eminent head of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Barker, consider the alum baking powders, that he says "their sale should be prohibited by law."

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Always bear these simple facts in mind when purchasing baking powder.

THANKS.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me, through your paper, to thank the many kind friends for letters of sympathy received since my husband's death. They were not written in vain, for they have come to me in the time of sadness and loneliness as messages of comfort. The children and I beg an interest in the prayers of the ministers and Christian people.

CARLOTTA H. GIBBS.

NOTICE.

The North Mississippi Conference Board of Education will meet in West Point, in the church, at two and a half o'clock P. M., June 22, for important consultation. It is expected that more than a quorum of the members will be in attendance on the State League Conference at that time. It will be of much use if those who can not attend will send to the Board through the secretary, Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, their views on important questions belonging to our educational work.

W. T. J. SULLIVAN, Chair'n.

June 9, 1899.

ATTENTION, BRETHREN.

Members of the Baton Rouge District Conference who intend coming will please notify me at Zachary, La., at the earliest convenience.

Please inform me also whether you will come by private conveyance or by rail, as I desire to know what horses will have to be provided for.

Preachers will favor me very much by giving me all the information on the above subjects possible.

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NOTICE.

The twentieth Annual Session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mississippi Conference, will convene in Hattiesburg, June 24-28.

The secretary can secure reduced rates from the various railroads if as many as fifty delegates are in attendance.

All auxiliaries are urged to send delegates, the delegates to "bring with them to Conference money for the publication of the Minutes" (See report of Committee on Finance, Minutes of nineteenth session, 1899)

MOLLIE R. MCQUEEN,
Recording Secretary.

NOTICE.

A Sunday-school Conference will be held in connection with the District Conference at Utica, Miss., on Friday, June 16, and all the superintendents and Sunday-school workers of the Vicksburg district are urged to be present. Write Bro. Guice you are coming. W. T. GRIFFIN.

Mayersville, Miss., June 7, 1899.

NOTICE.

K. A. Jones will preach District Conference sermon of the Aberdeen district, Friday, June 30, 11 A. M.

J. M. WYATT.

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The Georgia Female Seminary and Conservatory, at Gainesville, Ga., will hold a Summer session, beginning June 14. Music, languages and literature will be the special features. A course in musical pedagogics is also offered teachers. The Gainesville Chatauqua will also be in session during part of June and July. An excellent program is announced. Yonah Hall, one of the most beautiful buildings on the college campus, will be open for the accommodation of guests for the Summer.

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And I'm sure a mother should—
She wouldn't make it quite so hard
For a person to be good.

I want to do the thing she says,
I try to all along—
And she just never counts the right,
But pounces on the wrong!

A dozen times I do a thing,
And one time I forget;
And then she'll look at me and ask
If I can't remember yet!

Then she'll tell me to do something
And I'll really start to go,
And she keeps right on telling it
As if I didn't know.

'Till it seems as if I couldn't!
It makes me kind of wild!
And then she says she "never saw
Such a disobliging child!"

I go to bed all sorry,
And say my prayers and cry.
And mean next day to be so good
I just can't wait to try.

And I begin next morning
And try to do just right;
But mother's sure to scold me
About something before night.

I wonder if she ever thought
A child could go so far
As to be perfect all the time
As the grown-up people are!

If she only knew I tried to—
And I'm sure a mother should—
She wouldn't make it quite so hard
For a person to be good.

—Little Men and Women.

WHAT A GOVERNOR SAYS TO BOYS.

Governor Mount, of Indiana, has written some suggestions to boys which are wise and well put. We quote the "five fundamental principles" which, he declares, are essential to success, and lie at the foundation of good citizenship:

Discipline.—Obedience to constituted authority, self-control, discipline of the will, of the tastes, the passions, the aspirations, the habits. "He that ruleth his spirit is greater than he that taketh a city."

Love of home and country.—I never knew a boy who loved his home, his parents, his brothers and sisters, and to whom it was a joy and pleasure to respect and obey his parents, who ever brought grief to his home or dishonor to his family. Through the tempting and dangerous environments of war, and the multiplied conditions since, I have found it a pleasure steadfastly to keep the boyhood promise I made my mother never to use tobacco or intoxicants. From a life of experience I can most earnestly commend the wisdom of making and keeping such promises. The love of country is interwoven with the love of home. The love of home makes stronger the love for the government which protects the home.

Habits of industry.—I would prefer that my child be reared in the most unpretentious cottage, and trained to habits of industry and economy, than to be brought up in a stately mansion, surrounded by the enervating influences of wealth, ease and idleness. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop."

Principles of temperance.—If greater energy were expended in teaching the principles of temperance to the youth in the schools and in the home, there would be less demand for temperance laws and fewer victims to the drink habit. The increased consumption of tobacco, and the widespread indulgence and the evil effects of cigarette-smoking, are assuming alarming proportions.

A purpose in life.—I would impress upon the mind of every youth the motto of Longfellow: "I am determined to be intensely something;" or that of Emerson: "Hitch your wagon to a star." Intensity of purpose, a resolute determination, with indomitable will-power, coupled with the foregoing principles, are the essential factors which will win in the battle of life.—Selected.

NEATNESS.

I wonder whether the mother, when training her boy with a helpful, useful manhood in view, ever thinks of the possible and very probable wife whom her son some day may have.

As the mother sows so will the wife reap. Inculcate, if possible, habits of neatness; do not allow him when he comes into the house to throw his coat upon one chair, his hat upon another. It may be easy for you to pick up after him, but maybe in the years to come it will be less easy for the young wife, and "just as the twig is bent the tree's inclined."

I know a young wife who takes great pride in doing the work of her little home, but whose duties are doubled by a careless, untidy husband—muddy rubbers worn into the house, collars and ties thrown upon the sideboard, overcoat dropped upon the first convenient chair or couch. When his wife asks him to be more careful, he says, laughingly and thoughtlessly: "Mother always picked up after me; why can't you?" It is selfish in a man, but the real fault goes further back; for, as he says, "Mother always picked up after me;" and, as the old saying is, "It's hard to teach an old dog new tricks."

If that mother had been more mindful of her duty toward the boy whose early training had been intrusted to her, if she had been less thoughtless of the grave responsibility resting upon her, he would have been a different man. He would have grown up with a love for order and tidiness; he would have been more thoughtful and considerate, and throughout his life he would have conducted himself in a manner to cause the least possible trouble to others.

Teach your son to be thoughtful and tender toward yourself as well as others; teach him to respect and reverence womankind, knowing that these seeds sown in his heart will grow and bear good fruit years hence.

IN THE HEREAFTER.

Whatever mystery there may be concerning the life which believers in Christ shall live in heaven, we may be sure, at least, that they will carry with them all that is true and divine of their earthly life. The character formed here, they will retain through death. The capacity they have gained by the use of their powers, they will have for the beginning of their activity in the new life.

So heaven will be a far more natural place than we imagine it will be. It will not be greatly unlike the ideal life of earth. We probably shall be surprised when we meet one another to find how little we have changed. The old tenderness will not be missing. We shall recognize our friends by some little gentle ways they used to have here, or by some familiar thoughtfulness which was never wanting in them. The friendships we began here and had not time to cultivate, we shall have opportunity there to renew and carry on through immortal years.

Even at the best, human friendships only begin in this life; in heaven they will reach their best and holiest possibilities. There are lives which only touch each other in this world, and then separate, going their different ways, like ships which pass in the night. There will be time enough in heaven for any such faintest beginnings of friendship to be wrought out in beauty.—Selected.

THE VALUE OF STORIES.

A gentleman who acted as private secretary and amanuensis for Prescott, the historian, gives some extremely interesting particulars in relation to the daily habits of that remarkable man. He was as regular in his movements as clockwork, and among his invariable habits was that of listening every day of his life, for the space of an hour, to some story or tale read to him by his wife or his secretary. He needed this kind of mental refreshment as a relief from his grave study of the matter-of-fact histories in which he worked, as much as he needed sleep or exercise in the open air.

And what he required every mind requires. Stories, therefore, are as necessary to the preservation and improvement of the human intellect as any other kind of literary exercise. It is only the thoughtless and unphilosophical who speak of stories with contempt. They are to the sober realities of earth what flowers are in the vegetable world. Roses and violets are as important in the economy of the universe as are oaks and cedars. The story-writer, therefore, is not to be held in less esteem than the author of ponderous volumes of history or dissertations on philosophy and political economy. Each has his sphere, and is entitled to respect according to the degree of ability with which he fulfills the duty which his talents qualify him to discharge.—New York Ledger.

Oliver Wendell Holmes was so eminent in literature that we almost forget that he was an M. D., but he had decided opinions as to the proper care of the body, as the following instance will show. On being asked if a young man desiring to attain success in life should smoke, he answered: "Certainly not. It is liable to injure the sight, to render the nerves unsteady, to enfeeble the will and to enslave the nature to an imperious habit likely to stand in the way of duty to be performed."—Exchange.

Kind words do not cost much. They never blister the tongue or lips. We never have heard of any mental trouble arising from this quarter. Though they do not cost much, yet they accomplish much. They make other people good-natured. They also produce their own image on men's souls, and a beautiful image it is. We have not yet begun to use kind words in such abundance as they ought to be used.—Pascal.

The Christian's heart, like the house, is not completely garnished until all dust of the world is thoroughly removed from every remote corner and all cobwebs of doubt swept from its walls. Only the candle of the Lord can light up and discover these to the view.—Exchange.

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"Not half of you. Now, that is what I thought. Every one of you should have rubbers on a night like this. To go without them is to invite colds, bronchial trouble, catarrh and pneumonia. It is astonishing how people neglect their feet. Rubbers are fifty cents. You can save a lot of money on the investment—perhaps a ten days' doctor's bill, to say nothing of medicine."

The doctor might have made it still stronger and said that a fifty-cent pair of rubbers would not only save doctor's bills and medicine bills, but often life itself. Don't try to save on rubbers. It's the most expensive economy in the world, especially just now when everybody is getting the grip.—Congregationalist.

NEED OF SLEEP.

A physician who is a specialist in nervous diseases says that women should sleep at least nine hours at night and one hour in the day time. A woman will plead that she hasn't time to lie down for a few minutes in the day time; and she will infringe upon the hours of night, which should be given to sound, healthy, needed sleep, in order to finish some piece of work which could as well be completed on the morrow. She will rush and hurry all day long, and then, when the household is hushed in slumber at night, she will sit to read the daily paper, thinking she will not have to pay for the time she is stealing from the health-giving sleep that comes before midnight.—New England Farmer.

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Around the throne thy voice is blended
With the praises of His own.
At rest within thy Father's home;
No more with slow, uncertain steps
Through life's dark wilderness to roam;
At rest, by thine own Father kept.

Not dead! Ah, no; but gone before
To live in that blest land
Where sin and sorrow come no more;
Near the great white throne to stand,
Near to the Master whom he served,
With steadiest patience still,
With loving faith that never swerved,
Anxious to do His will.

With earthly eyes no more we'll see thee;
But, father dear, thy memory lives;
And through its infinence we are near thee,
This precious boon our Lord doth gives,
And when our service here is over,
And on God's mercy we must wait,
We'll meet again to part, no, never,
Amid the angels at the gate.

BARROW—Sister S. A. BARROW was born in Columbus, Ga., on the sixteenth of September, 1828, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Kline, in Warren county, Miss., on the thirtieth of March, 1899. She was married in 1845 to Mr. J. W. Barrow in her native home, after which she came to Mississippi, and spent the remainder of her long and useful life. She was converted and united with the Methodist Church in the thirteenth year of her life under the pastorate of Dr. Geo. F. Pierce, who was afterward made Bishop, having consecrated the morning of her life to the service of the Master.

Sister Barrow was always a bright and cheerful Christian, and her seat was never vacant at the house of God when circumstances were admissible. Having devoted the morning, noon and evening of her life to useful work in the church of God, it was but natural that her Christian pathway, "like that of the just, should shine more and more" until God said, "It is enough; come up higher."

I talked and prayed with her during her last illness, and never knew one who was more submissive to the divine will. She talked of death like a Christian philosopher, and as a prelude to endless joys. In her case death was divested of all fear, and she longed to be at rest. May her Christian mantle fall upon the shoulders of her surviving daughter! Farewell, dear friend, but not forever. We shall meet again in that bright, sun-clad clime, where the pure and the good are its only inhabitants. W. W. HURST.

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REYNOLDS—Sister NANCY REYNOLDS (nee McCommack) departed this life April 23, 1899, and passed triumphantly into the presence of the God she loved. She was born in Jasper county, Miss., May 9, 1814; moved to this State in 1849; married G. P. Reynolds, Jan. 13, 1852. She leaves seven children to mourn her loss.

Sister Reynolds was converted and joined the church at an early age. She was a member of the Methodist Church over half a century; true to her vows and loyal to her church to the last.

It is a great benediction to meet such devout souls as Sister Reynolds possessed. Through much sorrow and tribulation she had grown into the beauty of a true saint, and the aroma of her mellowed life cast its fragrance wherever she went. All loved, honored, and respected her. Her professions were modest, her life was holy. Many care-worn itinerants have pillowed their weary heads upon downy pillows that her consecrated hands prepared. We weep that she has gone. We miss her in the church and community; she is missed in her home. We rejoice that she lived, that her influence remains, that she rests from her labors. May the God of all grace comfort the bereft hearts of her sorrowing loved ones! We will meet again

"On the happy golden shore,
Where the faithful part no more,
Where the storms of life are o'er."

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TAYLOR—Mr. JAMES T. TAYLOR was born in Georgia (if I mistake not), April 14, 1818. His first marriage was to Miss Sarah Carpenter, Sept. 24, 1838, by whom he had five children. He moved to Upshur county, Texas, in 1859. His first wife having died, he was married to Miss Mary Emiline Smith. He moved to Louisiana and settled on the Atchafalaya river, where he has lived most of the time since. He had been an acceptable member of the M. E. Church, South, up to the time of his death. He had one time a pretty property on the river, but reverses befell him and left him in very destitute circumstances. Notwithstanding this, he held his integrity and died esteemed by his old friends. I met him some time before his last illness, and found him in communion with God and assured of his acceptance. He died in the faith Oct. 30, 1898.

ROBERT RANDLE, Pastor.

Southern Christian Advocate please copy.

COX—Mrs. MARY A. COX was born in Jasper county, Ga., May 4, 1825, and died at Coalville Church, near Wood Market, Miss., Feb. 20, 1899. She was the daughter of William and Rebecca Clark; married Sampson Cox, Sept. 3, 1841, in Muscova county, Ga.; was converted and joined the M. E. Church at the age of thirteen years, and lived a Christian the rest of her life.

Sister Cox was noted for her piety. She was never heard to complain when clouds of sorrow o'ershadowed her pathway. Beautiful virtues crowned her sweet, pure life. Kindness and love for others were bright jewels adorning her life, and words fitly spoken like apples of gold in pictures of silver. A good mother, ever faithful to God. She succeeded in raising up her children for God. Her beautiful, sweet life impressed not only her own children, but her neighbors' children. Truly a mother in Israel has fallen. We miss her in our homes and churches. To her loved ones we would say: Be faithful. Your mother is in heaven waiting to welcome you. Her hands reach out in tenderest love. Oh, those beautiful, beautiful hands! You shall clasp them again once more, your mother's own beautiful hands. GEO. W. HUFF, P. C.

P. S.—Alabama and Wesleyan Advocates please copy.

PECK—On Friday, April 28, 1899, just before 3 P. M., the spirit of our dear Sister PECK, the wife of Dr. Peck, of Rose Hill, took its flight to an unknown world to us.

Sister Peck was about fifty years of age when called by her Lord to enter the door of the invisible world. She spent the larger portion of her life in teaching school. She was happily married to Dr. Peck about one year ago. She had been a faithful member of the M. E. Church for many years. To know Sister Peck was to love her. In her death our community has lost a true friend and counselor, her pastor and family a loyal and devoted sister, her husband and his children a loving and tender wife and mother. She has only left us but a few brief years. We, together with her husband, who is very sick himself, will soon join her in the beautiful beyond. She bore her long and painful illness with patience and fortitude, despite the zealous and faithful efforts of her medical attendants, and loving care of the family and many friends, who were ever ready with willing hand to attend to her every want.

May He who holds the power of life and death in His hands help those that are bereaved to be resigned to His will!

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SHERRARD—Miss S. MARCHMONT SHERRARD, of Ruston, La., died at the residence of Mr. J. D. Talley, Austin, Texas, May 3, 1899, and her remains were shipped to her home. She was a lovely girl, about twenty-three years old. She had been in Austin only three months, but in that short time she made a great many friends by her gentle, amiable manners and unassuming, charitable disposition. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and a Christian in the highest and best sense of the word—Christ-like. Those of us who were most intimately associated with her learned to love her dearly. She was sick nearly two weeks, and during that time she had the best attention possible. Mr. and Mrs. Talley did everything in their power for her, and many other friends assisted in every way possible. Our hearts bleed for her bereaved parents, sisters and loved ones, who did not even have the sad consolation to minister to her in her last hours; but they know that their darling is in heaven, and if they are faithful to God, as she was, they will see her again where there is no more sorrow and where death never comes.

GENEVA M. ELLIS.

Austin, Texas.

CALHOUN—Died at the family home, near Jonesville, La., on Sunday, May 14, 1899, at twenty-four minutes past six o'clock P. M., Mrs. MARY J. CALHOUN, wife of Dr. D. P. Calhoun.

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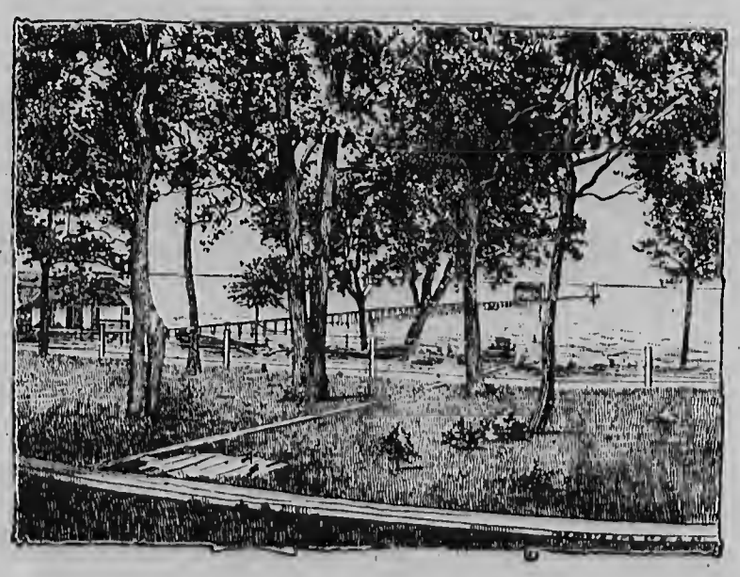

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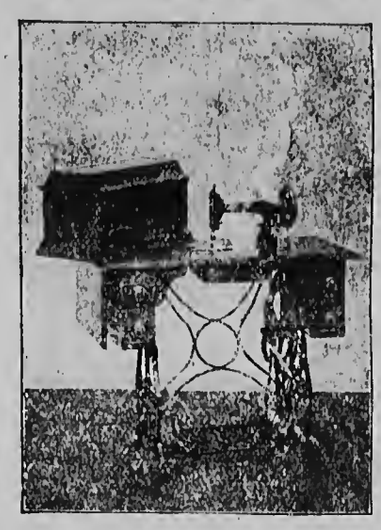

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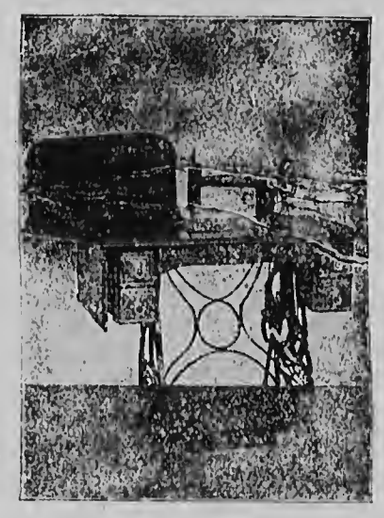

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A tornado at Salix, Ia., killed three persons and wounded several others.

The exodus of Uitlanders from Johannisburg has begun, and business is at a standstill.

Henry Walters, of Baltimore, has given $15,000 to that city to provide two public bath-houses.

It is not believed that German opposition to the arbitration scheme of the Peace Conference will be so serious as to defeat it.

Rev. Dr. Wm. McF. Alexander, the new pastor of the Prytania Street Presbyterian Church, this city, preached his first sermon Sunday morning.

The American troops have completely occupied the province of Cavite, having driven the Filipinos out after the hardest work the Americans have had. The important towns of Parnaque and Las Pinas were seized.

An organized effort has been inaugurated in Washington to have the Republican party take a stand in the next presidential campaign against the civil service law as at present framed and administered.

After a quiet Sunday, on which no attempt was made to run cars, the struggle between the Cleveland Electric Railroad Company (Big Consolidated) and its striking employees was resumed in lively fashion on Monday.

The United States cruiser "Olympia," with Admiral Dewey on board, arrived at Singapore, on June 11, from Hong Kong. Admiral Dewey's health continues to improve. The "Olympia" will probably leave Singapore, June 16.

Immigration this year is extraordinarily large. Already, from July 1, 1898, to May 23, 1899, 207,036 emigrants have passed through the channels of the immigration bureau. The arrivals for the preceding year were 178,748, for the year preceding that 180,556.

An ordinance containing the provisions necessary to put into effect the tax for sewerage and drainage, and the issue of bonds, was drawn up on Saturday, and will be discussed at a conference before being submitted to the Council.

Admiral Sobley has been flooded with requests from conductors of magazines for articles giving his experiences in the war. He has made up his mind not to write a line for publiontion, his idea being that officers who assist in making history should not write any of it.

The American Line steamer "Paris," which ran on the rocks off the Manacles, May 21, is now known to be doomed. A southeast wind is blowing, bringing in heavy seas, which are driving the steamer astern landwards. Her boilers have shifted, her false bottoms are gone, and the divers are unable to work.

The municipality of Havana has presented to General Maximo Gomez a certificate naming him as an adopted son of the city. In a short letter, which appeared, he thanks the governors for the honor conferred, and says that nothing could touch him more than this illustration of the friendship of the people of Cuba, who can always depend upon his loyalty.

In view of the possibility that the residence at Beauvoir may pass out of the hands of the family, Mrs. Jefferson Davis has been packing the movable effects for transportation, and all that is of historic interest connected with the life of President Jefferson Davis has been placed in Confederate Memorial Hall, in this city, under the care of the associated Confederate veteran bodies.

There is now every indication that the predictions that the Peace Conference now sitting at The Hague will adjourn without having accomplished anything important will be verified. Although there was at the onset a great show of harmony and desire to agree upon abstract propositions, the threshing out of the details has developed that there exists but little harmony on any one point.

The very active campaign which is being waged against trusts and combinations all over the country is beginning to produce satisfactory results. It is true that the great trusts have not been destroyed, nor even materially crippled; but it is equally true that their stocks and securities have depreciated in value, and the smaller combinations have met with serious difficulties in their financial transactions.

The War Department has disposed of the question of the artillery captured at Porto Rico and Cuba by turning the whole matter over to the governors of the States. The law under which these guns can be distributed provides that they may go only to the soldiers' monument associations, Grand Army posts and municipal corporations. One gun will be allotted to each State, and the governor is asked to decide what disposition shall be made of the gun for his State.

The failure of the conference between President Kruger, of the South African republic, known as the Transvaal, and Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner, held a few days ago at Bloemfontein, capital of the Orange Free State, has created a very grave feeling in Europe. Utterances in the British Parliament and expressions by the English press indicate that the British Government will now send an ultimatum to President Kruger, and, should that fail to bring about an improvement in the situation, force will be resorted to. According to the advices received, President Kruger was firm in his refusal to allow any of the more important concessions demanded by the British High Commissioner.

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MARRIAGES.

ROBERTSON—GEORGE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. N. George, June 7, 1899, by Rev. F. N. Sweeney, Mr. F. P. Robertson, of Independence, La., to Miss Eva George, of Mt. Pelia, La.

McGOWAN—CHAMPENOIS.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Hattiesburg, Miss., Dec. 14, 1898, by Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, William R. McGowan, of Sanford, to Frances Rachel Champenois, of Ellisville.

HOLT—HOWELL.—At the residence of Mrs. Daughdrill, Laurel, Miss., Wednesday, April 5, 1899, by Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, J. Edgar Holt to Frances Ella Howell, all of Laurel, Miss.

MORRISON—DUBOSE.—At the residence of the bride's mother, on May 19, 1899, by Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, Mr. Roy Morrison, of Heidelberg, to Miss Coral DuBose, of Ellisville.

WEBB—ANDERSON.—In the home of the bride, in the little town of Maryland, Miss., on May 17, 1899, by Rev. J. H. Bass, Mr. Jas. H. Webb and Miss Lena O. Anderson.

STUART—MAY.—At McComb City, June 6, 1899, by Rev. Isaac L. Peebles, Mr. Howard Stuart, of Canton, Miss., to Miss Altia May, of McComb City, Miss.

HUGHES—KELLY.—At the residence of Mrs. B. J. Kelly, mother to the bride, Sunday, May 28, 1899, at 4 P. M., by Rev. R. A. Sibley, Sr., Miss Kate Kelly to W. H. Hughes, Esq., of Raleigh, Miss., all of Smith county, Miss.

SCARBOROUGH—BYRD.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Wool Market, Miss., May 21, by Rev. Geo. W. Huff, Mr. Preston Scarborough to Miss Sarah E. Byrd.

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Friar's Point	29, 30
Lyon	Aug. 5, 6
Bellevue	9
Coahoma	12, 13
Hollywood	19, 20
Dublin	23
McLeod's	26, 27
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Water Valley circuit, at Pleasant Ridge	Thurs. 13
Toccopola, at Midway	15, 16
Oxford station	16, 17
Tatum, at Ebenezer	22, 23
Minter City	29, 30
Pittsboro, at Big Creek	Aug. 5, 6
Kilzey, at Oak Springs	Tues. 8
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Wall Hill	29, 30
Cockrum	Aug. 5, 6
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Jonesboro circuit	Aug. 5, 6
Ripley circuit	12, 13
New Albany circuit	11
Marietta circuit	19, 20
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Starkville station	29, 30
Cedar Bluff station	Aug. 5, 6
Starkville circuit	12, 13
Sturges	19, 20
Columbus circuit	26, 27
Columbus station	Sept. 2, 3
Lagrange	9, 10
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Flat Lick, at Evergreen	15, 16
Farmerville, at Marion	22, 23
Gibsland, at Athens	29, 30
Downsville, at Willhite	Aug. 5, 6
Lanesville, at Andrew Chapel	19
Minden station	12, 13
Haynesville	15, 16
Homer, at Homer	17
Arcadia, at Arcadia	19, 20
Gansville	26, 27
Valley, at Blocker	Sept. 2, 3
Bienville	9, 10

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Bonita, at Bartholomew	24, 25
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Harrisonburg, at Sicily Island	15, 16
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Mansfield	18
Red River, at Campobello	21
Pelican, at Mt Pleasant	24, 25
Coushatta, at Coushatta	28
District Conference, at Coushatta	29-July 2
Opening	9 A. M., June 29
Conference sermon by Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard	11 A. M., 29
Missionary Institute, led by Rev. J. O. Bennett	8 P. M., 29
Sunday-school and Epworth League, led by Revs. W. G. Evans and P. O. Lowrey	3 P. M., 30
Twentieth Century Educational Fund, led by Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D.	3 P. M., July 1
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BRO. MELLEN'S ATTACK.

It is a fact that some men, when they undertake to reply to an argument, attack the author of the argument rather than the argument itself; but that a Christian minister should do it amazes me. Bro. Mellen alludes to my article on "Farming Out Our Colleges," but does not offer a single argument in favor of the old policy there condemned, nor anything against the growing idea of concentration which I plead for, but, instead, he rails at "over-zealous brethren," and speaks of "the repeated assaults, direct and indirect, on East Mississippi Female College," and gives expression to this piece of bitter unkindness: "How hard it is for human nature to forgive another who has succeeded where one's own self had failed." This means that I have criticised the management of East Mississippi Female College because I am envious of President Beeson because he has succeeded where I failed. No Christian man that I know of ever before charged me with such demoniac meanness. I never saw an hour in all my life when I felt anything akin to that with which my Bro. Mellen charges me, and never in my life—before I professed religion or since—have I felt that I could make the charge against any man. How can Bro. Mellen do it? Bro. Mellen professes the second blessing, and I do not. Maybe that is why I can not understand how it is that he can do it. "Judge not," said our Lord. "Love thinketh no evil," said Paul. Does the second blessing warrant one in thus setting aside the moral code of the New Testament? I do not understand it; I wait an explanation.

Bro. Mellen hints that I failed in college work. I never heard that before. I gave ten years of my life to college work, and I look upon them as the most successful years of my life. Many of my brethren have thus spoken of them; never before have I heard that anybody considered them otherwise. Is Bro. Mellen right and the rest of us altogether wrong? Was my work at Kavanaugh and Edward McGehee a failure? That is news to me, and somehow I can not believe it.

I am not hasty in concluding that Bro. Mellen's unkind words are intended for me. He says: "Recent publications are . . . making some people think how hard it is," etc. Now, no "recent publications" on the subject have appeared save what Miss Addie V. Marshall and I have written. President Chambers has written nothing recently, nor has he inspired or suggested anything that I have written, and Miss Addie has never tried to run a college, and could not be said to have failed; so it must be I whom he attacks.

In December, 1897, there appeared in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE an article from my pen on, "We Must Have an Endowed College for Our Girls." In this article, as in my last, I pleaded for a better policy of female education, showing how the present unwise and unrighteous policy resulted in sham education. Nobody ever dared to controvert my statements. College presidents and others familiar with that line of work declared that all I said was true. I personated no college, but gathered instances from Whitworth, Edward McGehee and East Mississippi Female Colleges. My article was declared to be "an attack upon East Mississippi. Neither Bro. Chambers, nor Miss Swanson, nor Miss Park found ground for complaint. If it was an attack on East Mississippi, it was solely because she was the most vulnerable. "Let the galled jade wince," said Shakespeare. "The hit dog always hollers," says Sam Jones. These homely aphorisms touch the case. I simply stated facts which nobody disputed, but the cry is raised, "You have attacked East Mississippi Female College." I did not say so; I drew the picture, and special champions of East Mississippi labelled it.

Then I discovered later that there were certain very objectionable features in the management of that college, and I asked an investigation by the Conference Board of Education. The investigation was had, and I discovered that the impression was being made by somebody that I had personal grievances that impelled me to the demand. Nothing was farther from the truth. A member of the Board of Education came to me after the investigation and wanted to know if the affair between President Beeson and myself could not be adjusted. I replied that there was no affair between us; I had no grievance whatever; I was simply calling the attention of the church to things that ought to be reformed. It is true that President Beeson had refused to permit me to hold service once per week for the girls in the college, but I did not think the refusal was because of any personal objections to me other than the fact that I did not accept his second-blessing theory; and I had observed that no one save an out spoken second-blessing advocate was allowed the privilege that was denied to me. I had observed also that he permitted no one save positive second-blessing teachers to, even for one Sunday, teach his boarding pupils in the Sunday-school; and that, save in the revival I held early in 1897, his boarders attended no revival services save those held by second-blessing evangelists; hence I did not take his refusal, although it seemed so curt, as an affront to me, but rather to the church which I represented. I presumed that he was afraid I might neutralize the second-blessing teachings of others. I could imagine no other reason for refusing me. The article of December, '97, had not then been written, and the only contention I had ever had with him was a kind protest made, I think, in May, '97, against his permitting the second blessing taught and stressed in the college. While I deprecated his policy most earnestly and honestly, yet I respected his opinions, and did not question his motives, and I took no act or word of his as a personal affront to me. I did not find anything personal in it, nor do I yet, although my motives have been cruelly impugned and I have been grossly misrepresented.

Bro. Mellen speaks of "repeated assaults, direct and indirect, on East Mississippi Female College." He thus characterizes my protests and demands for reform. I found, as I thought, more effort to get proselytes to the second-blessing theory than to make loyal Methodists of the girls. I saw girls almost forced by the peculiar magnetic methods of persuasion and cross-questioning used by certain evangelists to accept the second blessing. I saw them marched past the Methodist Church, time and again, to second-blessing services down in a mission hall on a lower street, and that, too, when services were being held in the church. I saw these things, and I protested, and my protest is called an "assault," and I am told that it is because I envy President Beeson in his success. I saw a series of commencement exercises in this Methodist (?) college, that has been advertised as "the most religious," in which whole series, even including the graduation of a class, not one word of prayer was offered. No occasion was either opened or closed with prayer or benediction. I saw this, and I protested, and my protest is called an "assault."

I found the catalogue claiming for the college a high grade, where almost all of the higher studies were marked "elective," and were not elected; and I saw girls presented for graduation who had not completed algebra. I saw all this, and I protested, and my protest is set down as an "assault," and I am charged with the meanest envy that ever burned in human heart.

I found no Epworth League in the college, and the missionary society, which had stood so long and had done such excellent work, was disbanded by the president; and I, believing that these should be in every Methodist college, protested; and I protested again that so few of the teachers in the college were Methodists, but all my protests are classed as "assaults."

If I have had any motive other than a desire to remedy evils, I have not been conscious of it. I stand ready to show cause for every criticism passed, and prove ground for every protest. Neither the Board of Education, nor any other disinterested party, has ever denied the justness of my criticisms, nor the reality of the grounds of my protests. All the answer I hear is an attack on me, charging me with "repeated assaults on East Mississippi Female College" and envy of President Beeson, etc. Does my Bro. Mellen mean what he says? Surely he does not. He has not weighed his words; he is too good a man. I can not believe that he means it, but he said it. Ah, me!

The force of my criticism has been weakened in some quarters by making it appear that I had personal dislikes, grudges, or grievances—all of which allegations are utterly false. Now, I have, in obedience to a high sense of duty, begun an agitation looking to the abandonment of the unrighteous old system of farming out our colleges for girls, and the endowment of our largest, best-located college, and the centralizing of our educational efforts thereon, and I shall not be diverted from my purpose and my work by any impugning of my motives that any fertile imagination can hatch. No sort of mud throwing will drive me from this field.

I have outlined no policy that means anything akin to "a la Randolph-Macon and the Virginia schools;" nor have I suggested who its president should be. I am "grinding no axes," either for myself or any other man, but I am pleading for better education for our girls, better work for workers, and more sensible economy for our Conference as the patron of higher education. Why can not Bro. Mellen leave all personalities and address himself to this argument? Why must Christian men imagine that every brother who advocates some policy contrary to their way of thinking must have some low, mean motive behind his advocacy? In the name of our blessed religion, why?

Why should we continue any longer the ruinous farming-out policy? If Bro. Mellen has any arguments to offer in favor of this system condemned by our best educators and outlawed by the General Conference, let him present them. We wait to hear them. Temporary seeming success of an individual college thus farmed out is no argument. "All is not gold that glitters." It may be that "things are not as they seem," and nothing in the system secures anything akin to permanency.

Bro. Mellen speaks of East Mississippi Female College as "the most successful and liberally patronized school for girls in our Conference," and he half sneers at Whitworth as having "less patronage and a smaller faculty." What evidence has Bro. Mellen that East Mississippi Female College has a larger patronage than Whitworth? In her catalogue of last year she records the names of 327 pupils. Asterisks mark 51 of these as specials. Some of these were members of the faculty; a large number of these were primaries and kindergartners. Just how many we have no way of knowing. Many of these primaries and kindergartners were little boys. Whitworth has no kindergarten department, and but very few primaries and "preps." She stresses college work; she deals but little in specials; she had 145 regular "collegiates." East Mississippi may have had as many, but Bro. Mellen has certainly no evidence of it from the catalogue. As to the faculties of the two colleges: East Mississippi had in her literary college work just 5 teachers; Whitworth, 5. The local patronage of a city like Meridian will give a somewhat larger patronage in music than a town like Brookhaven, but instrumental music does not count a great deal in character building—the principal work for a Methodist College. East Mississippi's excess of faculty is reached in her teachers and cheap assistants in kindergarten, primary, and special work, and in a larger music class. Thus we see that there is practically nothing in the boast for East Mississippi of a larger faculty and patronage. "Things are not as they seem." Quantity does not mean so much as quality, anyway. I know of an institution that boasts of a larger faculty and student body than either, whose graduates could not enter the sophomore class of either. It is a fact, however, that a graduate of East Mississippi of the class of '97 is to graduate from Whitworth next Wednesday, and she has had to work hard all of the year to do it. This needs no comment. This fine young woman with an East Mississippi diploma found that she needed a Whitworth diploma.

Again I insist that I am pleading for a cause that ought to address itself to every thoughtful mind as most sensible and righteous. The old "farming-out" policy is ruinous and unholy; let us quit it. If it means centralizing our work—and it does—what of it? Let it be done. If East Mississippi can make a better showing in the way of property buildings, apparatus, location, organization and clientele than Whitworth, let her do it, and I will vote for her.

Brethren, quit throwing mud, quit quarreling, and show up. Show up, not in windy resolutions passed by Boards of Trustees, nor in newspaper puffs, but in real estate and buildings and graduates, thoroughly trained, and such facts as mean something in this contest. I love Edward McGehee College as if she were my own child, but my love for any one college shall not warp my judgment. I know we have too many, and need a better than any we have, and I shall contend for a wiser, more righteous policy, whatever may happen to Edward McGehee, Whitworth, East Mississippi, or Port Gibson.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON.

GRENADA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

The closing exercises of our college began on Sunday, the eighth. Revs. R. A. Meek and N. G. Augustus preached the sermons. Large and appreciative congregations, morning and evening, greeted these learned and eloquent divines.

The sermon in the morning, by Bro. Augustus, was founded on Phil. viii, 11, and was a masterly presentation of the exalted character and work of Christ. The influence of Jesus on the intellect and heart of man was held up to the audience in its many phases till it was clearly seen to be the mightiest force in the universe of God for the uplifting and final restoration of the human race. Truly, in the equation of the moral and intellectual world Jesus Christ is not an unknown quantity. The creations of the splendid geniuses of the world, as seen in the course of its literature, signally failed to create a character that for a moment we would compare with the matchless character of the Man of Galilee. Homer and Virgil, the first and best of the world's poets, the creations of whose splendid genius and imagination have enriched the classic page, these but describe heroes of war and blood, not the world's true hero. He is not a possible conception, and, therefore, not a creation of the greatest and best of men and ages past; nor was the character of the Christ the creation of the Hebrew people. The nation was, at the time of Christ's appearance, on the decline. Its ancient glory and splendor was waning, so the perfect character which the four rude and unlettered writers of the gospel describe is not the ideal of the past ages thrown on history's page to-day, as of some ancient myth, but it is, it must be, the divine-human—the Son of God, the Son of man—who touches the world and makes it thrill to its centre depths. Truly, it was a great sermon with a greater theme.

At 8 o'clock P. M. Bro. Meek discoursed to an appreciative audience on the choice of Moses (Heb. xi, 24-26). The sermon of this gifted and eloquent preacher was a gem of sacred oratory. From exordium to peroration the effort was sustained as, on "the electric foot of thought," the speaker trod the transporting heights where Moses stood and saw (by faith) the unseen world as a "panorama of unfallen things." The choice of Moses was a wise choice; the choice of faith is always so. The world's honors and riches, its ambitions and plans, were placed at their true value, and with Moses as the true exponent of their worth, for he is heir of all. The preacher, in eloquent speech, contrasted the shriveled honors of the world with the crowns of glory, the riches of earth with the estates of heaven, the heirship of earthly crown and scepter with the immortal dignity and grandeur of an heir, a child of God. The closing scene of Moses' life on "Nebo's lonely mount," God's hands to lay him in his grave, while adoring angels attended the funeral rites; the opening heavens, the deepening splendors of the eternal world, the welcome, the approving smile of God, and the congratulations of all the mighty host of heaven—these were dwelt upon as resultants of the choice of Moses, and the earnest appeal of the preacher to make such a choice now was full of pathos, and hearts were made to feel, "This is truly the only royal road to glory and to God."

These brethren made our commencement Sunday a red-letter day in Grenada. We are proud of our own boys. They can preach anywhere and to profit.

The evening with Mrs. Kate Payne's little folks was an enjoyable hour. No one understands and loves the little ones more than this good teacher. The grand concert and art levee were enjoyable to the last degree by lovers of the art.

Dr. J. C. Morris' address on "The Decay of Sentiment" was a splendid effort. The good doctor is at ease in the presence of college folk, and his speech will bear fruit. Strong in statement and argument, spiced here and there with humor, chaste and sparkling, and a little bit of withering satire thrown in, the address was very nearly a perfect thing of its kind. The doctor captured his audience, and will be welcome to come again. The closing words to the five young lady graduates were tenderly, lovingly spoken, and found receptive minds and responsive hearts.

President Malone delivered an address to the class of graduates in his own gentle, persuasive manner, and if his wise and gracious words are heeded, the young ladies will not pause in the study and work of life, but will go on to higher attainments.

Grenada College has done well under President Malone and his fine faculty, and we can but wish for him and them large measures of success in life.

Rev. R. M. McIntosh, the new president, made an enthusiastic speech at the close of the exercises, and his friends wish and expect for him a career of great success in his new and inviting field of work. Bro. Mack will do his best—mark that.

T. W. DYE.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

OF THE EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE AT MERIDIAN, MISS.

On the thirty-first of May the East Mississippi Female College closed the most prosperous and successful session in its existence of thirty years. The enrollment has grown under the present administration from 15 boarders and 125 students to over 300 students, 130 boarders, 178 music pupils, 122 Latin and Greek pupils, 28 officers and teachers. This enrollment is nearly double that of any of the Conference schools in the State, and treads closely on the heels of the heavily-endowed, free-tuitioned State institutions, while more than one third the total enrollment—including the Primary Department—study Latin and Greek. Twice have the buildings been enlarged to accommodate the increased patronage—once by the erection of a three-storied frame building, and later a three-storied brick, and yet, at the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, the president stated that nearly every room in the college had been taken for next session already, with applications still being made. Judging the future by the past, entertainment can hardly be had within the college walls for students applying for admission after the session opens. There will be no room. We have about reached the place in East Mississippi's history where the only way to get in is to apply three months before the session opens.

The meeting of the Board of Trustees, on Tuesday, was the largest, most harmonious for years—not a hitch, not a ripple. Reports from the secretary and treasurer showed a most gratifying state of affairs. Every financial difficulty has been satisfactorily arranged, all legal papers are in perfect order, with money in the treasury—something few colleges can report. Two resignations were tendered and accepted. The vacancies were filled by the unanimous election of Rev. J. M. Weems, D. D., and Judge Jno. R. Enoch, judge of the Eighth Judicial District of Mississippi.

The commencement sermon by Rev. M. L. Barton, superintendent of the Orphans' Home at Water Valley, was plain, practical, spiritual, and will be productive of much good.

The annual address, delivered by Prof. W. L. Weber, of Millsaps College, on Wednesday evening, was deep, logical, thought-provoking; one of the most forceful and appropriate it has ever been my pleasure to hear.

The commencement exercises were conducted in a style very different, in many respects, from the average girls' school, and, it is believed, on a much higher plane, more fruitful of lasting beneficial results. The theme round which all the exercises circled, and in which they centered, was, "The Women of the Bible." Each of the graduates, in her graduating essay, delineated the character of one of the prominent women of the Bible, while the same subject was interestingly interwoven in the calisthenics, drills and tableaux. Last year the theme was Rome; the year before, Greece. It is easy to see this plan is of great profit to the students and of special interest to the audiences. Another commendable feature was, the exercises lasted from one and a quarter to one and a half hours. There were thirteen graduates, the English, music, elocution, French and German departments being represented.

The music was of a superior order. The audience was treated to the skillful rendition of one of the most difficult pieces ever presented to a Meridian audience. This piece alone spoke the superiority of this conservatory. Two years ago Dr. Alfred A. Wright, of Boston, Mass., at the Crystal Springs Chautauqua, said of the head of this conservatory, Prof. Conrad, that he had traveled nearly all over the world, and heard most of the finest pianists, but had heard none superior to Prof. Conrad. He considered him a master of his art. The music at these exercises tend to confirm this criticism.

The moral and spiritual atmosphere has been most excellent. Scarcely a girl out of the 130 boarders went to her home unsaved. Last session there were less than half a dozen, but this year the number approximates zero.

This closes this memorable session. History has been made which will stand for all time. Its pages are open to inspection.

B. F. LEWIS.

Brandon, Miss., June 12, 1899.

HELP.

Never are kind acts done
To wipe the weeping eyes,
But like the flashes of the sun,
They signal to the skies;
And up above, the angels read
How we have helped the sorer need.

Never a day is given,
But it tones the after years,
And it carries up to heaven
Its sunshine or its tears;
While the to-morrows stand and wait
The silent mutes by the outer gate.
—British Weekly.

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM GERMANY.

MR. EDITOR: Some days ago I was in the city of Strasbnrg, and met there a gentleman whose history, I thonght, might interest the readers of the ADVOCATE, and prove inspiring to them, as it did to me.

At the breakfast table my attention was attracted by a gentleman with a note-book on Old Testament theology and a fonntain-pen in his hand. I thonght it probable that he spoke English, for the Germans, as a rnle, are strangers to a fonntain-pen. I spoke to him; we soon became friends, and, dnring my few days' stay, I obtained a peep into his life. He is Dr. T. Witton Davies, professor of theology in Wales, and is attending lectnres at the University of Strasbnrg. His parents, who were Welsh, never learned to write, and his father conld not read. His early schooling was very meagre, and, at elght years of age, he took employment in an iron works, where he remained till he was twenty-one years old, when he sought admission to Pontypool College, intending to enter the ministry. He failed to pass the entrance examination, bnt the committee, as he says, thonght, though he had no edncation, he showed promise, and allowed him to enter. Here he passed the matricnlation and first examination for the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the London Universlty, after which he took a short conrse at Regent's Park College, where he passed his final examination for this degree. He became a pastor, and, after serving for nearly two years, he was called to a professorship of the classical langnages. While holding this positlon, he continned the stndy of theology, chiefly in the branch of Semitic langnages, and at the end of eleven years was made principal of the Midland Baptist College and professor of theology—one might say facnlty of theology, for he constitnted in himself the entire facnlty, teaching dogmatics, chnrch history, and the langnages and exegesis of both the Old and New Testaments.

In 1892 he heard lectnres at the University of Berlin, and several years later went to Leipsic. While there he met an American Baptist preacher, who, with characteristic American enterprise, advised him to work for a doctor's degree. He had not dreamed of such a thing, bnt, nrged by his friend, he set to work, and in one semester, of fonr or five months, had prepared a thesis, which was accepted by the facnlty, and he came np for examination and passed. His thesis has since been published in book-form under the title of "Magic, Divination, and Demonology among the Hebrews and Related Peoples," and is a scholarly production, showing thorongh research, especially in the department of Semitic philology. When it is recalled that this book was prepared within a few months' time, and that the anthor was attending a heavy conrse of lectures, it will be seen that it represents extraordinary exertion.

Dr. Davies' position as a biblical scholar may be gathered from the fact that he is a contribntor to several theological magazines, and is writing for both of the new Bible dictionaries which are now being prepared nnder the editorship of Drs. Hastings and Cheyne, respectively. He has resigned his position in Midland College to accept a call to the professorship of Old Testament literatnre in Bangor Baptist College, while at the same time he will be lectnrer of Semitic langnages at the Bangor Universlty College. To start at twenty-one years of age without edncation or favorable circnmstances, and in twenty-seven years make the record he has made, is, beyond doubt, exceptional. What may be the secret of such snccess? His own words are, "What has been done is entirely dne to regular, systematic, and diligent toil." His rnle is to rise at six, and work diligently till one. After eating he rests the entire afternoon, and begins work at six or seven, and works till eleven. He says the constant application of this rnle has enabled him to do what he has done, and he has never made it a custom to remain at his work late into the night. He takes great pleasnre in attribnting mnch of his sncccss to his wife, who attends to his correspondence, and corrects and copies his manuscripts.

The Christian ministry, perhaps more than other professions, is composed of many who have started in the race handicapped. Every-day logic would argne, "Yon have no chance; therefore, yon mnst remain behind." The record I have jnst narrated declares snch reasoning as vicions as it is common. It is not a "chance" that is needed, bnt the determination and self-sacrifice to win in spite of the absence of what the slothinl call a chance. Saint Panl wrote to a yonng minister to "endnre hardness as a good soldier of Jesns Christ," or as the marginal reading of the Revised Version has it, "Take thy part in snffering, hardship, as," etc. Were the same apostle writing to yonng ministers to-day, when their danger comes, not from a persecnting Cæsar seeking their lives, bnt from ease and agreeable snrronndings, I fancy he would say, "Take thy part in endnring systematic, patient toil for thy Master."

It is not nncommon for preachers to complain of their lot, thinking that the anthorities have not advanced them to the positions they deserve. If it is the prominent position in and of itself they are pining for, the ministry of Christ is not the place for them. Snch self-seeking finds no warrant either in the teachings or example of Him who came "to minister and to give his life a ransom for many." If it is a larger field of nsefnlness that we seek, let ns heed the words of Bishop Fowler, of the M. E. Chnrch, to a body of yonng preachers, "Make your own appointments." Does anyone imagine he meant this to be done by dickering with Official Boards and presiding elders? Far from it. He snggested a plan for daily stndy and pnlpit preparation, which, for rigor, I have not seen snrpassed. His idea was, that by constant application the preacher shonld become so efficient that he wonld be in demand, and thns "make his own appointments." "There is always room at the top," bnt the way to the top is the way of self-denial and nntiring indnstry. "The fault, dear Brntns, is not in our stars, bnt in onrselves, that we are nnderlings."

HENRY BEACH CARRE.

Marburg on-the-Lahn, Germany, May 29, 1899.

A STUDENT MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.

BY DR. W. R. LAMBUTH.

A nnmber of onr choicest yonng men have pnt themselves at the service of the Board of Missions for a Snmmer campaign. Their object is to enlist the Epworth Leagnes in prayer for missions, in the study of missions, and in systematic giving to the cause of missions. Without remnneration these stndents will visit fifteen Leagnes, or give their services for from fonr to eight weeks to this work.

The campaigners have been carefnlly selected in every case. Each goes ont under the personal endorsement of the president of the college he may represent, besides the approval of an Executive Committee which plans and directs the movement; nor does he visit any charge for work without the invitation of presiding elder or preacher. A Training Conference, in which the campaigner was thoronghly drilled for his work, has been held at each of the following institntions: Vanderbilt University, Central College, Hendrix College, Sonthwestern Universlty, Yonng Harris College, Emory, Wofford, Trinity, Randolph-Macon, and Emory and Henry.

A snmmary of resnlts accomplished last year in 90 days by 160 campaigners, in the United States, engaged in the most landable effort of awakening an intelligent missionary interest among the yonng people, will easily demonstrate the effectiveness of such an effort when well organized. One thonsand yonng peoples' societies were visited, and one hnndred thonsand persons addressed. Only 44 Missionary Committees were fonnd in the Leagues, bnt 600 were organized. In the 1,000 societies they fonnd bnt 10 missionary libraries. By the close of the campaign 650 were sold, making a total of 10,400 volnmes of fresh missionary literatnre. Three hnndred stndy classes were formed where only eight existed previously.

"Over 15,000 people were pledged to systematic giving to foreign missions, while pastors and people in twenty different States were most hearty in their endorsement of the campaign, and from all qnarters came reports of qnickened spiritnal life."

The stndents from onr Sonthern Methodist colleges who campaigned last year nnder the immediate direction of Rev. P. L. Cobb rendered admirable service to the cause by their tact and devotion, won the approbation of onr pastors in every case, and met all their expenses, both of ontfit and travel, with an ontlay of but $1.50 to each Leagne, inviting them to a visit. The secretaries of the Board of Missions are so favorably impressed with the work of last year that they cordially commend the movement to onr pastors, and bespeak for those stndents who are dnly authorized to act as campaigners their hearty co-operation.

Dr. H. M. DnBose gives his endorsement in the following words:

"The missionary campaign of the Stndent Volnnteer Movement has my unqnalified official and personal endorsement. I consider the Stndents' Movement to have marked the beginning of a distinct era of advance in Christian missions. The campaign dnring this and coming years shall have my earnest sympathy and co-operation. Very faithfnlly,

"H. M. DUBOSE,

"Gen'l Sec'y Epworth League and Editor Epworth Era."

All communications in regard to the movement shonld be addressed to the secretary of the Executive Committee, Rev. P. L. Cobb, 346 Pnblic Square, Nashville, Tenn.

A BOX FOR JAPAN AND CHINA.

To Those Having Friends in Japan:

Frequently there are those who desire to send packages, books, etc., to friends in onr mission fields, bnt because of the distance and the difficnlty attending the shipment of a small parcel, they can not do so. To all snch we wonld state that some of onr missionaries will retnrn to Japan abont the end of Augnst, and they have offered to take all parcels that are sent in for onr missionaries in Japan as well as China. A box will be made np in onr office in Nashville, and it will go along with the freight of the party.

Let those who desire to join in this box observe the following:

1. All parcels to be in Nashville by Angnst 15.

2. All freight and express charges to be prepaid to Nashville.

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W. R. LAMBUTH.

No. 346 Public Sqnare, Nashville, Tenn., June 9, 1899.

NOTES FROM GREENVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Conference met in Hollandale, Miss., Jnne 1, 1899, and was in session two days. No one of the nineteen pastors of the district was absent, except on account of sickness. Fonr of onr brethren, however, had the misfortnne to be ill. All are better now.

The Conference was honored by the presence of two visitors: Rev. G. W. Bachman, Conference Snnday-school agent, and Rev. M. L. Bnrton, manager of the Mississippi Orphans' Home.

The most spirited debate of the session was on the qnestion, "Is it ever proper to employ irreligious persons in official positions in the Snnday-school?" The majority of the Conference seemed to be on the negative side, on the gronnd that "the carnal mind is enmity against God," and can not bnt lead away from God. What say onr theologians? Is it better to teach "the letter" than not to teach at all?

The Conference affirmed its abiding loyalty to Grenada College, and expressed satisfaction at the election of Rev. W. M. McIntosh as president.

B. Campbell Trigg and J. W. McGee were recommended to the Annnal Conference for admission on trial into the traveling connection. Bro. Trigg was licensed to preach at this Conference, and Bro. McGee was recommended for deacon's orders. They both desire to attend school, if possible.

The Conference association was pleasant indeed. The preachers are nearly all yonng men—"boys" they call each other—and the older ones are yonng in heart. For years this district has been snpplied with the yonnger men of the Conference, and they have labored in the face of nntold difficnlties, temptations, and criticisms; yet the nniversal verdict, so far as this writer is aware, has been, "Nothing against him." Manhood's best mettle is demanded for this work; the edge will soon tnrn on anything else.

Reports from the work were encouraging. Several good revivals have been recorded, and many are expected ere this month shall close. May the Spirit of God abide with his servants!

Financial reports are below the average. The cotton crop was not harvested till in April, and at least half of it was rnined. This means a short income for all in the Mississippi Delta. None will bear it more patiently than the Methodist preachers. J. R. COUNTISS, Sec.

Communications.

IN MEMORIAM.

REV. BENJAMIN F. PHILLIPS.

B. F. Phillips, son of D. P. and J. E. Phillips, was born in Hardin connty, Tenn., Oct. 17, 1839. His father moved to Grenada, Miss., the year after B. F. Phillips was born, and here he was brought np to manhood, and ever lived in Mississippi, except one year he spent in Texas. On Dec. 20, 1859, he was married to Miss Mattie B. Scott, of Yalabnsha connty, Miss. He received his edncation in the high school of Grenada; converted when he was sixteen years old, and shortly felt a call to preach; bnt this call he resisted until, on Oct. 5, 1871, he was brought to yield, and in Sardis he was licensed by Rev. Amos Kendall, who was then his presiding elder. He was a local preacher until admitted on trial into the North Mississippi Conference at Aberdeen, November, 1874. He was received into the Conference in fnll connection at Sardis, November, 1876, and ordained deacon at the same Conference by Bishop Geo. F. Pierce; ordained elder at Macon, December, 1878, by Bishop Robt. Paine. After this Bro. Phillips spent a long life in the traveling ministry, always ready for the conflicts and privations incident npon an itinerant minister's life; so he was ever ready to go wherever sent by the appointing power, and dnring his ministerial career filled the following appointments, all in the North Mississippi Conference: 1875, Cassady circnit; 1876, Charleston circnit; 1877-78, Wesley Chapel, Water Valley; 1879-80, he was retnrned to Charleston circnit; 1881-82, Oxford circnit; 1883-85, Hebron circnit; 1886-89, Colnmbns circnit; 1890-91, Black Hawk circnit; 1892-93, Booneville and Baldwin; 1894, Tnnica; 1895-96, Shnqnalak circnit; 1897-99, Shannon. On all these works Bro. Phillips was popnlar as a man and minister, and on most of them had fine sncccss in bnilding np the chnrch and in bringing sinners to Christ. He, being a revivalist, had many very fine revivals, and added many to the chnrch. He was a good preacher, plain, pointed, and forcible, and, above all, religious, spiritnal, and persuasive. While he was strong in doctrines, he was pathetic in the presentation of Bible trnths. Being of a cheerfnl natnre, he made all feel pleasant abont him, and thns he was very popnlar with the yonng people, and drew them to him by his tender disposition. No yonng person was afraid of "Uncle Phillips;" they loved him. Thongh with an overflowing, cheerfnl disposition, his piety was deep, his conversion trne, and his social relations appreciated by old and young. Bnt the warfare is over, and we shall see and hear him no more as he marches forward in the great battle of temperance, integrity and virtne against all sin. Having fonght his last battle, on May 17, 1899, at Ocean Springs, where he had gone in qnest of health, he laid his armor by, the victory to enjoy. Consoling his loved ones, and sending messages to his brethren of the North Mississippi Conference, he bid the world adieu, shonting, "Victory! victory!" and now wears the crown. He was bnried in Shannon from the Methodist Church in which he had so often sonnded the gospel trnmp. After fnneral services by brethren of his Conference his remains were interred by the Masonic brotherhood, where he "sleeps, bnt not forever. There will be a glorions morn."

K. A. JONES.

Okolona, Miss., Jnne 7, 1899.

"FAITH HEALING."

(The following was written by the late Rev. J. M. Pngh jnst before his fatal illness. It is the last prodnction of his pen.—EDITOR.)

MR. EDITOR: In the issne of the ADVOCATE, of May 18, onr esteemed brother, Rev. D. G. W. Ellis, has an article with the caption, "Faith Healing." I offer some objections to the views expressed.

If his premises are correct, the logical conclusion is, that there is no efficacy in prayer, and this proves too mnch. If we are not to pray for the recovery of the sick, there is no reason why we shonld pray for the continnance of health to the well. Christ says, "What things soever ye desire, when yon pray believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Christ further says, "Ask anything in my name; I will do it."

Bro. Ellis quotes what persons say: "We pray God's blessing npon the means nsed for the cnre of the disease."

Now, this is a very improper prayer. If physicians were infallible, their diagnoses of the cases wonld always be right, and then knowledge wonld enable them to apply the correct remedy; bnt for want of wisdom and of the true knowledge of the natnre of the disease, the means selected might be of deadly and not of curative natnre. This wonld reqnire God to work a miracle when the same resnlt can be brought about in the ordinary way in the application of natnral laws. We ought not to expect God to snspend his laws (I will not say violate his laws, for this he can not do) for onr accommodation when natnral laws properly applied wonld prodnce the desired resnlt. But what shall we do? The prayer shonld be that God wonld direct in the nse of snch means and the pnrsnance of snch a conrse as wonld resnlt in the recovery of the sick. Otherwise God wonld have to change the natnral chemical action of the medicine npon the system, which would be a miracle.

In my pastorate in Texas I visited a brother who was critically ill. I prayed for the nse of snch means as would be efficacious in the case. The doctor changed his prescription. The next day the patient was better, and finally recovered.

Another illustration: My wife was extremely ill; prayer was made; the attending physician advised me to send for Dr. M. in consultation. The thonght forcibly impressed itself npon my mind as if spoken, "Don't send for Dr. M.; send for Dr. E." Now, Dr. M. was in town, and Dr. E. seven miles away. Without hesitating, I sent for Dr. E. He made my wife two visits, and dismissed the case as cured. The fact is, he treated the case with the proper remedy.

Donbtless many snch instances might be given. Onr prayer shonld be not to bless the means being used, bnt that infinite wisdom wonld direct in the nse of the proper remedy. "If any lack instrnction, let him ask of God," etc. J. M. PUGH.

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We are grateful for the realization of this long-coveted privilege, and nnder obligation to Mrs. R. R. Parker, First Chnrch, Jackson, for resnrrecting the welcome addresses delivered by Bessie Carnes in behalf of Jackson Jewels, and Ava Fergnson in behalf of Capitol Street Workers, at onr annnal meeting of the W. F. M. S., Mississippi Conference, 1897.

There were nine banners in the colors of the Rainbow, with one of the frnits of the "Spirit" (love, joy, peace, long-snffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance) painted on each. Fonr were bonrne by the Capitol Street Workers and five by Jackson Jewels, who marched in from opposite doors, and there united ranks down the middle aisle, and the leaders, Bessie Carnes and Ava Fergnson, walked upon the pulpit stand and, with clasped hands, recited the following speeches, while their respective anxiliaries occupied the front seats on each side.

Jackson Jewels' welcome to the W. F. M. S., recited by Bessie Carnes:

I proudly represent a band
Of "Jackson's Jewels" rare,
And bring yon love and greetings from
My comrades bright and fair.
Mission work is dear to us,
And we most truly pray
That every home we help to build
Will spread the gospel ray,
Until our Savior's blessed light
Shall span the world around,
And "Jewels" from all heathen lands
Will sparkle in his crown

Capitol Street Workers' welcome, recited by Ava Fergnson:

With loving words of welcome, too,
We bring you words of cheer
This band of workers here proclaim
Reinforcements now are here.

'Tis well for you, oh, mothers dear,
And yonr loved ones in Christ a hold,
That you have shown a tender care
For his lambs in heathen fold.

His promise is alike to all
Of every land or sea,
"As ye have done it unto them,
Ye have done it unto me."

Do you think you rightly prize
This privilege untold
Of leading home the Savior's lambs
To his own sheltering fold?

"Feed my lambs, feed my sheep,"
His latest message given.
And will he count you guiltless, friends,
Should they lose their way to heaven?

Toil on, pray on (in faith and love),
Through the Holy Spirit's sway,
The seed you sow in youthful hearts
Will bear rich fruit some day.

And souls from China and Japan,
And other lands, will come
To know and love our Savior King,
And shout his "harvest home!"

We trust this beautiful picture will be imaged npon each heart so indelibly that all lingering prejudices will be obliterated, and the worth of both of these grand organizations will be fully appreciated, so that neither will be neglected. These societies do not need us more than we need them. The two need not conflict. Those who carry both are strong workers, because they are broad enough to see the whole field.

One person who heard these recitations said that night that the sight of the twin interest (Home and Foreign Missionary) was more impressively and simply expressed and explained to her than ever before, and she wonld go home with the two duties with "clasped hands" in her heart. Another said, "Sister, you have solved the vexed problem through your children, and taught us women a lesson that I shall not soon forget." MRS. E. D JONES.

The Christian Life.

No one can tell the far-reaching influence of a popular hymn filled with the love of God. It is illustrated in some measure by Miss Charlotte Elliott's hymn, "Just as I am." A correspondent of The British Weekly mentions an incident showing its great and widespread nsefulness: "When Miss Elliott died there were found in a drawer more than a thousand letters she had received, thanking her for light and blessing received by the writers from this hymn. They had doubtless been to her a cause of joy and praise to God, bnt her diffident and retiring nature restrained her from any bnt the most general reference to what she had written."—Selected.

Make time for serious thoughts. Let no day pass without some memory of solemn things. Each morning as you rise remind yourselves that "God spake these words and said." Each evening as you lie down to rest let God's angels close the door of your heart on thoughts of purity and peace. The soul that has never lived face to face with eternity is a vulgar soul. The life that has never learned the high law of holiness is a ruined and a wasted life.—F. W. Farrar.

We are like vessels tossed on the bosom of the deep; our passions are the winds that sweep us impetuously forward; each pleasure is a rock; the whole life is a wide ocean. Reason is the pilot to guide us, bnt often allows itself to be led astray by the storms of pride.—Matastasio.

If we can not do "good for evil," or if we can not "overcome evil with good," how little we are like Jesus. If we can not do these, where, then, is our hope? What our promise?—Rev. C. L. Sheppard.

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A KICK, AND WHEREFORE?

Under the above heading I published in these columns, some time ago, an extract in regard to "a Lottery for Souls" carried on by authority of the Catholic Church in certain parts of Mexico. This exposure, coming, as it did, from a daily secular paper, created just such a "kick" as would be creditable to the renowned Mexican "bronche."

It seems that the publication, in the secular paper, of the account of this "lottery" scheme of getting souls out of "purgatory" was accidental. This secular paper is published by the same parties who publish a weekly religious paper, and though this "Lottery-for-Souls" news was intended for the denominational paper, the foreman inadvertently put it in the "forms" for the daily paper in question.

It seems, furthermore, that some devout Catholic felt grieved by heaping on his church such "Protestant misrepresentation," and resolved to wipe the sad stain off his ecclesiastical mother's robes.

In order to this cleansing, "A Catholic" seems to have opened up correspondence with high officials in order to obtain the soap necessary to the cleansing. This cleansing compound "A Catholic" found in a letter from "the Bishop of Angelopolis (in whose diocese the raffle . . . took place) . . . to Rev. Joseph F. Steaham, pastor of the Church of the Magdalene, Pocantico Hills, N. Y." "A Catholic" urges the belief that this "letter from the Bishop of Angelopolis" completely refutes "such a distortion of a Catholic devotion."

Here is the Bishop's letter, as published over the signature of "A Catholic":

"Shortly before the month of November, in certain churches in which special works are performed in aid of the souls in purgatory, the rectors of these churches make out a series of numbers, say, from 1 to 1,000. Opposite these numbers the faithful may write the names of the deceased persons for whom they wish the work to be performed, giving at the same time an alms of ten cents or so to cover expenses. Certain special spiritual works are promised beforehand for the four or five souls whose number shall be drawn in the lottery. For example: for the first, the thirty Gregorian masses (one mass on each day for thirty successive days); for the second, a solemn mass of requiem; for the third, fourth, fifth, etc., a certain number of private masses, and besides this some masses are offered for all the souls in common. On the day appointed the drawing takes place." . . .

It will be remembered that the "kick" was at the charge that the Catholics practiced the lottery iniquity on departed souls.

Now, the kicker appeals to "the Bishop of Angelopolis," and said Bishop proceeds to "kick the kicker" with more terrific force than "the Protestant missionary" kicked him.

Here, in this letter from "the Bishop of Angelopolis," we have an official statement from one of the Bishops of the Catholic Church that "shortly before the month of November" there is a drawing "in aid of the souls in purgatory," and "the series of numbers"—tickets, I suppose—run, "say, from 1 to 1,000;" that the price of these lottery ticket for souls is "ten cents or so" (the missionary who reported the facts said the price of the tickets was $1); on these successful tickets "certain special spiritual works are promised beforehand for the four or five souls whose number shall be drawn in the lottery," and the "money collected is given as stipends for masses and other expenses."

Now, as all "masses" are said by the priests, of course, the priests get the money gathered by these lotteries. We are constrained to believe that much more benefit goes to the pocket of the priests than to the "souls of the departed."

The Catholic Bishop says the priests—"my priests"—have not "given assurance that souls," even those aided by special works, have "certainly left purgatory and gone to heaven."

Certainly not. Such assurance would break up the lottery business. If "given assurance that souls"—the souls of my departed friends—had "certainly left purgatory and gone to heaven, I would no longer pay "ten cents or so" for a ticket for them. Ignorance and superstition are the only foundations on which such an absurdity as this "Lottery for Souls" can rest.

That the intelligent Catholics of our country would at once, and forever, denounce this whole play upon the credulity of ignorant people, there is, to my mind, not a shadow of doubt. This "Lottery for Souls" can nevermore be denied, for here it is affirmed by a Catholic Bishop. And all for money for the priests' pockets. J. A. PARKER.

OUR DECREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

Man's capacity for religion is the fundamental element of his nature. His intellectual, social and civic relationships are the outgrowth of his supreme relation to God. Religion is the conserving factor of all that is highest and best in the social organism. Spiritual conservation is impossible without God. The heighth, depth and breadth of the spirituality of any church or age is determined by keeping in close touch with the Holy Spirit. Fruit is the measure of vitality, or spirituality. The vital current in the church has never been constant; as a necessary result, the fruitfulness has been variable.

Our decrease of 8,633 members and preachers during the past year is an illustration of this principle. The general cause of this decrease is evidently spiritual depression in the vital current of organic life. But there are vast numbers of special forces that produced the general condition of spiritual depression, which found expression in the numerical decrease of the past year. Some of these special forces might be enumerated—as an increase in worldliness, unwise polemical agitation, the inordinate spirit of greed which characterizes the age, a spirit of radicalism in thought, lack of self-denial and consecration in the individual life of the church. No catalogue of special causes would be exhaustive.

But the phenomenon of decrease exists as a fact. It is not an accidental or common place event. But as an unusual phenomenon, expressive of certain conditions, it is the providential voice of God to Methodism. Great seasons of revival activity and spiritual power seem to follow after seasons of decline, stagnation and unfruitfulness. Methodism was born in a period of spiritual stagnation and death. The Reformation arose in the darkest period in modern history. Periods of spiritual barrenness and depression are followed by reactions that swings the consciousness of the church back in close touch and communion with the Holy Spirit. It brings about self-examination, penitence, deeper trust, and a more confiding reliance for God to lead his people through the valley of humiliation. A sense of defeat is often a better teacher than the greatest success. Failure is often the school wherein the church is prepared for greater success and victory.

If the providenceef God has watched over the church, and given her success in the years that are past, then is not his providence preparing her for the greater work and greater success of the new century? It is a very easy matter to believe in divine providence, and of God's favor to us as a people, with our increase in membership and material success; but when there is a decrease, it requires a larger faith, and a more optimistic vision, to believe that God is leading his people through a season of discipline and preparation, massing the spiritual forces of the church for the greatest work of the greatest era in the history of humanity. "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord." This optimism is the spirit of Christianity. This decrease during the past year is prophetic of greater successes for the church in the coming decade.

Southern Methodism is prepared to go forward and attain the greatest victories in her history. With her million and a half loyal sons and daughters and the treasures of her material resources at the feet of Jesus, we have a vision of rising hope that shall culminate in the greatest spiritual prosperity that Southern Methodism has ever known.

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Benton, La.

REV. B. F. PHILLIPS.

Inasmuch as God, in wisdom, has taken from our midst our highly-esteemed and dearly-beloved brother and pastor, Rev. B. F. Phillips, who departed this life May 18, 1899, at Ocean Springs, Miss.; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Phillips our people have lost a wise counselor; the church a faithful, true and noble worker; the Conference a worthy member, and our country a patriotic and useful citizen.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread on the Minutes of the second Quarterly Conference of Shannon, Aberdeen district, of North Mississippi Conference, this June 3, 1899.

Not only did the magi bring gifts, but they brought rich and costly gifts. We should bring our best—our gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the alabaster box of our heart's deepest love, and the best of all, our life and service. Too often we give Christ only what is left over after we have taken all we desire for self-indulgence, or for the promotion of our own ambitions. We should always let him have the best.—J. R. Miller, D. D.

The slightest sorrow for sin is sufficient, if it produce amendment; the greatest is insufficient, if it do not.—C. C. Colton.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. C. F. Emery, Edwards, Miss., June 10, 1899: "Our second Quarterly Conference was held at Learned, May 27. We have a very neat church-building there, and though the place is small, the attendance upon public worship is much better than at many places much larger. There is a fine class of people there and in the neighborhood, whom it is delightful to visit. Nowhere have I ever known people more hospitable. They love to have the pastor in their homes. The stewards, Dr. T. B. Cox and Bro. K. N. Chase—the latter Sunday-school superintendent—are both young men of solid piety, and are zealous in the work of the church. Dr. Monnger preached delightfully Sunday morning. He is justly held in high esteem and loved by all who know him. Sunday night was devoted to the exercises of Children's Day. A very elaborate program was prepared, and admirably rendered by the young people. Many came from a distance for the occasion, and the building could not hold the audience. Too much praise can not be given to those who, by their labors, made the entertainment possible—notably, Mrs. Nannie Cox and Miss Beulah Chase."

Rev. W. T. Woodward, P. C., Lecompte, La., June 8, 1899: "We are having a hot time in this section now, and a very great drouth. The gardens have dried up. If the corn don't get rain in a few days, the crop will be very short. Cane is also needing rain. Cotton is doing well. We are serving a very fine people this year. We have a double-barrel station, viz.: Lecompte and White Chapel; twice per month at each place. We have had fifteen additions to the church this year—eleven by certificate and four by profession of faith. Have added dining-room and kitchen to parsonage, papered one room; some other improvements; painted the Lecompte Church. The Alexandria District Conference was held here May 24-28. We had a fine attendance indeed. All the preachers of the district were present save W. H. Hill, of Chicot and Washington. Every work was represented by one, or more, of the lay delegates. The reports of the preachers show that good work is being done along all lines. The Alexandria district is on the up-grade. We had good preaching all the way through; not a sorry sermon was preached. Rev. Geo. Jackson (superannuate) preached Wednesday night. He made an appeal to consistency, both on the part of the preachers and laymen. (Let your light shine.) Thursday, 11 A. M., Rev. J. W. Lee preached a strong sermon from the text, Matt. v, 20. That night W. E. Aken preached a forceful sermon from Romans vi, 23. Friday, 11 A. M., Rev. H. S. Johns gave us a charge of dynamite, taking for his text Eph. iii, 13, 14. At night Rev. J. J. Smylie, of Meridian, Miss., preached a telling sermon from Matt. v, 13. Saturday, 11 A. M., R. Raudlo, of Simesport, La., gave us a big feed of pure corn, intermixed with some fine hay. Saturday night, and Sunday, 11 A. M., Rev. I. W. Cooper, of Jackson, La., preached two fine sermons. Sunday night our 'beloved' gave us something to think about. Dr. Parker, our presiding elder, has proven himself to be pre-eminently the proper man for the Alexandria district. He is a patient, painstaking officer, looking carefully into all the interests of the church. There was reported by the different brethren, at the District Conference, more cash already raised for foreign and domestic missions than was reported from this district last year. All other claims are equally as well up. Our 'beloved' has looked especially into these assessments made by the Annual Conference. God bless you in your noble work!"

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MOB VIOLENCE.

Among the many questions that are now engaging public attention none is of more vital importance than that of putting down mob violence.

The lustre of Southern civilization has been sadly dimmed of late by repeated acts of lawlessness which ought to bring the blush of shame to the cheek of every good citizen. The heart becomes sick at the bare mention of the horrible scenes recently enacted within our borders.

In behalf of the people of our beloved Southland, however, we resent the "holier-than-thou" attitude of the Northern press anent this matter. "The barbarism of the South" has become a pet phrase in Northern journalism. Some of these modern Pharisees have oceans of tears to shed over the human fiend who perishes at the hands of an infuriated populace, but not a word of sympathy for the innocent and helpless victim of his brutal lust. Such moralists may exhaust their vocabulary of vituperation without contributing one iota to the mitigation of the evils of mob violence. The fact is, that it is a very great mistake to suppose that the people of the South are more depraved or more lawless than those of other sections. Under similar conditions the same anarchistic tendencies would manifest themselves in any other section. The negro who outrages the honor of womanhood fares no better in New York, or Ohio, than he does in the South. Give any Northern State the same percentage of negro population that exists in several of the Southern States, and let brutal lust manifest itself in the same forms and with the same frequency as here, and Judge Lynch would render as many verdicts there as here. This is not mere guess-work, but a deduction from well-established facts. When the percentage of negro population is taken into the account, more negroes are lynched in the North than in the South.

This, however, is no justification for mob violence. Mobocracy is wrong in principle and prolific in evil results, no matter where it exists, or what conditions have given it birth.

Not every mob goes to the extreme of bloodthirstiness and barbarity that a few weeks ago brought our sister State of Georgia into such unenviable pre-eminence; but when the citizens of any community gain their consent to take the law into their own hands, and inflict summary vengeance upon a base wretch like Sam Hose, no man can predict what shocking atrocities will be committed, or how many victims will fall under the mob's fury. When the restraints of law have been laid aside, the basest passions of the human heart hold high carnival, and the wicked find their coveted opportunity to give vent to shameless cruelty. The evils of lynch-law, alas! do not stop with the death, often under torture, of the criminal thus punished without due process of law. When men find that they can take the law into their own hands with impunity, the temptation arises to act independently of the law in the case of offenses less grave than that of which lynching is the usual penalty. Thus slowly, but surely, respect for law and the action of the courts is scattered to the winds, and a deplorable impatience with the delay incident to trial and the undeniable proving of the guilt is fostered. Ere long it comes to pass that men are ready to form a mob for the punishment of almost any serious offense, whether real or fancied, and woe be to him who falls under suspicion, or who opposes its will. In a community in which lynching has been resorted to a few times, the formality of a trial comes to be looked upon as a useless expense and waste of time. The mob's cry for immediate action means the downfall of justice and the desecration of liberty. Thus a generation of law-breakers is trained up by the mob, whose methods and acts are utterly antagonistic to morality and civilization.

One of the worst features of the whole business is, that now and then a mob, in its blind fury, wreaks vengeance upon an innocent man, or upon a suspect whose guilt is not clearly proven. Nothing is more calculated to kindle discontent and bitterness among the negroes towards the whites of the South than this fact. While not desiring, in the least, to hide or excuse the blackness of the crime which so frequently calls forth mob violence, we assert most emphatically that one crime does not justify another. When we consider the awful demoralizing effects upon society, upon Church and State, of the disgraceful scenes that characterize most lynchings, how can we say that they are justifiable and necessary?

In view of the occasion it gives for the most savage cruelties, in view of its indescribable corrupting influence upon the morals of the young, in view of the utter disregard of the forms of justice, the restraints of law, and the spirit and teachings of Christianity, we condemn lynch-law as one of the darkest blots upon our civilization. To look upon it with indifference is to give it encouragement. It is an evil of alarming magnitude, and if allowed to go unchecked, will undermine the foundations of government and civilization. Let good people everywhere join with those in authority in banishing it entirely from our midst. Let every Christian do his utmost to uphold the majesty of the law and the influences that make for peace and order and righteousness. If we sow the wind, we may expect to reap the whirlwind.

The following words from Judge Emory Speer, of Macon, Ga., strike the key-note of the situation:

"There will ever be, as there have been, crimes committed by individuals, many of them so atrocious that the story will stir a fever in the blood of age or make the infant sinews strong as steel. It is due, however, when we consider our vast territory and large population, to say that they are comparatively infrequent. Certain it is that these crimes, when committed, must be dealt with according to the methods of civilized peoples. The Constitution of the United States, and of the State of Georgia, provide that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law. This is a fundamental principle of civilization, and however terrible the provocation, no people can shatter the basic principles of the social system in order to wreak a lawless vengeance upon a vicious individual without entailing upon everybody of every class the inevitable return of all of those calamities which civilization has labored for centuries to avoid."

SEASHORE CAMP MEETING.

Particular efforts are being made by the officers of the Seashore Camp Ground to make the twenty-eighth Annual Camp Meeting a great success. While success is desired and aimed at from every point of view—physical, moral, financial, etc.—a great spiritual upheaval is the particular goal, and if that can be attained, all will be well.

Hundreds of letters have been sent to our pastors in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama advising them of the meeting and asking their aid and assistance. Bishops Wilson, Granbery, Duncan, Galloway, Hendrix and Candler have all written encouraging letters to the president, and while Bishop Galloway is the only one who will be able to attend, the prayers and good wishes of all are assured. Among the notable divines who will be present may be mentioned Bishops John C. Keener, Chas. B. Galloway, Dr. J. D. Barbee, and many others. Dr. DuBose and Dr. Hoss, of Nashville, are also expected.

The magnificent tract of land owned by our church on the Gulf Coast has been consecrated to the service of God, and thousands of souls have been saved under its historic tabernacle.

The growth of the camp ground furnishes a remarkable example of one of the great laws of sociology. Twenty-eight years ago it was founded purely for the purpose of having our people assemble by the sea to eat of the bread of life and drink of the living water. After the meetings were over, all returned to their homes. Gradually, however, it dawned on the minds of some that an ideal community could be formed where God-fearing, church-going people could spend several months of the year. To-day that idea has developed and crystallized, and now we have a small Summer town composed of individuals whose natures are very similar, whose minds are developed along the same lines, whose religious education is almost identical, whose Summer existence is not marred by anything harsh or discordant. A community where God's laws are respected by all—in fact, an organization such as theorists, philosophers and writers of political economy dream of.

But has not the pendulum swung to the extreme? First it was the camp meeting, pure and simple. Now, is it not merely a Christian community spending an easy and pleasant time during the Summer? Is the Word of God preached with the same force and power as of yore? Are souls converted and brought into the fold as in times gone by? We fear not! Then let all us bestir ourselves. It is time for the pendulum to swing the other way. Let the camp meeting be the event upon which to center our efforts. Let us look after the spiritual things. The physical side has been well attended. Thousands of dollars have been spent on the grounds. A magnificent artesian well has been sunk, a pier fourteen hundred feet long has been thrown out into the briny waters of the Gulf, a commodious and roomy hotel, with a frontage of one hundred and seventy-five feet, has been built, a large, comfortable two-story building has been erected for the preachers, electric lights have been placed all over the ground, and other improvements too numerous to mention have been introduced; but let us not lose sight of the great objective point; let us not forget that the primary purpose of the camp ground is the salvation of souls, and let us all focus our energies upon that great object; let our efforts be united, organized and systematic, and results beyond our expectations will flow therefrom.

CENTENARY COMMENCEMENT.

One hour before high noon on Wednesday, June 8, Centenary closed the most prosperous session since the war. The following young men were graduated: A. S. Lutz, W. L. C. Wailes, J. M. Pearce, George G. Zenor, G. D. Pickles, W. H. Pipes. There were thirteen young men students for the itinerancy and nine ministers' sons who attended the college during the session.

Everything about the college looked like it had taken on a new lease of life, preparing for the incoming century. The grounds and buildings are in fine condition. There were in attendance during the session one hundred and thirty-three pupils—more than at any session since the war. All the friends of the college were filled with enthusiasm for the coming session. The Board of Trustees appointed a committee to prepare a course of Bible study which shall embrace the four years' college course, each class in the college reciting a Bible lesson on the morning of the first scholastic day of the week.

The report of the president showed a fine religious condition in the student-body, there having been no need of disciplining a single student during the session.

There was the usual oratorical contest on Tuesday night. The medal was awarded to I. D. Wall, Jr. The four speeches delivered on that occasion were exceptionally good.

Dr. Monnger delivered the address to the two Literary Societies on Monday night, which was finished and scholarly, full of thought, entertaining to the very end.

Sickness kept the alumni speaker from filling his appointment on Tuesday morning. The society delivery of pins to their graduates was enjoyed for their usual extempore speeches; but this scribe had other work which prevented his taking part in these meetings. The financial showing was very encouraging to the Board of Trustees. There was regret expressed on every side at the absence of Bishop Keener, the president of the Board of Trustees.

The sermons on Sunday were highly commended.

There are several very promising young men who are studying for the itinerancy, and who will make successful ministers if there is no arrested development in their cases.

In the presence of a public dress parade on Sunday, a few weeks ago, at the State University, it is eminently fit for the Methodists of Louisiana who patronize that institution to know that we still are sending out religiously trained men from old Centenary. It stands for Christian education. At the State University during the session just closing there were forty Methodist boys who should have been at Centenary College, if their parents had stood to their vows to support their own institutions. Free tuition is the bait that caught these parents when really the cost at the State University with free tuition is more than the actual outlay at Centenary College. What we need is a good conscience on education. The same man who is very conscientious on other things will let free tuition determine the school his boy attends, or ten dollars difference in traveling expenses, or a few miles in distance—anything nearly, not once considering the character of the college, its religious influence, and many other things which should make up the count in selecting the place at which the boy's character is to be molded for life. When one will linger longer over selecting a dress coat than a college for his son, or let the boy get ten catalogues, and from these printed representations select his own college, there is a dereliction of duty, and absolute absence of conscience—appalling. The ministry ought to ring the changes on the absolute need of a Christian education, in the face of all State institutions, which from the very theory of our government must be irreligious. The cry must not be an education anywhere, anyhow, which now is going up on all sides, but it must be a Christian education at any cost.

THREE STARS.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

The recent commencement at Centenary College was not only a most delightful one, but expressive of great and increasing prosperity. One hundred and thirty-three students were enrolled during the college year—a body of fine young men, representing all sections of Louisiana, and all full of the Centenary College spirit. Of these, nine are sons of Methodist preachers, and fourteen are studying for the ministry. Of the six graduates, one—Albert S. Lutz—is a promising young preacher, who will enter Vanderbilt for the B. D. degree at the Fall opening of that university.

Extensive improvements have been made at Centenary by the erection of two homes for professors, by work on the dormitories, and by repairs and additions to the main building. The property is now in excellent condition, the campus, with its buildings, presenting a beautiful and imposing appearance. The increasing attendance has created demand for additional facilities for dormitory and boarding-hall uses. These will be furnished during the Summer.

The faculty—a valuable one in every particular—was strengthened by the election of Mr. Robert Campbell (A. B., Emory) to the chair of French Language and Literature. Professor Campbell will also give instruction in Latin and Greek in the Preparatory Department.

President Cooper has wrought well. By every token he will matriculate, at the Fall opening, the largest class for many years. He is building well and wisely upon the solid basis laid by President Carter and his predecessors. He is full of energy and tact in enterprising and achieving new things. Centenary will enter the new century full of spirit, full of hope based on large success now and a glorious record, full of far-reaching plans for the young men of Louisiana Methodism. Like all our Southern colleges, this one also passed through a period of severe trial, but passed through it safely, guided by noble and wise men, to whom honor and gratitude is due. A period of prosperity has now been reached—a lasting period, we may be sure.

The Board of Trustees, the college body, citizens of Jackson, and visitors alike, regretted the inability of the president of the Board, Bishop Keener, to be present. His love for the institution, his wise counsel, his unfailing faith, and his unrelaxing zeal, have been forces for many years in the upbuilding of Centenary, and she is still dear to his heart, as he is to all who love her. The genial face of Professor Wiley, for so long a time in charge of the Department of Ancient Languages, and now emeritus professor, gladdened the eyes of his former students and his many friends as he mingled with the commencement throng. A noble man. Such men as these two constitute the glory of the State.

WM. H. LAPRADE.

PROF. N. A. PATTILLO, PH.D.

Prof. Nathan Allen Pattillo, Ph. D. (Johns Hopkins), who has just been elected professor of mathematics in the Randolph-Macon Woman's College at Lynchburg, Va., is a native of Alabama. He graduated with the B. S. degree from the Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., in 1887, and in 1890 received its A. M. degree. He was for two years assistant professor in the University. He was subsequently chosen professor of Millsaps College, Miss., but resigned after two years of highly successful service to take a three years' course in mathematics at Johns Hopkins University, where he received the Ph. D. degree in 1897. He was immediately elected professor of mathematics in the State Normal College in Alabama, which position he now resigns to come to the Woman's College at Lynchburg.

Dr. Pattillo was backed for the place by the Johns Hopkins University, the Southern University of Alabama, and Millsaps College, besides a host of influential educators, who commended his abilities as a scholar, his aptitude as a teacher, and his high personal qualities as a man.

Dr. Pattillo's wife is a niece of Bishop Keener.

TWENTIETH CENTURY EDUCATIONAL FUND.

LOUISIANA WILL BE IN LINE.

Plans are being laid and arrangements made for the gathering together of many preachers and laymen as possible at some central point. Bishop Galloway has promised to meet us, and we are waiting for him to name the day. As soon as the time and place is decided, due notice will be given. Let us pray for the meeting and plan to attend. May the Holy Spirit be present in much power to baptize all afresh for service! As soon as this meeting shall have ended, we propose to formulate plans for the raising within our own State that part of the "Fund" expected from Louisiana.

THOMAS B. CLIFFORD,
Conference Secretary of Education.

Ian Maclaren says a good and pertinent thing when he declares: "Once all the children were expected to be in their pews with their parents every Sunday. Nowadays even a ten-year-old child is allowed to have his likes and dislikes about the preacher and express his opinion as to whether he will or will not attend church." There has certainly been a great change among Christian parents in this important matter. It is a change for the worse, most decidedly. And the trouble is, parents do not make up to it until after it is too late to remedy the evil. The old form of parental government produced men and women of a very high order, but of the new form we hesitate to speak. Would that we could say it is an improvement on the old.—Central Methodist.

An exchange says that Dr. Andrew Bonar was out in Mr. Moody's garden at Northfield at early noon one day, talking with his host. Along came a band of happy students, who shouted out: "We've been having an all-night prayer-meeting; can't you see our faces shine?" Dr. Bonar turned to them and said, with a quiet smile and shake of the head: "Moses wist not that his face shone." This suggests a truth that lies deeper than most of the thought in our church life to-day. True piety never puts itself on the back. It never, like Jack Horner, cries, "What a good boy am I!"—Arkansas Methodist.

Half a century ago a few wild-looking men in Burmah appeared before a mission house. They were received, and found to belong to an interesting race now known as Karens. They were utterly illiterate and had been driven into the jungles by cruel oppressors. When taught the way of salvation a Christian community began to rise. Young Karens are in school, supported by their parents, and stand at the head of their classes. In the Woman's College at Lucknow is a young lady of that race whose grandfather was a wild man of the jungle. —Bishop Thoburn.

NOTES.

A full account of the Millsaps College commencement will appear in our next issue.

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Rev. Ira L. Brouson, of the Louisiana Conference, is visiting his father at Orwell, Pa., who is supposed to be on his death-bed.

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Emory College, at its recent commencement, conferred the degree of D. D. upon Rev. S. S. Keener, of the Louisiana Conference.

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Rev. W. E. M. Brogan has been appointed to Lula circuit, to fill the vacancy made by the removal of Rev. J. E. Cunningham.

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Rev. J. B. Mitchell has been appointed to West Point station in place of Rev. W. M. McIntosh, who has accepted the presidency of Grenada Female College.

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Rev. Simon Peter Richardson, an able and widely known minister of the M. E. Church, South, died at his home in Macon, Ga., on the fifteenth, in his eighty-third year.

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Says a wise man: "Putting a drinking man into office to enforce laws against drunkenness is on a par, so far as wisdom is concerned, with putting a fox on guard to preserve the chicken flock."

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We are greatly pained to announce the death of Bro. B. A. Clark, a prominent layman of Kosciusko, Miss., and father-in-law of Rev. T. B. Clifford, of the Louisiana Conference. He died on Friday, the sixteenth instant, and was buried on Saturday.

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Rev. J. W. Campbell, of the Americus circuit, Mississippi Conference, writes that the churches on his charge are increasing in membership and spirituality. He also says, "Our presiding elder, Rev. W. W. Simmons, has greatly endeared himself to our people."

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Rev. T. B. Clifford was called by telegram last Friday to Kosciusko, Miss., to attend the funeral of his father-in-law, B. A. Clark, Esq. His pulpit in this city was filled Sunday morning by Rev. H. H. Ahrens, the services at night being conducted by the efficient and well-known Sunday-school superintendent, Dr. Jno. W. Adams.

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A deep shadow of gloom was cast over the commencement exercises of Millsaps College this week by the death on Sunday morning, the eighteenth instant, of Mrs. J. T. Hanner, wife of Prof. Hanner, one of the members of the faculty. Mrs. Hanner was the youngest daughter of President and Mrs. L. T. Fitzhugh, of Belhaven College. She was a young woman of many gifts and accomplishments, and of lovely Christian character. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon from the First Methodist Church, at Jackson, Miss., and was largely attended. Our heart goes out in deepest sympathy to the bereaved family in this sore bereave-

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

Ere this edition of the ADVOCATE reaches its readers, the Mississippi Leaguers, in large numbers, will have turned their faces toward West Point.

It would be a source of great pleasure to this scribe to be present. It will be the first annual session we have missed, having been with them at the organization at Grenada in '91.

For the success of the meeting much credit must be given to Miss Vic Thompson, Tupelo, Miss., who has devoted much of her time for several months past in arranging programme for the Conference.

Tidings reach us that Bro. Joe Ramsey is lecturing to large crowds in Mississippi. At Corinth, on the fourth instant, the house was filled to overflowing. Fortunate the League that secures his services. The work will receive a fresh impetus wherever he goes.

It was our privilege recently to spend several hours with the genial and efficient presiding elder of the Shreveport district—Rev. Jno. T. Sawyer, D. D. He reports decided progress in League work in the bounds of his district.

As the result of the District League Rally recently held at Shreveport, several Leagues have been organized. We have positive knowledge of two: one at Keatchie—Rev. J. O. Bennett, pastor; and the other at Plain Dealing—Rev. M. Hebert, pastor. We would be glad to hear of others.

The Louisiana Avenue (New Orleans) Epworth League will contribute one hundred dollars toward the amount pledged at Crowley for "Specials." Knowing personally nearly every member of this up-to-date League, we are not surprised at their loyalty and liberality thus substantially expressed. May God abundantly bless each one of them!

That the work of the Epworth League has a firm hold upon the young Methodists of New Orleans was fully demonstrated by the large gathering Tuesday evening, June 13, at Rayne Memorial Church, the occasion being the monthly meeting of the City Union.

Every League in the city was represented; in some instances the delegation being so large as to impress the casual observer that, perhaps, they had attended in a body. In the absence of the president, the meeting was presided over by A. Sid. Daniels, Esq., of Algiers.

The report of the Tchonpitoulas Street League was particularly impressive. The fact was brought out that during one of their devotional meetings a man present, being powerfully impressed, asked for prayer, that he might find pardon and peace through believing.

Much time was profitably consumed in discussing the Epworth League Mission, at 2509 Tulane avenue. Arrangements were made whereby services should be conducted every Monday night by the different Leagues—in alphabetical order. Algiers will begin the work June 19, followed by Burgundy Street, June 26, etc. The Leaguers in each instance will be accompanied by their pastor, who will be expected to lead the service.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Leaguers present and their friends were invited into the Sunday-school room, where ice cream and cake was served by the young people of Rayne Memorial. The whole affair was both pleasant and profitable, and we departed feeling a sense of gratification in being permitted to attend.

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NOTICE

To Delegates to the Annual Session of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mississippi Conference:

A reduction has been secured from all the roads. Delegates, when purchasing tickets, will ask for a certificate showing that they have paid full fare. Delegates must secure a second certificate if a second ticket has to be purchased. All ministers of the gospel are cordially invited to be present, and thereby encourage and aid the work.

MOLLIE R. MCQUEEN,
Recording Secretary.

WHY WOMEN ARE NERVOUS.

[*British Medical News.*]

The frequent cases of nervous prostration or utter collapse of the nervous system under which women "go all to pieces," as the saying is, have caused much thought and investigation on the part of physicians.

Certain inorganic substances are well known to cause various forms of nervous diseases which are readily traced to the poisons producing them. Further research leads to the belief that alum is a prevailing cause of so-called nervous prostration, for the symptoms it produces on the nervous system after its absorption into the blood are very remarkable indeed. Experiments physiologically made upon animals by O fila, Professors Hans Mayer, Paul Seim and others, show that alum frequently produces no visible symptoms for many days after its introduction into the body. Then follow loss of appetite and other alimentary disturbances, and finally a serious prostration of the whole nervous system. The most prominent physicians now believe that "nervous prostration" and many affections of the nerves from which both men and women suffer are caused by the continued absorption of alum into the system.

It is probable that many medical men are unaware of the extent to which salts of alumina may be introduced into the body, being under the impression that the use of alum in bread is prohibited. Alum, however, is still used surreptitiously to some extent to whiten bread, and very largely in making cheap kinds of baking powder. In families where baking powder is generally used great care should be exercised to procure only those brands made from cream of tartar. The alum powders may generally be distinguished by the lower price at which they are sold.

Mrs. H. M. Dear, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Rencher, died at Enterprise, Miss., June 13, after a long and painful illness. She died trusting in the merits of her Savior for salvation.

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BELHAVEN COMMENCEMENT.

The closing exercises of this excellent institution began on Sunday, June 11, with the commencement sermon preached by Prof. Thos. Carter, of New Orleans.

On Monday morning, after the meeting of the Board of Trustees, a very interesting program was rendered in the college chapel. This was the occasion of the annual senior debate. This feature was a success in the highest degree, and too much praise can not be accorded for the creditable way in which the contestants acquitted themselves and reflected honor upon the thoroughness of their training in English.

The annual concert, on Monday night, attracted a large and appreciative audience. The work done at Belhaven in music and elocution is especially fine. On this occasion two scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and Abt's "Cinderella" gave abundant scope for the young ladies to show the result of their studies in these great departments of culture. In every instance grace of movement, modulation of voice, and sympathetic expression were manifest—evidencing a high appreciation of the work in hand.

Tuesday was graduation day. The literary address was delivered by Dr. Venables, of Meridian, Miss. It was clear, forceful, highly entertaining, and supremely sensible. The degrees were then conferred and diplomas awarded by President Fitzhugh, and the fifth annual session was brought to a close.

In spite of baptisms of fire and pestilence, the college is growing steadily. The past year has been very gratifying. The attendance of boarders was up to the limit, and Bro. Fitzhugh is justly proud of the confidence the patrons of the college have in his management and in the ability of his corps of teachers.

The next session opens Sept. 27. A card directed to Jackson, Miss., will bring you the new illustrated catalogue showing the beauties and advantages of Belhaven. X.

NOTICE.

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JACKSON DISTRICT CONFERENCE CHANGED.

Owing to the protracted sickness of Bro. J. W. Brown, the place of holding the Jackson District Conference is changed from Terry to Capitol Street Church, Jackson. The time remains the same, beginning Wednesday morning, July 12. All other appointments as announced in ADVOCATE.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

Jackson, Miss., June 17, 1899.

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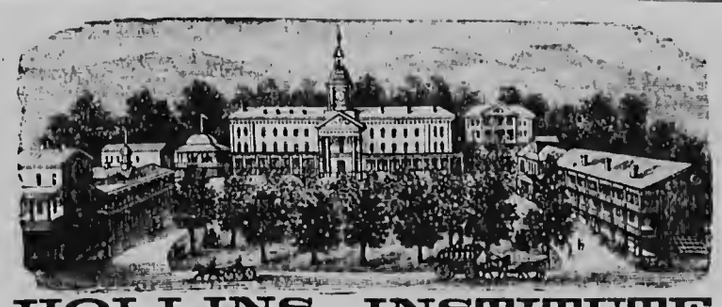

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W. F. M. S.

Program for Aberdeen District Meeting of the W. F. M. Society, in Tupelo, Miss., commencing Tuesday night, June 27, and closing Wednesday night, June 28. All preachers of the district are cordially invited and urged to be present.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

Music.
Devotional exercises by pastor—S. B. Myers.
Welcome address—Mrs. F. C. McGaughey, Tupelo.
Response—Mrs. Jas. G. Haughton, Prairie.
Welcome address from Juveniles—Juanita Clifton, Tupelo.
Response—Miss Pauline Brooks, Aberdeen.
Paper—Mrs. J. M. Wyatt, Aberdeen—"What We Owe Our Heathen Sisters."
Recitation—Emmie May Lyney, Tupelo Juvenile.
Recitation—Verona Juvenile.
Paper—Mrs. E. Miller, Tupelo—"China."
Recitation—Miss Madge Haughton, Prairie.
Recitation—Shannon Juvenile.
Paper—Miss Bettie Bailey, Tranquil Auxiliary—"Individual Responsibility."
Recitation—Amory Juvenile.
Music and Doxology.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 8:30 A. M.

Devotional exercises by District Secretary, Mrs. Jas. D. Shell.
Business Session—Reports from Auxiliaries, etc.
10 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. M. Wyatt, P. E.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

3 P. M.—Devotional exercises by Mrs. Jas. L. Le Sour, Muldon.
Business continued, also Juvenile reports.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Music.
Devotional exercises by Mrs. Fannie Clark, Shannon.
District Secretary's Report—Mrs. Jas. D. Shell.
Recitation—Okolona Juvenile.
Solo—Marion Clifton, Tupelo.
Report of "Woman's Board of Missions"—Mrs. Jas. D. Shell.
Recitation—Houston Juvenile.
Recitation—Tranquil Juvenile.
Paper—Mrs. Fannie Clark, Shannon—"Woman's Work in the Church."
Recitation—Verona Juvenile.
Paper—Mrs. P. W. Shell, Houston.
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MARRIAGES.

HALE—CARY.—At the residence of the bride's brother, Capt. Cary, in Donaldsonville, La., June 7, 1899, by Rev. Chas. C. Wier, Prof. W. B. Hale, of Jeanerette, La., and Miss Bettie M. Cary, of Donaldsonville, La.

MONTGOMERY—ROBERTSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on June 1, 1899, by Rev. D. Scarborough, Dr. S. A. Montgomery, of Greenville, Miss., to Miss Pattie Robertson, of Forest, Miss.

EDDINS—ODELL.—At the Methodist Church in Chulahoma, Miss., Thursday evening, June 8, 1899, by Rev. J. H. Smith, Mr. E. S. Eddins, of Memphis, Tenn., and Miss Henrietta Odell, of Chulahoma, Miss.

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—Robert Burns' Epistle to Davie.

YOUR BOY.

You do not know what is in him. Bear with him; be patient; wait. Feed him, clothe him, love him. He is a boy, and most boys are bad. You think him so light-hearted, and fear he is light-headed as well. Remember he calls you father. When he played in your lap you fondly hoped he would some day be a great and useful man. Now that he has grown larger, and his young blood drives him into gleeful sport, and makes him impatient of serious things, rattling, playful, thoughtless, you almost despair. But don't be snappish and snarlish, and make him feel you are disappointed in him. He is your boy and you are to live with him. He bears your name and is to send it down the stream of time. He inherits your fortune and fame, and is to transmit them to generations yet to come.

It may be difficult to govern him, but be patient. He may seem averse to everything useful and good, but wait. No one can tell what is in a boy. He may surprise you some day. Hope. Let him grow. While his body grows larger and stronger, his mental and moral nature may extend and improve.

Educate your boy. You may think money spent in that way is money spent in vain. There is nothing in him; he has no pride, no ambition. You don't know. No one can tell what there is in a boy. Besides, there may be an unkindled spark, an unfanned flame, a smouldering fire, a latent energy, which the teacher's aid may stir, the association with books may arouse, develop, and direct, and thus start our boy a-going with such energy that no power on earth could stop him short of the top-most round in the ladder of fame.

If you can not educate him, let him educate himself. That will make him strong, a giant with whom none dare interfere. Such are the best men in the world. The greatest benefactors of the race have stooped their shoulders to bear burdens, have carried hands hardened with labor, have endured the fatigue of toil. Many such are in our minds now. Labor conquers all things. The old Roman was right. We see it in a thousand instances. Labor makes the man. No boy ever came to be a man, the noblest work of God, without labor. This is God's greatest law; there is a divine philosophy in it. Let your boy work; if he will not work, make him work. There is no progress, no development, no outcome, no true manhood without it. We must work.

Father, be kind to your boy. We know what a mother will do. Thank God, a mother's love, a mother's prayers follow us still; and the memory of her anxious tears shall never fade out during the succession of years

Finally, but not least, pray for your boy. God hears prayers. Do the best you can. Commit all you can not do to God and hope. Never despair, for no one knows what is in a boy.—Southern Farm.

TOWARD SODOM.

BY J. W. HALSON.

The Bible narrative of the separation of Abram and Lot contains a hidden lesson. The strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle causes a division of the land between the two men; and Abram, with true magnanimity, allows Lot to choose his portion. Lot chooses "the plain of Jordan" because it was "well watered everywhere," and was "even as the garden of the Lord." The results of this choice were of far-reaching importance.

Everyone, early in life, has decisions to make. The kind care and watchfulness of parents and friends may for a while control in a measure the actions, but soon the day comes when each one must choose for himself. Shall the decision be like Abram's, to dwell "in the land of Canaan," or like Lot's, "in the cities of the plain," with the tent pitched "toward Sodom?"

Sin fastens itself upon its victims by degrees. First "toward Sodom" and afterward in Sodom; first the evil thought or careless action, and afterward the desperate crime. Lot could not have been induced to live in that wicked city upon his separation from Abram, but living near the city, and the temporal advantages he reaps from business relations with it, overcome his scruples, and we soon find him actually dwelling among that wicked people. Thus ever it is with sin.

The young Christian has his testing-point. Worldly pleasures and allurements tempt him to pitch his tent "toward Sodom." The fertility and beauty of "the plain," in comparison with the seemingly hard experiences in "the land of Canaan," are painted in the most glowing colors. Lot thought of no harm when he chose the fertile plain; and the young Christian who ventures to tamper with worldly pleasures is repeating the experiment of pitching the tent "towards Sodom!"

Perhaps he is inclined to shirk some religious duty. Business tasks cause him to occasionally omit private devotions; and he thinks this no great sin, for he can always be in the "spirit of prayer." He occasionally misses the Sunday-school, for he is "so tired," or he has promised his friend in the country a visit; he is late at the League devotional service, for the meeting comes at an hour when it is so pleasant to take an evening stroll; he misses the mid-week prayer meeting, for he had such a pleasant social engagement. He sees no special harm in these little derelictions, and scarcely realizes that he is pitching his tent "toward Sodom."

Lot's history would have been very different had he not turned aside "toward Sodom," for he would not so soon afterward be referred to as one "who dwelt in Sodom." These little deeds! These little omissions! Who can tell the cost? "Abstain from all appearance of evil," and pitch not the tent even "toward Sodom."—Exchange.

SECRET OF SUCCESS: HOW TO ATTAIN IT

Have a purpose in life. Always keep it before you. Most men, especially young men, may be very much what they please to be by learning to exercise their will, strongly and decisively—and holding to it. Whatever a man wishes to be, that he is or may become if he backs the wish by the power of his will.

At least ordinary opportunities are within the grasp of all. Strenuous labor and extraordinary application will surely make of even meager chances a remarkable success.

Nothing that is worth having or achieving can be had without persistent and courageous work. The man who adopts as his own the ancient Norse motto: "Either I will find a way or make one," and perseveres without swerving, shirking or faltering, will hardly ever fail of attaining his purpose.

The man who is unsuccessful in an undertaking usually fails because he did not put his whole mind, heart and soul into his work.

Pluck, energy, courage, determination and tenacity are but factors of will force. The mind that grasps them all and binds them together, using them wisely, yet fearlessly, always wins the fight, though it be opposed by scores of weaker wills. Opposition to such a will adds incentive for greater and broader action, and brings into the struggle an energy which the possessor of the will was himself unconscious of.

If a purpose is lacking, the will force is weak; if the will is weak, success is of necessity limited, the degree of the weakness being the measure of the limit.

Make everything bend to the accomplishment of your purpose. Depend solely upon yourself, willingly accept the intelligent assistance of others if it comes your way, but never wait for it. Keep going. You are then in a condition to receive the benefit of helps and opportunities as they offer.

When the man without a purpose comes in contact with a disagreeable task—and we all arrive there many times—he seeks to avoid its greater weight or shirk it altogether; but the man with an aim, with a goal in view which he intends to reach, don't shirk; he works, does the duty and passes on to other and more pleasant things, and is probably out of sight and beyond thought of the unpleasant duty before the shiftless fellow has finished planning how to avoid it.

Business men agree that the best employee is the man who expects to some time be an employer, and the surest way of convincing others of our ability to do great work is to do, and do well, whatever is given us, whether it be small and unaccompanied by praise or reward, or of more importance and better suited to our wishes and inclinations.

I remember having heard an employer ask his foreman if a certain workman was competent to do a piece of work which was needed in a hurry and which was a little out of the ordinary. The foreman replied, "He has never failed in anything I have given him, and he never finds fault." The task was given him, and he did it.

A man without a purpose is buffeted by the waves of caprice, envy and discontent, driven from one point to another as the winds of chance may decide, until all reckoning is lost, and he is compelled to drift with the tide of circumstances.

But the man with a purpose is anchored safe and fast, and can outride the storms of adversity and ill-fortune with the sense of security from harm, and a confidence that when the sunshine of opportunity breaks through the clouds of disaster that he can resume his voyage with crew complete and cargo intact.—Frank E. Mitchell, in Frank Harrison's Family Magazine.

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HARPER—Rev. H. H. Harper, son of J. U. P. Harper and M. L. Harper, and grandson of the Rev. Paul W. Harper, of sacred memory to many of Copiah's citizens, was born near Hazlehurst, April 4, 1873, and died at his father's residence, near Hazlehurst, Jan. 16, 1899. He was converted when a boy of sixteen under the ministry of Rev. Geo. Bancroft, and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Gallman, Miss. Not long after he joined the church he felt impressed that he should preach, but realizing his want of educational qualification and feeling his weakness, he did not yield at once. After struggling against the call to duty for several years, and fearing that his education was too limited for our church to grant him license to preach, and being persuaded that he could do more good in a church with fewer restrictions around its ministry, he joined the Presbyterian Methodist Church in 1896. In June, 1897, he was duly licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of North Union Church (Protestant Methodist); so he was a duly authorized minister of the gospel at his death. He was always a good boy. His father told me that if that boy had ever told a falsehood, he was not aware of it. He had very little encouragement in his Christian life, and especially in his effort to preach the gospel. His father said to me at the time of his son's death that the greatest regret of his life was that he had not encouraged "Dock" and helped him more in his Christian work. No one knew, except himself, and possibly his mother, with whom he talked freely, and who sympathized with him and encouraged him in his work, the conflicts he passed through, and the valiant fights he made to maintain his Christian integrity. He loved to read his Bible and sing. He enjoyed attending revivals, and spent most of the summer months in revivals, going from one meeting to another. I was with him for twenty-four hours before his death. He was rational until the last; he was very calm. He called each one to his bedside and bade them an affectionate farewell. This was one of the most triumphant deaths I ever witnessed. We have no doubts as to his eternal abode. His body rests in the cemetery at Gallman.

W. M. Williams, P. C.

DURR—Mrs. Elizabeth H. Durr was born in 1822 in the State of South Carolina, where she continued to reside with her parents for seventeen years, and while residing there she was happily converted unto God at the tender age of eleven years. In the year 1839 she moved with her parents to Meridian, Miss., where she united with the M. E. Church the following year; and there she met and was married to Col. E. A. Durr in 1839, and God blessed this happy union with seven children—four boys and three girls—three of whom survive her. The other four children and her husband preceded her to the glory world several years ago.

Sister Durr moved to Louisiana in 1869, and settled on the Grand Chenière, in Cameron parish, where she resided and continued to live a devoted Christian life until her death. She was in feeble health for three or four years, yet she endured her affliction without a murmur, and bore up under the weight with Christian fortitude. Age was seen making its way upon her brow, and time was plowing deep furrows in her cheeks. On the morning of May 20, 1899, God sent his flaming chariot, drawn by fiery steeds, with a convoy of angels, down from heaven to earth, and her gentle spirit was gathered in and carried through the pearly gates into the celestial city at the ripe old age of seventy-seven years. She died as she lived—in great peace.

To the bereaved and sorrowing hearts we say: "Weep not as those who have no hope," but look to the cross, and hear and take comfort from the words of Jesus, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live."

Her pastor, John G. Sloane.

SIMMONS—Thursday morning, May 18, the death angel entered the door of Bro. J. E. and Sister Lela Simmons, and took from their arms their infant son, Marion Howard, aged four months and seven days. The little corpse was interred in the Hillsboro Cemetery, this scribe officiating.

Little Edward, thou didst breathe the sweet odors of flowers wafted upon the breezes of but one Spring. Thou didst never tread upon the flowery paths of a Summer here; but we rejoice to know that though thy little body lies smouldering in the clay, thy spirit lives with the redeemed of God in the enmmer of eternal bliss, for "of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Our deep sympathy goes out for the bereft. May the comforting spirit of God be with them to soothe their sorrows, guide them through the trials of this life, and when life's journey shall end, give them a happy reunion with their loved one on the other shore!

T. J. O'Neil.

HESTER—Bro. Luke J. Hester was born Feb. 18 1807, in Walker county, Ga. In early life he moved to Butler county, Ala., and married. God blessed him with six children, three of whom preceded him to the land of the redeemed. Three are living to mourn the loss of a dear, aged father.

Bro. Hester moved from Alabama to Holmes county, Miss., and thence to Neshoba county, Miss., where he settled in 1838 and lived until his death, which occurred March 20, 1899. In his death the church has lost a true, loyal member, for he loved his church and faithfully sought its best interest. The county lost a true citizen, the neighborhood a devout neighbor, a true friend, and a maker of peace. When such men depart this life earth is made poorer, but our eternal home is made richer.

Take thy rest, thou good one;
Thou hast been a faithful son;
All thy work has been well done;
Enter the joys of the heavenly home.

P. H. Howse, Pastor.

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BLANKS—Resolutions of sympathy on the death of Ruth Blanks:

Ruth Blanks, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Blanks, was born June 7, 1896, and died at her home in Birmingham, March 20, 1899.

God, in his all-wise providence, has plucked a little bud from the embrace of father and mother, and transplanted it in the home beyond the skies.

Little Ruth was among the first names enrolled on the list of "Buds and Blossoms," and the first called by the Father from among the little band to live with him in glory. Young as she was, she had performed her mission on earth, and "God took her."

Resolved, That the Meridian Auxiliary of the W. F. M. S. extend to the family its heartfelt sympathy, and point them to the One who alone can comfort them in this hour of sore bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of this be sent to the New Orleans Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy sent the family.

Mrs. S. M. Mellard, for Com.

PURNELL—Resolutions, passed by second Quarterly Conference, Meyersville charge, and by special request sent to the Advocate for publication:

Whereas, Our heavenly Father has removed from our midst Bro. Wm. Purnell, who died on Feb. 9 in Vicksburg after severe illness and months of suffering; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in his death the church has lost a strong support—one who has stood for the church for many years where few were found who would sacrifice everything for the cause of Christ.

Resolved, That in his death the community loses a citizen worthy of the respect and esteem of all. The Sunday-school cause feels painfully the loss sustained, as he was always interested in the welfare of the children. And that as husband, father and friend, his place can not be filled.

Resolved, That we offer our sympathy to his bereaved wife, sisters and sons, and pray that his mantle may fall on his sons.

W. H. Scudder,
J. P. Heath,
For the Conference.

WITT—On May 10, 1899, at Hays Station, Miss., the angel of death visited the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Witt, and took from their loving embrace the gentle spirit of their infant son, Vernoo. Only fifteen short months he was given to gladden their hearts and shed the light of joy and hope around their happy home; but God saw best to take him to a brighter world, and after ten days of intense suffering and all that loving hands could do to stay the dread destroyer, the summons came, and as his precious life was slowly passing away, he closed his little eyes as if in gentle sleep, and waked

In the arms of Jesus,
Safe on his gentle breast;
There by his love o'ershaded,
Sweetly his soul will rest.

Anna P. Jones.

DAY—Mrs. Mary Day was born in Patterson, La., May 28, 1857. She was the daughter of Dr. William and Louisa Cisana. She joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1881 under Rev. R. S. Trippett. She was married in July, 1877.

Sister Day was a great sufferer for many years, but her faith in Christ was her comfort and refuge. She died in great peace at her mother's, in Patterson, La., May 13, 1899, surrounded by her mother, brothers and sisters, and many friends. The family are in deep sorrow, but they weep not as those who have no hope.

Sister Day left one son. She felt great anxiety about his spiritual condition. May this providence be sanctified to his salvation!

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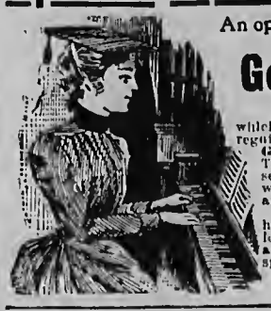
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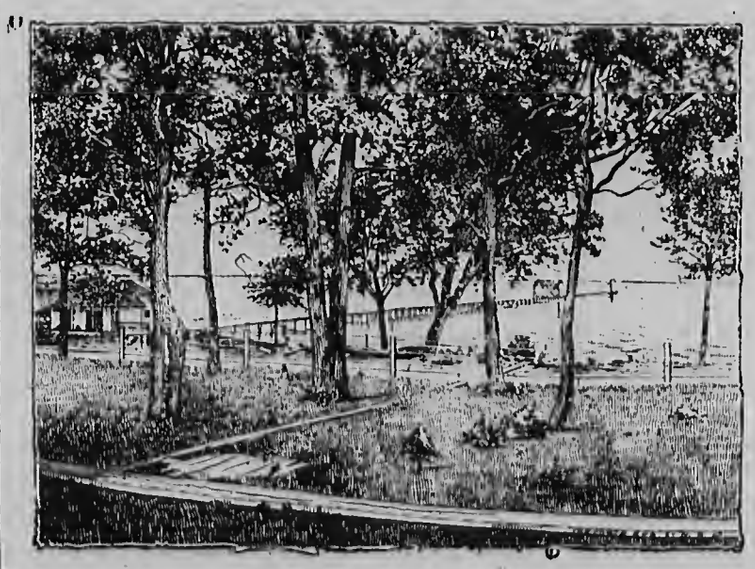

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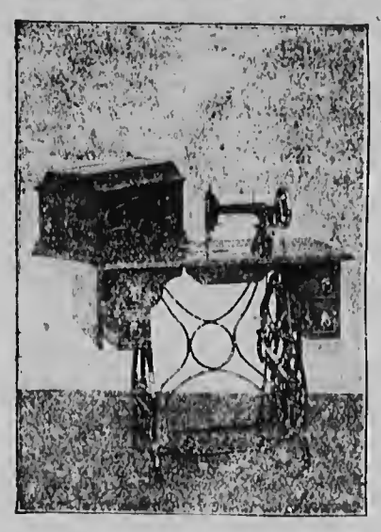

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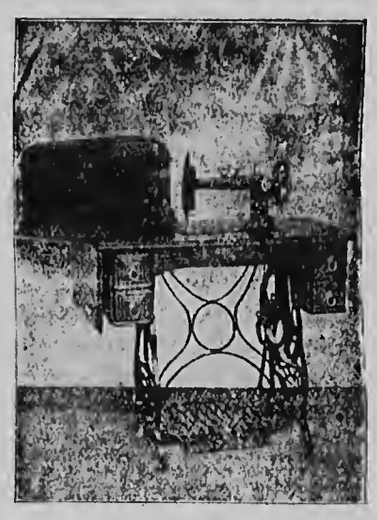

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The first of the volunteers sent to the Philippines have started on their way homeward, and the balance will be forwarded to their homes as rapidly as transports can be provided for them.

Exports from the United States to Canada continue to increase, despite the legislation of two years ago intended to give special advantage to imports into Canada from the United Kingdom over those from the United States.

More troops for the Philippines is now the cry. The war has already cost thousands of lives of American citizens, and is said to require the expenditure of a million dollars a day. About $120,000,000 are said to have already been expended.

The Board of Directors of Wittenburg College, a Lutheran institution at Springfield, Ohio, has decided by an almost unanimous vote to admit women to the theological seminary, and, upon completion of the course, to confer upon them the degree of B. D.

In seven years' time, if the present programme is carried out, the Mikado will have at his disposal sixty-five ships, with an aggregate tonnage of 233,000; eleven torpedo-boat destroyers and 115 torpedo boats. The latter boats will have a speed of thirty knots an hour.

The Michigan Legislature has provided for the appointment of a commission to negotiate with railroad companies having special charters for the surrender of such charters and the incorporation of the companies under the general law. The desire is to make railroad legislation uniform.

Australian advices say that the officers of the British and American warships who have been fraternizing during the recent trouble in Samoa, have decided to erect a joint monument to the memory of the English-speaking slain in the various engagements. It is intended to erect a granite monument with the names of the British engraved on one panel and the Americans on the other.

A reciprocity treaty between the United States and Great Britain, in relation to trade between this country and the British colony of Barbadoes, was signed at the Department of State, June 16, by the representatives of the two governments. It is the first treaty framed under the Dingley law, and the first of the series of the treaties which the British colonies to the south of this country are seeking to effect.

Surrounded by a thousand of the enemy, six miles from re-enforcements, and with a thousand more insurgents moving rapidly down on their left to make their annihilation complete, the First Battalion of the Fourth Infantry, Major Bubb commanding, in all 300 Americans, fought their way back from Perez Das Marinas, three miles toward their military base at Imus, where the rest of the Fourth came to their support.

The recent advices from the Philippines have not been reassuring, and the conviction is becoming general that the authorities are keeping back a good portion of the news because it is even more unfavorable than appears on the surface. Although General Otis constantly reports great victories, the aggressiveness of the insurgents does not diminish, and the extent of territory which our troops dominate does not appreciably widen.

Although several days have elapsed since the French Chamber of Deputies forced the Cabinet to resign, by a vote of no confidence, practically no progress has been made in reconstructing the ministry. M. Poincare has abandoned the task, after a disconraging attempt to secure pledges of support, and it is now announced that Senator Waldeck-Rousseau has been called upon to reconstruct affairs and has accepted the task, as far as making an effort is concerned.

Under the most favorable circumstances it would be hardly possible for the government to increase its army in the Philippines up to the 35,000 limit before the first of August. About 6000 troops destined for service in the Philippines and included in the proposed 35,000 force are still in this country, and will not be able to reach the scene of action for five or six weeks. The officials of the War Department are making every effort, however, to expedite their departure, and to that end have arranged for the immediate preparation of the tranports "Sheridan," "Pennsylvania," "Zealandia" and "Valencia."

Dr. Zorn, the member of the German delegation to the International Peace Conference, who was dispatched last Friday by Count von Munster, the chief German delegate, after a conference with his colleagues, to inform Emperor William of the condition of affairs in regard to the Board of Arbitration question, has returned. It is said, however, that owing to the absence of the Emperor, Dr. Zorn was only able to consult with the officials of the German foreign office. Dr. Zorn is discreetly reticent regarding his mission, but it is understood he obtained the impression at Berlin that all hope need not be abandoned of effecting an understanding regarding the organization of an Arbitration Board by amalgamating the various schemes.

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Sallis, at Clear Branch	July	1
Kosciusko station		2, 3
Cumberland, at Shady Grove		7
Enpora, at Walthall		8, 9
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington		15, 16
Pickens, at Goodman		22, 23
Ackerman, at Ackerman		29, 30
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	Aug.	5, 6
Durant station		12, 13
Poplar Creek, at Prospect		18
Tomnolen, at Tomnolen		19, 20
Rural Hill, at Rural Hill		25
Chester, at South Union		26, 27
Salem circuit	Sept.	2, 3
Belzona		9, 10
Louisville		16, 17

District Conference at Ackerman, commencing Thursday, July 27, at 2:30 P. M.
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ABERDEEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Okolona station	June	24, 25
Tupelo station	July	1, 2
Verona and Nettleton		8, 9
Aberdeen circuit		11, 12
Montpelier circuit		15, 16
Houston and Wesley		22, 23
Nettleton circuit		29, 30
Quincy circuit	Aug.	1, 2
Amory and Smithville		5, 6
Tremont circuit		12, 13
Fulton circuit		14, 15
Buena Vista circuit		19, 20
Shannon circuit		21, 22
Okolona circuit		23, 24

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WINONA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Greenwood	June	25, 26
Walden, at Kilmichael	July	1, 2
Winona station	Monday night	3
Carrollton station, at Valley Hill		8, 9
Indianola, at Falcona		15, 16
Sidon and Ebbaena, at Marksville		29, 30
Carrollton circuit, at Cogdell's chapel	Aug.	5, 6
Winona circuit, at Salem		12, 13
Black Hawk, at Sweet Water		19, 20
McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sunny Side		26, 27
Dublin and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept.	2, 3
West, at ——		9, 10

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MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Ythaville, at Curtis Chapel	July	1, 2
Meridian—Central	Wed. P. M.	5
DeKalb, at Marvin		8, 9
Meridian—West End	Wed. P. M.	12
North Kemper, at Melleo		15, 16
Porterville, at Burton's Chapel		22, 23
Meridian—East End	Wed. P. M.	26
Motherville, at Hebron		29, 30
Lauderdale, at Bethel	Aug.	5, 6
Middleton, at Manassas		12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house	Wed.	10
Waynesboro, at State Line		19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M.	20, 21
Pachuta, at Adams		26, 27
Enterprise, at ——		27, 28
Meridian—South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed.	30
Shubuta, at ——	Sun., Mon.	Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at ——		9, 10
Blunsville, at ——		16, 17

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SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Scranton	June	23
Bay St. Louis, Long Beech, and Gulf Port, at Long Beech		24, 25
Purvis, at Rawls' Springs	July	1, 2
Pearlington and Logtown, at Logtown		8, 9
Biloxi		14
Vancleave, at Mt. Zion		22, 23
Escatawpa, at Orange Grove		29, 30
Moss Point		30, 31
Galloway, at Isabella	Aug.	5, 6
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Lumberton		12, 13
Columbia, at Thompson's Chapel		17
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove		18
East Covington, at Hebron		19, 20
St. Johns, at Mississippi City		26, 27
Leakaville, at Avera	Sept.	2, 3
Hattiesburg		10, 11
Whitington, at Palmer Camp Ground		16, 17

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
(In Part.)

Terry, at Spring Ridge	July	8, 9
Capitol Street	A. M.	16
First Church	P. M.	16
Sharon, at Forest Grove		22, 23
Yazoo circuit (Short Cr.)	Sat. A. M., Sun P. M.	29, 30
Yazoo City	Sun. A. M.,	30, 31
Canton, at Thornton's	Aug.	5, 6
Vaughan's, at ——	M. to W.	7-9
Madison, at Pearl River		12-15
Brandon		19, 20

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NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Rodney	July	8, 9
Gloster		15, 16
Tarver's Chapel		21, 23
Macedonia		29, 30
Bethel	Aug	5, 6
Woodville		12, 13
Percy's Creek		12, 13
Kingston		19, 20
Providence		26, 27
Natchez—Jefferson Street	Sept.	3, 4
Natchez—Wesley Chapel		2, 3
Ebenezer		9, 10
Lebanon		16, 17
McNair		23, 24

The District Conference will meet at Woodville, Aug. 9, at 4 P. M. Bishop Galloway is expected to preside. District stewards will please have their new Record Books present for examination. All proper work of a District Conference is expected to be attended to.
W. L. C. BUNNIOTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
(In Part.)

Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	July	8, 9
Mayersville, at Mayersville		22, 23
Vicksburg—Crawford Street		30
South Vicksburg		30
Bolton, at Raymond	Aug	5, 6
Edwards, at Rives' Chapel		12, 13
Rocky Springs, at Hickory Ridge		19, 20
South Warren, at Red Bone		26, 27

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Whitestown, at Muddy Springs	July	8, 9
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia		9, 10
Gallman, at Mt. Pleasant		15, 16
McComb City		22, 23
Providence, at Camp Ground		27-31
Wesson	Aug.	5, 6
Summit and Topisaw, at Camp Ground		10-16
Crystal Springs		19
Brookhaven		26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept.	2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lencir's		9, 10
Mt Carmel, at Bethel		16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.	19
Tylertown, at ——		23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda		30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at ——		7, 8
Hazlehurst		8, 9
Bogue Chitto, at Wellman		14, 15

The preachers in charge will please see that the books are on hand to be examined as the Discipline directs under Ques. 20. Let very careful attention be given to the preparation for a full answer, as the law requires, to Ques. 17.
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FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Raleigh at Cedar Grove	Sat. and Sun	June 24, 25
Forest, at Pulaski	Sat. and Sun.	July 1, 2
Morton, at Zion Grove	Sat. and Sun.	8, 9
Trenton, at Prospect	Sat. and Sun.	15, 16
Clarksburg, at Holly Bush	Sat. and Sun	22, 23
Preacher's Institute, at Hickory	Thurs. and Fri	27, 28
District Conference, at Hickory	Sat.—Mon.	29-31
Newton and H., at Hickory	Sat.	29
Hillsboro, at Hillsboro	Sat. and Sun.	Aug. 5, 6
Carthage, at Liberty	Thurs.	10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland	Sat. and Sun	19, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun	26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Sat. and Sun	Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and Sun.	9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville	Sat. and Sun	16, 17
Decatur, at ——	Sat. and Sun.	23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun.	30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs.	5
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun.	7, 8
Shiloh, at Clear Creek	Sat. and Sun.	14, 15

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DELHI DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Girard	June	3, 4
Tallulah		10, 11
Providence, at Providence		17, 18
Floyd, at Midway		17, 18
Bonita, at Bartholomew		24, 25
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Chicot and Washington, at Elm Bayou	July	1, 2
Bunkie and Marksville, at Bayou Clear		8, 9
Simsport, at Marlon		15, 16
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Big Cane		22, 23
Jena and Jonesville, at White Sulphur Springs		29, 30
Olla and Pollock, at Summerville	Aug.	5, 6
Columbia, at Master's Chapel	11 A. M.	9
Ada and Winfield		12, 13
Rapides Camp Meeting		13-19
Boring Creek, at Fellowship		26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept	2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C		9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice		16, 17
Dry Creek, at ——	11 A. M., 8 P. M.	21
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SOMETIME, SOMEWHERE.

BY ROBERT BROWNING.

Unanswered yet, tho prayer your lips have pleaded
In agony of heart these many years?
Does faith begin to fail? Is hope departing?
And think you all in vain those falling tears?
Say not the Father hath not heard your prayer;
You shall have your desire sometime, somewhere.

Unanswered yet? Though when you first presented
This one petition at the Father's throne,
It seemed you could not wait the time of asking,
So urgent was your heart to make it known;
Though years have passed since then, do not despair,
The Lord will answer you sometime, somewhere.

Unanswered yet! Nay, do not say ungranted—
Perhaps your part is not yet wholly done;
The work began when your first prayer was uttered,
And God will finish what he has begun,
If you will keep the incense burning there,
His glory you shall see, sometime, somewhere.

Unanswered yet? Faith can not be unanswered;
Her feet are firmly planted on the rock;
Amid the wildest storms she stands undaunted,
Nor quails before the loudest thunder shock,
She knows Omnipotence has heard her prayer,
And cries, "It shall be done," sometime, somewhere.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

WHITWORTH COMMENCEMENT.

The commencement of Whitworth Female College for the session of 1898-9 closed last Wednesday, the fourteenth instant. It was a delightful occasion from beginning to end, furnishing abundant proofs of the faithful and successful work done by this famous institution of learning during the forty-first session of its existence.

The first of these exercises was held June 9 for the primary and preparatory departments. It showed skilful training of the little ones by Miss Enlah Mortimer, who has charge of these departments. It was manifest from the delightful manner in which all who took part in these exercises acquitted themselves that the little ones receive as careful training in Whitworth College as those who are in the regular college classes.

"Commencement Sunday" was one of the very best in the history of the college. Dr. W. C. Black, who had been engaged to preach the sermon, was providentially hindered from coming, but his place was admirably filled by Rev. H. Walter Featherstun, D. D. The text was taken from the eighth Psalm, verses 4, 5, and 6. The sermon was very fine, fully meeting all the demands of the important occasion, and was heard with rapt attention by an immense concourse of eager auditors. Dr. Featherstun felicitously portrayed the royalty of manhood, and the ideal manhood of Jesus Christ. There were many passages of rare beauty in the sermon.

Rev. R. Selby delivered the sermon to the Epworth Leaguers at 8 P. M. His subject was, "Woman, the Epworth League, and Christianity." The text was taken from the twenty seventh verse of the first chapter of James. This was Bro. Selby's initial effort on "commencement" occasions, but he acquitted himself so handsomely in this that it is more than probable that he will be in great demand for such work in the future. His sermon was unusually good. It was eminently appropriate, thoughtful, and eloquent. Praises are heard from many lips of his most excellent discourse.

The contest for the gold medal in elocution was held Monday morning. Misses Virgie Marshall, Lera Adams and Mary Chambers were the contestants. The last named won the medal. There were hundreds present to witness this contest, and all were delighted with the superior ability in oratory displayed by every one of these girls. The performance was in every detail eminently creditable to the college, and evidenced superior ability and faithful training of Miss A. H. Gilmore, who has had charge of this department during the past session, and will remain in charge next session. Miss Gilmore is, without doubt, the best elocutionist the college has ever had. It would be difficult to find her equal in any of the colleges of the land.

Monday evening was devoted to the annual debate between the Philomathean and Harvey Johnson Literary Societies, and the "commencement address." "Resolved, That it is conducive to good government to reward party service with public office," was the subject of debate. It was a weighty subject indeed for college girls to handle. There were many present to hear the debate who were nervously curious to know what girls who had been shut up for years in the class-room could say on a subject so vitally connected with the political machinery of our government, and so influential in shaping its destiny, and promoting or hindering its prosperity. Four superb specimens of intellectual and polished young womanhood appeared upon the forensic arena, and did valiant battle for the victory. Misses Ina Pope, Bessie Carruth, Maud Hoover and Annie Lee were the debaters. Misses Pope and Hoover represented the Philomathean Society, and argued the affirmative side of the question. Misses Carruth and Annie Lee argued the negative side for the Harvey Johnson Society. The debate was exceptionally good. These young ladies had prepared their papers with great care, and read them fluently, gracefully and forcefully. In this discussion it was evident that the debaters had closely studied the political history of the nation, and that they had remarkable familiarity with the spirit and genius of our government.

Whitworth College may well be proud of her literary societies that are doing such noble work in developing the girls in clear, strong thinking, and in ready and convincing utterance. This writer has on more than one occasion voted for men to represent him in the State Legislature who would be utterly unable to successfully debate with these college girls such questions as they had before them last Monday evening. The judges decided—not unanimously, however—in favor of the negative side, argued by the Harvey Johnson Society. There were many intelligent and thoughtful hearers of the debate who vigorously dissented from the decision. It was a splendid debate, and all the girls did surprisingly well.

At the close of the debate Dr. W. L. Weber, professor in Millsaps College, delivered a very fine address on Irwin Russell before the literary societies. Dr. Weber is a new man to the Brookhaven public, but his admirable address made for him a most favorable impression, and won him many warm admirers. He delighted the Whitworth people, particularly the girls, by paying the very highest praise to the Clionian, the college journal. He said it was the brightest college paper that comes under his eye.

The alumnæ anniversary was held Tuesday morning. Mrs. Lillie Wilkinson Thompson, president of the association, presided, and delivered a brilliant address of welcome to the incoming graduates. This was felicitously responded to for the class of '99 by Miss Margaret McCord. Miss Addie V. Marshall, secretary, read an interesting report. There are now living about 400 alumnæ of this grand old college, who are widely scattered throughout the State of Mississippi and adjoining States, and are filling prominent and influential positions in all the higher walks of life. In the afternoon this association held a meeting in the interest of their alma mater. Steps were taken for the endowment of a chair in the faculty of the college. English was chosen as the chair to endow. Plans were laid for a systematic and thorough canvass of the alumnæ of the State. A vice-president was appointed for each congressional district. Miss Addie V. Marshall, of the class of '74, was appointed in general charge of this work. Much good is hoped for from this movement in the enlargement of the work of Whitworth. The Executive Committee of the association will hold a meeting here early next week to give further study to the plans to be employed for raising the money needed.

The concert Tuesday evening was a very pleasant feature of the occasion. It was a grand treat to all lovers of music. Prof. C. B. Snyder, director of the conservatory, and his accomplished assistants, Miss Hunt and Miss Anderson, of the New England Conservatory, and Miss Johnson, of the Whitworth Conservatory, charmed the large and cultured audience with the exceptionally fine programme. Prof. Snyder is an artist of very fine ability, and has taken strong hold on the college by his earnest and able efforts to promote the interests of the conservatory. Miss Hunt, Miss Anderson, and Miss Johnson are eminently capable, and are diligent workers. It is fortunate that the college will retain them another year. Miss Anderson is the only one to leave. She has accepted a position in Waco, Texas. Mrs. C. B. Snyder, a vocalist of marked ability, rendered invaluable service in the concert.

The art department is under the management of Miss Virginia Hart, who is regarded by those who ought to be judges of such matters as the best art teacher the college has had. She is from the Art Institute of Chicago. Her work has the highest praise. That she will be retained another session by the college is exceedingly gratifying. The work done by Miss Mary Moreton, Miss Bessie Bailey, Miss Dudley McLaurin and Miss Mary Louise Daniels was of special merit. The medal was decided by drawing between Mrs. Anna Bowen, and Misses Mary Chambers, Bessie Bailey and Dudley McLaurin. Miss Chambers drew the lucky number.

"Commencement Day" drew an immense crowd of people, and was a glorious day in Whitworth's history. Eighteen bright young women received their diplomas as follows: A. B.—Misses Lucy Leroy Adams, Maud Hoover, Edna Haley, Margaret McCord, Ina Pope, and Josie Webb; M. E. L.—Misses Katie Bostwick, Bessie Cassedy, Bessie Carruth, Lovie Davenport, Katie Hill, Annie Lee, and Pearl Reed; B. D.—Misses Irene Clement and May Quick; B. M.—Misses Frances E. Kennard, Esther Priebatsch, and Stella Berry; in voice, Miss Frances E. Kennard. First honor was won by Miss Edna Haley, and second honor by Miss Lovie Davenport. The medal for music was won by Miss Esther Priebatsch, and the silver medal in class elocution by Miss Eleanor Johnson. The following members of the class won special mention as having made 90, and over, in their studies: Misses Leroy Adams, Pearl Reed, Ina Pope, Margaret McCord, and Josie Webb. Jimmie Allen was mentioned as having made the best average in the lower classes.

The most pathetic incident connected with all the exercises was the baccalaureate address by President Chambers. He appeared before the class leaning on crutches, and spoke to them with eyes full of tears. His brief address deeply moved the entire audience. President Chambers has been a very sick man for many weeks, being greatly afflicted with rheumatism. He was unable to attend all the exercises of the commencement.

Rev. B. F. Jones, president of the Board of Trustees, awarded the diplomas, and Dr. Featherstun announced the names of the honor pupils, and those of the successful contestants for the different medals.

The Board of Trustees held several important meetings during the commencement occasion. The Board decided to appoint, and did appoint, a committee to draft a new charter, to be presented to the next session of the Mississippi Conference, putting the college more fully in the hands of the Conference, and asking the Conference to elect the Board of Trustees, and by that means take formal and definite charge of the college. This is in line with Millsaps College's attitude to the Conference.

The Board decided to run the teaching and boarding departments of the college as two separate and distinct departments. Rev. J. W. Chambers was put in charge of the boarding department, and the Board will have absolute control of the teaching department. Rev. J. W. Chambers, A. M., will be retained as president of the college. The Board will meet next Monday morning to complete the faculty.

T. W. ADAMS.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE.

Commencement week at Mansfield College began Wednesday evening, June 7, with an art levee, and ended with the graduating exercises Wednesday morning, June 14. Your correspondent was the only member of the Visiting Committee present, but a number of preachers were on hand, among them C P. Smith, J. M. Brown, R. P. Howell, M. G. Jenkins, W. T. Bolling, and W. F. Henderson. Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, our pastor at Mansfield, was a host in himself and a host to the visiting brethren. Messrs. Vance, Wadley, Gwynn, and others whose names I do not now recall, were among laymen attending from a distance. The visitors and citizens of Mansfield made up a large and constant attendance upon the various entertainments so generously afforded by the faculty and students. Even the rains during the last two days kept no very large number from the exercises.

The programs demonstrated that we have near the centre of our State an institution affording broad culture, refined social conditions, and artistic finish for girls and young women who desire such advantages. Of course, it is not possible to judge accurately of the class-room work by an artistic and literary exhibition, but it is legitimate to infer from this the general character of all departments. It was a source of much pleasure to the somewhat fastidious ear of your correspondent to hear such rendering of piano-forte classics as would have done credit to almost any concert platform. Accuracy, clearness, delicacy of shading, correct phrasing, and a comprehensive grasp of the composition from beginning to end, were, in more than one case, a demonstration of able and painstaking instruction, and a revelation of talent. If one may judge by the Monday evening debate upon the relative influence of the poet and the orator, and by the graduating essays, the department of English is not behind that of music.

Of course, the great matter of a commencement occasion is the graduation. Interest centres in the young men or women who have then reached the boundaries that divide between two momentous epochs of life. At Mansfield this year Miss Sallie Brown received the degree of M. A., and Misses Minnie Sligh and Floy Calhoun that of B. A., which were conferred by the president, who then presented each graduate with a handsome Oxford Bible, commending his beautiful and fitting gift in the eloquent words, "And this will point you to the Lamb of God." Dr. Bolling addressed the graduates with good counsel on the practical view of the after-graduation life, and delivered a concluding exhortation to the people of Mansfield to enlarge and sustain the college.

The Alumnæ Association had invited no orator, intending to celebrate the anniversary by the use of talent within itself; but your correspondent was requested to deliver the lecture he had prepared for the literary societies before the alumnæ also—a request all the more agreeable, as the speaker's mother is an alumna of this honored institution.

Commencement orators were numerous. Besides Dr. Bolling, another of our recent acquisitions by transfer, Rev. C. P. Smith, was among these. His sermon, Sunday evening, to the Epworth League was practical and helpful. The commencement sermon by Rev. Waller E. Boggs, of Dallas, Texas, reached a high level. Bro. Boggs is evidently too much impressed by the general seriousness of life, and especially that phase of it that brings the minister face to face with an eager and receptive congregation largely made up of young people, to indulge in mere rhetoric; but his profound grasp of moral truth, delicate sensitiveness to the intellectual and social life of his own times, and large constructive powers, united in the production of a sermon that was deeply impressive and inspiring. I am certain that I was but one of a number who went away thinking.

There have been material advances made at Mansfield since last commencement. A large tank, waterworks, bath-rooms on every floor, and other conveniences have been placed in the main building. A new Assembly Hall has replaced the one built to be only temporary forty years ago, and which stood until last year. Chapel, dining-room, parlors and halls have been beautified, and it is proposed to renovate the whole interior.

The health of the students has been good—no serious sickness during the year. The generally happy, well-bred and pleasing appearance of the students, and the frictionless maintenance of discipline, impress an observer within the college walls.

The patronage has been good; the total number of boarders, 67; the enrollment of pupils, 100. Enlargement of capacity for boarders is to be made by the repair of the dormitories over the dining-hall. This enlargement will be apparently none too soon, as the prospects for an increased patronage next year are fine.

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was most satisfactory. The financial status of the college was found to be better than it has been for many years, and the character of the work done was commended. Prof. T. S. Sligh was re-elected president; Mrs. Sligh, vice-president; Miss Ruth Sligh, directress of music; Mrs. Caro Jules Penn, teacher of elocution and voice. Miss Birdie Edwards leaves to pursue a post-graduate course at the University of Missouri, and her place as principal of the Primary Department is taken by Miss Gussie Long. Miss Williams leaves regretted by all, and her place as teacher of painting and drawing is to be supplied. Misses Sallie Brown and Gay McCaslin have been added to the faculty.

Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard was re-elected president of the Board of Trustees, and was authorized to act as financial agent for the especial purpose of raising a sum of money sufficient to carry out the plans for improvement already referred to, and which are deemed necessary to the continued efficiency and well-being of the college. Bro. Sheppard has put so much time, energy, prayer, and eminently successful work into Mansfield College, that no one doubts that he will succeed in the present undertaking. But we must all help him.

The following resolutions were passed by the Board:

Whereas, The increased patronage and growing demands upon us for conveniences and facilities; And, whereas, The large dining-hall is in need of a new roof, and the main building in immediate need of repair; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard be authorized to act as financial agent for this institution, and that we hereby request him to raise a sufficient amount to meet the demands in the case.

And, whereas, The Board of Trustees of Mansfield College is highly gratified at the eminent success of the past session of the school; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the present administration, and commend the school and faculty to all who may be seeking a Christian home in which their daughters may be educated in mind and heart.

FITZGERALD SALE PARKER.

Jackson, La., June 20, 1899.

Communications.

FAITH HEALING AGAIN.

In a former article under the caption, "Faith Healing," criticised by Bro. J. M. Pugh, lately deceased, the only thing objected to was the precise thing to which I objected, and which called forth the strictures of my article. I showed the absurdity of praying for the recovery of the sick if we do not believe that God may answer such prayers. I further showed that to ask God to "bless the means used for the cure of the sick" avails nothing if he does not interpose his supernatural power. We must have faith in that degree over and above our confidence in the efficacy of the natural means employed before we begin to pray. I do not deny the efficacy of natural remedies even when administered by prayerless physicians to prayerless patients, but that does not prove that God may not, in answer to the prayer of faith with, or without, natural remedies, or in despite of wrong remedies, interpose his power for the cure of the sick. And what I said then I repeat now: There is no ground for prayer if we discard the supernatural. And, further, when we come to feel the need of prayer for such a purpose, our modesty ought to secure us against the irreverence of dictating to God the means he should employ in answering our prayers.

D. G. W. ELLIS.

A PROTEST.

MR. EDITOR: In behalf of the fraternal welfare of the Mississippi Conference and the peace of our beloved Zion, I protest against the needless flaunting of the term, "second-blessing," in the discussion of subjects wholly irrelevant.

Dr. Featherstun makes profuse reference to the "second-blessing" theory in defending his system of education. What relation has the "second-blessing" theory to the advisableness of his plan of education or any other? Is he discussing doctrinal theories or educational methods? ROBT. L. PHILLIPS.

Porterville, Miss., June 24, 1899.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

One of the features of the July Pall Mall Magazine is an exhaustive article on the various phases of modern architecture in Chicago by Mr. Peter B. Wight, a leading architect of that city. The paper is profusely illustrated by fine photographs of the most notable of Chicago's architectural triumphs. Other features are: A timely and instructive article on "Wireless Telegraphy—Its History and Development," by Mr. H. G. Marillier; the third of Mr. Higginbottom's "Silhouettes in Parliament," which he devotes to the Irish Nationalists; the second installment of Mr. F. C. Burnand's highly entertaining reminiscences of his early Punch days, and an article by Mr. W. E. Henley, in which he severely criticises the Daily Telegraph's recently published list of "The Hundred Best Novels."

Among the more important articles in Ainslee's Magazine, for July, are: "The Food We Eat—A Study of the U. S. Food Commission," by E. W. Mayo; "The Science of Handwriting," by Daniel T. Ames, the famous handwriting expert; Captain Leary, Governor of Guam, at Samoa; "A Search for Pirate Gold," and, further, a strong satire by some anonymous writer under the title, "The Literary Weather Bureau."

Communications.

WHAT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR.

BY REV Q. A. OATS.

(An essay read before the Preachers Meeting in Friar's Point, and published by request

This is a difficult question to answer, not because we may not well and readily know many things necessary to make a successful pastor, but because there are so many that can not be known and appreciated without diligent and prayerful investigation. It is also well worthy of our consideration that there are things that must effect the pastor's work and experience that language can not express, and that can not be comprehended by any mere mental process, and that can only be known by a higher spiritual intuition through direct personal communication with God.

The question well deserves a full and clear treatment as far as the thought can grasp and express the essentials, because of its supreme importance in the gospel system, in the salvation of the world. Especially is it needful to impress the duty of looking well into the subject as it bears upon the responsibility and personal salvation of the pastor himself. With this feeling your essayist has undertaken his task, relying on the Divine Master's assistance for success.

The first requisite, both in point of time and importance, is a soundly-converted heart, attended by a strong personal faith, and a sanctified and holy life. To this state should be added an intense desire for the salvation of all men, and an unmistakable call to the work by the Holy Ghost. This call should be so impressed as to cause the feeling to be so strong, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel," that no relief may be found but in obedience. The response should be, "Here am I, Lord; send me," without regarding the sacrifices and labors that may be required, while he that is so called should look to God's promises and perfections for all needed grace and power, and for his reward.

We have not passed the age when we should believe in a special and clear call by the Spirit of God to the offices and work of the ministry in his church. The church that holds any other view, and admits any other practice, will be a barren sponse of the Lord, and the man who assumes the obligations and responsibility through any other motive will have an awful account to give and will find anything but an easy affair in the line of his self-imposed work.

A thorough and frequent self-examination by the pastor into his experience in these things is a necessity. They are to him as the merchant's stock in trade, who needs frequently to "take stock" to be sure of his standing. It will save him from the danger of falling into the spirit of a mere professional, and the character of an hireling in the flock of God.

There is no calling among men comparable to that of the pastor in the church of God. He is "unto God a sweet savour of Christ in them that are saved, and in them that perish: to the one he is the savour of death unto death, and to the other of life unto life." He stands between God and man as God's exponent of himself through Christ to man. As Christ is the only medium through which man may reach God, and through which God can bestow the gifts of his spiritual economy upon man, and as the only means of his salvation, the pastor's office is an exalted one, and its responsibilities of boundless reach, and awful. All that there is in God's moral and spiritual economy must reach our race through pastors as God's chosen vessels. They secure the sealing of the faithful to life eternal, and impress the seal of damnation upon the unbelieving.

The message the pastor gives the people needs to be molded in a clear, mental construction of revelation, suited to the state of the minds addressed. It is needful that he should not rise above their understanding, and, therefore, become a mere babbler in an unknown tongue; and it is needful that he should not underestimate their mental status, and fall below it, and, therefore, fail to give them the instruction they need, and possibly run the risk of giving them a low estimate both of himself and his office. But his message should also rise transcendently above a mere mental statement. He should intensely believe and feel its truth and power in his own heart, and let his heart speak to hearts, out of his own rich experience, that need similar experiences. He should be able to awaken in them a hungering and thirsting that will lead them to believe in and seek satisfaction when he has been filled.

The Methodist pastorate involves a full gospel ministry, and this we believe to be the sort the Bible clearly defines and demands. The pastor should be ready and apt to teach; should lead and feed the flock of God; should be a master in the Word, and preach it, declaring the whole counsel of God, and should be an evangelist, and in all respects "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." There is a hurtful tendency in our day to limit the pastoral office to the mere duty of manipulating church machinery and taking care of the material interests. If the pastor should possess and exercise other gifts, advocates of this view look upon them as only secondary, and not essential. They do not think he should, of necessity, excel as an expounder of the Word and as a successful evangelist. To my view, this reverses the true order. It is usually expected that another class in the ministry should possess the real preaching ability, and the gifts and graces to do evangelical work, and the power to lead the people into higher states of spiritual life and experiences. It is not usually supposed necessary for this class to know anything about the government, training, and working of the church. It is not uncommon for them to disclaim all ability and calling to work of this character, and to claim a monopoly of the evangelistic office. When the church is to be lifted to a higher spiritual plane and sinners to be evangelized, the pastor is expected to arrange all machinery in due order, call this specialist, and then take a back seat, while the glorious affair is in progress.

The Bible incidentally recognizes two classes that it terms evangelists. One seems to have been a class of laymen endowed with gifts, and possessing faith and zeal, in the various congregations, who were utilized as aids to the pastor, either in teaching his large congregations, or in going out to destitute sections adjacent. In all instances these were only helpers under the pastor's direction. The other class—of whom, perhaps, Philip was the most notable specimen—went forth as preachers to distant sections entirely unevangelized, and without pastoral oversight. This is not the character of work our modern evangelist proposes to engage in. He claims no call when there is no evangelized congregations and pastors. According to this view, a full ministry can not be had without the two classes of men. Instead of this seeming unity and strength in the ministry, it is divisive, and weakens the force both of pastor and evangelist. The evangelist should be a pastor, and the pastor an evangelist—in fact, the office of pastor includes all there is in a gospel ministry.

This is not intended to imply that pastors may not be frequently in need of assistance; neither is it intended that every man is equally qualified for all pastoral duties. There are differences of gifts and qualifications that may always be expected among individuals in any class or calling. The wisdom and efficiency of our itinerant system is mainly in its securing the variety of pastoral gifts to the church by the law of change. This law corresponds with a natural condition of success and progress that has its manifestation in all natural processes.

The pastor should diligently fit himself to rule in the church as a wise leader, to be an efficient expounder of the Word, to do the work of an evangelist, and to lead his people into the experience, where they may know that which surpasseth knowledge, and be filled with all the fullness of God.

(To be continued)

SEVENTH CHAPTER OF ROMANS.

The controversy over the two I's of Paul in this chapter is by no means of recent date. Of those who have held that Paul was describing the unregenerate under sin, we mention Augustine before his controversy with the Pelagians—after this he adopted the other view; Jerome, Abelard, Thomas Aquinas, Erasmus, Bucer, Musonius, Ochino, Faustus, Socinus, Arminius, Julius, Muller, Neander, Nitzsch, Hahn, Tholuck, Stier, Stuart, Krehl, Hengstenberg, Ruikert, DeWette, Ewald, Ernesti, Messner, Sohmid, Lechler, Kahnis, and Meyer. Of those who have held that Paul was describing the regenerate, are Luther, Calvin, Beza, and the orthodox school. Of the later writers Dr. Hodge is one of the boldest on this side of the question. He says: "There is not an expression, from the beginning to the end of the section (verses 14-25), which the boliest man may not and must not adopt. There is much which can not be asserted by any unrenewed man." Haldane says: "But as it is of the regenerate the apostle is here speaking—that is, as he is speaking of himself at the time of writing—it is necessary to apply it here peculiarly to the regenerate. Besides, as it said that he did what he hated, it must be here applied exclusively to the regenerate. Though an unregenerate man disapproves of evil, he can not be said to hate sin. This is characteristic of the unregenerate, and of such only. 'Ye that love the Lord, hate evil.' (Ps. xcvii, 10.) It is characteristic of the Redeemer himself, 'Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity.' (Heb. i, 9) The following words are decisive on the subject, 'The fear of the Lord is to hate evil.' (Prov. viii, 3.) Some suppose that what the apostle says in this verse is to the same purpose with the noted heathen confession, 'Video meliora proboque, deteriora sequor.' ('I see what is better and approve of it. I follow what is worse.') But these propositions are not at all identical. The heathen confesses that he practices what he knows to be wrong, but his inconsistency arises from the love of the evil. Paul confesses that he does what is wrong, but declares that instead of loving the evil, he regards it with hatred and abhorrence."

Of this chapter Mr. Wesley says: "Paul, having compared together the past and present state of believers, that in the flesh (verse 5) and that in the spirit (verse 6), in answering two questions (is then the law sin?—verses 7; and is the law death?—verse 13), interweaves the whole process of a man reasoning, groaning, striving, and escaping from the legal to the evangelical state. This he does from verse 7 to the end of this chapter. I myself, or, rather, that I (the person whom I am personating till his deliverance is wrought), serve the law of God with my mind. My reason and conscience declare for God, but with my flesh the law of sin. But my corrupt passions and appetites still rebel. The man is now utterly weary of his bondage, and upon the brink of liberty. (Chapter viii, 1.) Now he comes to deliverance and liberty. The apostle here resumes the thread of his discourse, which was interrupted. (Chapter vii, 7.)"

Dr. Clarke says (verse 14): "I believe it is agreed, on all hands, that the apostle is here demonstrating the insufficiency of the law in opposition to the gospel. That by the former is the knowledge, by the latter the cure, of sin. Therefore, by I here he can not mean himself, nor any Christian believer. If the contrary could be proved, the argument of the apostle would go to demonstrate the insufficiency of the gospel as well as the law. The strong expressions in this clause have led many to conclude that the apostle himself, in his regenerated state, is indisputably the person intended. That all that is said in this chapter of the carnal man, sold under sin, did apply to Saul of Tarsus, no man can doubt. That what is here said can ever be applied to Paul the apostle, who can believe? Of the former, all is natural; of the latter, all here said would be monstrous and absurd, if not blasphemous. But it is supposed that the words must be understood as implying a regenerate man, because the apostle says (verse 22), 'I delight in the law of God,' and in this verse I myself, with the mind, serve the law of God. These things, they say, can not be spoken of a wicked Jew, but of a regenerate man, such as the apostle then was. But when we find that the former verse speaks of a man who is brought into captivity to the law of sin and death, surely there is no part of the regenerate state of the apostle to which the words can possibly apply. Had he been in captivity to the law of sin and death, after his conversion to Christianity, what did he gain by that conversion? Nothing for his personal holiness. He had found no salvation under an inefficient law, and he was left in thraldom under an equally inefficient gospel. The very genius of Christianity demonstrates that nothing like this can, with any propriety, be spoken of a genuine Christian."

I have given these conflicting opinions on this chapter that those who are interested in the great doctrine of regeneration might take them as a starting-point to study the Scriptures on this subject. If the descriptions of the regenerate state, as given in the Word of God, support the views of our church on this chapter, then let those claiming to be Methodist bold and teach none other; but if these descriptions support the Calvinistic view in the minds of any, then consistency demands of all such that they adopt that view, and, with Haldane, say, "Notwithstanding the struggle he describes, proving the power of the law of sin in the flesh, he asserts that, with his mind, he serves the law of God." It is, therefore, the old flesh that sins, and the soul is not responsible. METHODIST.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Yesterday's issue of The Memphis Commercial-Appeal contained a dispatch from Oxford relative to the commencement exercises of the University of Mississippi, now in progress there. In that dispatch appeared the following announcement:

Among the drawing features of this year's entertainments is a grand open-air presentation of Shakespeare's "As You Like It" and "Taming of the Shrew," given by the elocution classes under the direction of Miss Sarah McGehee Isom. This entertainment will be given on the campus green Tuesday evening, June 20, and the novelty of open-air presentations of Shakespeare by high-class performers will draw an enormous crowd. Following is the programme to be presented:

Orchestra, Kahn Bros., Memphis
Oration—Shakespeare, Hugh Barr Miller, Hazlehurst, Miss.

"AS YOU LIKE IT."

Dramatis Personæ.

Duke Simon—Augustus Smith, '99, Holly Springs, Miss.

Duke Frederick—Robert Sultan, '99, Oxford, Miss.

Jacques—Latham Ray, '97, Carrollton, Miss.

Le Bean—Walter Gex, '99, New Orleans, La.

Orlando—James Edmonds, Bolivar, Miss.

Charles the Wrestler—Charles Pettis, '99, Ellisville, Miss.

Adam—John Kyle, Jr., '99, Oxford, Miss.

Amiens—Lee Russell, '99, Dallas, Miss.

Touchstone—Bradley Kimbrough, Oxford.

Oliver—Stark Young, Oxford.

Corin and Silvius—John Standifer, '99, Oxford.

Rosalind—Miss Annye Hardgrave, '93, University, Miss.

Celia—Miss Clara Burt, '98, Oxford.

Phoebe—Miss Sue Woods, '98, Jackson.

Audrey—Miss Mattie Harralson, '98, Vicksburg.

Hymen—Miss Annie Chandler, Oxford.

Foresters, Attendants, etc.

We should like to have a statement from the university authorities as to the significance of this announcement. Does it mean that the Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians of Mississippi are being taxed to pay an elocution teacher whose appointed task is to make actors and actresses of our boys and girls? We were not aware before that the university had such a department—a department for equipping our young people for the stage. The Christian constitutency of the institution would like to know what all this means. Will some one who has authority to speak kindly give us an explanation?

A MISSISSIPPIAN.

June 19, 1899.

Correspondence.

SAM JONES CAMP GROUND.

MR. EDITOR: As has been our custom for several years, we ask the courtesy of a certain amount of space in your most excellent paper to expatiate on matters connected with the annual camp meeting at Sam Jones Camp Ground. At the semi-annual meeting of the association, in April last, it was decided to have the meeting begin on the eighteenth of August, and continue, as usual, ten days, but subsequently to that action of Sam Jones, the authorities of the "Bethel Camp Meeting Association" appointed their meeting to open on the same day as ours. We can not conceive the possibility that this action of the "Bethel" people was the result of unfriendliness on their part towards us; but the fact remains that for the two meetings to be held simultaneously would have the effect to curtail, if not cripple, the usefulness and success of both; hence the authorities of Sam Jones, with an earnest desire to advance the interest of the cause of God, and after consultation with the members and patrons of the association, have changed the time for Sam Jones to the twenty-first day of July, proximo, or one month in advance of the original time, by which change it is hoped to secure the earnest co-operation and attendance of our brethren of "Bethel," and that, after ours is over, those in attendance upon it may be so revived, blest and filled with the Spirit that they may return to their homes with such a spirit of divine power as will enable them to kindle revival fires upon the altars of every church in the district; and then, when "Bethel" comes to the front, a month later, there may be a regular pentecostal wave through all the land, and that every tent there and every heart may be full of the glory of our God.

Arrangements will be made with the railroads to secure the usual reduction in fare, and the stoppage of all trains at the camp grounds during the continuance of the meeting; and it is earnestly hoped that every tent on the grounds will be occupied, either by its owner or a tenant, and that the Divine Presence may overshadow the place, fill each heart, control each tongue, and be the main-spring of every thought and action there.

The usual arrangements and prices for the hotel and admission into the grounds will prevail this year. Parties desiring to rent cottages can do so at nominal figures, and visitors will find the place a healthful, delightful and pleasant one for the enjoyment of a few days of rest, the service and worship of God, and that brotherly intercourse that is so precious to the children of the Great King.

The association will be gratified if the editor will, occasionally, remind his readers of the approaching meeting, urge their attendance and earnest help.

Let all who truly love our Lord remember the meeting, and pray earnestly for its success whenever they approach the throne. Of course, all the preachers in the district and out of it are invited. More anon.

Yours truly, REX.
Natchez, Miss.

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THE W. F. M. CONFERENCE.

Pursuant to agreement, the W. F. M. Conference met at Sardis, June 10-14. Many of the delegates were received in a drenching rain, but though they were thoroughly dampened, it did not seem to dampen the hospitality of the good people, who opened their carriages, homes and hearts to us, and kept them opened until the close of the meeting. Doubtless each guest thought that she had the model host and hostess, which implies that there are a good many models in Sardis. Bro. Kendall, with as much kindness and courtesy as he could have possibly bestowed upon ladies a half-century ago, was with the committee helping to assign homes.

The weather was so inclement that there was no service attempted on Saturday night, and when we looked out Sunday morning the thirsty earth was still absorbing the much-needed rain, and the clouds were tenderly and tearfully looking down as if to say, "You shall be satisfied." Nothing daunted, though, the delegates who had come to receive everything possible in the few days of their visit came out from many homes to hear Dr. Malone's fine sermon, which was replete with grand and uplifting thoughts, and many will carry them away to help them in future days. At the close of the sermon the Lord's Supper was administered, and we went away feeling that we had made a good beginning.

The afternoon was given to the children, and they were entertained by different persons. First by a sweet talk by Mrs. McIntosh, expressing her sympathy with them that their old friend, Sister Hargrove, who had labored with them so wisely and well, could not be with them. Then Miss Lily Whitman, who has offered herself as a missionary and been accepted, and will go to Cuba in the near future, talked with them. It was indeed touching to see one so young ready to say, "All, yes all, I give to Jesus," even to my country, my home, my loved ones. Another young lady, Miss Carrie Sue Foost, who is willing to go when needed, talked to them. Both young ladies are well educated and equipped for service.

Sunday night the annual anniversary exercises were presented to a crowded house. The vice-president, Mrs. S. M. Thames, read the annual address of the president, Mrs. George Lipscomb, who was absent. The corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. M. McIntosh, gave a lucid account of some of the doings of the Woman's Board in her own inimitable way, which could but help and bless those who heard. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Friend, of Sardis, in a clear and earnest manner, and responded to by Mrs. J. W. Malone, and those who heard could scarcely believe that her beautiful paper was prepared after reaching Sardis the night before, the lady assigned that duty being much indisposed. There were a good many charming recitations given from visitors and home talent, interspersed with inspiring music from the choir, making all their debtors.

Monday, at 8.30 o'clock, the first business session was conducted by the vice-president, Mrs. S. M. Thames, who performed her duties with such ease and dispatch that no one not informed would have supposed that it was the first time she had presided. There were some little discussions over parliamentary rules. You see, the women want to do like the men, and be above criticism, but each affair was neatly tided over by the young gentlemen, Bro. Kendall and Dr. Wier, who were so kind in every particular.

The first session was opened with devotional exercises led by the vice-president, followed by a testimony service, and the quick and earnest responses told of loyal workers. The roll-call of officers showed that all were present except the president, auditor, and the Corinth district secretary. The report of the treasurer revealed the fact that we had fallen behind last year's collections; yet, remembering that some handsome specials added to our amount last year were lacking this, we felt that our cause had not languished. Reports from district secretaries proved that there were many faithful reapers still in the field who were anxious to bear arms in the name of Emanuel, and as reports came up from city and town, village and hamlet, even reaching out to the dear little country churches, we felt that the cause had been well represented, and must gather strength in days to come. Our corresponding secretary gave us delightful bits of news from the meeting of the Woman's Board from time to time. Our recording secretary, Miss Ella Grider, is due the thanks of the entire Conference for her faithful, expeditious, and intelligent service.

We wish we could mention all of the good things we heard, but they would form a booklet, and must be left out.

Aberdeen was the banner district; the Fannie Houghton the banner society. The Lula Lipscomb Workers, of Columbus, captured the banner offered by Mrs. W. M. McIntosh for the society having the greatest number of subscribers to the Little Worker, and the Pleasant Grove Juveniles the silver star offered by Mrs. Fant to the second number. Mrs. Lula Eichholtz, of Columbus, offered a banner for this year for the highest number of subscribers to the Little Worker. Grenada claimed the banner for the greatest number of Advocates taken per member.

The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows: Mrs. I. I. Hoskins, president; Mrs. S. M. Thames, vice-president; Mrs. W. M. McIntosh, corresponding secretary; Miss Ella Grider, recording secretary; Mrs. J. F. Evans, auditor and editor. Only the Sardis and Columbus district secretaries were changed.

Durant was unanimously chosen as the place of meeting of the next Conference.

Mrs. George Lipscomb was elected reserve delegate to the meeting of the Woman's Board.

Some returned missionaries were expected and hoped for as visitors, but we find that this grand work is so deeply imbedded in the hearts of God's people that while they would enjoy, they do not absolutely need the presence of the returned laborers to keep the work going onward and upward until all creatures have heard the sweet story of Jesus and his love.

MRS. W. H. HARTWELL.
Water Valley, Miss.

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"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST."

In the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, of June 8 and 15, instant, Rev. W. D. Bass has a six-column article under above caption, in which he labors to refute the force of five direct questions propounded in my article in issue of May 11 (ultimo), in which I replied to a complaint made by him (in issue of April 27, 1899) of mistreatment at the hands of the "Pastoral and Theological Society of Durant District." I, being secretary of that meeting, was requested by the brethren to send a "write-up" to the ADVOCATE for publication, and especially to mention the reference made to the "modern evangelist" during the last evening of the meeting. I did so as secretary of that society, and, Mr. Editor, I offer this rejoinder to Bro. Bass' conclusions in the same capacity (notwithstanding your mandate to "stop the discussion"). This is a proper rule of discussion.

If, as Bro. Bass says, I have "misrepresented the facts," I hold myself amenable to the proper courts and to that society, and invite investigation. In Bro. Bass' article the proof has not come forth. Bare statement without proof does not satisfy.

It is very strange and unfortunate that matters of great public moment should dwindle to personal wranglings. This need not have been so in this case had not Bro. Bass made it a personal matter by taking to himself what was only meant to be general, and to strike at that state of the church and the public mind which Dr. Hoss attributes to "burning strange fire on our altars" (in his leading editorials in an April issue of 1898), and refers to just such "methods" as were had under review before our society. "I most heartily agree with Dr. Hoss on this subject." So did the society, Bro. Bass to the contrary, notwithstanding. Now, he need not have assumed all this load; but Bro. Bass' greatest model—Rev. S. P. Jones—said, "It is always the hit dog that hollers."

So Bro. Bass condescends to make a personal matter of it, and accuses me of being "prejudiced against" him "on account of a few dollars." Now, I have never met him, and he truly says, "I have never heard him preach or say any of these things." I merely submitted questions indicating to him the reports and impressions prevalent here in Central Mississippi, where Bro. Bass' work has been of late. Those are common complaints, and had come directly or indirectly to the members of that District Preachers' Meeting. They discussed them without mentioning my name (except to assure the people of Sallis that no reference was made to Bro. McIntosh, who is an itinerant member of our Conference). Not one of us had been witness to Bro. Bass' methods, but were cognizant of a deplorable relapse of spiritual interest in our churches. Bro. Bass took the hint, and, really, even the "blowing of the wind could not make so much smoke, unless there were some fire." I have no prejudices against anyone, on any account; but I am jealous for the interests of our church, and am unqualifiedly opposed to any man or method that strikes at her polity, or would hinder the efficient working of our divinely-ordained and blessed itinerancy. God continues to bless the itinerancy!

Bro. Bass insists that he has "been tried in his absence," and that "every court under heaven provides for the accused to be heard in self-defense, except the mob-law." I again repeat that his name was not once mentioned in our society, which he is pleased to call a "mob," and never would have been mentioned in connection with it had he not sought notoriety by posing as a martyr. By his logic every citizen who might feel liable to indictment before the law has been "tried and condemned in his absence, without a chance for his life." For, suppose a circle of neighbors spending an hour discussing prevalent evils, and afterward some absent neighbor coming up and claiming to have been "condemned contrary to the law." That would be evidence of a legal mind with a vim! Well, the cases are exactly parallel.

If Bro. Bass has been martyred, it was at the hands of as intelligent and pious a body of ministers as the Southern Church affords. One of them a review contributor, another an ex-member of the General Conference—all of them respectable in religious circles. "Nothing against them."

Nor has anyone sought to slander Bro. Bass. If in anything I have wronged him, and it can be shown, I shall hasten to beg his pardon. It is not our "wrongs" always, but sometimes our "rights," that hinder us most. I am in position, however, to substantiate what has been said, and could have said more had I thought it proper.

I have great respect for some of the names he uses in his defense; but even the best of men can be mistaken.

If I have been "unjust, unkind, and unbrotherly, and slanderous in tone and spirit," as Rev. W. A. Bowlin says in his letter published in connection with Bro. Bass' last article, then I feel like I have very good company along with me, for I have received numerous letters since my inquiry was published containing unstinted endorsement. One says: "Anderson, you are on the right trail. . . . Just pour on a little more," etc. Another: "If you can stop his course in this Conference, it will be a good service." Again: "Those statements needed to be made public, and we are glad that you had the fortitude to give them out when occasion offered. The preachers will stand by you," etc. Yet another: "Keep your powder dry, and watch in the roar. I am not afraid of his coming up to the front."

I have written all of these things with much pain, and regret the necessity but I have not been quite martyred yet, and if occasion demands again, I can be depended upon to rise in defense of my church and her polity. I have not made, and shall not make, an untenable statements, or ask any important questions.

Bro. Bass appeals to the Bishops for a decision. To the Bishops let him go. He will find no encouragement there. The noted Georgia evangelist ran against a mountain of opposition, and has either been a law-breaker ever since, or has to have a new local preacher's certificate every time he moves his tent. Bishop Keener parlied long at Sardis in 1891 before he would grant an appointment carrying with it the idea of evangelizing, and yielded only because the financial circumstances of one of our colleges were involved. If Bro. Bass will propose a plain proposition to one of the Bishops, or to all of them together, and not hide his outlawed evangelist behind the legitimate local preacher, he will receive a plain denial of recognition.

Until our General Conference changes the plan of our itinerancy, I am for maintaining decency and order in status quo.

The Lord guide us, forgive our errors, and build up his kingdom as he always has done with the faithful.

W. L. ANDERSON,
Secretary P. and T. Society.

Chester, Miss., June 16, 1899.

"THE PASTOR AND THE EVANGELIST"—A CORRECTION.

MR. EDITOR: My question relative to Rev. W. D. Bass receiving $265 for three weeks' work, while the pastor received $261.20 for the entire year, was based on a mistake, and is unjust to all concerned; hence I think a correction very proper.

Two recent letters from the recording steward of the charge mentioned shows that the Record varies as follows: Ques. 9 of fourth Quarterly Conference, 1896, is answered, "For Ministerial Aid, $165." Ques. 26, of same date, is answered, in part, "For Ministerial Aid, $265." This latter, I concluded, was the "final report" by the pastor, as it often happens, some time after the close of the fourth Quarterly Conference, but it is only to see how the recording steward could have made the mistake unintentionally by writing a figure "2" instead of a "1," thus making a difference of $100 on the Record.

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No man would think of maintaining a high speed encompassed with weights. The lads who run for a prize litter the course with garments flung away in their eager haste. There would be little difficulty in maintaining an intense and ardent spirit if we were more faithful in dealing with the habits and indulgences which cling around us and impede our steps. Thousands of Christians are like water-logged vessels. They can not sink; but they are so saturated with inconsistencies and worldliness and permitted evil that they can only be towed with difficulty into the celestial port.—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

A Christian, when he makes a good profession, should be sure to make his profession good. It is sad to see many walk in the dark themselves who carry a lantern for others.—Thomas Socker.

Deliberate much before doing or saying anything, for you have not power of recalling what has been said or done.—Selected.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. H. P. Lewis: "For the first time in over thirty years I find myself in charge of a young man's circuit. For the first time in many years the people of Yazoo circuit have for their pastor an old man. Some are pleased, and, I suppose, some are otherwise. Some of our young preachers—Ellis, King, and, perhaps, others—married here, and I want to say for the encouragement of others, there are other young women here who might be persuaded to join our Conference. There are many noble young people here of both sexes. So far they have treated this preacher with great kindness and respect. May the God of love and mercy watch over each one, and keep them from the snare of the fowler and the way of evil men! Our congregations are good. The best of order prevails, and good attention paid to the reading and expounding of the Word of Life. We have some good people here, and some who are not so good. Would that all our stewards, and others, were men of 'solid piety;' but they are not. I regret that 'family worship' is so much neglected here. How we need a revival of Holy-Ghost religion! I am spending this week with my family in Jackson. Commencement exercises of Millsaps College is on hand. I want to say here, for the information of all concerned, our two youngest boys, James and Osmond, have advanced more rapidly, and learned more here in eight months, than they have in all during the last three years. Do not be afraid to send your sons to Millsaps College. We are still in the boarding-house business, and we want at least twenty or twenty-five young men to come and board with us, who come here to study and acquire an education. God bless the faculty and friends of Millsaps College, together with the founder of the college."

Rev. D. P. Bradford: "East End, Meridian, Miss., is still moving on pretty well. Our Sunday-school, under the efficient superintendency of Bro. J. E. Watts, has never been better. The congregations comfortably fill the auditorium morning and night. We have had about sixty accessions during the year (since the middle of January). I find it here as elsewhere, however: if you wish to run your course smoothly, it is best to say but little about discipline, for when you begin to exercise it, you find but little support. We have been trying very hard to get our young people enlisted in church work, but in this we find great difficulty. Out of a membership of some three hundred, not a single young man will pray in public. After faithful pastoral investigation, I find not over one-half dozen young ladies in the church who profess to be religious. While the above is sadly true, we have some as good and truly religious people as I have ever been associated with. Many of these profess sanctification, and many others who are trying to live it, but do not profess it. We are having no friction on this subject, but trying to be more religious, and to get so far advanced in the divine life that our charity will help us to believe that others can enjoy as rich experiences as ourselves without making high claims. In other words, that the possession of a fortune is not contingent upon the publication of the fact."

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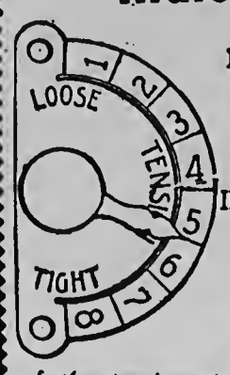

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IS AN EDUCATION WORTH THE COST?

Never before, perhaps, in the history of the world has the power of knowledge been so generally appreciated as at present, especially among the citizens of this Republic. The people in no other country, unless it is the Germans, believe more firmly in education, or display greater interest therein, than do the people of the United States. American colleges and universities receive larger and more frequent gifts from our millionaires than do any other class of institutions.

But while a large proportion of our people seem to be thoroughly awake to the importance of education, there are not a few who fancy that education, except of the most rudimentary sort, is of little practical value in the battle of life, and can be dispensed with without serious loss. Some, because they have succeeded fairly well without college or high-school training, conclude that their children can do likewise; hence they are no friends to colleges. They forget, however, that the average intelligence of our population is constantly advancing, and that, in consequence, the ignorant will be at ever-increasing disadvantage as the years go by. When the educated and uneducated come into competition, the uneducated man is almost certain to be worsted, and, in many cases, driven to the wall. There is scarcely a single employment in which an education is not a decided advantage, be it farming, railroading, manufacturing, or any other. In fact, for the most lucrative positions it is absolutely essential. By increasing the bread-winning capacity of the masses, education does no little to lessen poverty and diminish petty vices.

"Thirty years ago," as Dr. W. W. Smith points out, "a man might put up prescriptions as a druggist's clerk for six months, and then turn himself loose on the community as a doctor. Or he might read law in a lawyer's office, and go at once to the bar for all the business he could get. But now all this is changed. The would-be lawyer or physician must now spend from three to four years in the study of his profession before being admitted to his degree, and prepared to run the gauntlet of the State Boards of Examinations.

A good education furnishes a handle, so to speak, with which to grasp the opportunities of life and turn them to advantage. It provides its possessor with a keen and trusty broad-sword with which to fight the battle of life successfully. It is stated that of the total population of the United States, only one-half of one per cent. is college bred. Yet from this small number 36 per cent. of our congressmen, 45 per cent. of our senators, 56 per cent. of our Vice-Presidents, 83 per cent. of the Supreme Judges, and 70 per cent. of our Presidents have been chosen. College men, as a rule, become the leaders of thought and action wherever they go.

It is a remarkable fact that of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence, forty-two had a liberal education. Whatever theories men may entertain with regard to equal rights, in no country will ignorance long be allowed to exercise control of affairs. Intelligence is sure, sooner or later, to assert its regal authority, and wield dominion over the ignorant and the incapable.

The fact that men like Ben Franklin and Horace Greely and Abraham Lincoln reached the top of the ladder without the benefits of college training is no conclusive argument against the desirableness of such training. These men of iron will, and others like them, have succeeded, not because of the lack of college education, but in spite of such deficiency.

The increase that culture makes to our capacity for enjoyment is not the least of its manifold advantages. The educated man has a multitude of sources of pleasure, inspiration, and instruction to where the uneducated has one. Nature speaks to him in a thousand ways, and in language eloquent with truth and suggestiveness. The past is an open page that he reads with eager interest, while the present, with its busy scenes, its mighty movements, and instant changes, is unfolded before him like a vast panorama.

Since the benefits of education are so numerous and splendid, no pain or expense should be spared for the attainment thereof. Says Mr. O. S. Marden: "Do you long for an education? Would you, if necessary, wear threadbare clothes in college, and board yourself? Would you, like Thurlow Reed, study nights by the light of a camp-fire in a sugar orchard? Would you be disheartened by Wilberforce's suggestion to a student of law, 'You must make up your mind to live like a hermit and work like a horse?' Do you love learning well enough to walk forty miles, like Abraham Lincoln, to obtain a book you could not afford to buy?"

AT MILLSAPS.

It was our privilege to attend the commencement exercises of Millsaps College, with the exception of those held previous to our arrival on Saturday afternoon. A report of the entire proceedings appear in this issue from the pen of Rev. M. M. Black. Owing to the prevalence of yellow fever at the opening of the session the enrollment was less than last year. The future is bright with promise. The indications are that the attendance at the next session will break all previous records. The work of both faculty and students is worthy of high praise. It would be hard to find anywhere so large a number of students with so high an average for satisfactory class-work and for general deportment. The sessions of the Board of Trustees were pleasant and harmonious. To Dr. J. W. Key, Bro. T. P. Barr and Bishop C. B. Galloway and their families we are indebted for cordial hospitalities. We are also under obligations to Bro. W. A. Gunning for a delightful carriage drive to all parts of the city in company with Bishop Candler.

THE MILLSAPS COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

The seventh session of Millsaps College has just closed, the commencement exercises having been held June 16 to 20, inclusive.

The first thing on the program was the Freshman Prize Declamation Contest, which took place in the college chapel Friday morning, June 16, the names of the participants being as follows: W. M. Buie, W. L. Duren, J. H. Grice, J. B. Howell, A. J. McLaurin, Jr.; W. T. Rogers, A. Thompson, and W. A. Williams. The speeches were all well rendered, several of them particularly so. The medal was awarded to Mr. W. L. Duren, who declaimed with fine effect "Mr. Bryan's speech before the Chicago Convention."

The champion debate which took place Friday night between representatives of the Lamar and Galloway literary societies was one of the most interesting features of the commencement. The young men who took part showed themselves to be excellent debaters, and their speeches aroused no little enthusiasm. The subject debated was a live one, and was thus stated: "Resolved, That the United States should adopt the policy of Territorial Expansion." The representatives of the Lamar Society were Messrs. T. W. Holloman and J. A. Teat, who spoke on the affirmative side. Messrs. J. B. Mitchell and J. T. McCafferty spoke on the negative in behalf of the Galloway Society, and argued so well as to win the decision of the judges. Mr. J. B. Mitchell was the fortunate winner of the medal offered by the two societies to the best debater.

The Sophomore Oratorical Contest for the Oscar-Kearney Andrews medal took place Saturday morning the declaimers being as follows: R. A. Clark, L. W. Felder, S. L. Field, J. B. Mitchell, R. P. Neblett, N. V. Robbins, Harry P. Sneed, H. O. White, and G. Q. Whitfield, the last-mentioned being the medalist. None of the awards, however, save in the case of the debater's medal, were announced until Tuesday morning. The declamations on this occasion were regarded by many as unusually fine. In the afternoon several young ministers took part in a hymn and Scripture-reading contest for the Gunning medal. The young men were deserving of a much larger audience than the one that assembled to hear them, the fact that the contest was in the afternoon having operated to keep many away. The offering of this prize is doing much to improve the style of reading of the ministerial students who attend the college. The committee awarded the medal in this contest to Mr. W. W. Holmes.

The commencement sermon, Sunday morning, was preached in the First Methodist Church, Jackson, by Bishop Warren A. Candler to a packed house, many not being able to get in. The Bishop chose for his theme, "The Mediation of Christ," using as a text Col. i, 8-10, and though he preached nearly an hour and a quarter, such was the charm of his eloquence that none seemed to tire in the least. It was one of the grandest and most powerful sermons we have ever heard. Humor and pathos, brilliance and depth of thought, originality and great fervor, characterized this splendid discourse, but, above all, it glowed with the light of love, and brought into wondrous clearness the fundamental truths of the gospel. Among other things, the Bishop showed that so-called "Christian Science," Theosophy, Spiritualism, etc., are but the reappearance in modified form of certain dangerous errors that Christianity had to deal with during the first two centuries of her existence. No mere synopsis, however, can do the sermon justice.

The sermon, Sunday night, before the Y. M. C. A. was preached by Dr. W. T. Bolling, of Shreveport, La., his text being the last charge of David to Solomon: "Be thou strong, therefore, and show thyself a man." (I. Kings ii, 2.) It was an exposition of the qualities which go to make up Christian manhood, and abounded in wholesome instruction, vigorous thought, and striking illustration. The Doctor is an orator of no mean order, and his sermon was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it.

On account of the serious illness of Mrs. Murrah, wife of the president of the college, the exercises Monday morning were held in the First Methodist Church instead of in the college chapel, the order of the day being a literary address by Bishop Candler, who was thus made to do double duty. The sermon, Sunday morning, had whetted the intellectual appetite of the Jacksonites for more of Bishop Candler's eloquence, and so he was a second time greeted by a large audience. The subject of his address was, "The Growth of Peace Sentiment in the World." It was a most masterly and pleasing presentation of this important subject, and was listened to with the keenest appreciation and the warmest enthusiasm. By an appeal to history and to the present trend of events he showed most conclusively that the glad day long heralded by prophet, sung by poet, and longed for by philanthropists, when war shall be no more, is not far in the future, but even now is almost at hand. In closing, he pointed out that commerce, education, and Christianity are the mighty forces which are swiftly and surely bringing about the abolition of war.

Tuesday was Commencement Day proper. First came four orations by representatives of the Literary Department, the speakers and subjects being as follows: H. T. Carley, "Socialism and Good Government;" A. W. Dobyns, "The Philippines—They Must Not Be Annexed;" J. T. Lewis, "The Philosophy of Life;" H. B. Watkins, "He Fell in Love with His Work." Mr. G. B. Power, the representative of the Law Department, then delivered an oration on "Conformity to Law the Condition of Success." As Mr. Power two years ago won the senior orator's medal, known as the Ligon medal, he this year generously waived the right of contending for same. The orations by the members of the graduating class were of a high order, and gave evidence of talent as well as of culture. President Murrah, in his usual impressive and felicitous manner, next delivered the baccalaureate address, which abounded in wholesome counsel and earnest exhortation. His wise and kindly words will not soon be forgotten by the class of '99. Then followed the conferring of degrees and diplomas. Those who received the degree of B. A. are: W. E. M. Brogan, H. T. Carley, A. W. Dobyns, H. A. Jones, E. L. Wall, J. P. Wall, H. B. Watkins. The degree of B. S. was conferred upon George Lott Harrell, and the degree of Ph. B. upon John T. Lewis. Following are the names of the graduates in law, twelve in all: Percy Lee Clifton, W. U. Corley, W. H. Fitzhugh, M. C. Foy, Garner W. Green, Robert S. Hall, R. E. Humphreys, H. V. Leverett, W. H. Livingstone, George B. Power, William W. Simontown, and Eugene Terry. If reports be true, the graduates just turned out are splendid fellows, and are, most of them, destined to make their mark in the world. The awarding of medals next excited the most eager attention, the speech of presentation being made by Bishop Galloway. The announcement that the senior orator's medal had been awarded to Mr. John T. Lewis was greeted with a tremendous burst of applause, and was the signal for a rush of the students to the platform, from which the victor was borne aloft in triumph by his friends. After several announcements, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Galloway, and the session of '98-'99 was at an end.

During commencement a strong Alumni Association was formed, the following being elected officers: W. H. Fitzhugh (B. A., '97; LL.B., '99), president; R. B. Ricketts (B. S., '98), vice-president; H. A. Jones (B. A., '99), secretary and treasurer; J. T. Calhoun (B. A., '96), orator; W. B. Jones (B. A., '97), essayist.

According to the testimony of the faculty, the morale of the student body the past session has been most excellent. The young men of the college have been, as a rule, more studious and orderly than those of any previous year.

Seldom has any college commencement been rendered so sad as was this one by the death, on Sunday morning, of Mrs. Hanner, the lovely and accomplished wife of Prof. J. P. Hanner, and daughter of President Fitzhugh, of Belhaven College. None knew her but to love her, and though she has been translated to a fairer clime, she will ever live in the thoughts and affections of those to whom she was so dear.

We were surprised that so small a per cent. of the preachers of the patronizing Conferences were in attendance. The Methodists of Mississippi ought, it seems to us, to do all in their power to make this a big occasion.

No changes were made in the faculty, which is not a whit behind that of any institution of like grade in the South.

The next session of the college will open Sept. 27.

M. M. BLACK.

Gloster, Miss.

MUSEUMS OF INIQUITY.

There is great need in these days that the Commandment, "Thou shalt not steal," serve as a text in many pulpits. It is said of the late beloved Dr. J. B. Walker that one of his most powerful and effective sermons was on this Commandment.

In this day and generation, in the wild rush after wealth and the possible saving of a few dollars, some have consciences that will not stand in the light of the judgment day.

While crimes are being committed every day against individuals and corporations, there are none who suffer more than the railroads by reason of dishonest men called "scalpers," and those with a lack of self-respect who patronize them. The business of railway-ticket scalping is, in the language of one of the judges of the Supreme Court, "a fruitful source of crime," and the eminent jurist spoke knowingly.

While we are lifting up our voices against the common evils of the day, it is surprising how little has been said against these men who sell fraudulent goods and against those who purchase. The man who purchases a stolen article is no better than he who sells.

The business of ticket scalping offers a premium for forgery, deceit, and lying. The passenger who signs a name not his own on a railway ticket bought of a scalper is guilty of forgery every time he does it, and this is done many times every day in almost every city of the land. It is prohibited and prevented by law in Canada, in England, and in Europe, and an effort to bring about the same result in the United States is being made.

The following is a gist of the bill which will be presented to Congress:

"Section 1—Requires all ticket agents to show proper authority for sale of tickets, thus protecting the public against impositions of all kinds.

"Sec. 2—Restricts passenger officials from supplying transportation tickets for sale to other than authorized agents, and provides for the resale of transferrable tickets for personal use in prosecution of a journey.

"Sec. 3—Provides punishment for the railroad official or agent or other person who may violate the act.

"Sec. 4—Compels a proper and safe redemption of a whole or partly used ticket, and provides redress to aggrieved party in case of failure to redeem.

"Sec. 5—Provides that refusal on the part of railroad officials to promptly redeem tickets shall be a misdemeanor, and subjects them to fine and imprisonment.

"Sec. 6—Provides fine and imprisonment for counterfeiting or forging of transportation."

As right-thinking men, let us give this measure our hearty support; let us lend our sympathy and aid to those who are leaving nothing undone to bring about this much-needed reformation. J. W. A.

[Our correspondent is on the right track. The Anti-Scalping bill ought to become a law at the next session of Congress.—EDITOR.]

INIQUITY IN POLITICS.

Jackson, Miss., June 19, 1899.

There is talk here at the capital that the good people of the State ought to rise up in mass meetings, county by county, and condemn the order of the Hinds county Executive Committee, which allows other than qualified electors to participate in the primary election on July 1. This order of the county committee, which is violative of the laws and the Constitution—in flagrant disregard of the order of the State Democratic Executive Committee that none but qualified electors shall participate in the selection of the delegates to the State Convention—permits 815 persons to vote in the Hinds county primary, whose names were stricken from the whisky petition in Hinds county because they were disqualified, for failure to pay poll tax or otherwise, from voting under the laws and the Constitution.

It is charged that there is an office trust here at the capital, backed by a powerful whisky ring, which seeks to parcel out the offices, high and low, that belong to free-born Mississippians. It is said that its magnitude and alleged power are held as a menace over county and legislative candidates, who are sought to be coerced into silence, if not into becoming a part of this great octopus.

Bishop Galloway has reprobated in words that burn the allowing of disqualified persons to participate in the naming of officers charged with the enforcement of the law. The Baptist has cried out and spared not against this unrighteous order.

Dr. Searcy, the well-known editor of the Baptist, in conversation with the Picayune correspondent, this morning, said it was not improbable that the good people of the State—if the Hinds county committee did not rescind its order—will hold meetings in town and county, and protest by resolutions, and urge the people of the seventy-five counties of the State to rebuke the actors in this matter by defeating them in their respective counties.—Picayune.

[Believing that justice and righteousness should prevail in politics as well as in every other realm of human activity, we strongly condemn the action of the Executive Committee of Hinds county. If that iniquitous order is not rescinded, the good people all over the State ought to overwhelm with an avalanche of ballots every candidate who has any complicity in the affair. Tools of a rotten whisky ring ought never to be entrusted with official position.—EDITOR.]

GONE HOME.

Bro. J. L. S. Hill, an old and prominent member of the church in Okolona, died here yesterday (Sunday) morning, and was buried at old Wesley Chapel, near Houston. Bro. Hill was prominent as a man and Christian; often a delegate to the Annual Conference, and statistical secretary of that body. A more extended notice after awhile.

K. A. JONES.

June 18, 1899.

The highway of holiness is along the commonest road of life—along your very way. In wind and rain, no matter how it beats—it is only going hand in hand with Him.—Mark Guy Pearse.

NOTES.

Mrs. W. B. Murrah has been quite ill for several weeks, but is now convalescent.

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Mrs. Fullilove, wife of Rev. B. P. Fullilove, of the North Mississippi Conference, is in feeble health.

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The postoffice address of Rev. H. C. Morehead has been changed from Water Valley to Grenada, Miss.

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We had the pleasure, a few days since, of meeting Rev. F. N. Parker, who was in the city to officiate at the Hunt-Rayne wedding.

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Miss Marie James, of Shubuta, Miss., recently won a scholarship in Georgia Female Seminary, Gainesville, Ga., in a prize-story contest.

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Rev. J. F. Foster has been for several days assisting Rev. W. G. Evans in a meeting. His pulpit was filled last Sabbath by Rev. H. H. Ahrens.

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Rev. James L. Smith, father of Rev. C. P. Smith, of the Louisiana Conference, died near Richmond, Va., on the fifth. A fuller notice will appear next week.

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Rev. G. P. White, of the Louisiana Conference, writes: "I have been hindered in my work this year by sickness in my family, but all are now on the road to recovery."

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Rev. J. T. Lewis will fill the pulpit in Canton, Miss., for a few weeks, while the pastor, Rev. J. W. McLaurin, is sniffing the breezes that play about Monteagle's lofty brow.

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Bro. and Sister B. H. Rawls, of the Mississippi Conference, are sorely bereaved in the death of their infant daughter, Birdie Estell, who died on the twenty-second, aged fourteen months.

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Robert Boucher, a fifteen-year-old grandson of Rev. A. P. Leech, of the North Mississippi Conference, was accidentally drowned in Tombigbee river, at Columbus, Miss., several days since.

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Rev. J. J. Golden and his accomplished bride spent a day in the Crescent City en route to their home at Vaughan's, Miss. We most cordially welcome our friend, Miss Mary, into the itinerant fraternity.

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We are deeply pained to learn of the death of Rev. T. T. Christian, assistant editor of the Wesleyan Advocate, which occurred on the twenty-second at his home in Atlanta. A most excellent man has gone from his toils on earth to his reward on high.

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A correspondent of the Southwestern Presbyterian, writing from Madison, Miss., says: "On Saturday the Rev. J. W. McLaurin, of the Methodist Church at Canton, gave the congregation a sermon that was highly appreciated, and one that will be long remembered by reason of his ability to present the truth of the gospel in a most attractive and impressive way."

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Rev. J. W. Honnoll, presiding elder of the Holly Springs district, writes: "We are hoping, working, praying for and expecting a revival. Preachers and people are working in harmony. We have lost three members of our Conference since we last met. Many of us are very much exercised about the brutal assault on the saintly Gibbs just before his death. He was considered by many of us the St. John of the North Mississippi Conference."

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

The West Point Conference was well attended.

We shall expect great things from the young Mississippians as the result of this enthusiastic gathering.

We hope to be able, in the next issue of the ADVOCATE, to give an account of the services conducted.

Herewith we publish a clipping from the New Orleans Picayune which furnishes information as to officers for the ensuing year:

"The State officers of the Epworth League were chosen last night at a late hour, as follows, and Vicksburg was chosen as the next place for holding the Conference: President, H. Walter Featherstun, Brookhaven, Miss.; first vice-president, W. F. Lagrone, West Point, Miss.; second vice-president, Miss Grace Loper, Wesson, Miss.; third vice-president, Mrs. G. H. Matthis, Columbus, Miss.; corresponding secretary, Miss Vio Thompson, Tupelo, Miss.; superintendent Junior Leagues, Miss Stella Boothe, Sardis, Miss.; associate editor for Epworth department in NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Madison, Miss.; corresponding secretary and treasurer, D. T. Patton, Jackson, Miss."

We trust the Leaguers in New Orleans and on the line of the Queen and Crescent route will read and regard the announcement anent the Indianapolis Conference in our column this week.

The Burgundy Street (New Orleans) Epworth League entertained the Sunday-school scholars and their parents Tuesday night, June 20.

Those who attended were admitted only by printed tickets, which had been previously distributed with care. Refreshments were served in the basement of the church, addresses delivered on Sunday-school work, and delightful music furnished by the League orchestra.

It was estimated that between two and three hundred people were in attendance, all of whom seemed pleased and profited by what they saw and heard.

It is expected that it will arouse fresh interest and increase the attendance upon this already flourishing Sunday-school. Thus the Epworth League proves to be the pastor's helper in all the work of the church.

Much credit must be given to Morris DePass, Esq., president of the League, for the success of the undertaking. For many years he has taken an interest in League work in New Orleans, at one time having been president of the City Union.

A League with thirteen members was organized Sunday evening, June 18, at Kosciusko, Miss., by the pastor, Rev. W. T. J. Sullivan, D. D. Prof. Boyd, the efficient principal of the public school, was elected president, and we shall expect to hear of a large increase in members and interest as the days go by.

The Queen and Crescent Route announces a rate of $22.25 to the Epworth League Convention, to be held at Indianapolis. Tickets will be sold July 18 and 19, good to return until July 26. An extension until Aug. 20 may be had by depositing ticket with joint agent at Indianapolis on or before July 24 and making an additional payment of fifty cents.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the Shreveport District Conference:

BRETHREN: Since my last notice was written the schedule of the Shreveport and R. R. Valley R. R. has been changed. Train leaves Shreveport at 3 P. M. instead of 4 P. M.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

It becomes necessary just at this time for the Methodist ministers of Water Valley to make a statement of facts for the information of the public:

1. As ministers, we stand committed to the righteous cause involved.

2. We reaffirm our endorsement of the service rendered us by the editor of Columbus Commercial.

3. We assure the public that Main Street Church is a unit, and that Wood Street, with minor exception, is true to our cause. There is no chasm created in our city Methodism as some believe.

4. The legal status and the policy for our advance forbid that we enter into a personal controversy, or that our friends in Water Valley commit themselves in public print.

5. The ground of our legal steps is not personal nor spiteful, but (1) to defend the oppressed poor; (2) to maintain the character of our Bro. Gibbs in the face of the slanderous attack made in the legal injunction.

(Signed) J. C. PARK,
W. S. LAGRONE,
E. H. ROOK,
M. L. BURTON.

Water Valley, June 17, 1899.

PROTECT OUR FOOD.

The doctors inform us that alum is a poison, and that alum baking powders should be avoided because they make the food unwholesome. Prominent hygienists who have given the matter most study, regard these powders as an evil that should be suppressed by State action. In Minnesota and Wisconsin alum powders are not permitted to be sold unless they are branded to warn consumers of their true character, while in the District of Columbia the authorities have, under the direction of Congress, adopted regulations to prohibit the use of alum in bread altogether.

Are not the people of other States, as well as those of Minnesota and Wisconsin, entitled to warning of a danger which is apparently menacing them at close hand, and is not the whole country entitled to absolute protection, as the people of the District of Columbia are protected, by legislation which is entirely prohibitive?

Until we can have protection in the form of a statute, how can our State boards of health, State analysts or food commissions better serve the public than by publishing in the newspapers from time to time the names of the baking powders which they find to be made from alum?

Meantime, it will aid the housewife in designating the alum powders to remember that all powders sold at twenty-five cents or less per pound are of this dangerous class. Pure cream of tartar powders are usually sold at from forty-five to fifty cents a pound.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE AT WHITWORTH.

In order to put Whitworth in line with the present policy of our church, President Chambers surrendered to the Board of Trustees all authority to select teachers and fix their salaries. It was his desire to surrender his contract in entirety, but the Board thought it best for the present that President Chambers should retain charge of the Boarding Department. The "farming-out policy" has ceased at Whitworth, and the trustees intend to devote its entire income to the strengthening of the faculty and providing increased facilities.

We will have other things to write you in this connection.

B. F. JONES,
Pres. Board of Trustees.

Reduced Rates for Summer Trips.

Commencing June 1, and continuing to and including September 30, 1899, the Texas & Pacific Railway Company will sell round-trip Summer Tourist Tickets to points in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Quebec, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, at a considerable reduction in rates.

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International Epworth League Conference.

The International Epworth League Conference meets in Indianapolis, Indiana, July 20-23, 1899.

Louisiana should have a good delegation present. It will be stimulating and recreating to every Leaguer who avails himself of this extraordinary opportunity. I say extraordinary, because of the enthusiasm which 35,000 Leaguers will generate, and the cheapness of the trip, involving but a nominal expenditure of money, with all the comforts of modern travel.

The "Cotton Belt Route" has asked me to secure a delegation from North Louisiana, and has offered the lowest possible rates for tickets. The round trip for each delegate will cost $22 from Shreveport. These tickets will be extended to August 20 if application is made at Conference Railroad Headquarters at Indianapolis. The whole expense of trip will be about $40—not necessarily more!

I will be glad to correspond with any persons desiring to take this excursion. It is necessary to have 15 persons before we can charter a car. Let me hear from Leaguers at Homer, Arcadia, Ruston, Gibbs, Arizona, Lisbon, Mansfield, Coushatta, Minden, and Shreveport at once!

C. P. SMITH.

Minden, La., June 16, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Mississippi Conference Brotherhood—

DEAR BRETHREN: For eighteen months there had not been a death in our ranks, and hence no assessment. Now comes Assessment No. 21, on account of the death of Bro. J. M. Pugh, who has always been a faithful member, paying promptly all his assessments and dues. Let us make prompt payment of this assessment, and let us appeal to our several congregations for honorary members. It is a good time to increase our membership. Many of our laymen would join us if the matter was presented to them and explained.

W. B. LEWIS.

GONE HOME.

Sister Grace, wife of R. C. Grace of our Conference, died on the seventh instant, and was buried at Plaquemine-Brulee on the eighth by the writer. She died in the triumphs of a living faith, even with praise on her lips. Let prayer be made for the sorrowing husband and relatives.

I. T. REAMES.

P. S.—This notice should have been sent earlier this week but for having been quite sick myself. I am thankful to be at my work again.

I. T. R.

Lafayette, La.

NOTICE.

MR. EDITOR: Having received many letters from "brethren" in "Mississippi" inquiring as to when I will be in that State, will you please say through your columns that I hope to reach there about July 1 to 15, and any brother wanting my service in "meetings" will do well to write me here at once, or at "Lexington, Miss.," at any time after July 1, so that satisfactory dates can be given to all.

Can assist the brethren until Oct. 1, 1899. First come, first served.

Yours in Christ,

JAS. L. BOWLING.

Union City, Tenn., June 20, 1899.

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NOTICE.

To the Members of the Mississippi Conference Brotherhood—

Bro. J. M. Pugh is dead. Assessment No. 21 is now due, and must be paid within sixty days. Remit by postoffice money order, or registered letter, to Rev. B. F. Lewis, treasurer, at Brandon, Miss.

Let every member give this matter his prompt attention.

B. F. JONES, Sec'y.

Hattiesburg, Miss., June 20, 1899.

NOTICE.

HOME MISSION SOCIETY, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Candidates for the S. Myra Smith Scholarship in the Scarritt Bible and Training-school should apply at once, as the decision will be closed on or before August the first.

SALLIE T. WALKER, Pres't.
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And if to reach your lips at last
It passes through these gateways three,
Then you may tell the tale, nor fear
What the result may be.

—Selected.

HOW CAN COMMON LIFE BE GODLIKE?

It is not the brilliant parterres of color in the flower garden which give its chief value to a farm. They are striking and beautiful, but far inferior in importance to the acres devoted to raising vegetables, the meadows reserved for mowing, the pastures set apart for grazing, or even the rough wood-lots which yield regularly their cords of fuel for the home or the market. So it is not the showy, exceptional events of life which determine principally its character and influence, but rather the spirit and aim which the performance of the often monotonous round of ordinary duties exhibits. Indeed, it is only rarely that he who fails to show fidelity in these proves to possess the energy, skill and good sense which emergencies peculiarly demand.

All this is according to the divine will and plan. Everybody instinctively distrusts a religion which does not shape and rule, at least so far as the evident motives behind them go, the common things of life, and is a religion of Sunday and the house of God alone. The Almighty has caused human life to consist chiefly of comparatively inconspicuous matters, and has bidden us dignify and ennoble them by illustrating in them our devotion to him. This is as merciful on his part as it is wise. Most men or women can not do great things, but must live always on the level plane of ordinary life. There, however, everyone, no matter how humble, feeble, or poor, can shine by loving loyalty to God in what we call little things. Thus each of us has as fair and full an opportunity to honor God and win his approval as anyone else.

Common life thus becomes Godlike when God's appreciative interest in it is comprehended and the honest effort is made habitually to sanctify it by living as we have reason to believe that Jesus would live if he were here in the flesh and in circumstances like our own. It must not be forgotten, also, that the most uneventful career, though outwardly it may appear actually insipid, is somewhat unlike every other, because of our inherent differences of individuality. God has implanted in everybody something of his own nature, and common life becomes Godlike as fast and as far as this inborn likeness is given room for development and is cultivated. It is only the morally blind, the stupid or the sorely depressed who seriously doubt that common life can be Godlike. It becomes such whenever and to the degree in which it reveals the Divine Spirit at work in a human heart.—Congregationalist.

UNLICENSED SPEAKING.

Few of us have such real things to talk about that we do not at times discuss the petty and ignoble. We profess to be interested in "the good, the beautiful, the true," and yet we turn aside from considering such ideal topics for petty criticism of the affairs of others.

"I never speak ill of anyone," said a lady, noted in her small world for harsh, personal onslaughts; "but, of course, I must tell the truth!"

And so, if it be actually true that her friend has a physical deformity or moral defect, she feels quite at liberty to allude to it.

Rogers, the poet, won a reputation for caustic speech, but he had a great distaste for the "small beer" of personal gossip.

"I wonder how the Blanks are able to keep a carriage!" a lady once said to him in his own house, and the poet at once turned to a servant to say: "Go to blank square with Mrs. Proctor's and my compliments, and ask how the family contrive to pay for their carriage."

It was a cutting reproof, but the object of it was a woman of good sense and good nature, and she acknowledged the lesson to be a deserved one.

Unlicensed speaking springs too often from a desire to be clever and witty. "When I was young," said a man whose tongue was dipped in gall, "I used to say good-natured things, and nobody listened to me. Now that I am old I say ill-natured things, and everybody listens."

But to speak even from the low plane of morality, where expediency reigns, it does not pay. To wound one's own self-respect for the sake of a brief applause is a poor investment, a losing game.

"Yes, I did think of retorting," said a young man who had suffered in silence over a brilliant, but brutal attack, "but somehow I didn't do it. I said to myself, 'You won't lose anything by remembering your own dignity.'"—Youth's Companion.

OUR FORMER YEARS.

We can never part from our former years. They are part of our lives and record, of our thinking and motives, of our aims and purposes, of our judgments and consciences, of our memories and musings, of our congratulations and remorse, of our joys and sorrows, of our trials and triumphs, of our defeats and victories, of our past and present circumstances and associations, of our homes and churches, of our pleasures and business, of our faith and hope, of our time and eternity, of our final judgment and heaven or hell. Indeed, they are so interwoven with everybody and everything and with ourselves, as to have become, to all intents and purposes, part of ourselves. How joyous, or sad, must this make us on the eve of a New Year!

Under such reflections, it is the part of holy wisdom and holy courage to turn towards the coming years, be they many or few—or if there be but one—and, as they are to become as much a part of ourselves as those which are past, see well to it that they are of such a high and holy and heavenly character as we shall be glad to meet and greet before the great white throne.—Christian Standard.

PREPARATION FOR THE SABBATH.

The Sabbath comes to us week after week with so fair a gift in its hand, so gracious a smile on its face, so divine an elevation in its heart, that it behooves us to make some preparation for so welcome a guest.

We do not fail to set our houses in order, and appoint our tables fittingly when friends whom we delight to honor are expected within our doors. There are days which we all keep with an extraordinary splendor, anniversaries, gala days, fete days. This seventh-day festival comes to us from God himself, the ever renewed expression of his gentle thought of us, his children. Can we do otherwise than greet it with joy and receive it with gratitude?

To prepare aright for the Sabbath we should lay our worldly cares aside. Even if the week has been full of disappointments, embarrassments and perplexities, we shall the better gain strength to enter on another wrestle with such cares and solicitudes, by bringing serenity and patience to the Sabbath. This blessed interlude is meant as a truce to the week-day strife and struggle. Let us take the full benefit of it, with thankfulness in our souls.

A good preparation for the Sabbath, and a practical one, is found in the study of the Sabbath-school lesson with the children. They will get more profit from the Scriptures if they study them intelligently, than if they merely skim them over, or go to the class without having mastered the golden thoughts embodied in the sacred text. A part of Saturday evening might advantageously be devoted to family Bible study in houses where the children are beyond the early bedtime period.—Intelligencer.

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The Christian ought to be a thoroughly frank man. He can afford to be perfectly candid, open-hearted, utterly sincere. Being such, let him not for a moment seek to make it appear that when he commits a sin it is something else. It is to be feared that some Christians, in order to maintain a pet theory, are quite prone to call their sins mistakes. This is to shift the emphasis of responsibility. It is to disguise the real nature of the evil committed. It is to make a thing, an act, appear what it really is not. To call poison by some other name does not change the character of the thing itself. Let us be perfectly frank with ourselves and with others. Let us candidly acknowledge our sins. Let us be true to ourselves, true to facts, and true to the right meaning of things.—Exchange.

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Alexander Pope wrote thus sagely: "A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying, in other words, that he is wiser to-day than he was yesterday." One of the hardest things for some people to do is to acknowledge that they have done anything particularly wrong. In a general way they will confess that they have not always done right, but when you point out some specific wrong they have committed, they refuse to own it. If, however, they be at last obliged to admit it, they will, quite likely, turn on you and say that you have done worse things. But this is unmanly. It is also unchristian. However humiliating it may be to us, it is greatly to our credit to frankly own our faults and profit by our failures. This is wisdom's way.—Exchange.

A mother, in bitter grief, bending over her dying child, was trying to soothe it by talking about heaven. She spoke of the glory there, of the brightness glowing all around, of the shining countenances of the holy angels; but presently a little voice stopped her, saying, "I should not like to be there, mother, for the light hurts my eyes." Then she changed the subject of her description, and spoke of the songs above, of the harpers harping on their golden harps, of the voices as the sound of many waters, of the new song which they sang before the throne; but the child said, "Mother, I can not bear any noise." Grieved and disappointed at her failure to speak words of comfort, she took the little one from its restless bed and enfolded it in her arms with all the tenderness of a mother's love. Then, as the little sufferer lay there, near to all it loved best in the world, conscious only as its life ebbed away of the nearness of love and care, the whisper came, "Mother, if heaven is like this, may Jesus take me there!"—Archdeacon Sinclair.

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The degenerative effects of such habits are clearly seen in the decline of the morale and of the fecundity and physical strength of the nation. Children are fewer and less robust. Indeed, there is a startling increase of dwarfed and deformed children in ratio to the diminished total births. France is alarmed. At the crisis when she needs men, plenty of them, men robust in body and keen and patient in intellect, men of virtue and probity—she finds herself rocking fewer cradles, and the most of them occupied by the misshapen and morally obliquitous offspring of parents incapable of breeding men like those Napoleon led at Marengo and Austerlitz.—Western Advocate.

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PROGRAM.

The Forest District Conference will convene in the Methodist Church in Hickory, Miss., Saturday, July 29, 8:30 A. M. Reports will be written (on blanks to be furnished) and handed promptly to proper committees. The day will be devoted to educational interests. Immediately after organization and the appointment of committees written reports from the following institutions will be called for, read, and referred: Forest District High School, East Mississippi Female College, Whitworth Female College, Millsaps College.

"Why Should We Have Denominational Schools?" Paper by M. L. White.

What Are We in This District Doing for Our Denominational Schools?"

Two minutes' oral reports from the pastors.

11 A. M.—Sermon, "Christian Education," W. B. Murrah, D. D., LL.D., president of Millsaps College.

2:30 P. M.—Brief devotional exercises.

"What is the Purpose of the Twentieth Century Educational Fund?" Papers by Prof. F. B. Woolley and W. M. Stevens.

"What is Being Done throughout the United States to Promote Higher Education?" Papers by Prof. Geo. W. Burton and G. W. Huddleston.

"Shall the State or the Church Educate Our Young People in Colleges and Universities?" Papers by W. L. Linfield and Prof. Jno. R. Jones.

4 P. M.—Sermon.

8 P. M.—Sermon.

SUNDAY, JULY 30.—MISSIONARY DAY.

10 A. M.—Missionary addresses to the Sunday-school.

11 A. M.—Sermon.

2:30 P. M.—Missionary love-feast: "What Are We and Our Charges Doing for Missions at Home or Abroad?"

4 P. M.—Sermon.

8 P. M.—Sermon.

MONDAY, JULY 31—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND EPWORTH LEAGUES.

8:30 A. M.—Brief devotional meeting. Reports from committees.

"Loyal Sunday-school Army." D. S. Harmon.

"Duty of Pastor and Superintendent in Organizing the Sunday-school into a Missionary Society under ¶ 246 of Discipline." Paper by T. H. Selby.

"Failure to Observe 'Children's Day,' and Diverting the Funds, Are Alike Breaches of Discipline." Paper by D. Scarborough.

"Evils of So-called 'Union Sunday-schools.'" Paper by Ira H. Robertson.

"The Use of the Blackboard in the Sunday-school." Practically demonstrated.

11 A. M.—Sermon, "The Child in the Midst."

2:30 P. M.—Brief devotional meeting. Electing place of next District Conference. Electing delegates to Annual Conference.

"The Epworth Era and Epworth League Literature." Paper by J. M. Corley.

"The Epworth League: Its Purpose, and the Best Way to Secure That Purpose." Paper by Geo. B. Harper.

"The League and Missions." Paper by W. L. Linfield.

Reading the Minutes.

4:30 P. M.—Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Benediction. Adjournment.

Committees—License to Preach—W. M. Stevens, M. L. White, G. W. Huddleston.

Recommendation to Annual Conference—W. L. Linfield, J. G. Galloway, W. M. Thornton.

Deacon's Orders—P. D. Hardin, J. H. Foreman, T. J. O'Neil.

Elder's Orders—D. C. Langford, R. S. Gale, Irvin Miller.

Quarterly Conference Records: M. H. Turner, Geo. B. Harper, Geo. C. Rew.

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OBITUARIES.

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JOHNSON—Mrs. MATTIE A. JOHNSON (nee Moore) was born Aug. 13, 1839, and died April 23, 1899.

Sister Johnson was married to Dr. William H. Johnson, of sacred memory, who preceded her to heaven about five months. This marriage was consummated Sept. 29, 1863. To them were born four children—two boys and two girls. One son preceded the parents to the heavenly land. So half of the family have crossed over to their heavenly home. The rest are on their way.

Sister Johnson was a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, at Paris, Miss., for thirty-odd years, always true to her church. The interest of the church was her interest. She was one of God's noble women, always on the side of right, outspoken against all wrong and immorality.

Never will this itinerant forget one cold, snowy day, driving to the gate of this hospitable home with wife and our little ones, cold and hungry; and how the good doctor and his big-hearted wife spared no effort to make us comfortable and happy. Their home was the preacher's home; liberal with their means; ever looking after their pastor and his family.

In the death of Sister Johnson the community has lost one of its best women, the church one of its best helpers, and the children as good a mother as ever lived to bless a home, and surely the preacher's loss is as great as any; but, thank God! our loss is her gain. This world is made poorer, but heaven richer.

Sister Johnson died in the full faith of our Christian religion. Just a few hours before her death I asked her how it was with her. She said she had made her peace with God some time ago, and all was well with her. She passed away as gently as a babe going to sleep in its mother's arms. "Oh, blessed sleep, from which none ever wake to weep!"

Sister Johnson leaves three children and many relations, with a host of friends, to mourn their loss; but, thank God! if we are faithful, we can all meet her in the "sweet bye-and-bye." Her pastor, R. P. GOAN.

ASHBY—WILLIAM C. ASHBY was born April 25, 1855, and died April 15, 1899. He joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1877 under the ministry of Bro. Finn, and was converted under the pastorate of M. H. Moore in 1888. He was always found on the side of truth and honesty. He loved his church and stood by its doctrines. He was a faithful and efficient steward.

About four years ago something like cancer of the bowels developed itself. From that time until his death he was almost a continual sufferer. He bore his suffering patiently, never murmuring or complaining, but was always resigned to the will of God. He often said that while his suffering was beyond description, that his joy and peace in trusting the Savior was greater than it all. It was a great pleasure to be with him. He often shouted and praised God when we would sing and pray with him, and as long as he had strength he would exhort all of his friends to lead godly lives and meet him in heaven. He would talk of dying as if he was going on a journey. His life, ever since he professed religion, corresponded with justice, mercy, and every good word and work. The church militant has lost a member and a pillar, but the church triumphant has received a blood-washed jewel. He has left a wife and eight children, and an extensive circle of friends, to deplore his loss. C. C. GRIFFIN.

ZINN—W. S. ZINN died of dropsy April 15, 1899, in Siste Spring, Miss., aged seventy years two months and twenty days; born in Georgia, near Milledgeville, Jasper county, and was removed to Pontotoc county with his parents while he was a small boy, and there remained a number of years. He was married to Miss Sophia Ann Goode in the year of 1852, on the ninth day of September. He joined the M. E. Church on trial when young, and about fifteen years ago joined at this place. Father has been a devoted Christian since. He held family prayers. He was always ready to administer to the wants of the poor and those in distress. A father, oh! so noble and good; a true husband and a companion for my dear mother, who has gone before. Father has gone to dwell with Jesus; gone to dwell with mother, brother, and sister, too. Father's dying testimony was this, "The Lord is with me;" then said, "Farewell," and handed his hands to us three children, and smiled a most beautiful smile, and then fell asleep in Jesus.

Oh, Father in heaven, sustain and help us each day we live to try to meet our dear parent who has gone on before us!

His daughter, MRS. WILLIE ZINN SHAW.

CALHOUN—Died at her home in Catahoula parish, La., in the seventy-third year of her age, on Sunday evening, May 14, 1899, MARY J., late consort of Dr. D. P. Calhoun. The deceased joined the church many years ago, and up to the time of her departure led a consistent Christian life. Being conscious almost to the hour of death, she expressed a readiness and willingness to obey the summons, saying that all was well with her. She bade her loved ones good-bye, pronouncing a benediction upon them, and quietly fell asleep in Jesus.

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Perhaps it were better for most of us to complain less of being misunderstood, and to take more care that we do not misunderstand other people. It ought to give us pause at a time to remember that each one has a stock of cut-and-dry judgments on his neighbors, and that the chances are that most of them are quite erroneous.—Churchman.

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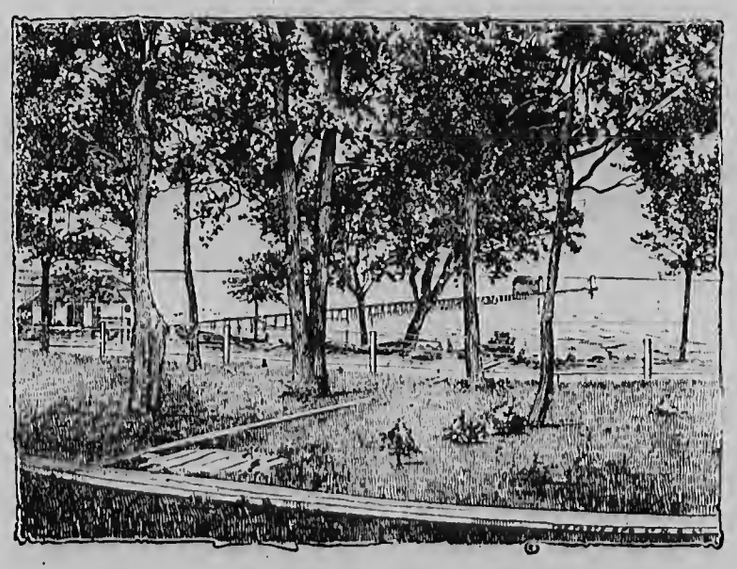

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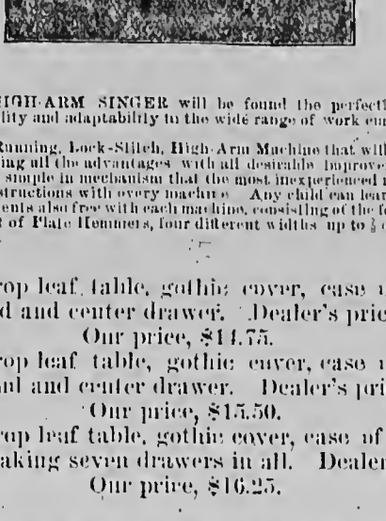

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The International Council of Women opened in London on June 26. The Countess of Aberdeen, president of the council, after cordial words of welcome, sketched the duties of the council.

For the first time since 1870 the Vatican party has obtained a majority in Rome in the municipal elections, and the fronts of the churches are fantastically illuminated nightly in honor of the success.

After nearly a week of negotiation and failure, President Loubet at last succeeded in reconstructing the French Cabinet. The new Ministry is headed by M. Waldeck-Ronsseau, a politician of some note.

Judge Thomas J. Semmes, one of the few leaders of the Confederacy who were left, one of America's greatest lawyers, who had been honored by the presidency of the American Bar Association, died in this city on Friday.

The trans-Caspian region of Asiatic Russia, which is under the administration of the governor-general of the Caucasus, Prince Bariatinski, is threatened with famine, owing to the prolonged drouth and a plague of locusts.

Count Munster, the head of the German delegation, has received Prince Hohenlohe's instructions, and Germany will withdraw her objections to the establishment of a court of arbitration, provided the obligatory clauses are expunged.

Governor Roosevelt shortened the sentence of John Howard, a convict in the Sing Sing prison, because the prisoner constructed two large pipe organs for the chapel, working two years on the job, and thus saving the State an amount of money estimated at about $5000. The organs were finished about two weeks ago, just as Howard's sentence expired, and he was released.

In accordance with the promise made by President Kruger to Sir Alfred Milner, British High Commissioner for South Africa, at the recent conference in Bloemfontein, capital of Orange Free State, the Transvaal executive has finally decided to increase the representation of the gold fields in the Volksraad. The government will probably give six members, instead of two, the present representation.

The remarkable growth in the exportation of manufactures has led to the preparation by the treasury bureau of statistics of a series of tables showing the value of each class of manufactures exported in each year during the past decade and the amount of each class sent to each country. By this process it is practicable to determine the trend of our foreign trade in manufactures, both as to the class of manufactures most demanded abroad and the countries which are proving our best customers.

The Navy Department has decided to utilize not only the small gunboats captured from Spain during the war, but also to refit the yachts and other small auxiliary steamers purchased during the early part of the war. These small vessels are to be used in patrolling the coast and harbors of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and to protect American interests in Central America and along the north coast of South America, where not too far removed from a base of supplies.

The rapid increase of Japanese immigration into Hawaii has attracted the serious attention of the Government, and several official inquiries have been set on foot to learn the extent of the invasion and how it can be checked. One official report from a United States inspector stationed at Honolulu states that 12,000 Japanese have arrived since the islands were annexed to the United States. He also reports that in his opinion the total population of Asiatics by the end of the present year will exceed the total population of all other nationalities.

The Supreme Court of Louisiana, in several cases of the State versus certain debenture companies, decided that the companies in question were engaged in operations that were not based on or in accordance with sound business principles; but that the money invested in them by persons ignorant of the methods in use was risked in schemes so unreasonable that there could be but a remote prospect of saving their investments, and that, therefore, the judgment of a lower court decreeing the forfeiture of the charters of defendant companies is affirmed.

President McKinley has decided to call for volunteers for service in the Philippines. It has been determined to form at least nine regiments, and possibly twelve. For the present the President deems nine or ten regiments enough, and it is understood this number is based on the representation made by General Otis, who is said to have recently amended his estimate of the force he will need in maintaining peace in the islands. There are now 23,000 regulars in the Philippines, and there will shortly be a re-enforcement of at least 7000. This furnishes General Otis with the army he desired in the earlier estimates from Manila. Lately, however, he has had occasion to revise those figures, and, under the influences of the more liberal estimates of General Lawton and other advisers, he has informed the Washington officials that the presence of 12,000 or 15,000 volunteers to supplement the force of regulars will be a safeguard.

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MRS. R. K. HARGROVE.

Nashville, Tenn., June 10, 1899.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Morgan City	July	1, 2
Patterson		8, 9
Franklin		15, 16
French Mission, at Cypremort		17
Jeanerette		22, 23
New Iberia		29, 30
Abbeville	Aug.	5, 6
Lafayette		12, 13
Opelousas		19, 20
Lake Arthur		26, 27
Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept.	2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point		9, 10
Plaquemine Brule, at Rayne		16, 17
Grand Chenlere, at Leesburg		23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct.	1
West Lake, at Vinton		7, 8
Crowley		14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

First Church, 11 A. M.	July	9
Texas Avenue, 8 P. M.		0
Grand Cane, at Friendship		12
Benton, at Benton		15, 16
South Bossier, at Fillmore		19
Caddo, at Caddo Chapel		22, 23
Mooringsport, at Mount Zion		26
Logansport, at Belle Bower		29, 30
North Bossier, at Walker's Chapel	Aug.	2
Florien, at Petersburg		5, 6
Zwolle, at Zwolle		12, 13
Pelican, at ———		19
Mansfield		23
Pleasant Hill, at Rocky Mount		26, 27
Red River, at Knox Point	Sept.	2, 3
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope		9, 10
Coushatta, at ———		13
Wesley, at Davis Springs		16, 17

The pastors will please be prepared to answer Questions 14, 16, 17, 19 and 20. The written report required by Question 17 should be full on each of the five points. The answer to Question 19 should be, "I have read and expounded them." ¶ 123 of the Discipline requires preachers in charge "to see that a fast be held in every congregation within his charge on the Friday preceding every quarterly meeting, and that suitable service be held on the occasion wherever practicable." Let the stewards answer Question 8 with full returns: "For the Scriptures saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The laborer is worthy of his reward." (I Timothy v, 18.)

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Parker Memorial, 11 A. M.	July	0
Algiers, 7:45 P. M.		0
Felicity Street, 11 A. M.		23
Louisiana Avenue, 8 P. M.		23
Gouldsboro		30
Slidell	Aug.	6
Rayne Memorial		13
Dryades Street		20
Donaldsonville		27
Carrollton Avenue	Sept.	3
White Castle		10
Carondelet Street, 11 A. M.		17
Bergundy Street, 7:45 P. M.		17
Covington		24

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lisbon and Summer, at Alabama	July	8, 9
Vernon, at New Prospect		12, 13
Flat Lick, at Evergreen		15, 16
Farmerville, at Marion		22, 23
Gibsland, at Athens		29, 30
Downsville, at Willhite	Aug.	5, 6
Lancsville, at Andrew Chapel		10
Minden station		12, 13
Haynesville		15, 16
Homer, at Homer		17
Arcadia, at Arcadia		19, 20
Gansville		20, 27
Valley, at Bloeker	Sept.	2, 3
Bienville		9, 10

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Baker, at Brookstown	July	1, 2
Zachary		8, 9
Live Oak, at Live Oak		22, 23
Ponchatoula, at Springfield		29, 30
Amite City, at Tangipahoa	Aug.	5, 6
Franklinton, at Fisher's		7, 8
Pine Grove, at Camp Ground		19
Pine Grove, at Camp Ground		19
East Feliciana, at Camp Ground		19
St. Helena, at Camp Ground		19
Slaughter, at Slaughter		26, 27
Clinton	Sept.	3, 4
Wilson, at Pine Grove		9, 10
St. Francisville, at Morning Star		16, 17
Jackson		24, 25

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Chicot and Washington, at Elm Bayou	July	1, 2
Bunkie and Marksville, at Bayou Clear		8, 9
Simsport, at Marion		15, 16
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Big Cane		22, 23
Jena and Jonesville, at White Sulphur Springs		29, 30
Olla and Pollock, at Summerville	Aug.	5, 6
Columbia, at Master's Chapel, 11 A. M.		0
Ada and Winfield		12, 13
Rapides Camp Meeting		12-19
Spring Creek, at Fellowship		26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept.	2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C		9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice		16, 17
Dry Creek, at ———, 11 A. M., 8 P. M.		21
Alexandria station		24, 25

Members of the Quarterly Conferences will please preserve this notice, as it will not appear in every issue of the paper.

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Vimville, at Curtis Chapel	July	1, 2
Meridian—Central, Wed. P. M.		5
DeKalb, at Marvin		8, 9
Meridian—West End, Wed. P. M.		12
North Kemper, at Mellen		15, 16
Porterville, at Burton's Chapel		22, 23
Meridian—East End, Wed. P. M.		20
Matherville, at Hebron		29, 30
Lauderdale, at Bethel	Aug.	5, 6
Middleton, at Manassas		12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house, Wed.		16
Waynesboro, at State Line		19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove, Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M.		20, 21
Pachuta, at Adams		26, 27
Enterprise, at ———		27, 28
Meridian—South Side, at Poplar Springs, Wed.		30
Shubuta, at ———, Sun., Mon.	Sept.	3, 4
Daleville, at ———		9, 10
Blueville, at ———		16, 17

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Purvis, at Rawle' Springs	July	1, 2
Pearlington and Logtown, at Logtown		8, 9
Biloxi		14
Vancleave, at Mt. Zion		22, 23
Escatawpa, at Orange Grove		29, 30
Moss Point		30, 31
Galloway, at Isabella	Aug.	5, 6
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Lumberton		12, 13
Columbia, at Thompson's Chapel		17
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove		18
East Covington, at Hebron		19, 20
St. John's, at Mississippi City		20, 27
Leaksville, at Avera	Sept.	2, 3
Hattiesburg		10, 11
Whitington, at Palmer Camp Ground		16, 17

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
(In Part.)

Terry, at Spring Ridge	July	8, 9
Capitol Street, A. M.		16
First Church, P. M.		16
Sharon, at Forest Grove		22, 23
Yazoo circuit (Short Cr.), Sat. A. M., Sun. P. M.		29, 30
Yazoo City, Sun. A. M.		30, 31
Canton, at Thornton's	Aug.	5, 6
Vaughan's, at ———, M. to W.		7-9
Madison, at Pearl River		12-15
Brandon		19, 20

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Rodney	July	8, 9
Gloster		15, 16
Tarver's Chapel		22, 23
Macedonia		29, 30
Bethel	Aug.	5, 6
Woodville		12, 13
Percy's Creek		12, 13
Kingston		19, 20
Providence		26, 27
Natchez—Jefferson Street	Sept.	3, 4
Natchez—Wesley Chapel		2, 3
Ebenezer		9, 10
Lohanon		16, 17
McNair		23, 24

The District Conference will meet at Woodville, Aug. 9, at 4 P. M. Bishop Galloway is expected to preside. District stewards will please have their new Record Books present for examination. All proper work of a District Conference is expected to be attended to.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
(In Part.)

Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	July	8, 9
Mayersville, at Mayersville		22, 23
Vicksburg—Crawford Street		30
South Vicksburg		30
Bolton, at Raymond	Aug.	5, 6
Edwards, at Rivee' Chapel		12, 13
Rocky Springs, at Hickory Ridge		19, 20
South Warren, at Red Bone		26, 27

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Whitestown, at Muddy Springs	July	8, 9
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia		9, 10
Gallman, at Mt. Pleasant		15, 16
McComb City		22, 23
Providence, at Camp Ground		27-31
Wesson	Aug.	5, 6
Summit and Topisaw, at Camp Ground		10-16
Crystal Springs		19
Hazlehurst		26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept.	2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Leneir's		9, 10
Brookhaven		13
Mt. Carmel, at Bethel		16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill, Tues.		19
Tylertown, at ———		23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30,	Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge		7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wellman		14, 15

The preachers in charge will please see that the books are on hand to be examined as the Discipline directs under Ques. 20. Let very careful attention be given to the preparation for a full answer, as the law requires, to Ques. 17.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Forest, at Pulaski, Sat. and Sun.	July	1, 2
Morton, at Zion Grove, Sat. and Sun.		6, 9
Trouton, at Prospect, Sat. and Sun.		15, 16
Clarkeburg, at Holly Bush, Sat. and Sun.		22, 23
Preacher's Institute, at Hickory, Thurs. and Fri		27, 28
District Conference, at Hickory, Sat.—Mon.		29-31
Newton and H., at Hickory, Sat.		29
Hillsboro, at Hillsboro, Sat. and Sun.	Aug.	5, 6
Carthage, at Liberty, Thurs.		10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland, Sat. and Sun		19, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia, Sat. and Sun		26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——, Sat. and Sun.	Sept.	2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord, Sat. and Sun.		9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville, Sat. and Sun.		16, 17
Decatur, at Centerville, Sat., Sun.		23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding, Sat. and Sun.	30,	Oct 1
Montrose, at Hulder, 11 hurs.		5
Shiloh, at Sidon, Sat. and Sun.		7, 8
Lake, at Carr, Sat. and Sun.		14, 15

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Crawford	July	1, 2
Tibbee		8, 9
Brooksville		15, 16
Sucquasiuk		22, 23
Starkville station		29, 30
Cedar Bluff station	Aug.	5, 6
Starkville circuit		12, 13
Sturges		19, 20
Columbus circuit		26, 27
Columbus station	Sept.	2, 3
Lagrange		9, 10
Winstonville		16, 17

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Abbeville circuit, at Mt. Zion	July	1
Olive Branch circuit, at Olive Branch		8
Pentotoc circuit, at Mt. Pleasant		11
Holly Springs station		16
Waterford circuit, at the camp ground		22
Connersville circuit, at ———		26
Potts' Camp circuit, at Piegab		29
Ashland circuit, at Ashland	Aug.	2
Red Banks circuit, at Wesley Chapel		5
East Holly Springs sir., at Mt. Hope		10
Holly Springs circuit, at Marvin		23
Byhalia circuit, at Poualain Head		26
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Marshall Institute	Sept.	2

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Sallis, at Clear Branch	July	1
Kosciusko station		2, 3
Cumberland, at Shady Grove		7
Emora, at Walthall		8, 9
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington		15, 16
Pickens, at Goodman		22, 23
Ackerman, at Ackerman		29, 30
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	Aug.	5, 6
Durant station		12, 13
Poplar Creek, at Prospect		18
Tonnelon, at Tonnelon		19, 20
Rural Hill, at Rural Hill		25
Chester, at South Union		26, 27
Salem circuit	Sept.	2, 3
Belzona		9, 10
Lonisville		16, 17

District Conference at Ackerman, commencing Thursday, July 27, at 2:30 P. M.

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Vaiden, at Kilmichael	July	1, 2
Winona station, Monday night		3
Carrollton station, at Valley Hill		8, 9
Indianola, at Falsonia		15, 16
Shiloh and Ethahena, at Marksville		29, 30
Carrollton circuit, at Cogdell's chapel	Aug.	5, 6
Winona circuit, at Salem		12, 13
Black Hawk, at Sweet Water		19, 20
McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sonny Side		26, 27
Dunlin and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept.	2, 3
West, at ———		9, 10

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tupelo station	July	1, 2
Verona and Nettleton		8, 9
Aberdeen circuit		11, 12
Montpelier circuit		15, 16
Hooston and Wesley		22, 23
Nettleton circuit		29, 30
Quincy circuit	Aug.	1, 2
Amory and Smithville		5, 6
Tremont circuit		12, 13
Fulton circuit		14, 16
Buena Vista circuit		19, 20
Shannon circuit		21, 23
Okulena circuit		23, 24

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

GREENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Shaw	July	1, 2
New Salem		5
Shipman's Chapel		8, 9
Alligator		12
Clarksdale		15, 16
Greenville		23, 24
Friar's Point		29, 30
Lyon	Aug.	5, 6
Bellevue		0
Coahoma		12, 13
Hollywood		19, 20
Dubbs		21
McLeod's		26, 27
Deeson		29
Gunnison	Sept.	2, 3
Bolivar		6
Rosedale		9, 10
Lehrton		13

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Grenada circuit, at Duck Hill	July	1, 2
Charleston, at Oakland		8, 9
Water Valley circuit, at Pleasant Ridge, Thurs.		13
Toccopola, at Midway		15, 16
Oxford station		16, 17
Tatum, at Ebenezer		22, 23
Minter City		29, 30
Pittsboro, at Big Creek	Aug.	5, 6
Ellzey, at Oak Springs, Tues.		8
Banner, at Blount's Well, Thurs.		10
Paris, at Hunter's Chapel		12, 13
Chapel Hill, at Bethesda		19, 20
Slats Springs		26, 27

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Batesville and Wesley	July	1, 2
Arkabutla		8, 9
Coldwater and Hernando		9, 10
Orwood mission		15, 16
Pleasant Hill		22, 23
Wall Hill		29, 30
Cockrum	Aug.	5, 6
Courtland		12, 13
Pleasant, Wed.		10
Eureka		19, 20
Tyro		20, 27
Longtown	Sept.	2, 3

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Blue Springs circuit	July	0
Boonsville circuit		8, 9
Kossuth circuit		15, 16
Corinth circuit		22, 23
Saltillo circuit		28
Guntown and Baldwyn		29, 30
Jonesboro circuit	Aug.	5, 6
Ripley circuit		12, 13
New Albany circuit		11
Marietta circuit		19, 20
Jacinto circuit		25
Brown's Creek circuit		26, 27
Belmont circuit		29

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

NOTICE.

The Durant District Conference will be held at Ackerman, Miss., commencing Thursday, July 27, at 9 o'clock A. M. Opening sermon by Rev. R. H. B. Gladney.

Sunday-school Conference, Thursday afternoon.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

License to Preach and Admission on Trial—Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan, R. O. Brown, R. H. B. Gladney.

Deacon's Orders—N. G. Augustus, W. L. Andrann, G. W. Gordon.

Elder's Orders—J. C. Lowe, D. W. Babb, J. W. Treadwell.

Bishop Candler is expected to preside.

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Durant, Miss.

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REAMER—ANDERSON.—At the home of the bride, June 20, 1899, by Rev. H. D. Howell, Mr. Harry D. Reamer and Miss Nora O. Anderson, all of Natchez, Miss.

MAY—GLASS.—In the Methodist Church, Durant, Miss., June 21, 1899, by the Rev. J. S. Oakley, Mr. George F. May to Miss Josephine M. Glass, both of Durant.

HASSELLE—WOOD.—At the residence of the bride's parents, May 24, 1899, by Rev. D. P. Bradford, Mr. E. M. Hassells to Miss Lessie Wood, all of Meridian.

SIMS—WHITE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Meridian, Miss., June 1, 1899, by Rev. D. P. Bradford, Mr. J. S. Sims to Miss Mary White.

GREEN—FARMER.—In East End Methodist Church, Meridian, Miss., June 20, 1899, by Rev. D. P. Bradford, Mr. W. B. Green to Miss Daisy L. Farmer, all of Meridian.

PAINE—GRIFFIN.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in West Feliciana parish, June 25, by Rev. G. P. White, Mr. William A. Paine, of East Feliciana parish, and Miss Sarah E. Griffin.

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PATHWAYS THROUGH LIFE.

BY EMMA C. DOWN.

You may say that your life is a failure,
Your future holds naught is sweet,
That the troublesome years bring little but tears
And always, always defeat.

Mistakes—aye, sins you call them—
May cover your past like a pall,
But the soul that is strong to outlive its wrong
Is the bravest soul of all.

You long to go forth in the battle,
But your feet are fettered quite;
Remember, who serve in the corps of reserve
May be able as those who fight.

You chafe to enter the races
For pleasure and gold and fame;
Yet many who win 'mid the plaudits' din
Find the prize but an empty name.

The toil that is yours seems fruitless,
Your days are weary and long;
But the lowliest duty may glow with beauty
When wrought with a cheerful song.

The world's best sweets are denied you,
You have tasted earth's cup of woe;
But who suffers to give that others may live
Has the noblest life, I trow.

Oh, let us, my friend, do bravely
The work that to us is given,
And smile in belief that what caused us grief
May keep us the closer to heaven.

The pathways we traverse are many,
And some are by the barrenest strand;
But with visions grown wide we shall wonder
we sighed,
For they led to the Beautiful Land.

—Ladies' Home Journal.

Communications.

DR. FEATHERSTUN'S DEFENSE.

In answer to Dr. Featherstun's very frequent use of my name in his very personal article, called forth by my impersonal communication, I shall only say:

1. Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Bro. Featherstun! Brother Featherstun! Brother Featherstun! Brother Featherstun! Rev. H. Walter Featherstun! Rev. H. Walter Featherstun, D. D.! Rev. H. Walter Featherstun, D. D., ex-president of Kavanangh College!

2. So far as my religious professions are concerned, I have never yet replied to any fling or sneer which has appeared in the columns of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, or elsewhere, whether from the pen of layman or preacher.

3. I do not remember to have ever professed "the second blessing," although as a Methodist preacher, and bound by the doctrinal standards of the church, I do not assail the term which was first used by John Wesley, but I plead guilty to the fact that I have professed the experience of entire sanctification, or heart purity, obtained in answer to the prayer of faith twenty-five years after my regeneration, and that I preach the doctrine as taught by Wesley, Fletcher, Watson, Clarke, Asbury, Soule, Lovick Pierce, Winans, Key, and hosts of other strong, good men whom Methodism has delighted to honor; and am in thorough accord with our standard hymn book and with Mr. Wesley's "Plain Account of Christian Perfection;" but never have I claimed infallibility or greater holiness than my brethren.

4. It is not necessary that a man should profess entire sanctification in order to be uncharitable in his judgments; or to claim infallibility; or to charge with insanity one who may differ in opinion with him as to the best way and time in which to obtain the blessed experience; or to assert that insanity is in the blood, and one, or more, relatives had shown evidence thereof; or to violate a solemn compact.

As to my reference to failures in college presidencies, I have this to say:

1. My references were narrowed too much by him who had arrogated all to himself. He is not the only man who has assailed East Mississippi Female College. Who that heard has ever forgotten that speech before the Annual Conference at Jackson? or that before the District Conference at Morton in 1897? or at Lawrence in 1898? or at Summit in 1898? Or who has forgotten a letter from Brookhaven which appeared in the ADVOCATE a year or two ago? or another from a town on the North eastern railroad a short time before that? Or who has not heard of the declaration made publicly on a train between Meridian and Jackson to a trustee of East Mississippi College: "We intend to correlate the four female colleges, and I am to be president of them all, as Dr. Smith is in Virginia"? So, the special champion need not claim all the references in my former article as intended for himself alone, or called forth by his "farming-out" effusion. Neither need he bring in the name of a good woman, though she be a teacher in Whitworth.

2. If anything in my article could properly be construed with a charge of failure against Kavanangh College (and I admit that I was always under the impression, as were many others, that it was a financial failure), I beg pardon! "De mortuis nil nisi bonum"

As to the management of East Mississippi Female College, I shall not say a word. The Board of Education of the Mississippi Conference at the last session made a thorough investigation, and cordially commended the college and the worthy president. I have never had any difficulty in understanding President Beeson's figures, nor any reason for discrediting any of his statements; and yet I presume that he is not infallible, and really makes mistakes sometimes. Possibly he is mistaken in professing the experience of entire sanctification; and possibly the president of Whitworth was also mistaken when, in two periods of his ministry, he made a like profession.

It certainly required hard study to take the A. B. course in one year at Whitworth after taking the B. S. degree at East Mississippi Female College; or else there is but slight difference between the B. S. course at East Mississippi and the A. B. course at Whitworth. And the young lady referred to for the purpose of assailing the curriculum of E. M. F. College had only taken the B. S. course at that very excellent institution, and yet in one year thereafter she was granted the A. B. degree by Whitworth.

And as to the passing by the front of Central Church and going to a mission hall, I can only say, that while I might not have done that, yet I am not disposed to censure anyone who does not like to hear a sermon read, or gets tired of being invited to "get out of the church." I have not heard of Dr. Weems' complaining of any unwillingness to hear him.

T. L. MELLEN.

Forest, Miss., June 27, 1899.

Correspondence.

MONTEREY, MEXICO.

When, in September of '94, with the consent of my presiding elder, I left my appointment in the Louisiana Conference in order to re-enter school, it was with the expectation of returning to that Conference after having obtained a more thorough equipment for the work of the ministry. My plans, however, were not inflexible, and the last of December, '96, found me in this strangely new-old country, where the innovations of the present century mingle with the customs of the first.

Since my coming I have been in charge of the English-speaking congregation in Monterey, the largest city of northern Mexico, and probably the most progressive in the whole republic, and, on account of its commercial activity, is called "the Chicago of Mexico." Some two thousand feet above the sea level, and surrounded on every side by the most picturesque mountains, the city has an extremely beautiful location, and as one stands on the heights and looks down upon this city of flat roofed houses, the words of the Psalmist come to him, "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem." I never tire of the mountains. Whether as grim monster outlined against the sky in the night-time, or in the gray dawn, or in the mid-day glare, or wrapped in the purple shadows of the sunset, their beauty is sublime, and to the reverent mind an inspiration. The houses are built of stone, of one story, flat roofs, painted some light color, and, to the confusion of the stranger, they all look exactly alike. The very poor people live in huts made of cane, mud, pieces of wood, or whatever material is most easily secured. The average negro would disdain to use one of them for his kitchen. The streets are narrow and uncertain in their goings, but "plazas," or public squares, and parks abound, and their tropical growths are a constant delight to the native as well as the tourist. These plazas are the popular resorts. Here the civil celebrations are held, and to the plazas the people come in great numbers to listen to the regular concerts given by the military bands. The principal plazas have their weekly concert nights, and Zaragoza plaza has two. The music-stand is in the center of the plaza, and around the plaza almost continuously the crowd walks for two or three hours, the ladies and gentlemen going in opposite directions. I do not know who suggested this plan of "going in opposite direction," but it works admirably for the young people of opposite sexes who belong to "mutual admiration societies." The population is estimated at seventy-five thousand, and this includes a foreign colony numbering about two thousand. Three railroads enter the city, two from the States, the Mexican National and the Mexican International, and the third connects Monterey with Tampico on the gulf coast. There are two large smelters that employ at least four thousand men, numerous manufacturing plants, and a brickyard that is said to be the largest on the American continent.

To the west, on a high hill overlooking the city, is the famous Bishop's Palace, built by the Jesuits some three centuries ago, that has been prominent in several wars, and was captured by the American soldiers under General Taylor. Two blocks from where, to my delight, a Mexican house has been turned into an American home, are the ruins of the old Black Fort of which General Grant wrote in his memoirs. Few of its massive walls remain standing, and one might easily pass by without noticing it. A street cuts it in twain, and in either part a score, or more, families have found dwelling-places. When our troops were here in '46 the fort was outside of the city limits. To the northeast of the city, about three miles distant, is the large spring where our army camped before marching to attack the city. It is in the midst of a large grove of live-oak trees—those giants of our Southern forests from whose boughs the moss, the gray locks of the giants, hangs so gracefully.

The architecture of the fine old cathedrals of Mexico atones for the simplicity of the houses in which the people live. There are five of these magnificent structures in Monterey. The people turn toward them with something of the reverent awe that filled the heart of the Jew as he lifted his eyes to behold the temple. They are temples indeed, but temples without a shekinah. On special feast days I have seen the people, rich and poor alike, throng these churches from morning till night. What think you of a service in which there were seven distinct sermons preached by the same man? Each sermon was from twenty to thirty minutes long, and throughout the service the people, with few exceptions, were kneeling or sitting upon a bare cement floor. Those Methodists who can not even bow their heads in prayer might easily learn a lesson from such a scene. However, I shall not suggest that our preachers try to follow the example of the priest in preaching seven sermons during one service. If I were a Catholic, I am sure I should be thankful that the custom prevails only once a year. The texts, at any rate, were orthodox, being the seven utterances of our Lord while on the cross, and the sermons should have been full of the meat of the gospel, for there was a look of hunger on the faces of the people; and as I turned to go out there was a hunger in my own heart—a hunger for such an opportunity as the priest had on that day.

Protestantism, too, is well represented in Monterey. It may seem strange, but it is a fact, that there are as many Protestant as Catholic congregations in this city. The difference is in the size of the congregations. They number their people by the thousands; we number ours by the tens. There are five Protestant denominations working here—the Baptist, Presbyterian, Campbellite, Episcopal, and our own church. The Episcopal Church confines itself to the English-speaking people, our church has both an American and a Mexican congregation, and the other three confine themselves to the Mexican work exclusively. The Baptists have been here the longest. They have about two hundred and fifty members, and, besides, there is a congregation of thirty or forty that separated from them several years ago. They own a very neat two-story church, built of stone. The Presbyterians are not so strong. They have about sixty members and a well-located church. The Christians, or Campbellites, have no building and no organized church. They have a married missionary living here who conducts a night school for Mexican boys, and has a reading-room. He is also printing tracts in Spanish. The Mexican congregation of our own church includes seventy or eighty members, and it has a regular station preacher, a native. Our American congregation has at present forty-two members. Both congregations meet in the same building, as our church is a large two-story building and amply large. I do not know how many members the Episcopals have. They hold but one service a week, and I understand that their usual attendance does not exceed ten or twelve.

I hope to have the opportunity, some time in the future, of writing more definitely of our work, both in Monterey and in Mexico in general.

N. E. JOYNER.

Monterey, Mexico.

FROM THE DISTRICT.

MR. EDITOR: We were reminded, when we read our last in the ADVOCATE, of Solomon's "little foxes which spoiled the vines." By the omitting of one letter we were made to express just the opposite of what we wrote. "Here we have some 'praying' members, and hope for more." The types made us read "paying" members.

Since our last we have been to the extremes geographically, congregationally, and otherwise. From northern borders of Yazoo to southern limit of Rankin and into Simpson; from small congregations to crowded houses; from rich lowlands, the home of the sweet gum and pecan, to high, sandy hills, thickly set with towering pines; and the answers to question eight equally marked.

Union, on Fannin circuit: A large, unfinished house, erected nearly sixty years ago, and yet unceiled. Under the head of "miscellaneous business" a committee was formed to arrange time and place for a grand rally in interest of Twentieth Century Fund.

Our next was Harrisburg, on Steen's Creek circuit, Simpson county. New country, new people, new experiences. Large families. Small houses and cheapest lumber I ever heard of—$6 to $8 per thousand. With such supply of home labor and material every man might live in a palace. Here we learned of Dr. Featherstun's quarterly meeting, noted for its length.

A Sunday off! What a treat to one who has been taking things on the fly, and making short stops for six months, and hearing no one but himself! The occasion was the commencement at Millsaps College, with a day at Belhaven. At the latter place we enjoyed a unique, impressive address from Dr. Venable, of Meridian. Witty, thoughtful, and well delivered. A class of six young ladies received their diplomas at the hands of President Fitzhugh. Whether from my hunger, or from the genuine excellence, it seemed to me that I never heard such speeches from college rostrums as the contestants for the various honors gave us. Bishop Candler's sermon, on Sunday, was of the highest order; deep, full, and easily comprehended. His address on Monday was equally good, and some said even better. The sermon by Dr. Bowling to the Y. M. C. A. was a masterpiece. All in all, Millsaps surpassed herself. The evidences of the character of work done in her halls were unmistakable. But for the sorrow in the homes of President Fitzhugh and Dr. Murrah, our pleasure would have been unalloyed.

At Vaughan's we met rather a new and changed condition of affairs. It is no longer Bro. Golden alone, but he had brought another into the circle of the itinerants—herself out of an itinerant home. When one does so well as he it is in order to say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!" Quarterly Conference was held in a church erected a few years ago by the "Hard Shells," which, they failing to support, was bought by the Methodists, and here we met a congregation of not less than one hundred people. The elder did his best on foreign missions, and the preacher took up the collection, and reported also one convert for missions; also secured five subscriptions for the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE.

Thursday, June 29, we are booked for an address before the County Sunday-school Convention at Pearl River Church, and on to Sonle Chapel to last meeting of the second round, July 1, 2.

The summing up of the quarter stands: Out 45 days; preached 61 times, besides conducting several prayer-meeting services. Bank account exhausted, and full work in protracted meetings mapped for our third. Fraternally,

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

ATTENTION.

To the Brethren of the North Mississippi Conference:

I presume that you have all heard of my election to the presidency of the Grenada College, and while I feel unworthy of the position, I shall devote the best there is in me to the work to which I have been assigned.

I feel like General Walthall, at the battle of Franklin, when General Hood told him he must head 30,000 troops to assist Forest; "that while it is one of honor, it is also one of great responsibility, and I will not force it upon you unless you are willing." General Walthall replied, "General, I never sought a hard place for glory nor an easy place for comfort; issue the orders, and I will do the best I can," and, with the consciousness of the justness of his cause, he led his troops and snatched victory from the very jaws of defeat, and made it possible for Forest's army to retreat across the Tennessee.

Brethren, I come not to make any boasts of what I am going to do, but the orders have been issued, and I propose to do the best I can, feeling assured that I will have the sympathy and co-operation of the brethren.

This is no time to divide our educational interests, and, therefore, it behooves every brother to be loyal to this, the only college owned by the North Mississippi Conference.

While I have about selected my faculty, I do not claim that "it is the best to be found anywhere in the South," though I believe it is an average one. A friend said to me the other day that "you must not have too many young teachers in your faculty," and my reply was, "and not too many widows and old maids."

While I am aware of the fact that the conservatism and the experience of the old are not to be discounted, I am also aware of the fact that the enthusiasm and the latest methods of teaching which belong to the younger are not to be ignored. One is not necessarily a good teacher because of her age; neither should one be discounted because she has less experience. The question is, Has she qualified herself specially for thorough work in her department? However, I am glad to state that I have been able to secure experienced teachers, who will be at the head of each and every department.

Our friends in Grenada have authorized me to put the building in thorough repair, and they would pay the expenses, and they are also willing to help in putting an addition as soon as practicable to the building. With the building put in thorough repair and nicely furnished, there is no reason why we can not offer as good inducements at Grenada as any school in Mississippi. The building is large, commodious, and well ventilated, and situated on a high plain, with a beautiful campus, above all malarial influences. I speak the truth when I tell you that the health record of the school for the last five years is equal to that of any of which I have any knowledge.

Believing that the brethren will give me their full support in carrying on this great work, I am,

Yours fraternally,

W. M. MCINTOSH.

MORE "ECHOES."

Since my last communication other reports have come to hand as follows: Rev. B. B. Sullivan, Carrollton circuit, two dollars. Rev. W. A. Clark, Booneville circuit, five and 90-100 dollars. Rev. W. D. Burroughs, Pleasant Hill circuit, eight dollars, and, "I am in full sympathy with this great movement. Have two other churches where I hope to secure larger amounts." Rev. A. W. Langley, Abbeville circuit, twenty dollars, and "will observe the day at four other churches." Rev. E. C. Sullivan, Cornersville circuit, forty-two and 25-100 dollars. Rev. C. C. Evans, Satartia, one hundred dollars, and "my people respond willingly to the call for the Twentieth Century Fund."

The Sunday-school at Carrollton has pledged one hundred dollars, and has in cash half the amount.

Rev. T. C. Wier, P. E., Sardis district, writes that all his preachers are in full sympathy with the work, and will observe the day.

Many preachers had planned to devote the month of June to this special work. I am daily expecting to hear from them. Will not every preacher who has not reported make a determined effort and acquaint me with the result?

Dear brother, it is in your hands. The responsibility once resting on others is now upon the pastors. How will you meet it? Please "make me tired" from now till Annual Conference keeping up with and tabulating reports of your successful work.

Some of the amounts reported above may appear small, but no amount can be small which represents prayer, work, and self-denial. It is all great in the eyes of "Him whose we are and whom we serve."

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., June 30, 1899.

Communications.

WHAT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR.

BY REV Q. A. OATS.

(An essay read before the Preachers Meeting at Friar's Point and published by request.)

(Continued.)

The pastor should study to be a wise organizer of his members into working order, and, as a good leader, should inspire them to work by precept and example. Success often depends on united effort and a sense of mutual interest. The church may be aptly compared to an arch of many stones: if one stone falls, the arch must fall, and every stone must depend upon every other stone. The pastor, in a sense, is the builder of the arch, and his duty is to find a place for every individual to work, and assist and encourage him. One of the secrets of a good pastor is the finding a place for everybody to work, and keeping them all at work. To do this he needs to be a good judge of human nature, and to be controlled by wise judgment and great patience. An unemployed Christian can not thrive, and nothing strengthens and encourages men more than to have them to feel that they are usefully employed. It is not to be supposed that even the wisest and most faithful pastor can secure all in successful work. There will always be some who will not fit in any place. In this case the best he can do will be to prevent them from becoming hindrances and disturbing elements, in which he must be a law unto himself. He needs rightly to direct all into paths of usefulness, and to restrain misdirected energies and excesses. In all this he should avoid, as much as possible, all friction, and be careful not to make too strong an impression of his own personal peculiarities, and not to place himself too much in evidence. The pastor should be in his church a sort of concealed dynamo, or generating plant, imparting force and direction to the membership of his church. I have known some pastors who seemed ambitions to run everything. They would enterprise many things, and appoint men and women to all sorts of duties, but do it all they would, or so appear, from the pulpit to janitor's duties, including Sunday-school and all the women's societies. As much as possible everyone should be left to do his own work in his own way, and to feel all the responsibility for the success of his department, whatever it may be.

The pastor should be a good organizer of his forces, but he needs to be careful not to over organize. His plans should be as few and simple as the circumstances will allow. It is possible for a thing to be too highly organized for life, and a multiform and complicated organization will always weaken the body and hinder its highest usefulness. Some pastors are always organizing and enterprising till they have an organization for everything and everybody in several organizations; yet they never secure success in anything.

It is an excellent thing for the pastor to be able to enterprise, and try new ideas and new plans, and to be able to inject new thought and new life into his church. There is, however, much grave danger in this respect, and much harm has already been done by so many strange and new things that have caused it to be forgotten that there is anything old, and necessarily so. The old paths of truth are thus sometimes obscured and obliterated from the thought, and the people are led by a blind leader, and all go hither and thither as in a pathless wilderness.

It is really my belief that more real harm is done by an over-conservatism than by over-progressiveness, and that more pastors are in danger in this direction because the evil is less easily discovered and appreciated. New things strike us because they are new and out of ordinary observation and experience, and, if evil results, we readily connect the effect with the cause. On the other hand, when there is nothing new in the plane of the pastor, we are not strikingly impressed, and his failures often go unaccounted for, though they may be greater and far more numerous than the unfortunate innovations of his more enterprising brother. There are to-day many of the brethren piously lamenting the failures of the church, and charging them to enterprising brethren who are enterprising new plans and pushing them to success, while they are much more attributable to their own laggardness. This is a period when men must throw themselves into the active, pushing crowd if they expect to succeed. If the day was when men could go along old ways quietly and unostentatiously, and succeed, it has passed, so far as the business world is concerned, and the work of the pastor is not an exception. He needs, as much as any other, to be up to date.

This is a world of change. The change is a principle in life and growth. It is a vital principle in the physical, mental, and spiritual world. All men who have been agents in the progress of the world were violent innovators, but their innovations were wise. Christ and his apostles believed in new things, while the priests and the Pharisees shouted ruin because of them, and were the conservatives. Luther and Wesley were innovators. The pastor should not be afraid to try a plan or pursue a course because it is new, if he finds no other reason. It is not new principles or new truths that are needed. Some make this mistake, and many are in danger of it. Men need exactly the same elements of food to-day that they did thousands of years ago, but they require new ways of serving and preparing it. Prepared and served as it was to our forefathers, food would nauseate instead of being palatable, and in many cases would destroy our health, such has been the transformations in our physical condition. Men need the same gospel to-day they did a thousand years ago, but they require an up-to-date mode of serving it. In the same way the farmer who should decry innovations and new means and plans of cultivating his crops would soon present a very belated appearance, though he might declaim against innovators as enemies of farming. The pastor should study to be a resource-ful man, and to give his people variety; yet I must warn all against the temptation of priding themselves in being advanced men, and proclaiming themselves such to the world. Such men are usually objects of a just contempt, and are pitiable failures.

Again, let me warn against the popular danger of making innovations upon the true and orthodox principles of the gospel. Men need the same sort of repentance from sin they ever did, because sin has not changed its character; and they need the same crucified and risen Lord, and the same regenerating Spirit to save them from it. The preaching of a new gospel may attract for a time, and even permanently please a few light and insincere souls, but it will never satisfy the truly hungering and thirsting. It is easy to secure a cheap reputation by substituting inventions that offer men a brilliant and easy way to heaven, but it will pass like a Summer flower before the Autumn winds, and leave only a seared and lifeless waste, and desolate ruin.

(To be continued.)

GUAM, OUR NEW POSSESSION.

Ere these lines will be printed, four progressive young Californians will be on their way with a colony, forty strong, to colonize Guam, one of the Ladrono Islands, which fell into the hands of this government at the close of the Hispano-American War. This island was scarcely known in the United States till on the twenty-first of last June, when the "Charleston," en route to Manila, passed by and threw a few shells into the little town where the government is seated, soon bringing the handful of Spaniards stationed there to terms. The "Charleston" took the Spaniards aboard and carried them to Manila, where they remained as prisoners of war till after the signing of the protocol.

Thus we came into possession of this little island, which, indeed, is almost as fascinating as the haunts of a fairy. Guam is a small land, only a mere speck upon the broad breast of the Pacific; yet, if developed rightly, she possesses charms which no other land in the universe, perhaps, affords.

This group of islands was discovered by Magellen, sailing under the Spanish flag, in 1521. They were left alone in the broad, tranquil sea till a few years ago (1885), when they were partially settled by Spain, and placed under the jurisdiction of the Spanish government at Manila. The few people living there are separated from the rest of the world, never hearing any of its gossip. They may truly be termed "out of the world." Semi-annually only do they hear from the far-off shores, unless some merchant vessel should happen to pass, which is not often, for some of the islands are still infested by pirates, the very name "Ladrones" signifying "the land of robbers." It is said that when the "Charleston" stopped in the beautiful harbor and began to fire, the Spaniards, not knowing of the disturbed relations between their country and America, mistook the firing for a salute, and hastened to the shore to return it; but on their arrival they were somewhat chagrined to learn the startling and fateful news.

America, it is hoped, at an early date will connect the island with Manila, or Honolulu, by cable, and thus make it a more desirable abode for man.

Guam is a wonderful place, many peculiar things existing there found in no other part of the world. It, too, could be made a typical place for a home, as the climate is mild, the soil productive, and the scenery beautiful. There are homes in that bonny land where life is spent as pleasantly as could be, yet little labor is exerted in making it so. The bread-fruit grows there abundantly, cocoanuts flourish, and the palm-tree waves its graceful branches about in every forest. There is also a kind of nut which is eaten, shell and all, the shell being even more delicious than the kernel. The shell, though appearing hard, when bitten, crumbles off easily; but should any of our readers ever come in contact with one of these peculiar nuts, my advice would be, to eat it as soon as it is plucked from the tree, for in a day or so the kernel becomes as hard as a diamond.

There is also a very queer tree existing there, and there alone, the fruit of which, to the smell, is hardly tolerable, but to the taste it is very delicious. It ripens twice every month, and the islanders value it very highly.

There are many other very striking things in this wonderful land, but possibly the most wonderful, and the one which derives more notice from travelers, is a stone which predicts the weather for the Guamites. They lie scattered on every roadside, and when very cold weather is expected, the stone is as black as midnight; when hot weather is expected, the stone is of a brilliant red; when raining, it is pink, and when only cloudy, a deep blue. By this means the people of Guam may know exactly when to expect a change of weather. They also have a large, pretty flower which marks the noonday hour by opening its elongated petals rapidly toward the great luminary. When it is cloudy the flower droops its head in sorrow, mourning for the absence of the sun.

The people of the Ladrones are friendly and kind, though, of course, very simple. They are of Malay origin, are of a brown color, have small, sharp heads; small, dark eyes, and are very docile to their masters when treated kindly, but, strangely, their race has always been oppressed, yet they can hardly bear oppression. But treat the simple islander right—as I am sure all true Americans will do—and he will always be your friend, dying for you, if necessary.

These people do not profess Christianity, since Spain has never cared to enlighten them anyway, for fear of rebellion; but, thanks to the young Californians, one of their leaders, Charles L. McPherson, has proposed to tell them of the blessed Master, and to establish a Methodist Church in that far-away land. This certainly should have been done many years ago, but since the Americans had so much trouble by carrying the gospel to the Carolines, perhaps they decided to make no effort in the Ladrones. But now Guam is ours. Our own dear "Stars and Stripes"—emblem of freedom and religious liberty—waves over it, and we may now go to the poor, oppressed islanders and tell them the "beautiful story of old."

GEO. M. MORELAND.

Nettleton, Miss.

REV. JOS. L. SMITH.

MR. EDITOR: My father, Rev. Jos. L. Smith, passed to his reward June 5. He had been for three years in the Confederate Soldiers' Home, near Richmond, Va., a sufferer from spinal trouble. For thirteen years prior to that time his body had been wasting away. Under the strain his mind became affected, and he was removed to the Soldiers' Home, where every attention was given him which could have ameliorated his sad condition. In his lucid hours he was resigned to God's will, and looked for release from suffering. His mortal remains lie in Hollywood Cemetery. His soul has gone up through great tribulations. Sixty years old, his life had been checkered by war, teaching, preaching, and suffering—the greatest part suffering.

We, proud as we are of his military record—brave and daring in defense of the "Lost Cause," and was a brevet-captain of cavalry when the war closed—are yet prouder of the fact that ten of the best years of his life were given to the ministry in the Western Virginia Conference. No better record can be made than he made for absolute moral integrity—he never did an ignoble thing! He was a man of pure speech and courtly manners. He was possessed of a strong mind, and was a splendid scholar for one who was denied the advantages of a full collegiate course by the adverse fortunes of war.

As a preacher, he was a calm, cogent reasoner, analyzing the text until there was nothing left to be gotten out of it. He was an earnest Christian, professing little and living much. His life was an unstained outgrowth of the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians—the best portraiture of his character. Humility was his crowning grace. God has taken him to himself. We shall meet him when life's fitful fever is over. God's grace is our present consolation.

Yours fraternally,

C. P. SMITH.

Minden, La., June 24, 1899.

Correspondence.

THE VICKSBURG DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Vicksburg District Conference convened in the Methodist Church at Utica, June 15, with Dr. E. H. Monnger, presiding elder, in the chair. C. F. Emery was elected secretary, and C. C. Evans assistant secretary. The following preachers were present: Revs. G. A. Guice, C. F. Emery, L. S. Jones, J. N. Ware, A. D. Miller, L. Carley, J. G. Cammack, C. C. Evans, H. L. Norton, A. F. Watkins, W. H. Van Hook. Absent: Revs. F. M. Keen, W. T. Griffin, W. W. Hurst, W. W. Cammack. The following laymen were present: D. X. Brown, W. C. Hicks, G. A. Parks, W. E. Harris, S. R. C. Bethea, C. N. Brown, C. Price, W. J. Bell. The following were introduced to the Conference: Rev. G. W. Bachman, of the North Mississippi Conference, representing the Publishing House; Rev. M. L. Burton, in charge of the Mississippi Orphans' Home; Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Conference Secretary of Education; Rev. W. L. Low, pastor of local Baptist Church.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. C. F. Emery from Psalm xc, 12.

Committees were appointed by the chair on license to preach, on public worship, on the state of the church, on prohibition, and on Quarterly Conference Records.

Henry Thomas Carley, son of Rev. L. Carley, having passed an approved examination, was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Annual Conference for admission into the traveling connection.

The reports of the pastors upon the state of the church showed the district to be in a fairly good condition.

Miss Addie Purnell, secretary of the Woman's Home Mission Society, was introduced to the Conference, and gave an interesting account of the work done by this important department of the church.

The Committee on Prohibition in their report stated that there was but one wet county in the district, and rejoiced in the defeat of the recent attempt to introduce the sale of liquor into Hinds county.

Rev. M. L. Burton earnestly appealed to the pastors and to the members of the church to rally to the support of the Mississippi Orphans' Home. He stated that the claims of this institution upon all Protestant people do not seem to be fully realized, either by preachers or people. It has no endowment, and is wholly dependent for support upon the voluntary contributions of Christian people.

The following delegates were elected to the Annual Conference: W. E. Harris, C. N. Brown, C. Price, G. A. Parks, with W. J. Bell and T. A. Holloman, alternates.

A well-prepared paper on "Threatening Tendencies of the Present Times, and their Causes," was read by Rev. L. Carley, and provoked considerable discussion.

Rev. L. S. Jones, representing Port Gibson Female College, spoke in the highest terms of the work done by that institution, and urged its claims for public patronage.

Edwards and Port Gibson were placed in nomination as the place for holding the next Conference, and the latter was chosen.

The following local preachers were passed in examination of character, and their licenses were renewed: Revs. J. B. Blackman, J. O. Gilbert, M. J. Marble.

The Committee on the State of the Church in their report stated that there were but few Epworth Leagues in the district whose work, on the whole, has not been satisfactory. The growth of worldly-mindedness is to be deplored.

On Friday night an educational rally was held for the purpose of raising a collection for the Twentieth Century Fund. Addresses were made by Revs. A. F. Watkins, C. F. Emery, and H. G. Hawkins. A handsome sum was realized.

An interesting paper on the "Importance of the Sunday-school, and Its Main Design," was submitted by Rev. W. T. Griffin.

By request of the chair, Rev. H. W. Van Hook addressed the Conference on "Our New Possessions, and the Duty of the Church toward Them," which gave rise to an interesting discussion.

The preaching during the session was done by Revs. J. G. Cammack, L. S. Jones, A. F. Watkins, H. W. Van Hook, E. H. Monnger, and C. F. Emery.

The usual vote of thanks was adopted, expressing grateful appreciation of the hospitality of the good people of Utica, the kindness of the pastor, Rev. G. A. Guice, and the courtesy of the Picayune and Times-Democrat in publishing full reports of the proceedings.

Conference adjourned sine die at noon Saturday with the benediction by the presiding elder.

C. F. EMERY, Secretary.

WHAT I HAVE FOUND AT WHITWORTH.

I came to Brookhaven on Jan. 10, and since then my home has been the district parsonage, two blocks from Whitworth College, which two of my daughters have, during these months, constantly attended. I have all the while had the very freest access to all the departments of work. Having known the college well in its palmiest days during the administration of that king of educators, Dr. H. F. Johnson, I have used my opportunities, and have studied the work being done with a great deal of interest. Among other things of interest I have found the following of special importance:

1. Whitworth enrolled during the term just closed 198 pupils. One hundred and forty-five of these were in the regular college classes; the remaining 53 were primaries, "specials," etc. Over 120 of those enrolled were boarders. There has been no deaths in the student-body, and no serious illness. I never saw a healthier-looking set of girls in my life.

2. I have been able to look specifically into the work done by seven of the teachers, and never saw better work done anywhere. My own daughters are doing better here than they have ever done before. The senior class, by their papers read during the various exercises of the commencement, revealed the fact that they have been taught to think for themselves. The A. B graduates, in addition to analytical geometry, completed both differential and integral calculus—more, I am told, than is required in most male colleges. The work done in the natural sciences, in elocution, art, and music, and in English, I know to be very superior. Of other work I can not speak from my own knowledge, but have heard high praise bestowed upon most of it.

3. Every teacher in Whitworth College, save two, is a member of our church in Brookhaven, and one of the two intended to put in his letter, but has neglected to do so. All of them are consistent Christians. They all pay to the support of the church here. They teach in the Sunday-school, assist in the prayer meeting and the choir, and are active Methodists felt in the church life as forces that work for righteousness.

4. Whitworth has a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and a strong Epworth League. She is thoroughly Methodist, unwilling to banish the regular "institutions of the church" and put into their places undenominational societies of uncertain value and questionable tendencies, as some colleges, alas! have done.

5. The commencement exercises throughout wore an air of scholarly dignity indicating that at Whitworth the essentials of education are stressed, and not the superficial ornamentals. The music and the elocution were fine, but vigorous grasp of intellect indicated that mathematics and the classics had been studied earnestly and honestly.

6. I attended on last Tuesday the largest alumnæ meeting I ever saw. Over fifty of Whitworth's alumnæ were present. It was a magnificent body of women. Ladies who had been married for ten, fifteen and twenty years rendered magnificent music, and presented thoughtful papers, while others old enough, but unmarried, and some younger, paid tribute to their alma mater in the coin current of intellectual products of various kinds.

7. I find Whitworth College in high favor with the people of Brookhaven—Jew and Gentile, Roman Catholic and Protestant—and, indeed, throughout the whole district. If she has any "enemies," I have not found them.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

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THE SECRET OF WOMAN'S SUCCESS.

BY MRS. J. T. GRACEY.

I consider myself very fortunate in being connected with a missionary society whose income has not decreased during the past few years, but has steadily increased. This society has raised within the past five years a little over one million five hundred thousand dollars, which is an advance of more than a quarter of a million dollars over the preceding five years. These results have been accomplished by the women in one of the most remarkable periods of financial depression this country has ever known, and at a time when some other missionary societies have fallen behind in their contributions. There has been also in the same time an advance in auxiliary societies, young people's organizations, members, etc. Moreover, there has also been a steady increase in the subscriptions to our four missionary periodicals, by which the society is sending missionary information into more than seventy-three thousand homes. Within the last five years ninety missionaries have been sent to foreign fields, against fifty-six in the preceding five years.

The contributing causes to these results have been various, such as a very complete organization; systematic, and not impulsive, giving; the little from the many rather than the large donation from the few; a free use of missionary literature; systematic study of all phases of work, both at home and abroad; the itineraries of returned missionaries, bringing the auxiliary societies in sympathetic touch with their representatives; the distribution of thousands of mite-boxes in the homes, gathering up the small amounts; giving special work to the individual or society who become interested in educational and spiritual lines, and the observance of a thank-offering day. The observance of this day has become very general, and since its inauguration, some fourteen years ago, over two hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars have come into the treasury through this channel alone.

The funds of this society are not only raised, but distributed by the women. The appropriation of all money is also made by them, so that they feel a measure of responsibility which is healthful. These are some of the reasons why the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church has recently taken no backward steps, and we believe that similar methods will produce similar results elsewhere.—Missionary Review of the World.

LEN.

Muldon, Miss., June 18, 1899.

"He Laughs Best Who Laughs Last."

A hearty laugh indicates a degree of good health obtainable through pure blood. As but one person in ten has pure blood, the other nine should purify the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Then they can laugh first, last and all the time, for perfect happiness comes with good health

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THAT PARSONAGE.

You have seen it. You were reminded of the proverb, "I went by the field of slothful," etc. (Prov. xxiv, 30.) How it got hold of you and made you think less of the man who lived there, even against your will. You enjoyed his sermons; you were charmed in his company; you respected his information and his general "get-up and git," and yet here is the place he lives, and if human nature is the same the world over, then the man that lives in that house is a thriftless sham.

Stand off and look at it. The preacher's family has evidently grown considerably since it was first built. There were originally only two rooms; now there are six. The windows are all shapes and sizes, and so are the doors. You see, in 18— the Bishop sent Bro. Youngman to this circuit, and before the end of the year he was married, and the work had to build a parsonage, as no one wanted to board the preacher and his wife. Bro. Skinflint sold the church his old place in the edge of town that had not been occupied for the last ten years. "The house is not worth much, but, then, there is enough good (?) lumber in it to build a house out of good enough for the preacher." (This is the third house built out of that lumber.) Bro. Youngman was no carpenter, but, as labor and money were scarce, he and one or two men—little or no better mechanics than he was—did the work. They used the old doors and windows (and nails) with their frames, although they had had to cut the walls down from twelve feet to ten feet. All went well until it came to the roof, for which they had no shingles. Bro. Rusticus came to the relief of the pastor by giving enough "rived boards" to cover the parsonage. They were some he had left over from covering his cotton houses last year, and there was no sale for them.

The fences, like the house, were built out of the old lumber, so were the makeshifts for out-houses. Everybody loved the young pastor; "he got along on so little."

Bro. Books was next sent to the charge. He built a little room off from the house for a "study." It was used also for a company room. He was a good workman, and made it look quite nice. A merchant gave a few rolls of wrapping paper, and he papered it over the rough boards; they shrunk and the paper cracked, but that made no difference.

The next pastor was Bro. Silvertongue, who had a wife, two children and a mother-in-law. He was "some pumpkins;" had been well raised, been to college and read Munsy and Drummond and Spencer in addition to the Conference course. Oh! how he could preach. The parsonage was too small and had to be enlarged, and for such a fine preacher nothing was too good; so two nice rooms were built.

He was followed by Bro. Bountiful with a wife (his second) and six children and his wife's old-maid sister. They had to have another room. He was not at all popular, and the people had written to the Bishop and presiding elder and told them so, and asked to be allowed to "swap" with Last Chance circuit for Bro. Newman, who had just entered the Conference and was "on trial." The change could not be effected, and so a new room had to be built. Bro. Bountiful and Sister Faithful, who always stood by the preacher, worked hard to get the material and some labor. The pastor and his boys did most of the work, and after many delays the room was finished, although it was not ceiled inside nor whitewashed outside.

There have been a number of preachers since, among them some good "piddlers," who have nailed on rotten pickets and propped up falling galleries and done such other odd jobs as would call forth words of approbation from that class in the church who are rich, but not toward God.

Look at the parsonage to-day. It is a miserably dilapidated shanty; fences down, steps gone, window panes dropping out, because the sashes are rotten, chimney cracked and leaning off from the house, line dropped down. One of the preachers built a front gallery, but made a bad job, and it is bent to fall down. The rats have undermined some of the blocks on which the house rests, and it has settled down here and there, so the doors will not close. A lady from a distant town comes to spend a few days at the parsonage. She tells the driver of the buss to "put her out at the Methodist parsonage." He does not know where that is. On general principles she tells him to "put me out at the shabbiest house in town." An idea strikes him; he seizes his whip, tightens the reins, and in a few minutes stops at the gate, and Rev. Goodman assists his guest over the shaky gallery to comparative safety from everything except rain and cold, inside the family room.

This house and its furnishing are in marked contrast with the house of the average members of the church on the work. The furnishing is the refuse furniture of the best circumstanced members. In only one respect does the furnishing of this house surpass that of the best homes in the town, and that is in good books, the property of the preacher.

It is said that the pigeon is fond of a nice, clean house; that it will leave an old house for a new one at any time. I heard the other day of a flock of pigeons that were very frolicsome, clean, and thrifty in a new house and gauze cage lately built for them. An old pigeon raiser in the party remarked that they would cease to thrive and lose their fine spirits if their cage was allowed to go to decay. I thought of the preacher and his family in "that parsonage," who had ceased to take interest in many things that once gave snap and joy to them and their associates; of their retirement from social gatherings and even church meetings; of their lack of enthusiasm and growing diffidence, and I said, "Who is to blame?"

E. G. WILLIAMS.

REPORTS OF CHILDREN'S DAY.

Forty-three Sunday-schools have reported Children's Day up to this time (June 22). It would entail too much work upon us to acknowledge receipt of money by writing to everyone remitting, and, therefore, we give here a list of the schools that have sent in reports.

Wesson	$ 5 68
Purvis	6 75
Woodville	12 00
Flora	3 50
Madisonville	3 70
Jackson, First Church	10 72
McComb City	6 15
Livingston	1 35
Vinville	3 15
Hazlehurst	3 40
Baha'a Chapel	5 15
Bradley	9 20
Wesley Chapel (Warren circuit)	14 00
Oak Ridge	20 57
Topisaw	4 15
Landerdale	8 52
Hermanville	4 80
Sarepta	3 55
Burtonton	4 70
Brooklyn	3 56
Zion (Escatawpa circuit)	4 63
Newton	7 10
Ellisville	2 90
Mayersville	5 00
Centerville	4 00
Decatur	2 00
Palmetto Home	5 50
Scranton	2 97
Ocean Springs	2 80
Meadville	1 77
Oak Grove	2 41
Canton	3 60
Vaughn's	2 15
Donsenville	2 15
Beulah	5 00
Bay St. Louis	3 65
Long Beach	5 05
Gulf Port	2 55
Rose Hill	4 00
Forest	6 55
Pulaski	2 05
Homewood	1 60
Total	$217 73

Children's Day programmes have been sent to about one hundred and ninety Sunday-schools; so you see there are a great many more to report yet. Brethren, let us hear from you at once. If you want your Sunday-schools credited in the Year Book with the amount they contribute, your reports must reach us not later than July 20. Send your collections on to Bro. Griffin at Mayersville right away. So far Warren circuit is far ahead of any charge that has reported, having sent in $13.77.

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FROM THE WORK.

Rev. R. M. Blocker, Lake Arthur, La., June 26, 1899: "After organizing a Sunday-school and prayer meeting at Mermentau, where Protestants had never been, we held a big tent meeting with glorious results, viz.: About 25 conversions—a few sanctified—family altars erected, and 15 accessions. A beautiful site has been donated on which to build a church. Assisted by the pastors, Riggs and Luster, we held a successful tent meeting at Vinton with even better results than at Mermentau for we had a greater number converted, and sanctified; yet not so many accessions. Ten acres of land donated for camp grounds."

Rev. M. M. Black, P. C., Gloster, Miss., June 26, 1899: "On the seventeenth instant we closed a week's meeting here which resulted in great good to the church. The lukewarm were revived, many were led to make a fuller consecration, and a much better state of feeling was brought about in the community, which, as some know, has been torn with strife and hatred. We gained one new member, nearly everybody in the community being already in some church. We were ably assisted by Dr. I. W. Cooper, president of Centenary College, whose sermons were searching, powerful, and full of strong meat; and also by Bro. A. S. Lutz, of the Louisiana Conference, who is a young preacher of splendid promise and deep consecration."

Rev. W. T. Woodward, Lecompte and White Chapel charge: "We held our third Quarterly Conference last Saturday and Sunday at White Chapel. The attendance was not as good as should have been, but we had a good time. Dr. Parker preached three soul-stirring sermons, and especially Sunday, at 11 A. M., was a feast of fat things. 'It was good to be there.' (Text, Luke xxiv. 46, 47, 48.) Our minds and souls were truly fed. As the preacher told of the deep things of God, the quivering lip, the flushed face and the tear-sprinkled eye revealed the fact of the presence and stately steppings of our God. Our collections for the year are pretty well up. Reported three new members, making to date a total of eighteen. Have secured several subscribers to the ADVOCATE, and will continue to do what we can. God bless and prosper the ADVOCATE."

CAMPTI.

Rev. J. J. Smylie, by the request of the preacher in charge of Wesley circuit, Rev. Geo. D. Purcell, began a meeting in Campti, May 30, 1899. With great power and earnestness Bro. Smylie preached the gospel of Jesus Christ for about ten days. Campti has indeed been hard to reach with the true gospel, but I believe Bro. Smylie has been instrumental in God's hands in breaking the chain that has so long bound it to Satan's kingdom.

Catholicism and the Jewish Church have been the dominating sects of the town for many years. We were glad that the Lord heard our prayers, and saw fit to give Protestantism a foothold there in the form of an infant M. E. Church, South, which was organized at the close of Bro. Smylie's meeting. There were a number of conversions, but we are not able to give it accurately. We had fourteen accessions to the church—nine by profession of faith. Seven of these retained their membership in Campti, and the others were transferred elsewhere on the same circuit. Others are expected to unite with the church in Campti by letter very soon.

Our second Quarterly Conference was held in Campti during the meeting, June 7. Dr. Sawyer was on hand, preached an excellent sermon at 11 A. M., and in the afternoon he presided over the Conference. The attendance of the membership of the Quarterly Conference was small, but some important business was transacted; among it the Building Committee for the new church was elected, and authorized to apply to the Church Extension Board for help in erecting a building. About $500 were raised, but more is still needed.

Sunday, June 18, while in Campti again, our hearts were filled with sadness by the death of Bro. T. L. Atkins. He and his noble wife were the strongest pillars of the church so lately organized. His heart had long been throbbing with a desire to see Campti brought to Christ, and a church organized there. He contributed very liberally to the cause, and was the chairman of the Building Committee. To mortal vision, it appears that his place will be hard to fill. We knew that all things worketh together for good to them that love the Lord, and believe God will provide some one to fill the vacancy. As we stood around his death-bed we felt that, though so young, Bro. Atkins has made an impression on the world that points it Christward, and has wisely chosen a part with the people of God. In losing Bro. Atkins from earth, we lose his wife from Campti—at least, for a time. His death is indeed a blow that is felt most seriously by Methodism in Campti.

Readers, if your heart is filled with love for Christ's cause, pray for Campti. Cry mightily unto God in behalf of the church just established there.

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Still polish and sharpen me, Master,
Though painful the process may be,
And make me an instrument fitted
To be used any moment by Thee.
—Exchange.

When God would save a man, he does it by way of a man.—Jeremy Taylor.

None preaches better than the ant, and she says nothing.—Benjamin Franklin.

If prayer is the worship of the heart, meditation is that of the mind.—Bishop Thorold.

Loving kindness is greater than laws, and the charities of life are more than all ceremonies.—Talmage.

God is closest to earth when his dwelling-place is a consecrated human heart, a dedicated human intellect.—E. Winchester Donald.

Ask God to show you your duty, and then do that duty well; and from that point you mount to the very peak of vision.—Edward Everett Hale.

I am glad to think I am not bound to make the world go right, but only to discover and to do, with cheerful heart, the work that God appoints.—Jean Ingelow.

The simple gospel of the Son of God, preached by twelve fishermen, has survived the centuries and outlives all the other philosophies of eighteen hundred years.—Chauncey M. Depew.

Of all teachings, that which presents a far-distant God is the nearest to absurdity. Either there is none, or he is nearer to everyone of us than our nearest consciousness of self.—George Macdonald.

He who in poverty, or sickness, or solitude, can preserve a merry heart and a cheerful countenance, is a benefactor to society, a testimony to his God, and the best of all possible friends to himself.—Bishop Thorold.

A man who might carve statues and paint pictures, spending his life in making mock flowers out of wax and paper, is wise compared with the man who might have God for company, and yet shuts God out and lives an empty life.—Phillips Brooks.

He only is advancing in life whose heart is getting softer, whose blood warmer, whose brain quicker, whose spirit is entering into living peace. And the men who have this life in them are the true lords or kings of the earth—they, and they only.—John Ruskin.

You reap what you sow—not something else, but that. An act of love makes the soul more loving. A deed of humbleness deepens humbleness. The thing reaped is the very thing sown, multiplied a hundredfold. You have sown the seed of life, you reap life everlasting.—F. W. Robertson.

I know enough of gardening to understand that if I would have a tree grow upon its south side, I must cut off the branches there. Then all its forces go to repairing the injury; and twenty buds shoot out, where otherwise there would have been but one. When we reach the garden above, we shall find that out of those very wounds over which we sighed and groaned on earth, have sprung verdant branches, bearing precious fruit, a thousandfold.—Henry Ward Beecher.

FILL YOUR SPHERE.

The world is full of people who are anxious to fill any sphere of duty or service but their own. Their special niche in the great temple of the universe they fancy is too small and too obscure to call forth the faithful and diligent exercise of their powers and faculties. Because their horizon is circumscribed and their lot lowly, they conclude that it is useless to do their best, or to put forth any effort for the world's betterment. Imagining that if they were in loftier positions or easier circumstances they could accomplish something great and worthy, they slight present opportunities, and attempt nothing save the earning of their daily bread.

While a seemingly cruel necessity condemns the majority of men to laborious and lowly occupations, none ought to feel that he is useless, or that he is the mere sport of circumstance. If the Word of God be true, our heavenly Father watches over each life, no matter how insignificant or feeble, and cares for the smallest things. Has not the Master said that God takes care even of the sparrow? Every life, then, is included in God's plans, and he desires that both great and small, wise and unwise, shall honor and serve him. "Yea, God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; that no flesh should glory in his presence."

The world bestows little thought upon its humble toilers, and it honors them scarcely at all. Counting the common people as but little better than the beasts of burden, it reserves its adulation and honor for the rich and the powerful. But in the eyes of God the poorest and most despised of earth bear the impress of the divine image, and are worthy to receive glory, and honor and immortality through him who offered himself as a lamb without spot. To the weak and the obscure, no less than to the mighty, God offers the precious privilege of being co-workers together with him, and his Word declares that even the humblest service, such as the giving of a cup of cold water, shall not lose its reward.

While the world needs men of remarkable gifts and force of character to lead its movements and to direct its energies, the bulk of its tasks, both in Church and State, must ever be performed by ordinary men and women, or go undone. The switchman and the brakeman are just as necessary as the railroad president. The farm hand, the factory operative and the miner, despite the humble nature of their occupations, can no more be dispensed with than the air we breathe. What would an army be worth if it consisted only of officers and generals?

In God's kingdom the man or woman of one talent, of mediocre ability, is never left out of the account, or excused from service. Each, according to ability, is expected to bring forth fruit, glorify God, and bless the world. "Every tree," whether great or small, "that bringeth not forth good fruit, shall be hewn down and cast into the fire." But, alas! many, because they have but one talent, in their pride and folly go and bury it, as it were. Not having wealth, or high position, or large influence, or commanding eloquence, or some other fancied good, they sit at ease in Zion, and leave all the work of the Lord to be carried on by their fellow-Christians. Because their burden is not to their liking, they refuse to bear it, forgetful of the Scripture which saith, "Now ye are the body of Christ and members in particular." "If thy foot shall say, I am not the hand, I am not the body, is it, therefore, not of the body? And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body, is it, therefore, not of the body?" There is much food for reflection in the following striking utterance of the saintly hymn-writer, John Newton: "If two angels came down from heaven to execute a divine command, and one was appointed to conduct an empire and the other to sweep a street in it, they would feel no inclination to change employment."

How often do the wheels stand still, or move almost at a snail's pace, not because our leaders have slackened their efforts, but because the rank and file of our membership fail to do their part, each shifting his burden upon the shoulders of his neighbor. Thus many pastors have to do the work of stewards, League officers, Sunday-school superintendents, etc., because those who ought to attend these things are lacking in conscience and zeal. Stewards and other official members also are frequently burdened with problems that would speedily solve themselves if the average church member would but half do his duty. What a number of unnecessary tasks mothers often have thrust upon them, unnecessarily, by the thoughtlessness of their children! What a vast multitude in the church are as if they were incapable of doing anything to promote God's cause, as if God had intended them to be mere ciphers, and so had excused them from all forms of Christian activity!

There is need just now that tremendous emphasis should be put upon the importance of individual effort, especially on the part of those occupying a humble sphere. We can never take the world for Christ until the countless thousands in the church who are possessed of but one talent are aroused to render faithful service.

As the "Expositor's Bible" well says: "It is just as imperative on the man with one talent, as on him with five, to do what he can. It is not modesty, after all, that is at the root of the idleness of those who hide their talent in the earth; it is unbelief." We may not be able to do much, but there is a striking lesson for us in the words of George William Curtis that "an engine of one cat-power, running all the time, is more effective than one of forty horse-power standing still." "It is noble," says some one, "to do your best." The grandest eulogy that can be spoken of any Christian is expressed in these words, "He hath done what he could." Fellow-Christian, are you bearing the burden Christ laid upon you? Are you faithfully filling the sphere God has assigned you? If not, why not?

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The first number of the Southern Magazine—a magazine of high literary value—published at Manassas, Va., contains several articles that will be of interest to every loyal Southerner. It is with much gratification we welcome this new publication, whose success is assured from the high standard which marks the initial number. Prof. C. C. Kent, of the University of Virginia, contributes an excellent article entitled, "The Outlook for Southern Literature," from which we quote the following tribute which he pays the Crescent City and Tulane University: "The most peculiar city in our Union is New Orleans, La. It looks within its crescent more that is strange to other parts of our country, and incorporates more varied elements of life, than any city in our land. The lines of diverse natural equipments, varied trainings, strange experiences, cross more frequently—nay, are knit together more closely; and this constant contact of unlikes is exciting and inciting. It may not be that from such mixtures the best writing comes, but such writing of various kinds will, and must, come. The standards generally applied may be too rigid for this anomalous life, and standards may be sought to suit this composite city. In any event, New Orleans is giving us authors of sketches, poetry and novels, and the number of her authors will increase. It is a source of gratulation that Tulane University, representing a high order of scholarship and excellent literary taste, has had a marked influence in bringing the chaotic intellectual life of the city into order, and is counted a central point around which the literary element may rally." . . .

The July Ladies' Home Journal opens with "The Most Famous Little Town in America," which pictures many interesting spots in historic and literary Concord. There is a delightful view of social life in the Colonial days in "When Washington was Married," which brings to light many new, interesting facts. Ian Maclaren discusses the pulpit and the pew in an article on "How to Make the Most of Your Minister," and Katharine Reich writes of "The College-Bred Woman in Her Home." The fiction of the July Journal includes a continuation of Anthony Hope's serial, "Captain Dieppe," the conclusion of "A College Courtship," the second of "Of Peckham's Opinions," and a humorous portrayal of "The Valor of Brinley," by John Kendrick Bangs. "Entertaining in the Country," "How to be Pretty, Though Plain," are some of the practical features.

Mrs. John A. Logan writes in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for July, a charming and sympathetic personal sketch of Mrs. McKinley, "The Gracious Lady of the White House." The number also contains an interesting article entitled, "Fighting Fire," by Hugh Bonner, late chief of the Metropolitan Fire Department of New York City. Rollin Lynde Hartt, the well-known author of "A New England Hill Town," writes delightfully about the "Girl Undergraduates" of Smith College. "The Outdoor Woman," by Mary Sargent Hopkins, and "Charmey," by J. M. Erwin, are seasonable Summer contributions.

The Methodist Magazine, published by Thomas D. Taylor, of New York City, contains a number of interesting articles. The issue for May-June, which is the third number of this applicant for the favor of the Methodist public, is handsomely printed and profusely illustrated. The first article, "The Planting of Methodism in Oregon," written by the historian of the Pacific coast, Rev. Dr. Harvey K. Hines, gives one a bird's-eye view of the superb heroism of those Methodist pioneers. "Our Methodist Presidents" is a well-written account of the religious side of four of our Presidents—Polk, Hayes, Grant, and McKinley. The author is a well-known newspaper man, Mr. D. D. Thompson, assistant editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, of Chicago.

In the July Coming Age, Rev. Herbert Newton contributes an article entitled, "The Progress of the Past Fifty Years." Mr. Charles Malloy, president of the Emerson Society, of Boston, continues his masterly interpretations of the poems of Ralph Waldo Emerson. Clara Kathleen Rogers, well known in England and America as the author of "The Philosophy of Singing," appears in a remarkable story entitled, "Dreaming True; a Dream of Science."

In the American Monthly Review of Reviews, for July, the editor reviews the work of our delegation at The Hague up to date, presenting the latest phases of the arbitration question. Among other topics discussed in "The Progress of the World" this month are "tariff trusts" as a political issue, the Dreyfus vindication, the war in the Philippines, the recent change in the civil-service rules, and the newly-elected college presidents. "Rosa Bonheur and Her Work" is the subject of an article by Earnest Knaufft. Reproductions are given of several of the famous French animal painter's works now owned in this country. Pierre de Conbertin writes on "Modern History and Historians in France." Mr. George Wharton James relates "A Pilgrimage to Some Scenes of Spanish Occupancy in Our Southwest."

The leading article in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly, for July, deals with the much-discussed question of the propriety of biblical criticism; the author, the Rev. David Spragne, takes the position that it is eminently proper if conducted in an honest and unprejudiced manner. "The Geology of the Klondike Gold Fields" is the title of a valuable paper by Professor Heilprin, of the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences. Booker T. Washington contributes a most timely article on "The Race Problem in the United States." Acetylene, the new illuminating agent, which has come into use so rapidly during the past year, one of its many successful applications being as a bicycle lamp, is carefully described by Edward Renouf of Johns Hopkins University. Prof William Keith Brooks, of Johns Hopkins, contributes an article entitled, "Thoughts about Universities," in which he points out the true purpose of the university, and the way in which its graduates may enhance its usefulness.

At the New Orleans Preachers' Meeting, on Monday, seventeen accessions were reported for June, several charges not being reported.

Seashore Camp Meeting.

The first gun of the Seashore Camp Meeting has been fired, and the echoes are now reverberating throughout our Southern States. Multitudes are arriving daily, each train leaving its quota. Late Saturday evening a delegation of twenty-two strong arrived from Montgomery and Mobile. A delegation of sixty from one of the Mississippi towns is also hourly expected, one of forty having already arrived and installed themselves in the lower story of the hotel.

A very spiritual and touching sermon was preached on Sunday by Rev. W. G. Forsythe, of Biloxi, on the text, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," and while at its close a sister informed Bro. Forsythe that she was one of those Christians who would never forgive an enemy, Bro. Forsythe does not despair, but is greatly encouraged at the outlook. This week he, together with Bro. Jones, will hold services every evening at 8 o'clock, and also cottage prayer meeting daily, preparatory to the opening of the camp meeting, systematic and careful preparations being deemed by them advisable.

The aid and assistance extended by the many friends of the camp ground, among whom may be mentioned especially the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, the Nashville Advocate, the Alabama Advocate, and the pastors of our church in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi, is now beginning to show itself as witnessed by the great influx of our people. X.

A NEW ENTERPRISE.

"The Southern Library, Book and News Association," is the name of an organization recently projected at Jackson, Miss., by Rev. C. H. Ellis, Rev. W. D. Dominick and Prof. N. J. Harris. It has been chartered and has begun operations. Its plan of work is commended by Bishop Galloway, Major R. W. Millsaps, Gov. McLaurin and many other prominent citizens of Mississippi. It will aim to found circulating libraries in the larger towns in Mississippi and other Southern States. It will also be headquarters for books and periodicals. We wish the movement large success.

BISHOP JOHN F. HURST.

We regret to notice in the secular press that Mrs. Hurst, the wife of Bishop John F. Hurst, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has applied to the courts in Washington City for legal separation from her husband. She is the second wife of the Bishop, and at the time of their marriage, some five years ago, she was young, beautiful and wealthy. She was the daughter of Francis R. Root, of Buffalo, who made a great fortune in manufacturing stoves and in dealing in real estate. Mr. Root and his family were ardent Methodists, and they wished their family name to be associated with one high in the councils of the church. Bishop Hurst was some fifty years of age, and one of the great men of Methodism. The two were brought together by the Bishop's intimate acquaintance with and frequent visits to the Root homestead. He was a great favorite with the family. The Bishop and Miss Root were married at her father's death-bed, and in accordance with the dying man's wish. The bride inherited a great fortune, estimated at $80,000 annually. The couple took up their residence in Washington, in which city the Bishop had already inaugurated the great American Methodist University enterprise. Mrs. Root purchased a magnificent home for them in this city and fitted it up in great style. But the disparity between the ages of the two people, together with the sober, quiet tastes of the Bishop, did not conduce to the happiness of his young wife. There was no congeniality between them, and after the first few months of married life had passed, the two began to drift apart. This continued until a few weeks ago, when the Bishop, after a consultation with the Root family, concluded that the best thing to do under the circumstances was to permit his wife to quietly ask the courts to grant her a separation. All parties concerned deemed this the wise thing to do in the face of this unfortunate emergency. So he deeded back to her all the property which had come to them from her father's estate, and the divorce proceedings were quietly instituted. No scandal attaches to the case whatever, and no one censures the Bishop for the course he has pursued. He has acted the part of the thoroughly unselfish man in releasing his young wife from a bond of union in which she was very unhappy. There was nothing else for him to do; but the necessity which has brought the divorce proceedure about is a source of deep regret upon the part of all concerned. A Methodist Bishop is the highest official in the church, and though no blame is attached to this one on account of his trouble, yet the very fact that he stands divorced from his wife carries with it an air of humiliation not at all in keeping with the sanctity and high dignity of the eminent position he occupies in his church. A Methodist Bishop in the attitude of a divorced man, whatever the cause, does not look well to the multiplied thousands of members who have been taught from time immemorial to regard these high officials as pre-eminent models of propriety and leadership in the church of God. From this sad experience of the Bishop and his church our leaders in Zion ought to learn a lesson. They represent the church, even in their matrimonial alliances, and in such ventures they need to exercise more discretion and less sentiment. If an aged Bishop is so unfortunate as to lose his wife, he had better remain single, unless he can get the consent of his mind to select another one in keeping with his own age, and in sympathy with the great work to which the church has called him. However innocent he may be in his domestic infelicities, we do not want another divorced Methodist Bishop. We now have one too many in the person of Bishop Hurst, and we religiously indulge the hope that this unenviable and unique distinction will never come to another one of our General Superintendents. —Texas Advocate.

The watchword of this morning of the twentieth century should be, "Not sentiment, but service." Unpracticed sentiment, be it ever so pure, lofty and noble, is like the raindrop which is dissipated in the upper air, and never reaches the dry and thirsty land. It may assist in the formation of other raindrops, but the Master's will is not accomplished until service transforms the barren waste of sentiment, and thereby enables other souls to see into the joy and beauty of the holier life.—Rev. C. H. Beck.

NOTES.

Rev. H. W. Rickie was in the city last week visiting his parents.

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The Newton Bible Chautauqua, Newton, Miss., will open July 7, and will continue two weeks.

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Rev. G. D. Parker has returned fresh and vigorous from a two weeks' refrigeration at Asheville, N. C.

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We invite attention to our notice on another page of a scholarship in Mooney's School, Franklin, Tenn.

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Rev. L. S. Jones has been elected to the presidency of Port Gibson Female College, and has accepted.

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Rev. J. E. Gray has been appointed assistant preacher on the Amite circuit of the Mississippi Conference.

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Rev. D. E. Kelly has been appointed pastor of Jena and Jonesville charge, Louisiana Conference. His postoffice is Jena.

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Rev. W. T. Beall has been appointed to the pastorate of Gneydan charge, Opelousas district, Louisiana Conference.

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Rev. F. G. Hocutt is in the midst of a prosperous pastorate on the Covington charge. He has had a number of accessions and conversions, and there is progress along many lines.

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Rev. M. H. Moore, of the Mississippi Conference, let the light of his countenance shine into our sanctum a few days since. He was in the city on a visit to his wife, who is here for medical treatment.

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By the time our next issue reaches our subscribers the Seashore Camp Meeting will be in progress. The indications are that the attendance will be larger than for many years. The number of preachers promise, to be unusually large. Let all who can attend this feast of tabernacles.

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We gladly give space to the following communication from Mrs J. S. Parker, of Caseyville, Lincoln county, Miss., wife of the Rev. J. S. Parker, of the Mississippi Conference, and would be glad to hear from others concerning the work:

"We are engaged in an effort to organize Epworth Leagues all over this, the Caseyville charge, Mississippi Conference. We have a fine League at Bethesda, and at this point, and still another, a sufficient number of names to organize good Leagues. Last Sabbath nearly 20 names were secured here as a nucleus, and they seem eager to begin work. Circumstances prevented organization that day, but it will be attended to at an early date. My heart is in the work. Please publish this for the encouragement of other Leagues. I feel that in this work we solve the problem of how to get in touch with the young life of the church."

Our space this week is devoted to account of proceedings of the Mississippi State Conference, which convened in West Point, June 22-25.

MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The writer was present at the opening of the State League Conference at West Point on the afternoon of June 22. After organizing by the election of Rev. R. A. Meek, of Starkville, chairman, and Mr. D. G. Patton, of Jackson, recording secretary, an opening consecration service was held, led by Joe M. Ramsey. He was introduced as "Reverend;" but he declined that appellation, saying that he was only a boy, and asking to be called "The Blind Boy Epworth League Lecturer." At the close of his talk nearly all of the large congregation present came to the altar or kneeled in the pews, praying for preparation. Much earnestness was evident and tears were in the eyes of many as they arose from their knees and grasped the hand of the blind.

Rev. T. H. Dorsey, of Cleveland, Miss., led the devotions of the evening session, the chief feature of which session was another address by Joe Ramsey. "Character Building from an Epworth League Standpoint" was the subject. This time, too, he was mellow, as well as thoughtful, and his words had effect. At the close of the address, by request, he told the story of his life, of how he had expected to be a lawyer, of the blindness that came at the age of fourteen, of how for a long time his mother and he would not give it up that he was blind, of the unimaginable horror of the next two or three years. An Epworth League was organized in his town in Tennessee, and they elected him president; why, he could not understand. At the end of a year the Tennessee State League Executive Committee asked him if he would leave the harness-making trade in which he was learning to earn a good living, and travel throughout the State as League organizer, with no guarantee of support. He accepted the new field, and now for several years has devoted himself in it.

When this writer left the Conference room at 10 o'clock the next morning Joe Ramsey was on the floor presenting a gavel which he had made with his own hand of the cedar of Tennessee.

"Up to the time of my departure the "blind boy" was the central figure of the gathering, with W. A. Hemphill, of Texas, attracting by his songs; but Bishop Galloway, Dr. DuBose, and Rev. P. L. Cobb appeared later; and already the committees were getting to their business, manned by such workers as T. Y. Ramsey, W. T. Sullivan, J. M. Morse, H. F. Tatum, W. D. Hawkins, H. T. Cunningham, W. O. Sadler, Mrs. Mamie Turner, Dr. Rosa Wiss, W. P. Bond, Miss Vic Thompson.

A host of Leaguers were there, and Rev. G. W. Bachman was enpplying singers and readers with books.

The writer read in the ADVOCATE and in the Times-Demoorat that he had been elected associate editor of League Department of NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. He has already more work on hand than he can see daylight through; but he may undertake this for a while.

From inquiry, we learn that the decision was for the Leagues to devote their special funds raised to the purpose of paying the deficit that the two Annual Conferences of Mississippi have each year on the assessment for foreign missions.

A committee was appointed to report at the next State Conference on the advisability of holding in the bounds of each Annual Conference one year a League gathering for each Conference, the next year a State gathering for both Conferences, and so on.

The Mississippi delegation to the International Convention at Indianapolis will start from Jackson, Miss., at 7 P. M., July 18, leaving Meridian the same night, and joining the Alabama crowd at Birmingham. If as many as 18 will start from Jackson, the Q and C. will furnish a special coach there. The rate is one fare for the round trip, which is $19 40 from Jackson, Miss. It is said that 40 or 50 are planning to go from Mississippi, and the crowd will be greatly swelled in Alabama. All off for Indianapolis!

HENRY G. HAWKINS.

The fifth State Conference of Epworth Leagues in Mississippi was a grand success. The attendance was good, and a deep religious interest was manifested in each meeting.

The programme—"Twentieth Century Methodism, (1) Its Spiritnality, (2) Its Educational Feature, and (3) Its Missionary Impulse"—was thoroughly discussed. The speeches made and the papers read were of an unusual high order.

The music of the Conference was directed by Mr. W. A. Hemphill, of Midlothian, Texas, who was ably assisted by a male quartette from Millsaps College, and others of the best musicians in our State. Truly the music was an inspiration to all. Mr. Hemphill's solo, "Never alone," touched the hearts of both young and old, moving many to tears and strengthening many a burdened heart.

Rev. Joe M. Ramsey, of Viola, Tenn., was with us. His addresses, "Character Building from an Epworth League Standpoint," and "How to Make the League Go," were thoroughly enjoyed by all. We all feel stronger and better by having come in touch with this sweet-spirited Christian man.

Prof. Dinning, of Bostic and Dinning Training-school, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., was a welcomed visitor to our Conference. We regret not to have heard all of his address. What we did hear was good, to say the least of it.

Bishop Galloway came Friday evening just in time to carry out his part of the programme. His address on "Christian Education," in connection with the "Twentieth Century Thank-offering," was a splendid effort, and will bear fruit in days to come. Mississippi will do her part in behalf of this movement. Our people and preachers are becoming enthused, and are girding themselves for earnest and active work.

We were glad indeed to have Rev. P. L. Cobb, of Nashville, Tenn., among us. He is an enthusiastic Epworth Leaguer, and rendered valuable assistance in many ways.

The sermon preached by Rev. R. G. Porter, Saturday, at 11 A. M., deserves special mention. It was strong, clear, forceful. We all enjoyed it—and it did us good.

Dr. DuBose arrived late Saturday afternoon, somewhat fatigued from travel, but gave us a most excellent address Saturday evening. Using a somewhat old expression, "He is the right man in the right place." It was not my privilege to attend the services Sunday, but feel safe in saying that they were well attended and profitable to all.

Several important subjects were discussed during the session. The plan to draw off the Leagues from all side issues and special pledges, and have them co-operate with their pastors in raising the full amount of the regular assessment, was thoroughly discussed and finally adopted.

A resolution expressing regret at the forced absence of our president, Rev. John A. Randolph, and assuring him of our sympathy and prayers in his work among the soldier boys, was adopted.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held in Sardis, June 10-13. Rev. J. W. Malone preached the sermon on Sunday morning from Matt. xxviii, 19, 20. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Geo. H. Lipscomb, Mrs. S. M. Thames, vice-president, presided with grace and ability. The following officers were present, filling their stations acceptably: Miss Ella Grider, recording secretary; Mrs. W. M. McIntosh, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Clara C. Fant, treasurer, and all but one of the district secretaries. The same officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, excepting Mrs. M. I. Haskins, who was elected president instead of Mrs. Lipscomb, who, for good reasons, declined re-election.

These women are doing great service for the spread of the gospel, and their work should be encouraged and aided by the pastors in every charge. They reported 97 auxiliaries, with 1,743 members; 68 juvenile societies, with 1,724 members; money raised during the year, $4,682 80 They send out two missionaries this year, viz.: Miss Witman, to Cuba, and Miss Sessner, to China. The Lord bless these women who labor with us in the gospel, and multiply their generation abundantly.

The people of Sardis were generous in their hospitalities for the occasion, and Dr. Wier, presiding elder; Bro. Kendall, pastor, and this writer did what they could in word and deed to aid the sisters in their noble work.

The first services were held in the new church in Winona last Sunday; the dedication will take place the first Sunday in July, with a sermon by Dr. W. B. Murrah.

I am now in Utica attending the sessions of the Vicksburg District Conference, and enjoying the courtesies and fellowship of the brethren. The attendance is small, but there are manifestations of life and good spirit in the body. I and Bro. C. N. Brown have a good home with Sister Lee at the hotel.

I go to-morrow to Jackson to be present at the commencement exercises of Millsaps College; thence home, and on to the Epworth League State Conference at West Point, where we are expecting a great meeting. So may it be.

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God is in his heaven still,
Though the world denies;
And cheery courage waits on will—
A merry heart is wise.

Over rugged things we climb
To our best estate;
We shall stumble many a time,
But we conquer fate.
And we choose the better part
So that evil flies,
When we keep the dauntless heart,
The merry heart that's wise.

—Youth's Companion.

HOW WORRY KILLS.

We often hear of men who are said to have died of overwork, but it is safe to assume that in nine out of ten of such cases there had been no overwork at all. That too much work has killed some people is not to be doubted, but this does not alter the fact that work, pure and simple, is one of the rarest of all rare causes of death. The mischief is done by the worry which often goes with the work, and is mistaken for it.

We do not yet understand the process by which worry undermines the general health, induces disease of the heart, of the arteries, and of the kidneys, or kills a man before his time; but that it does do such things is a fact only too well established.

It is true that worry often leads a person to practices which are themselves injurious, such as over-indulgence in alcohol or tobacco, or perhaps the use of opium or cocaine or chloral; and disease and death are often attributable to the action of these poisons rather than to the effects of work or worry. But these will not explain the disaster in all cases.

It may be objected despairingly that, if worry is slow suicide, then almost none of us can escape. Very few men can be found who have no unfilled desires which they are striving to gratify, and who are so absolutely secure of the future that they may give literal heed to the biblical command to take no thought for the morrow.

But this forethought is not worry—at least it need not be worry—it is merely incertitude, prudent care for the future, or even slight anxiety. Harassing anxiety, impatient expectation, disproportionate fear of the unknown; this is worry, and this is what causes the heart to struggle, the kidneys to contract, the arteries to weaken, and the mind to fail.

No one who is not given to worry can conceive of the power which the habit gains over its victim. Such a one will freely admit the excellence of the advice not to worry, but he will add that it is impossible to follow it. This is true only in a measure and in a few cases. Barring instances of exceptional trouble, of extraordinary "hard luck," almost everyone can, by resolute determination, reduce his worry within living limits.—Youth's Companion.

GENTLE.

Among the many anecdotes told of William Augustus Muhlenberg, the well-known and greatly beloved philanthropist, there is one which illuminates a rare and especial grace of his character. In one of his many walks through Fifty-fourth street, while the hospital was in process of erection, he accidentally upset, stumbling as he did so, a pail of water which had been left in the foot-path of the then unpaved street.

Instantly an ugly-looking boy rushed up to the doctor and his companion, shouting roughly:

"I say, old man, what did you do that for? That water had to be fetched, I tell yer!"

"Why did you leave your pail in the path?" demanded the doctor's friend, indignantly. "And how dare you speak so to the gentleman?"

"Well, well! Never mind," interposed Doctor Muhlenberg, with his fine smile. "It is a pity the water is spilt. Will sixpence pay for getting some more, my boy?" handing the coin as he spoke to the ragamuffin, who seized it with a rough, "I s'pose so," and hurried off, probably much pleased with the bargain he had made.

This little incident is a slight illustration of the spirit in which Doctor Muhlenberg always bore an injury. He never failed to accept with the utmost gentleness a wrong that involved nothing beyond his personal discomfort or loss. His invariable answer to the remonstrances of friends who were anxious for his interests was:

"Don't trouble, only let us do right! The great thing is to do right!"

In a transaction by which he was unjustly deprived of a large sum of money, he expressed so much satisfaction at the peaceableness of the arbitration, and gave God such hearty thanks, that an uninitiated person would have supposed him to be a gainer rather than a loser by the transaction.

Yet all his biographers unite in saying that no looker-on could have felt that his course was the result of weakness. It was simply his carrying out of the command, "If any man will sue thee at the law and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also."—Selected.

WOMAN'S KINGDOM.

Even in the midst of this age which clamors for novelties and delights in changes of the most startling sort, we are not ashamed to confess our faith in the old-fashioned doctrine that woman's kingdom is pre-eminently the household. We can do this while at the same time unfeignedly rejoicing that woman's sphere has been so marvelously broadened in these later years. Now that women are found in all sorts of employments, so that it is much easier to say where she is not than where she is, there is far better opportunity than before for the permanent securing of "that holy household love that through our homes doth move." It is now not marriage or nothing, as a means of livelihood, nor are girls compelled to take the first offer through fear of coming to want. This is a very great blessing, in that it enables them to wait with modesty and dignity until the right one appears, and helps them to avoid that hideous, heart-rending tragedy—union in form and in flesh where there is no union in reality and in spirit.

But this modern offering to women of so wide a choice in occupations, and the emancipation that springs from it, should not be suffered for a moment to dim the brightness of the truth that her noblest function, her chief profession, still is to be a wife and mother. The idea must in no way be permitted to gain currency that there is something finer and higher in being independent and working out a career in some more public position. It would be a sad day for the world if any such notion became generally accepted. Let it be emphasized that there is no higher title than queen of the home.

What influences gather round and go forth from the fireside and the hearthstone! She who rocks the cradle really rules the world. The home is next the sanctuary in sacredness. It is itself a kind of sanctuary, consecrated with mother love. It is the cherished refuge from the storms of life and the best preparation for breasting those storms. "The love of mother," it has been said, "is the last cable that holds the youth to his moorings. Every other anchor drags, but while that holds he is almost certain to outride the wildest gales." It is the glory of the Anglo-Saxon race that it prizes its home. If the time comes when that word sounds less sweet to the American ear, or holds poorer meanings, the day of national decay and death will be perilously near. The hearthstone has well been called the cornerstone of the republic. It must be carefully laid, and then kept clean and bright, that happy hearts may cluster about it and give hearty thanks to God.

She, then, who more than any other makes the home, may fitly feel that in its keeping is a field for her fullest energy and greatest honor. There is certainly no place where influences so strong and permanent can be exerted. There is no work that requires higher qualities or reaps more glorious reward. The reason why there is so much left for philanthropists to do is because the home work is done so badly. The greatest reform is needed there, and only woman can accomplish it. Man may be the head of the family, but woman is the heart, controlling and diffusing its life-blood. Let her never be induced to depreciate the importance of the home, or be discontented with its burdens, or desert its duties. Let her count them the highest possible privilege and her supremest crown of rejoicing.—Zion's Herald.

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Very wise was the advice given by an experienced Christian who, in his religion, as in other things, was accustomed to exercise his common sense. A young man, in the days when it was beginning to be deemed a token of proficiency to question, and to magnify doubt, was speaking to an admiring circle of his difficulty to understand and reconcile certain doctrines of revelation. It appeared to him to justify his delay to become a Christian, if not to dismiss the whole matter as one of no personal concern. With ill-concealed impatience the veteran heard him through, and then said: "Young man, practice what you know, practice what you know; when you have done all that you know, you may begin to speculate in mysteries." Had the counsel been followed, probably the occasion to question never would have recurred.—Rev. E. P. Terhune, in the Christian Intelligencer.

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Opening sermon, July 25, 8 P. M., by D. P. Bradford.

WEDNESDAY.

Session opened at 9 A. M. Reports from pastoral charges according to printed forms, A. M. and P. M.

Sermon at 11 A. M. by C. M. Crossley. 8 P. M. by H. M. Ellis.

THURSDAY.

9 A. M.—Bible reading, with prayers. W. G. Hawkins.

A. M.—Sunday-school and Epworth League Conference.

The Model Sunday-school. By G. S. Harmon.

How and When Can We Best Teach Our Doctrines to the Young People? By D. P. Bradford.

The Epworth League—Its Mission. By A. T. Bell.

The Best Method of Organizing and Conducting an Epworth League. By W. D. Hawkins.

11 A. M.—Educational Rally, led by the presiding elder.

2 P. M.—Educational Convention.

The Beneficial Features of the Twentieth Century Educational Movement. By H. G. Hawkins.

History of Education in Methodism. By J. T. Leggett.

Our Church Schools—The Reason of Their Existence. By H. M. Ellis.

7 P. M.—Sermon by W. J. Ferguson. Sacrament administered by J. T. Nicholson.

FRIDAY.

8 A. M.—Love-feast, conducted by D. G. W. Sills.

9 A. M.—Missionary Symposium.

He That is against Foreign Missions is against Christianity. By J. T. Nicholson.

Our Savior a Foreign Missionary—His True Followers Must Partake of His Spirit. By W. J. Ferguson.

11 A. M.—Missionary sermon by J. M. Weems.

2 P. M.—Electing delegates to the Annual Conference.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT.

On State of the Church—J. M. Weems, D. C. Farmer, J. T. Griffith.

On Missions—C. D. Cecil, J. C. Ellis, J. A. Gidley.

On Sunday-schools—H. Mellard, G. S. Harmon, C. B. McQueen.

On Epworth Leagues—C. M. Crossley, R. L. Phillips, S. B. Watts.

On Education—F. B. Ormond, R. E. Rutledge, A. Trotter.

On Finance—R. H. Barr, S. J. Taylor, T. C. Harmon.

On Quarterly Conference Records—R. M. Cameron, L. Porter, T. A. Ledyard.

Sermon at 8 P. M. by H. Mellard.

SATURDAY.

9 A. M.—Sermon by F. B. Ormond.

11 A. M.—Sermon by L. F. Alford.

SUNDAY.

11 A. M.—Sermon by J. T. Leggett.

8 P. M.—Sermon by G. S. Harmon.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

For License to Preach—J. M. Weems, J. T. Leggett, T. P. Bell.

For Recommendation to the Annual Conference—H. M. Ellis, C. D. Cecil, W. D. Hawkins.

For Elder's Orders—J. T. Nicholson, W. G. Hawkins, S. B. Watts.

For Deacon's Orders—D. P. Bradford, R. H. Barr, S. H. Floyd.

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Sister Kirkpatrick was born Feb. 23, 1863; professed religion at about fifteen years of age, and joined the Missionary Baptist Church. After her marriage to William Kirkpatrick, which was April 15, 1883, she joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she adorned the doctrines of Christ to the end of her mortality. It would be hard to find a woman more spiritually minded than she. She was ever ready to converse about religion, and strove to get the very best out of it possible. Religion was no loose garment, to be worn on occasions, to be put off and on at will, or for emergencies by her, but a divine reality, a principle lovingly courted every day. How bright her home was made by her bright Christian life! Such women are gems of the highest order. Our church and her community has lost a precious treasure. How she will be missed at Noxubee Church! Her devotional bearing was an inspiration to a preacher. Many preachers who have traveled the Louisville circuit will bear testimony with this pastor that she was one of the effective women who helped in the promotion of the interests of the church. She was a very hopeful spirit. Though ready for the change at any time, she never gave up to die until a few days before her death. Her memory is as ointment poured forth. She lives in our hearts, and with her we hope to live in glory by and by. She leaves an aged father, five brothers, besides her own precious ones at home, and a host of friends, as was attested on the day of her burial.

May the God of all grace help us all to meet her in our Father's great mansion house!

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WOOTEN—Mrs. LIDDIA ELIZABETH WOOTEN, the subject of this notice, illustrated the truth that good and great women are brought up in Christian homes. Her father and eldest brother, Revs. C. B. and J. B. Harris, typical Methodist preachers, and her mother a model of piety, we are not surprised to know that Sister Wooten was too strong to be a society woman, and too good to live for herself. We only pause here to call attention to the beautiful life of this sainted woman, because such a character is too great to be written by human pen. Rev. Amos Kendall knew her from childhood, visited her regularly during her last illness, and conducted her funeral services. He says: "She was a good woman; gentle, sweet-spirited, and kind. Her religion was of the genuine type. She always reminded me of her venerable father. She lived only as a Christian lives; she died only as a Christian dies. She was fully ready." Her husband says that "she was a conscientious Christian. She craved to live for her loved ones. She died perfectly resigned."

She was born in Marshall county, Miss., Sept. 19, 1845, converted and joined the Methodist Church at the Bush Arbor meeting, conducted by her father, Dr. Reed and Rev. E. Jackson in the Summer of 1860 at the same place where Harris Chapel now stands, near Lows Hill, Marshall county. Her first husband, W. J. Bowen, was the eldest brother of the writer. They were married in June, 1867. He died Nov. 20 of the same year. Her only child, Mrs. Maud Kline, of Memphis, Tenn., was by this marriage. In May, 1881, she married W. B. Wooten, of Sardis, Miss., where she died in great peace Feb. 18, 1899. She has left us the rich legacy of a Christian life. While we deeply sympathize with the bereaved ones, we rejoice with them in the hope that we will meet her in heaven.

J. A. BOWEN.

Columbus, Miss.

CATCHINGS—Miss MYRA CATCHINGS, daughter of Mr. F. B. and Mrs. Mollie Catchings, was born at Georgetown, Miss., Oct. 13, 1877. She graduated at Whitworth College in the class of 1896. She was the oldest of seven children, and after the death of her mother and her return from school, previous to her father's second marriage, she had charge of the younger children and the elegant home, where a generous hospitality was dispensed. She filled well this responsible position. She joined the church when twelve years of age, and has been an active worker in the Sunday-school, and was our organist in the Georgetown Church. She held a large place in the esteem and affection of her kindred and all who knew her beautiful character. We laid her body to rest June 18, 1899, in the family cemetery on the west bank of Pearl river, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends, and was one of the saddest funerals we ever attended. The loved ones do not sorrow as those who have no hope.

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BODDIE—A good woman has died. Sister EMMA ROSA, wife of S. M. Boddie, departed this life Dec. 7, 1898. She was born Aug. 16, 1857; was the mother of seven children—all girls. Having lived a consistent Christian all her life, she died triumphantly. Our church has sustained the loss of a pious, devoted Christian.

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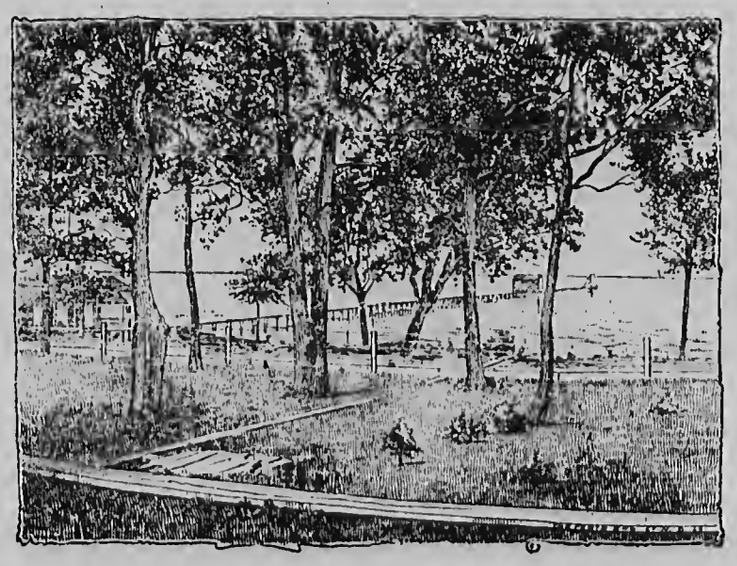

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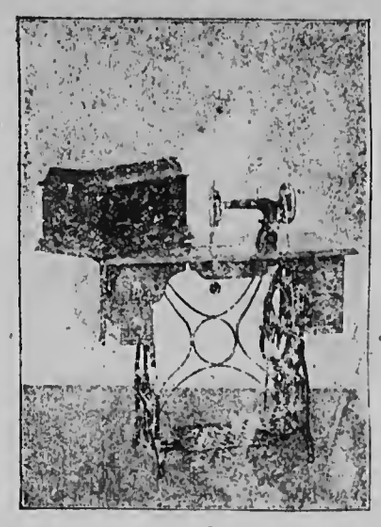

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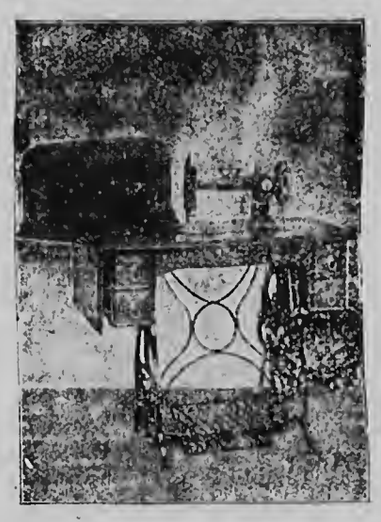

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The physicians of Philadelphia have taken up the discussion of Christian Science healing, and will take steps to put a stop to the practice.

One of the women to visit the National Council of Women is a Chinese physician, Dr. Ida Kahn, who was educated at Ann Arbor, Mich., through the influence of American missionaries. She is now in China, engaged in professional work there.

The German delegates on Saturday's session of the drafting committee of the Arbitration Commission of the Peace Conference officially announced the assent of Germany to Sir Julian Pauncefote's proposal of a permanent court of arbitration.

The protest against a Government measure takes the form of revolution in Belgium, and Brussels was an armed camp on June 29. Rioters formed barricades and fiercely resisted the soldiers. Stormy scenes were enacted in the Chamber of Deputies.

There now appears to be a reasonable certainty that the Peace Conference will formulate an arbitration scheme, even if it succeeds in accomplishing nothing more. The stontest opposition which arbitration has encountered has come from Germany; but it is announced that Emperor William's consent has been finally obtained to a limited arbitration, provided such arbitration is not compulsory.

Notwithstanding reports to the contrary, it is the expectation of the authorities that the modus vivendi establishing the temporary boundary line between Alaska and Canada will be signed within the next few days. The conferences which have been held by Ambassador Choate with the British foreign office, while they have not resulted in agreement, have shown the practicability of a settlement of the controversy, and confidence is expressed that the matter will be determined very shortly.

It is said that no colored regiments will be organized for service in the Philippines. Any colored men enlisted will be assigned to vacancies in the present colored regiments of the regular army. The experiment of the War Department with colored volunteers during the Spanish-American War was not a happy one, and in spite of reports which come from the Philippines to the effect that the colored man is greatly feared by the Filipinos, the authorities are averse to running the risk of a repetition of the troubles of last year.

The situation in Belgium is very grave. Socialists and radicals, opposing the opposition, now demand universal suffrage, and will be satisfied with nothing else. All depends on what the Government will do. If they fail to bring in a bill granting universal suffrage, it is feared that there will be a revolution, with consequences of a far-reaching character. The Government is in a difficult position. By opposing the demand for universal suffrage, it may bring about a revolution which would sweep away the monarchy.

Prof. J. G. Schurman, of the United States Advisory Commission for the Philippines, returned to Manila on July 2 from a three weeks' tour of the Southern Islands. He takes an entirely hopeful view of the general conditions there. The intelligent and substantial citizens desire an American protectorate. The masses are awaiting the settlement of the war in the Island of Luzon before declaring themselves. They are chiefly anxious to be undisturbed. The president of the town of Santo Nicolas, in the Island of Cebu, said to Mr. Schurman: "We want peace, food and prosperity. We do not wish to fight. We would be neutral."

The first volunteers to be raised for service in the Philippines will be those of the skeleton regiments now being formed by General Otis. It is not believed there will be the least difficulty in obtaining these men. It is probable that some time will elapse before the troops of the provisional army are sent to Manila, but meanwhile they will be drilled and taught marksmanship in camp. It is estimated that three months are required to make soldiers of new recruits. The officers of the War Department think that the number of volunteers now coming home will make soldiers for the new recruits.

The rebels made a demonstration at San Fernando on July 1. They took advantage of the darkness and rain to make a sally against the north line, seemingly only for the purpose of annoying the Americans, as they failed to push their work. The American loss was a private of the Seventeenth Regiment killed and four wounded. The fighting began at 10 o'clock and the rebels expended quantities of ammunition. The Seventeenth Regiment, the Twelfth Regiment and the Iowa Regiment participated in the engagement, but did not advance beyond the outposts. After an hour the Filipinos fired rockets, apparently a signal to cease firing, but there were scattering shots all night long, which kept the Americans under arms.

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North Kemper, at Meilen	15, 16
Porterville, at Burton's Chapel	22, 23
Meridian--East End	Wed. P. M., 26
Mallerville, at Hebron	29, 30
Lauderdale, at Bethel	Aug. 5, 6
Middleton, at Manassas	12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house	Wed., 16
Waynesboro, at State Line	19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove	Sun. P. M., Meu. A. M., 20, 21
Pachuta, at Adams	20, 27
Enterprise, at Mayerhoff	27, 28
Meridian--South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed., 30
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon., Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at Sonie Chapel	9, 10
Binnsville, at Binnsville	16, 17

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Terry, at Spring Ridge	July 8, 9
Capitol Street	A. M., 16
First Church	P. M., 16
Sharon, at Forest Grove	22, 23
Yazoo circuit (Short Cr.)	Sat. A. M., Sun P. M., 29, 30
Yazoo City	Sun. A. M., 30, 31
Canton, at Thornton's	Aug. 5, 6
Vaughan's, at ——	M. to W., 7-9
Madison, at Pearl River	12-15
Brandon	19, 20
Steen's Creek, at Richland	26, 27
Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 3
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	16, 17
Tranquil, at Le Grove	P. M., 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ——	Oct. 1, 2

District Conference will meet in Capitol Street Church, Jackson, Wednesday, July 12, 9:30 A. M. Brethren, please have Quarterly Conference Records on hand.

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Gloster	15, 16
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Macedonia	29, 30
Bethel	Aug 5, 6
Woodville	12, 13
Percy's Creek	12, 13
Kingston	19, 20
Providence	26, 27
Natchez--Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez--Wesley Chapel	2, 3
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	16, 17
McNair	23, 24

The District Conference will meet at Woodville, Aug. 9, at 4 P. M. Bishop Galloway is expected to preside. Recording stewards will please have their new Record Books present for examination. All proper work of a District Conference is expected to be attended to.

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Board of Missions, Mississippi Conference

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R Bradley, Steen's Creek	20 00
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R. L Phillips, Porterville	4 50
J H Foreman, Rose Hill	5 00
D. C Langford, Trenton	5 00
W. T Griffin, Mayersville	10 00
A D. Miller, Hermanville	10 00
H. G. Hawkins, Madison	27 00
C. C. Evans, Satartia	5 00
P. D. Hardin, Shiloh	18 00
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The above is my report for the quarter closing June 30.

The collections for the domestic fund are coming in so slowly that I am forced to dole out mere pittances to our faithful workers who need help where large remittances are due and should be made. Unless we supply our Parent Board with cash needed now, a portion of what is paid in the Fall will have to go towards paying the interest on money borrowed to supply our lack of service during the Summer.

Preachers of the Mississippi Conference, does not the fault lie largely with us? Let us ask for the assessments now, stating the urgent needs for ready cash, and in many instances large amounts will be sent to your treasurer to meet these sacred obligations.

Read "A Hundred Years of Missions," by Dr. Leonard, and "Foreign Missions after a Century," by Dr. Dennis. Then preach a rousing missionary sermon, take a collection, and follow it with the Lord's Supper, and your people will be in better shape to undertake the revival work of the Summer. May God bless you all!

W. L. LINFIELD,
Treas. Bd. of Missions, Miss. Conf.

DELHI DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Delhi District Conference will meet in Rayville, La., July 27, at 9 A. M. The first day will be devoted to a Missionary Institute, with the following programme:

Is the Church Deeply Impressed with Her Obligation to Missions? Rev. H. O. White.

Do the Contributions to Missions in This District Show We Are Doing Our Duty to This Great Cause? Rev. T. H. McCloudon.

If Not, What Is the Cause of Failure? Rev. T. S Randle.

Are Missions a Failure? Rev. Wm. Schuhle.

Reflex Influence of Missions. Rev. R. A. Davis.

Are We Not Criminally Ignorant on the Subject and Duty to Missions? Rev. J L Pierce.

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MARRIAGES.

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SIMMONS—McCONCHIE—At the residence of the bride's father, in Natchez, Miss., June 28, 1899, by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, Mr John W. Simmons, of Harriston, and Miss Annie M. McConchie, of Natchez.

DAVIS-CRIPPEN—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Americus, Miss., June 28, 1899, by Rev. J. L. Jordan, Mr. J. E. Davis to Miss Alice P. Crippen.

CHAPMAN--RAU.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Starkville, Miss., June 14, 1899, by Rev. H S. Spragins, Mr. Edward Chapman to Miss Katherine Rau.

Camp Meetings.

The camp meeting at Topisaw Camp Ground, ten miles east of Summit, will begin Aug 10, and will continue eight days. Admission, 25 cents for the season No public collections. All ministers of the gospel, especially those of the Brookhaven district, both local and itinerant, are cordially invited to attend the meeting. Transportation from McComb City to camp ground and return, and entertainment free to all preachers. We expect two or three visiting preachers; but, above all, we expect and ask that all who come will come in the spirit of prayer, baptized with the Holy Ghost, to work for the salvation of souls. The public is cordially invited, and will find the best of hotel accommodations at most reasonable rates.

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Denham Springs Camp Meeting will begin the twenty-first of July, and continue ten days; will embrace the fourth and fifth Sundays.

Time Changed.

The camp meeting at Sam Jones Camp Ground will be held July 21-30, and not in August, as announced.
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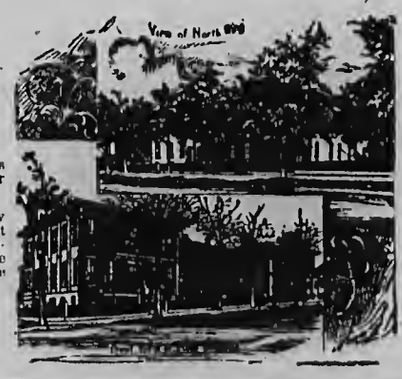

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LAWLESSNESS.

The carefnl cbserver cf the algns of the times can nct fail tc see some evidences of the decline of the Re public, and a waning fcrce ln the chnrch. It is monrnfnl to see a great p-opie throw away permanent valnes for temporary gain in doliars and cents, and tc see a splendid gcvern nent going tc wreck fcr want of maintained cohesiveness based npcn law. The final analysis cf Christian ity is found in obedience to anthor ity, and neither the church or Chris tian civilization can be maintained on any cther fonndation. The wise man said, "Let ns hear the concin sion of the whole matter; fear God and keep his commandments, fcr this is the whole dnty cf man." Christ said, "He that keepeth my command ments, he it is that loveth me," and any departnre frcm the order of law puts in peril all the vaines cf civili zation lodged in Chnrch and State.

Ths greatest menace to these val nes is seen in the widespread and in creasing spirit of lawlessness, cr con tempt fcr anthority, which prevails in all sections cf the conntry, the diff rence in relation to sections being a difference cnly of the character of manifestation. Mob law is the manl festation in some sections, while combination of capital to ur just desi ng is in another, while both alike are destructive to law and order, and so destructive to the life of the gov ernment.

The people are growing restless, and seem everywhere inclined to take the law intc their own hands, and administer it in passion rather than in justice, and they attempt to make two wrongs constitute a right. For this widespread spirit of lawlessness there are causes, and it will be well to recognize and remove them, if possibie, in cider tc maintain our government and onr civilization. The primary cause is greed for gain, which seems to have caused the pec ple of the entire conntry to forget God, and scont any law which may interfere with their mad rnsh after the almighty dollar. This spirit of greed has caused men to lose confi dence in their fellow-men, and hence moral obligations are generally bnt little regarded. It has affected the bar and bench until many so-called lawyers, with only selfish end in view, use all the technicalities of the law to delay—if nct, indeed, to thwart—the just and speedy adminis tration of the law, nntil the people become wearied with protected crimi nals and cntrage the law, in the other extreme of mob administration of what they believe tc be justice. When the ccurts find ample grcnnd for upholding a tax npon the poor man's cottage home and its simple furniture, bnt declare unconstitn tional any tax npon the rich man's princely income, they so ontrage every sense of common justice that the masses are losing all confidence in the judiciary, and scout at the law in their mistaken zeal.

Another cause of lawlessness is found in the failnre of the executive officials to administer it. Every law on the statute book, ignored and not executed, becomes an additional ele ment of weakness in relation to all law, and yet there are laws on the statute books of every State which the officers, elected and sworn to enforce them, fail to execute If they have a right to refnse to execute one law, they have a right to refnse to execute all law; and if the people have the right to scont one law with impunity, they have the same right to scout all law, and they are rapidly learning to exercise this supposed right, as they are, being educated by the officials who allow them to ont rage some laws with impnnity.

The last grand jury in Caddo par ish made the following report:

"We have examined some fifty, or more, witnesses, and find the Sunday law openly and flagrantly violated throughout the parish as well as in the city, being sc bad in some sec tions that the best citizens say they will be compelled tc move their fam llies, nnless there is a decided im provement in the near fnture.

"The police claim it is the State's dnty tc enforce the law, and that the police regnlations prohibit their en tering saloons nnless called in, etc; hence they have nc personal knowi edge of what takes place here. We would respectfnlly ask that the city council amend its regnlations gov erning police, so as to permit these officers to enter all places violating the Snnday law, and arrest all par ties canght violating said law, and take the names of witnesses.

"Having completed our labors, we respectfnlly ask to be dismissed.

"J. B. NEWBY Foreman"

The Snnday law is absolntely ig nored and defied in the parish, and the police in Shreveport pay no more attention to it than if there was no snch law, while the State anthorities seem to take no notice of any viola tions of it. With snch condition, how can any sane man look for any thing else bnt increased lawlessness, which mnst end in final assertion of a higher law of self-preservation working ont in the gradual elimina tion of personal freedom and the gradnal centralization of power in government, nnder which the forms only of a republic will be observed, while monarchical conditions will practically prevail? Flatter our selves as we may, we will awake some day to the realization that the power of the Federal Government is snpreme, and the military force will exercise an authority destructive to States' rights and individnal freedom snch as is contemplated, and which we now enjoy nnder the Constitntion.

I am not now discnssing the ques tion of the good of a Snnday law, or of any other law, but simply affirm that it is the dnty of every citizen to obey, be he Jew or Gentile, and the dnty of every officer to enforce every law upon the statute book. If it is a bad law, snch enforcement will cause its repeal, and if it is good, will best secnre all the good there is in it to every citizen alike. In any event, onr only hope of liberty is in the law, and our only protection under law lies in the enforcement of every law without fear or favor. At least let ns think soberly, and in time to avert the dire results of lawlessness which are sure to come sooner or later, and come when no amount of regret will avail ns when it is too late tc remedy the results of onr folly.

W. T. BOLLING.

"JUDGE NOT, THAT YE BE NOT JUDGED."

In no spirit of adverse criticism, bnt with a love for humanity in gen eral as well as God's people in par ticular, I give you a few of my daily observations of Christian characters. First, I have observed that that sweet old Bible charity is not cultivated by all Christians as it should be according to Scripture teachings. I see this so clearly manifested in particular dnring protracted meeting. Remembering that God planned no two leaves alike, even on the same tree, how can it be expected that each child of God shall be called to the same work, shall feel the same experiences, shall act npon the same impulses as his co-workers? And yet there are many who are consid ered lukewarm by Christians who themselves are active workers in the church, because they know not the inner lives of these brothers and sis ters. At snch times it has occurred to me that there is a disinterestedness here shown through the lack of not enough charity. If you, who doubt another's love and faith, would, through your own kinship to the angels, steal gently into the life of him or her to work a miracle of per fect redemption through Christ our Savior, perhaps there might be re vealed to you strength that you may lean upon, where you thought to bear a burden.

In the years that have passed three little girls began their lives very closely together. Each had a rich promise of health and happiness. As the bright years winged themselves away, God's hand seemed to rest like a benediction over the little neigh bors as each Sunday morning found them in the house of God learning, in eager delight, the old Bible stories. It was no surprise in the little town when three young women consecrated their promising lives to the Master. One, whose voice was deep, sweet and clear, became the leader of the choir. She never failed to be in her accustomed place, and her highest ambition was to bring souls to God through her beautiful gift. And she sang with a will. Another saw not a sunny gospel, but, borrowing shad ows from the Dark Age, as it were—when to be a Christian was to defy the world and home—went about in meetings trying to save souls by pointing them to a happier life, which her doleful face and manners ever belied. A martyr, she would have been willing to close from her view forever the light of the glorious sun, to never again look upon the world, with all its allurements. She forgot the old ringing laugh which used to echo through the home and make sweetest music for those who loved her. And the little town began to feel the solemnity of her presence; but those who loved the sunshine, the birds and flowers, were shy of her, and dreaded that day to come when they must think as she did, for they remembered that sunny sprite, a few years their senior, whose nature was so wholesome, and whose merry eye won friends with but a glance. How could they long to change places with her? And, yet, who could deny that she was a Christian? And the last of the three made no outward show of her consecration after be coming a member of the church. But her loving heart went out in one con tinual yearning to "do something for Jesus to-day." Yes, every day she tried to do something in her home life for the Master. And many beau tiful fancies came to her as she culti vated her flowers in the glorious Spring. She wondered if God had a garden of flowers in heaven, and if his angels tended them. And she praised God for all things beautiful as the seasons came and went. She saw his omnipotence in everything. Her supreme moments were when the school children stopped to chat with her about the flowers she loved, for she associated the two in a harmoni ous blending of purity and freshness ere the hand of time had swept over them. And there were days when she poured out her loving Christian thoughts in little stories to the chil dren, with an intense longing that she—even she—might bring precious souls to Christ in this way through her pen-pictures. But she was shy among the bolder workers, and I have often known her Christian character to suffer by comparison during pro tracted service. But a few intimate friends knew of the spot so weedless in God's great field.

This morning, in church, many saw the three, but not with the under standing eyes of charity. I saw the three life-time friends meet after service. The song-bird appeared smiling from the fulness of her heart. She pressed very reverently the hand of the other, who looked so meek, and as though the sunny (?) gospel seemed to weigh her down. Here the last of the three joined them with such a rapt expression upon her face that I marveled. They walked on together some distance in silence. Then I heard the sad-eyed Christian rebuke the little writer for not talking to the sinners at the min ister's suggestion. And she said in conclusion, "'Let your light shine.'" A wistful light came into the other's eyes as she answered: "I have prayed very earnestly to know my true place in the vineyard. To-day I gave my best efforts, I think, as a Christian worker, in some character sketches for the children's paper, you know." Suddenly she said, forgetting her usual shyness: "You know that the meaning of the gospel is good news. I don't believe that I ever more fully realized it than I did to-day. Often, when Christians are gloomy after service, I have longed to feel in sym pathy, in touch with their deeper feelings, as it were. But this morn ing I feel that the Word of God is so powerful in its sunshine that the wicked world is bound to succumb to its very brightness. And I—is it wrong?—oh, I feel like laughing for joy! Do not misunderstand me," she said, "but it seems to me that my re ligion makes me almost too happy to-day. It seems I see God's love for us everywhere, and yet, unlike you two, I could not show my feel ings in service. It seems I can only tell my heart with my pen. I'm so shy in meetings. I hope I'm not mis judged." And as they turned off in another direction from the main crowd, I heard this remark behind me, "Her voice is certainly grand; anyone would gladly take her place if so gifted." It was a Christian girl who spoke. I thought if she only realized that the little song-bird often fulfilled her duty in the choir when she had to triumph over weakness to be able to do so, that her remark would have been more charitable. We all have talents. How many of us use them for the Master?

With prayer in my heart for the shortcomings of all, I cite you to a pertinent sentence in the Bible, "Judge not, that ye be not judged."

M. E. T.

"WE MUST ENDOW OUR COLLEGES FOR WOMEN"

This is the significant title of a booklet written in 1897 by Rev. E E Hoss, D. D., and published by our General Board of Education. Dr. Hoss says, "We must." He is right. It is a matter that demands positive and prompt attention. He says: "The period is rapidly approaching—if, indeed, it has not already been reached—in which it will be impera tive upon us either to put our col leges for women on a broader and safer foundation, or else see them lose their commanding position, and possibly close their doors. Hereto fore the profits accruing from the boarding departments have been sufficient to supplement the salaries of professors and teachers up to at least a respectable point. But this will be so no more. Competitions have arisen such as our fathers did not dream of. In the Eastern States and elsewhere wise and generous philan thropists have given money without stint or limit to endow foundations which propose to do for the educa tion of girls all that the best colleges can hope to do for boys. Vassar and Bryn Mawr and Wellesley and the Baltimore College for Women, to say nothing of other institutions, are bid ding high for the brightest and best of our daughters. Free tuition, large scholarships, and access to all the means of culture, are actually urged upon the acceptance of those who are willing to take them and competent to stand the prescribed tests."

The State has gone into the work of higher education for women—whether wisely, or not, we need not discuss; but we must face the fact of the I. I. and C. at Columbus, and we must put a college on its level, or we must, soon or late, surrender to it. We may sit unconcernedly by and watch the contest for very existence carried on by our four unequipped collegettes in a field where there is just a living for one real college; but our very unconcern will rob us of all control or part in the education of our girls. Can our church afford to turn over the education of our girls to the State? Only the other day a cultivated layman, who has for years stood high among us, frequently a member of Annual and General Con ferences, and who was for years on the Board of Trustees of one of our colleges for girls, pleaded with me that we need no college for girls, but that it would be wise to abandon all of them, and send our girls to the I. I. and C. He sees that with our present method it will soon be im possible to maintain our colleges for girls, and he sees no hope for a change. Shall we accept his sugges tion? Never, never, never! But we must meet the issue.

Our General Board of Education, in its quadrennial report to the last General Conference, says: "As re gards our position touching institu tions for the education of our daugh ters, we need to do at our earliest opportunity much more than we have ever done. In times past indi viduals have owned and controlled the majority of our female colleges, but the day is, perhaps, gone when such private institutions can longer exist. One by one they are closing up, and of the new ones which are building, the majority, being project ed on insufficient grounds, must in evitably die. What the State is do ing in the matter of education affects particularly the patronage of our fe male colleges, and the education of our girls is not at present so well provided for as that of our boys. If we do not do more in this particular, and that at once, our girls will be educated by the State. State or sec ular education, as against Christian education, is bad enough for boys, but for our girls it will be deplorable. We believe that we ought to have schools for our girls equal in equip ment and facilities to any school now provided for our boys. We heartily commend movements now on foot among us looking to this end as a wise policy, and bespeak the support of our entire connection."

The Board that voiced these words was composed of Bishops Galloway and Hendrix, Chancellor Kirkland, Col. Cole, Major Millsaps, Drs. Ham mond, W. W. Smith, Bigham, Mc Lean, and others. They are all wise men of large experience, and most of them are practical educators. One of them is president of the only en dowed college for women in Southern Methodism.

Dr. J. D. Hammond, our General Secretary of Education, in a private letter to this writer a few days ago, says, "I have read your articles on concentration, and think your prin ciples are correct." As a matter of course, with us of the Mississippi Conference the endowment of a girl's college means concentration. It is wise. Let us face the issue, and set tle the matter at once.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

P S.—My beloved Bro. Mellen, in an article entitled 'Dr. Featherstun's Defense," replies tc mine of two weeks before. Nobody, who read mine, will suppose that his reply is in any sense an answer. He says that he did not mean me in his first. Ah, well; it needed explanation.

No, Bro. Mellen; Kavanaugh Col lege was not a financial failure. Money made there was subsequently lost. Something else needs explana tion: When Bro. Mellen was on the Meridian district he insisted that the boarding pupils of E M. F. C. ought to attend not only night service at Central, but prayer meeting as well. Why does he condone in Beeson what he so earnestly condemned in Anderson and Holloman? He hints that I have sneered. Possibly I have been too apt a pupil in my Bro. Mel len's school. I can not afford to an swer his cavil about my reading ser mons; nor can i consent to discuss whether or not President Beeson's influence over his boarding pupils caused them to dislike to attend church at Central, and prefer the novelties of the Mission Hall.

H. WALTER F.

AN ADDRESS.

To the Methodist Preachers and People of the North Mississippi Conference: Love and Greeting:

The Conference Board of Educa tion, in session at West Point, Miss., June 23, 1899, is moved to express to you a deepening concern and a larger sympathy for our great educational interests, and the need of increased vigor and purpose to support and de velop the institutions already estab lished. We refer you to the new law of our church (Discipline, pages 165-170) nnder which all our educational work is now to be done. A new era has dawned npon us; a true system of Christian education has been put in operation—the most conservative of material means and the most hope ful to scholastic enterprise. Nothing could be wiser than this adopted sys tem of correlated schools nnder spe cific control of the church.

Conference Boards of Education, which heretofore have had so little to do, are now embraced in this scheme of work, and are made co-operative with the General Board, and are as signed specific duties. This Board desires to fulfill its functions with fidelity, and to aid in every consist ent way possible in forwarding and maintaining our schools nnder the wise plan authorized by the church. Surely a high obligation rests npon us all to combine our means and en ergies in supporting the schools adopted by the Conference. Concen tration, not division; co-ordination, not segregation and competition, must be our watchword. In all this work we are seeking to wed the highest degree and strongest expression of spiritual life—of Christian thought—with a scholastic form and fulness to the best found in the secular world. In the presence of such a su preme achievement, local and per sonal considerations are of the least moment. Let us render a cheerful and loyal obedience to this vital principle. It was a wise plan which Mississippi Methodism adopted to have a college for the sons of the two Conferences. Reports that come to us from Millsaps College bring most gratifying accounts of the good work done by that noble and well-organ ized institution. Young men are be ginning to go out in increasing num bers from her halls to take their places amongst men, and to yield the blessings of Christian education. More and more are these young men coming forth equipped to reinforce the ranks of our itinerant ministry. Let us recognize the call of generous duty to bear that great school a due and liberal support.

With no less fidelity have we been served by our only Conference school for girls and young ladies, located at Grenada. With growing prosperity, and with a very remarkable record of the health of its inmates, that valuable school has done a great work in the education of our daugh ters, and has been a blessing to our Conference. We commend this school to your confidence, your liberality, and your patronage. We believe that with one mind and with undi vided effort we should patiently press this institution to highest possible development. We should allow noth ing to divert us from this purpose. We assure the trustees and the presi dent, the Rev. W. M. McIntosh, of our earnest co-operation to this great end. Our obligations to the Confer ence, and our bounden duty to our own system of educational work, bind us to this cause, and exclude all other considerations.

W. T J SULLIVAN, Pres.
T. Y RAMSEY, Sec.

In the management and conquest of the daily disappointments and small vexations which befall every life—the life of the idle and loxnrio ns no less than of the busy and struggling—only a devout mind at tains to any real success, and evinces a triumphant power.—James Martineau.

Communications.

WHAT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR?

BY REV. Q. A. OATS.

(An essay read before the Preachers' Meeting at Friar's Point, and published by request.)

(Continued.)

Every Methodist pastor takes a vow at the altar of the church to visit from house to house. This means that he should familiarize himself with the home-life of his people, and that he should avail himself of this as a means to cultivate them in spiritual things. The pastor needs to know his people in private as well as in public life, and they need the opportunities to know him in the same way. He should labor to secure, as far as possible, a state of mutual interests and sympathy between his people and himself. As I once heard one of our Bishops say to a class being admitted into the Conference, the "pastor should be a good mixer." It is essential that he should study to interest and please men, and to win their respect and love. There is much in common between the pastor dealing with adults and children, and all classes of men, and the teacher in secular schools. The teacher, to succeed, must have the respect and love of the pupils; so the pastor in his relations with his people. Men and women are only children larger grown, and the real human characteristics remain always the same. That the pastor may secure this condition with his people, he must himself be pre-eminently a lover of his people.

Love is a mutual principle. It requires love to beget love. If it finds no response in the party upon whom it is bestowed, it soon dies. Its true relation is to originate in the higher and find its response in the lower; hence we can only learn to love God because he first loved us.

The relation of the pastor to his flock places him in the higher relation, and makes responsibility to begin with him. It also becomes essential for him to be the aggressive agent in its manifestation, and to persevere in it, though he may not find the desired response. Not only should he love his people, but he should show his love for them in pleasant manners and kindly deeds.

At first glance it may seem hard, if not impossible, to love all classes of people and to show our love for them. This arises from confounding love with mere natural traits, as sympathy and affection, and anything that brings about natural affinity of interests. These are not only not love, but true love may often require us to ignore and sacrifice them, because they may be barriers to our highest obligations and duties to God and man. This is implied in the Bible doctrine of charity, which is the consummation of all virtues. It grows out of a right conception of God as our sovereign Father, and of man as a brother. This conception is one of the first-fruits of a mind transformed through faith and consecration by the power of the regenerating Spirit of God to a conformity to that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. It is a new conception, adverse to a natural state which conforms to the world. The highest and most perfect specimen of this transformation should be found in the pastor, who is supposed to give up all for his higher and holy calling, and to Jesus, the Supreme Shepherd, as his exemplar.

The pastor of all men should be an exemplification of the Master's spirit and command to return good for evil, and to pray for them that may despitefully use and persecute him. This means not only to help them in extreme need, but ever to seek opportunities to show them kindnesses. If this be required towards open and avowed enemies and opposers, how much less the excuse to refuse it to people who may be no more than apparently indifferent, or who may lead such a course of life as to render them unattractive. Mr. Wesley had this danger in mind when he wrote that General Rule for the Methodist Societies, which says, "We should do good to all men as we have opportunity," trampling under foot that enthusiastic doctrine that, "We are not to do good unless our hearts are free to it." It is not enough that this spirit should dominate the pastor's heart, but he should show it in pleasant manners and numerous social acts of kindness, as well as in the greater ones for which occasions may offer. A pleasant "good morning" to those we casually meet, and inquiries after their health, and any matters we may that will specially interest them—a hearty hand-shake, a bow across the street—will often prove mighty to break down barriers, and open the way for good that could never be effected in any other way.

The pastor may often feel himself disqualified for these things, and he may be induced to feel that they are too trivial for consideration, and may even feel contempt for the people demanding them; yet they are of sufficient importance to demand his effort and high consideration. He may learn many lessons of this from the children of this world, and wisely pattern after them. It is a great force-principle in the constitution of social economy, and the fact that it may be, and is, absent does not make it wise to ignore it. The successful business man, the politician, and even those who act as emissaries of the powers of darkness, have learned its force and utility, and study to use it to advantage. Paul recognized it, and put it into practice by becoming all things to all men, that he might save some.

The pastor needs to cultivate and utilize the social side of human nature. This has always been a necessity, but the demand is now more imperative than ever before, and is constantly growing more so. The conditions that effect men's thoughts and control their actions have changed. The time was, in the not very remote past, when there was a sort of reverential idea that was almost superstitious, with which popular thought invested the minister of the gospel, that helped him to get a serious hearing from the people, irrespective of his personal influence. As the people have freed themselves of this feeling, and learned to look on the pastor as a man endowed with no extraordinary mysterious virtues, this has passed away. When the feeling has not gone to the extreme of a bold irreverence, this is a good thing. While it deprives the pastor of a strong lever on the consciences of men, yet it enables them to get a clearer conception of Christ as their only Mediator and Savior, and a better sense of personal responsibility, by clearing away all the priestly glamour that formerly attached to the pastor's office. It also saves the pastor from arrogating priestly importance to himself, and assuming an arbitrary manner towards the people, and enables him to enter into closer touch and sympathy with them.

Formerly several things now past away combined to bring the people to the house of God, and under the influence of the preaching of the gospel. These places the pastor needs to supply, as far as he can, by his personal influence as well as other things. Then there was often a scarcity of other public places of association, and of other means to entertain during the Sabbath's cessation from the avocations and business pursuits of life, and men went to church often for the association and to pass the time. It is different now, and rapidly growing more so. Then there would have been loss of popularity by violating a public sentiment against secular pursuits on the Lord's day, and, besides, the mass of business pursuits could be given up on Sunday without a material sacrifice of interests. Now the popular sentiment against business on Sabbath days has become less, and in some instances has entirely passed away, and systems of business have so changed that leaving them for the house of God often requires considerable material sacrifice. This is a deplorable state of things that pastors have no power to prevent, and all they can do is to use their personal influence as far as they may to draw men in spite of the situation. Now there are opportunities of meeting congenial associates and to find entertainment much more satisfactory to the man of the world than the house of God. Only think of the attractions of public museums, operas, bands discoursing fine music, railroad excursions, Sunday newspapers, and other numerous things, many of which are far more vicious, all open to men on Sunday.

We have come to a period when the issue is a personal one. The work with men must be hand to hand and face to face. The pastor must meet these issues by personal work. He needs to cultivate what an old and remarkably successful pastor in our church aptly designates as "legology." I believe it would be well to have a special examination on this ology in our course of study. Certainly every pastor should conscientiously consider the problem, and consecrate all the native gifts he may possess, and strive, secure and cultivate those he may lack.

(To be continued.)

REV. JOSIAH M. PUGH.

Rev. Josiah M. Pugh was born in Gates county, N. C., Oct. 23, 1821. His parents were Henry and Ann Pugh. They died when he was young. When the estate was divided he determined to use his part of it in securing an education. He entered Washington College, Pennsylvania, and graduated from that institution in 1842. The year after leaving college he was converted at a camp meeting in Yazoo county, Miss., and connected himself with the M. E. Church. He began the study of law, and afterward the study of medicine, but, yielding to a conviction of duty, he turned to the ministry, and was licensed to preach in the city of Jackson, Miss., Oct. 31, 1846. At this time he was engaged in teaching. In 1844 he was elected tutor in Centenary College, then located near Brandon, in Rankin county, Miss. When this college was moved to Jackson, La., Dr. Thornton and Mr. Pugh established a school in Jackson, Miss., which was afterwards moved to Brandon, and finally, in 1851, to Sharon, and became Madison College. After Dr. Thornton's death Mr. Pugh became president of this school. Mr. Pugh was ordained deacon by Bishop Capers, Dec. 8, 1850, and elder by Bishop Kavanaugh, Dec. 2, 1855. He also became a member of the Mississippi Conference in 1855. In the year 1860, while pastor of our church in Jackson, La., he was elected to the chair of mathematics in Centenary College. In 1862 he was appointed presiding elder of Sharon district, and in 1866 he was made presiding elder of the Yazoo district. He served in this capacity seven years, and was faithful and efficient in the discharge of all his duties. On account of failing health he asked to be relieved of district work, and he was appointed pastor of Madison circuit. In 1872 he was elected president of Sharon Female College, in Madison county. He remained at the head of this school only one year, and was then elected president of Marvin College, Texas, and was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference. In 1877 he was made president of Andrew Female College, and transferred to the Texas Conference, within the bounds of which that school was situated. But in 1880 he returned to his old Conference, and continued in the active discharge of his duties till 1894, when he was granted a superannuated relation. During these latter years he served Silver Creek, Enterprise, Amite City, China Grove, Daleville, Binnsville and Ocean Springs charges. He also spent much time in the school-room, for almost everywhere he went he combined the two vocations of preacher and teacher. He was a good teacher, and his services in this capacity were much in demand, but he never allowed anything to supersede his high calling as a minister of the gospel.

Mr. Pugh was twice married; first, to Miss Ione V. Thornton, daughter of the late Dr. Thornton, of the Mississippi Conference. She died Feb. 10, 1870, leaving one son. Then, on the nineteenth of June, 1873, he was married to Miss Nora E. Bass. Miss Bass was from Boston, Mass., but was in Texas teaching, and the marriage was celebrated at Waxahatchie, Texas.

In the matter of temperance Mr. Pugh has a good record. He signed the temperance pledge while at college, in 1841, and never violated it. He never learned to use tobacco, never swore an oath, never learned to gamble, never was drunk, and never drank any whisky. This is the account he gave of himself to a newspaper reporter in 1897. And he attributed his mental and physical vigor in extreme old age to the fact that he had always conserved his vitality, nor wasted himself in sinful and fleshly indulgences. His record as a Christian, as a teacher, and as a minister, is equally blameless. It may be said of him that his life, as well as his soul, was saved, and, dying, he left to his posterity the heritage of a good name.

He passed away at his home in Handsboro, Miss., June 9, 1899. He had great peace of mind, and perfect assurance, in view of death. His last audible utterance was, "We live in a sanctified age." This indicated his own spiritual state, and the hopeful view he had of the state of the church. His remains were brought to Yazoo City, and buried from the Methodist Church on Sunday morning, June 11, 1899. A high-toned Christian gentleman, holy in all manner of conversation, pure in heart and life, has gone to his reward in heaven.

W. B. LEWIS.

Correspondence.

FROM "REX."

MR. EDITOR: Recurring again to the approaching meeting (twenty-first of July) at Sam Jones Camp Ground, I am advised by the Committee on Public Worship that strenuous efforts have been made to secure the attendance and service of some distinguished "gospeler" of the "evangelist" genus, but that said efforts have not produced any result, save a feeling of disgust at the mercenary character of some of these people who seem to be "evangelists" for "revenue only!" As a specimen brick, one of these gentlemen who snatch sinners from the "gall of bitterness and the bonds of iniquity" for a pecuniary consideration offered to give us six days for the slight allowance of $25 per diem and good provender, or $150 a week and "found!" How is that for zeal in the Master's cause? It took the Almighty six days to complete the work of creation, including man, but I do not suppose that it occurred to the divine mind that away down the corridors of time, along in the nineteenth century after the suffering and death of the Savior for the redemption from sin and eternal death of the human race, there would appear in the garb of a messenger of peace, glad tidings and salvation, a creature so utterly lost to the principles and teachings of the gospel of our Lord as to be able to make the payment of money a pre-requisite to the exercise of his powers in the direction of the salvation of humanity from sin! It is only in these degenerate days in which we live that such a thing as a money consideration was ever thought of by preachers of the gospel who were invited to attend and assist in the services at a camp meeting, and it is only the rule now in regard to these peripatetic gospelers who are in the business for the money there is in sight. Calling sinners to repentance at $25 a day and "good provender" savors entirely too much of making merchandise of holy things and the blood of the covenant a mercantile commodity. I thank God that Sam Jones has never yet, since I have been attending its meetings, been onrsed with this sort of dispensers of salvation at so much a dose, and I as earnestly pray that she may escape their visitations always. No matter how things appear, it is impossible to conceive that God's blessing will follow in the train of such men as these. They may get up a little furore, make a great deal of noise, and fool some people into a belief that they are converted, but it is "stony ground," where there is no depth of soil, and the first stiff wind of temptation that comes along uproots them, and they are withered, dead, and will be finally lost. But enough of these "wandering stars, these clouds without water." If they would all get a clear case of religion, and then die, the Christian world would be better off.

Happily there is abundant promise of consecrated, unmercenary ministerial help in sight to secure success, and this help comes from our own and adjoining districts, and from members of the regular itinerant force. These men are in the ministry, not for money, but for human souls, for whom their Master shed his own precious blood, and realizing the stupendous issues at stake, they are willing to toil and work, in season and out, early and late, if by these means they can compass the salvation of one soul. Some of them are eminent in pulpit, others in altar work, and, with a proper division of labor among them, their assignment to the work for which they are best fitted, there is no reason to fear a failure in the good results of the meeting. It frequently occurs in these meetings that after a moving and convicing sermon, and a call for sinners to come to the altar for prayers, that the preacher will turn to the choir, and say, "Bro. Smith, Brown, or Jones" (as the case may be), "please sing something," whereupon we are treated with a jingle to the tune of "John Brown's body lies mouldering in the grave," or some such trash as that, instead of some one of those old-fashioned Methodist hymns and tunes, such as: "Come, humble sinner," etc.; "Come, ye sinners, poor and needy;" "Sinners, the voice of God regard," etc., and lots of others that have swayed the multitude a thousand times, and been blest of God to the salvation of hundreds of thousands of souls that surround the throne of God to-day.

The one who is to conduct the altar service should be notified in advance of the fact, and, if he is a Methodist, he will select both hymns and tunes beforehand, and notify the leader of the choir that these hymns and tunes are to be sung, and no others. Spirituality is a back number in our churches to-day, and while there are other and graver causes for this state of affairs, the substitution of modern jingles, operas and minstrel airs for old-time hymns and tunes is a most important factor in this decadence. As these "song books" multiply, and the standard hymns and tunes are relegated to the rear, so, in exact ratio, old-time religion and vital godliness pass from the stage of action, and we are left with a form of righteousness and profound ignorance of its power.

Although I have written each year an earnest appeal to those ministers who have a "zeal for God, but not according to knowledge," and who continually forget that a camp meeting is not held for the discussion of a plurality of blessings, or doctrinal points of any sort, but simply, wholly, and entirely for the purpose of inducing sinners to come to God, I take the liberty to again remind these brethren that this sort of thing is out of place, and if they have any sense of propriety, they will abstain from all attacks on the second-blessing theory, and all defense of that peculiar belief. This request will be sufficient for those who attend the meeting with a desire to honor God and save men from their sins. Those who attend for other purposes will oblige the association by remaining away.

The grounds, and everything in connection with them, are in better condition than ever before. Good hotel accommodations, both eating and sleeping; a lunch-stand, where hunger can be appeased at all hours; the grounds clean and pleasant—everything, in fact, to invite the weary and heavy laden to come and rest their bodies, relax their minds, and save, or secure, a blessing for their souls. Come one; come all!

Yours truly, REX.

Natchez, Miss., June 30, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

The W. F. Mission Society of North Mississippi Conference has come and gone, but the remembrance of it will linger long in the hearts of the people of our town. Sardis had the honor of having the fourth Annual Conference of this body, held in 1883. After nineteen years we note a wonderful growth, both in membership and money raised for the cause. Truly, God has blessed our efforts. As our president in Home Mission Society of North Mississippi Conference could not come, she asked your humble servant to extend "fraternal greetings" from the "twin sister" to her sister organization. As "our Father" thought best to lay his hand on me in sickness, Mrs. Addie Perry, of our auxiliary, kindly extended the greetings, which we append below.

"Madam President and Sisters of W. F. M. S.: I have been chosen to convey to you the 'fraternal greetings' of the W. H. M. S. of the North Mississippi Conference, and it gives me no little pleasure to be the representative of such a body. It is strange that the society which I thus represent is not the largest branch of mission work, for, doubtless, you are all familiar with that large and respectable class of people who claim that while they are not in sympathy with foreign missions, they are earnest advocates of 'home mission work!' To all of these we would say: The books of the Home Mission Society are always open for the reception of new members. It is a significant fact, however, that the history of this work shows that the best of the home mission workers are those who are most enthused in foreign missions also. This being the case, and the key-note of both societies being the extension of the work of Christ, it is with genuine pleasure that the Home Mission Society greets its 'twin sister' in Conference assembled, bidding her God-speed in the noble work in which she is engaged. Certainly nothing could have a stronger claim, or a warmer place in the affections of the people, than the extension of Christianity in our own home-land, where we behold verdure and beauty rivaling even the valley of the Nile. Then we are constrained to exclaim, 'The sun shines on no fairer.' When we look at our church-spires pointing heavenward from hill-top, hamlet and vale, we realize that this was done largely by the pioneers of the Methodist Church. In extending their work, we can realize something of what was done by our first home missionaries.

"'Not until the sun is old, and the stars are cold, and the leaves of the judgment book unfold,' will it be known what a factor in the civilization of these United States was the pioneer Methodist itinerant, bent on extending his church work, which, with him, was identical with God's work. The backwoodsman, with his rifle and shot-pouch, may have antedated him a few days, but by the time he got the clap-boards on his log cabin, and had smuggled in his little family, the preacher was on his trail singing Charles Wesley's hymns, reading his Bible, and passing his hat around for a collection.

"Madam President, I may not be a very good Methodist in practice, but I have the profoundest admiration for the genius and history of our grand old church. Its very founder was a home missionary, having 'the world for his parish,' and no one who keeps conscientiously to the principles of the Methodist Church can fail to be both a home and foreign mission worker. The little leaven sent forth from the parsonage at Epworth over one hundred years ago has well-nigh leavened the whole lump, as we find that other churches are following in our footsteps; have adopted similar ideas in mission work.

"The Home Mission Society has a work to perform than which there is none greater. Look at the heathenism among the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee, to the thousands of Chinese and Japanese coming to our shores in California, and the Spaniards pouring into Florida, to say nothing of the poor Indians and negroes who are at our very doors. We must look well after the future strength and hope of the church, the lambs of the fold, the children of whom the Master said, 'Of such is the kingdom of heaven.'

"We all know, Madam President, this is a latitudinarian age. The church, to hold her own against the tide of worldliness, skepticism and indifference that have invaded it, has given a little here and taken on a little there, until sometimes the good old Methodist wishes to rise and ask, 'Where am I at?' I want to say, with all the emphasis I am capable of, that but for the children I should tremble for the future of our church. Look at our churches on Sunday, the empty pews, the indifferent fathers and mothers, our neglected family altars, our Sabbaths desecrated by secular pursuits, and the demands of a so-called fashionable society. Suppose the future of the church rested upon this foundation! There is but one hope: that is the faithful, careful nurture and training of our bright-faced boys and girls.

"One of the ablest and most successful cardinals in the Catholic Church gave this instruction to the seminary of priests to which he gave advice: 'First and foremost, make sure of the children! Give the church the children, and let the adults go where they please!' That was sound philosophy; and what are its results? Once a Catholic, always a Catholic. We have it in our power to achieve the same results.

"The Home Mission and Foreign Mission Society were called of God, and organized by the same General Conference of our church. They stand side by side as co-ordinate branches in the great work of soul-saving, having equal authority from the church and equal claim on its membership. The origin and conditions of our existence unite us with a peculiarly close tie, and we earnestly pray that the God of peace may draw us closer and closer together as the years go by, until every woman in our church shall be engaged in both lines of this saving of souls at home and abroad. Christ said, 'Go teach all nations, beginning at Jerusalem (at home), and going to the uttermost parts of the earth.'

"MRS. ADDIE V. PERRY."

Sickness has prevented me writing any for the past few weeks in this column, but hope to be regular after this. Yours in Christ,

MRS. W. H. WALL.

Sardis, Miss., June 30, 1899.

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THE TRAVAIL OF ZION.

Isaiah says (lxvi, 8), "As soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children." This was spoken when Zion observed the form of worship, but had lost its spirit. Then a man who would make a spiritless offering of an ox was as guilty as if he slew a man, and he who sacrificed a lamb without a sacrifice of heart offered an insult like unto the cutting off of a dog's neck, or the offering of swine's blood. Could such a charge be brought against the service offered in modern Zion?

There has never been in the history of the Jewish or Christian Church an awakening that has not been preceded by travail. Note a few examples: Israel in Egypt had suffered afflictions which crushed out all hope of human intervention. Young men bowed under the galling yoke of slavery, "hoary sires smarted under the ignominious lashes from the task-master," while mothers wept bitter tears for the babes torn from their breast to be thrown in the river. All joined in supplication to the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, who heard their cries, remembered his covenant, and delivered them with an outstretched arm.

Taking a long leap in history, we come to David, who founded his kingdom in religious throes. Does sacred literature furnish another example of such religious pangs and throes? He thirsted for God, for the living God. He panted for God as the famishing hart would pant for the water-brook. When his own sins pressed heavy upon him, he could not end a petition for himself without asking God to build up Zion. Yet David was only the mouthpiece of hundreds of others who yearned for the same results. You will remember the tender-hearted young King Josiah rent his clothes when the neglected book of the law was brought before him, and how his travail purged his kingdom of idols. Nehemiah heard from travelers how the walls of Jerusalem remained unbuilt, and of the indignities shewn the ashes of their fathers, and of the easy-going, profligate ways of his people. This became such a source of grief to his fiery spirit that the king detected it in his countenance, and Nehemiah became the instrument under God in regaining the city of his fathers.

Prior to the coming of Christ the twelve tribes, represented by a small remnant, cried day and night unto the Most High, and when their prayers reached the fullness of vehemence, and their expectation wrought in them the deepest agony of spirit, then the Messiah came. "The wilderness and the solitary place were glad for them, and the desert rejoiced and blossomed as a rose." In the upper room at Jerusalem the lonely disciples were in deep anguish over the separation from their Lord, but anxiously awaiting the promised Comforter—"each intent to receive the promised boon of the Spirit." He came, and three thousand souls were given to the church.

In the Reformation the lamentations of Luther in Germany were echoed from the hills in Switzerland, the canals of Holland, the green lanes of England, the palaces of Spain, and the dungeons of the Inquisition. In these throes a revolt was born which shook the Vatican from its foundations to its pinnacle.

Just prior to the Oxford movement there existed a condition which Isaac Taylor termed a "virtual heathenism." Blackstone said he had heard every eminent clergyman in London, and that there was no more Christianity in their sermons than in the orations of Cicero. Hannah Moore says she found only one Bible in the parish of Cheddar, and that was used to prop a flower pot. Samuel Bhair summed up the condition by saying, "In America religion lay a-dying." This sickening condition brought on a travail from which was born the Methodist Church, and through which a flood-tide of God's grace was given to all Christendom.

May we not be encouraged to believe that we are now in strong spiritual throes? May not the dark clouds which now appear in the church's sky be ready to break in blessings on our heads? Let us affirm that the church is now in travail, and see if the affirmation can be sustained. There is very much just now to humiliate the church, and the statement, "He that humbleth himself shall be exalted," is as true of a community of individuals as it is of a single soul. Our attention has been called more than once of late to facts touching the church that must humiliate every lover of our Zion.

In a proclamation recently issued by Governor Rollins, of New Hampshire, we note some striking statements. This proclamation has been the subject of much press comment—both secular and religious. The governor says: "The decline of the Christian religion, particularly in our rural communities, is a marked feature of the times, and steps should be taken to remedy it." He continues: "There are towns where no church bell sends forth its solemn call from January to January; there are villages where children grow to manhood unchristened; there are communities where the dead are laid away without the benison of the name of the Christ, and where marriages are solemnized only by justices of the peace." On Sunday after the issuance of the proclamation a Methodist minister of Boston stated that a presiding elder had written the governor, saying there were fifty-five towns in New Hampshire that had been twelve months without a revival. He continues: "Christian ministers found that among the towns of New England there were boys and girls fifteen and sixteen years of age who had never heard a minister of the gospel speak." "I heard urgent appeals for missionaries to be sent into barren fields in the New England States!" Governor Rollins says: "I found our farming population falling away from the old faith, and our young people growing up without religion."

This sounds very much as if some governor in the South had said it. Candor forces us to admit a state of affairs in our own border that should be a cause of alarm. My own charge, I take it, is not an exception to the rule. Thirty per cent. of our membership never attend service, and a larger per cent. are destitute of spiritual power. In a membership of one hundred and sixty I have not found one family altar. Not twenty per cent. bear witness to conscious salvation. The common impression is, that the church is a good institution—about on a par with Masonry or any other benevolent order.

Just now we, as Methodists, are brought face to face with facts that should, and do, humiliate us: A falling off in missionary collections, resulting in a retreat from points already occupied, and turning a deaf ear to the pleadings for the Bread of eternal life; and this, too, in the face of increased resources.

In spite of all efforts to account for a yearly decrease of more than ten thousand members, we must acknowledge the humiliating fact, and the humiliation should bring forth deep travail.

Every lover of the church who has confidence in the Spirit's power must be grieved at the subterfuges resorted to by some churches to atone for their loss of power; such as making a church a "soup-kitchen, with a chapel attached," or the using of Robert Elsmere as a subject for a sermon.

In a series of critical suggestions by laymen, Mr. William C. Conant, of New York, says: "Few will deny that we are in the most dangerous condition of the church—the highest temporal prestige, superabundant wealth and luxury, Laodicean self-satisfaction. As was said of Moab, so this generation hath been at ease from its youth, and hath settled on its lees, and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither gone into captivity; therefore, its (earthly) taste remaineth in it, and its scent is not changed."

But the best thing about all this is, the church begins to see its condition, and to-day many churches are clothed in sack-cloth, and they begin to tear away their formal garments, and their sadness will soon turn to joy, and Zion will rejoice over her increase.

I believe we now stand on the threshold of a new era in the church. What we need is a forerunner—a John the Baptist—to cry, Repent, repent! He will not be found among the dealers in pulpit pyrotechnics, or the "soup-kitchen" and social reform class. He will be a man who hears the voice of God and heeds; who is not afraid that he can't sustain the Bible, but knows the Bible will sustain him; who preaches Christ, not from hear-say, but from knowledge; who relies on the power of the Holy Ghost, and not on soup-kitchens and other clap-trap methods. He is coming, he is coming! Zion is in travail, and God guarantees her increase.

GEO. H. THOMPSON.

Benton, Miss., June 6, 1899.

AN INQUIRY.

Believing, with all my heart, that the Bible is God's Word, and that it is the "power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth," I long to see each individual possessing a copy, and reading it.

In very many Christian homes there is but one copy of "the Book of books," and that is the large family Bible, generally too inconvenient for use, and considered too valuable for children to handle it; consequently, they are deprived of reading it.

Doubtless, if we could search the homes all over Southeast Mississippi, especially along the G. and S. I. R. R., we would find many of them destitute of the Bible. Here there are so many newly-established homes, and so many young people who are just branching out into the world, and have no convenient opportunity of procuring a Bible; so they will try to live without it.

Surely, none of us are so wise that we do not need divine guidance, nor so strong that we do not need divine strength.

Bible reading is essential to the formation and maintenance of Christian character. Without it we live as strangers to God. Through prayer we talk to God, and through his Word he talks to us. All people and nations who are deprived of the Bible have wrong ideas of God and Christianity.

Catholicism withholds the Bible from the masses, but all other Christian denominations urge its circulation and study.

Our preachers, Sunday-school workers, etc., can evidently accomplish but little permanent good, unless the people are led to study God's Word. We can not do this without putting it into their hands.

On the Gulf and Ship Island railroad there are twelve towns between Hattiesburg and Gulfport, besides ten flag stations, which are really little towns. If there has ever been a Bible offered for sale in one of these new towns, I am not aware of it. Food, raiment and strong drink are sold, but no one sells Bibles. To my delight I found the "newsboy" on the train selling "Oxford Bibles" and beautiful "pocket Testaments," but they were extremely high.

I think it has been eight or ten years since a Bible agent visited this field. During this time many old Bibles have worn out, many young people have grown up, and many persons have moved in, which creates a necessity for a new supply. How are they to be supplied?

Does not the American Bible Society furnish Bibles cheaper than we can get them from any other source? Is there no chance for the above-named society to have a representative in this field, or to keep Bibles for sale in some of our destitute towns?

May God speed the day when the Bible will be in every home, and the guide of every life!

I have not written this article to start a controversy, but because I feel interested in building up Christ's kingdom on earth.

(MRS.) E. LOU WHYTE.

Bond, Miss.

God graciously through his Spirit lighteth every man that cometh into the world and who desires the light of salvation in his soul. But if a man says he has this light while he lives in sin, he is either self-deceived, or else he is perpetrating a fraud on his neighbors.—Churchman.

If we think of Christianity as a religion, its central point is the incarnation. If we think of it as a gospel, its central point is the cross and the empty tomb, and both are necessary for an adequate conception of what has come to us through Christ.—Rev. A. T. Taylor.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. J. H. Bass, Webb, Miss., July 1, 1899: "We have held two meetings, in which we had good times. The church was revived, and sinners converted and taken into the church. Bro. W. D. Bass was with us in both meetings. I never heard clearer and more heart-searching preaching in my life. There was no slang or foolishness in it. Bro. Bass has been with me for the last six years in from one to three meetings each year, and I can truthfully say that I have never heard him use any slang or abuse, or throw mud of any kind. He puts his whole soul into the work, and I have always gotten more money for myself, and for other causes where he has helped me, than any other appointments on my charge. No pastor who wants help can do better than get him. My work is getting along splendidly. Everybody is kind. Our congregations are good. Our Sunday-schools are doing well, and we are almost out of debt on our church property. We are fearful of much sickness in these parts this warm season, as many are on that list now. May God bless all the brethren and the dear old ADVOCATE!"

Do you remember how you felt in the mornings when you were a boy? How good it was to begin a new day! How hungry you came to table! How tired you went to bed! How soundly you slept! Don't you find yourself saying sometimes, how I wish I could get up like that boy, eager for the day and feeling fit for it? And then don't you turn away with a sigh as if the wish were impossible of fulfillment, and start on the new day's journey tired at the outset?

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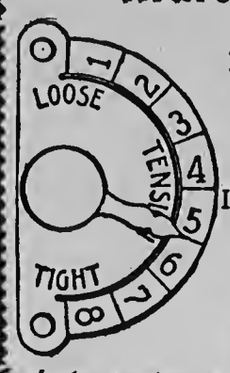

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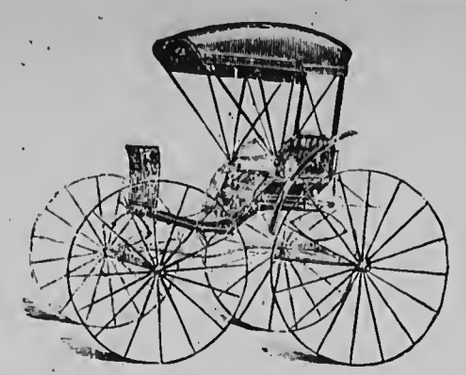

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Life should be full of earnest work,
Our hearts undish'd by fortune's frown;
Let perseverance conquer fate,
And merit seize the victor's crown.
—Phoebe Cary.

I would not undervalue the cultnre of the intellect, hnt would exalt the cultnre of the heart—Frances E. Willard.

Three things are knows only in the following way—a hero in war, a friend in necessity, and a wise man in anger—Arabic.

He that can not forgive others breaks the bridge over which he mnst pass himself; for every man has need to be forgiven.—Lord Herbert.

Nothing raises the price of a blessing like its removal; whereas, it was its continnance which should have taught ns its vaine.—Hannah More.

The pleasantest things in the world are pleasant thoughts, and the greatest art in life is to have as many of them as possible.—Exchange.

"What shall I do then with Jesns who is called Christ?" is a qnestion which everyone of us mnst at some time in his life answer for himself.—Selected.

The constant dnty of every man to his fellows is to ascertain his own powers and special gifts, and to strengthen for the help of others.—John Ruskin.

Oh, it is great, and there is no other greatness, to make one nook of God's creation more fruitful, better, more worthy of God; to make some human heart a little wiser, manlier, happier—more blessed, less accnrsed.—Carlyle.

Religion in its pnrity is not so much a pursuit of all that is high and holy. Its fonndation is faith; its actions, works; its temper, holiness; its aim, obedience to God in improvement of self and benevolence to men.—Jonathan Edwards.

The Christian life is of all the pnrest, best and most convincing life. If one starts ont to be a soul-winner, and falls short in Christian living, how fntile will it be for him to attempt to influence others to a holy life.—Rev. F N Foster.

We ask God to forgive us for our evil thoughts and evil temper, but rarely, if ever, ask him to forgive ns for our sadness. Joy is regarded as a happy accident of the Christian life, an ornament and a luxury, rather than a duty—R W. Dale.

A man must not choose his neighbor; he must take his neighbor that God sends him. In him, whoever he be, lies hidden or revealed a beautiful brother. The neighbor is just the man who is next to you at the moment. This love of our neighbor is the only door out of the dnngeon of self.—George Macdonald.

Religion is a necessary and indispensable element in any great human character. There is no living without it. Religion is the tie that connects man with his Creator and him to his throne. If that tie be all snndered, all broken, he floats away a worthless atom in the universe, its proper attractions all gone, its destiny thwarted, and its whole future nothing but darkness, desolation and death.—Webster.

"ROCK CHRISTIANS."

In a strong and stirring article recently published in the New York Independent, Dr. Charles E. Jefferson, of New York City, points out as a radical and lamentable defect in the Christianity of to-day, especially in the cities, the lack of "rock-like" firmness. In this jndgment we believe he is eminently correct. His arraignment of the indolence and weakness of most church members is startling, hut true. The average Christian, he thinks, is "not wicked, bnt limp." "There is a painful lack," he remarks, "of the grit which made the Puritans invincible. Church members, with numerons and beautiful exceptions, are not made of the stnff of which heroes are made." To qnote more at length: "To those who know best the problems of our cities it is becoming increasingly apparent that if the cities of our republic are to be won and held for Christ, we mnst have a higher type of church member than the avergee Christian no win the field. And from this it must not be inferred that the average city Christian is a heathen man or a publican. He is neither so worldly, nor so aristocratic, nor so hypocritical as the rural caricaturist often represents him to be. Those who know him best know that he is a social, warm-hearted, honest, sensible man. The worst thing that can be said abont him is, that he is not strong enongh to stand the strain of city life. The city, like a giant, molds him to its will. It pushes the newspaper nnder his eyes on Snnday morning, and he is not strong enough of will to tnrn his eyes away. A friend drops in to see him Sunday evening, and he remains away from evening worship. There is a dinner on prayer-meeting evening, and his seat is vacant at the prayer meeting."

We would not charge that the church member of to-day is a sinner above the church members who have gone before; but if we mistake not, his piety is not of that robust type that refuses to compromise the truth, that scorns unnecessary self-indulgence, and wages vigorous war on iniquity. The average church member dotes on respectability and conventionality, on elegance and refinement. He does not like to be startled by nnusual plainness and pointedness in the pnlpit. He wishes his fellowmen well; he wonld he delighted to see the cause of Christ advanced, but he is too busy and too selfish to think much about the salvation of others. He recognizes, in a vague way, that the world is wrong, but he is unwilling to sacrifice his consolence or earthly interests, except in slight degree, in order that wrongs may be righted and righteonsness exalted. He adopts an easy-going gait, and looks scurly upon any who would jog him into a livelier pace. The Christian of the present, as a rule, means to be progressive, but he sadly lacks in aggression, in fighting qualities, in the pluck that shrinks not from difficulty and opposition; consequently, he is soon overcome of evil, and is astonishingly skeptical as to the power of the gospel to accomplish the world's reformation and renovation.

The indifference and timidity that characterize such a vast multitude in the church are sure signs of the decay of experimental religion, and in part explain the cause of our recent non-growth. We need men and women who not only approve the right, but also condemn the wrong, and are ready to stand by their colors. The millennium is still far in the future. The evils now to be fought and vanquished are no less gigantic or dangerons than those which previous generations had to fight so fiercely. If anything, they are more hold and destructive. The whisky curse, the gambling evil, social impurity, and Sabbath desecration, can never he put down by harmless and kindly, hut shrinking, apologetic, chicken-hearted Christians. The martyr spirit is, alas! too uncommon among us. Disciples sing with fervor the hymn, "I'll go with him all the way," bnt as soon as temptations or difficulties arise, they fall away.

Says Dr. Jefferson, with no little truth: "The members of our church, as a rule, are altogether flexible and obliging. They do not know how to strike hard, nor are they willing to stand their ground." Men and women of heroic spirit are needed now no less than they were in the days of Paul and Luther and Wesley. We need Christians who will put dnty before pleasure, principle before policy, godliness before gain.

The writer quoted above concludes by saying: "Of gentle Christians and affable Christians and kind-hearted Christians we have abundance. The church to-day lacks the one quality for which the Lord looks and waits. City Christians should stand like rock aronnd the Lord's day, beating back the social and industrial forces which are rolling in like a flood. Nothing bnt rock will save New York and Chicago, Boston and San Francisco, from the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Like rock, church members should resist all invitations of saints and sinners which wonld lead them away from the duties and the meetings of their church. If Christians are unwilling to fight for the mainteuance of Christian institntions and the progress of Christian ideals, who, pray, is going to save the world? The road to victory in these fair, well-spoken days is, as of old, by way of the cross. Without sweat and blood and sacrifice and obedience unto death there is no redemption possible for us or our republic."

Fellow-Christians, are yon rock-like in loyalty to God and in resistance of evil?

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In the July Century Mrs. James T. Fields tells of a visit to George Eliot, and quotes nnpublished letters from the famons novelist. "Stevenson in Samoa" contains such reminiscences as might be expected from the story-teller's step-daughter and secretary. "The Making of 'Robinson Crusoe'" gives the true story of Alexander Selkirk, and his sojourn on Juan Fernandez. Victor Hugo as an Artist is the snbject of a paper by Le Cocq de Lautreppe, in which are reprodnced several of the poet's hasty sketches and more elaborate designs. Frank M. Chapman, the ornithologist, writes of Bird Rock, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; Prof. Wheeler's "Alexander the Great" shows the conqueror in anger and in love, and Mr. Ford's "Many-Sided Franklin" is seen this month in his intimate and interesting relations with the fair sex.

Scribner's Magazine, for July, has as a frontispiece a fine wood engraving by Gustav Kruell. It is from a very rare daguerreotype of Daniel Webster, and accompanies Senator Hoar's paper on Webster, for which he has been collecting material for many years. James F. J. Archibald, the war correspondent, has been most of the Winter in Havana, and describes the reconstrnction in the government of that city by American officers. Another very practical article describes how the foreign mails are handled at New York. Mr. Stevenson's letters describe his invalid life at Bournemouth, where he occupied the famous cottage, "Skerryvore," and where he was visited by many eminent literary men. The fiction includes a story entitled, "The White Blackbird," by Bliss Perry; another of "Aunt Minerva Ann's" amusing chronicles by Joel Chandler Harris; a character study of old age by Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, and a fascinating instalment of "Q's" serial, "The Ship of Stars." James Whitcomb Riley contributes "The Enduring," a serious poem; the author of that famous poem, "The Lion of the Nile," after long years, makes another striking contribntion called "Nemesis."

In Self-Cultnre, for July, the half-tone pictnres are particularly well chosen and printed. The descriptive articles present fine views of "The Island of Santa Catalina," "The Smithsonian Institntion," and "Life on the Viga." Thoughtful papers on "The Race Problem at the South," by Dr. Goldwin Smith; on "The People and Politics," by the Hon. Boyd Winchester; on "The Dominant Sea Power," by Leslie J. Perry, give food for reflection on prominent snbjects of the day. An amusing paper by F. W. Fitzpatrick, entitled "Fashion's Slaves," with pen and pencil drawings by the author, criticises freely the vagaries of Dame Fashion and her feminine devotees.

The July Forum has a number of interesting articles. Among them are: "The Trust Problem and its Solution," by Ex-Senator W. A. Peffer; "Lord Rosebery and the Premiership," by H. W. Lucy, who contributes the weekly "Essence of Parliament" to Punch; "Was Columbus Morally Irresponsible?" by Prof. C. Lombroso, the eminent criminologist.

McClure's Magazine, for July, opens with a very instructive account of the antomobile as it is seen to-day. Another article that gives information of extraordinary interest is Prof. Simon Newcomb's account of the tremendous problems that just now press npon astronomers for solntion. This article is illustrated from some of the most remarkable of the recent telescopic photographs, especially of the Milky Way, showing clearly stars that the human eye, even with the aid of the strongest telescope, has never seen. A biographical sketch of Rudyard Kipling by his friend, Prof. Charles Eliot Norton, the only authorized account of Kipling's life ever given to the public, is another interesting contribntion. Miss Tarbell's account of "Lincoln's Great Victory in 1864" supplies new illnstration of the immense hold that Lincoln secured, by his wisdom, shrewdness, kindness, and honesty, on the faith and affection of the people.

In the July number of the Critic, Othon Guerlac writes on the late French dramatist, Francisque Sarcey. Frederick Dickson continues his series of articles entitled, "Thackeray's Contributions to Punch." The usual interesting and instructive notes by the editors are of importance to those desiring to keep posted npon current literature.

THE BOOK AND PERIODICAL UNIVERSITY.

Some of us, especially those not privileged to attend college, are liable to underrate the master-teachers and professors of learning that come to our homes from day to day, and sometimes make their abode in our libraries.

Young man, young preacher, what university wonld you attend? Whose lectures wonld you hear? Snppose you preserve those six lectnres by Bishop Hendrix, published recently in the Nashville Christian Advocate, and reread and study them, and keep them for future reference. They might impart more and more lasting good to your mind and heart than many get from an entire session at college. "The word is nigh thee"; wisdom is within the reach of all. Books, magazines and newspapers are turning the world into a great university, where almost everything is taught, and where almost everything may be learned. How much a man may learn often depends more upon the receptive capacities of his mind than upon the source of instruction. A cup will dip no more out of the ocean than out of a spring. Many are deluded in attending colleges and universities. Twenty-five dollars' worth of books, judiciously selected and faithfully studied, wonld profit many a young man more than $250 or $500 expended in attending a college or a university. We need not pay so much simply to learn how to study. Prepare yourself for college before you go, or if you never go to college.

As for myself, I wish I had four pairs of eyes and forty hours a day to read all the good things that come in my way.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

NOTE FROM "GILDEROY."

I have written no line or word for the press on the Gibbs-Wagner controversy in Water Valley. The effort to twist what I said on the school question into that controversy is a perversion and a falsehood.

R. G. PORTER.

Ripley, Miss., July 10, 1899.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were introduced at Sardis District Conference, adopted, and requested for publication in NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE:

Whereas, Our church has but recently been freed from an embarrassing debt upon its missionary appropriations; And, whereas, We learn that the collections for this cause to date have not been sufficient to meet current expenses, which would seem to force upon the secretaries the necessity of incurring other liabilities; And, whereas, We deem such a policy unwise, unbusiness-like, and hurtful to the general interest of the church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we urge the pastors, one and all, to use the greatest endeavor to raise, as early as possible, the full amount of their foreign missionary assessments, and forward same promptly to the treasurer.

Resolved, That if, after faithful effort, the collections are not sufficient to meet the demands of the foreign work as enterprised in the judgment of this body, it would be wiser and better to require the missionaries in the field to accept a pro rata share of the funds on hand, and await further collections for balance of salary, rather than that the church should be again burdened with debt.

J. D. CAMERON,
J. H. SMITH.
W. W. MITCHELL.

HE DIED WITHOUT IT.

In one of Birmingham's hospitals last week there died a man without a loved one, a friend or even acquaintance to speak a word of sympathy or cheer to his hungered soul. In his pockets, after death, all that was found was a card, on which were the following lines:

"Do not keep the alabaster boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until your friends are dead. Speak approving, cheering words while their hearts can be thrilled and made happier by them; the kind things you mean to say when they are gone, say before they go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins, send to brighten and sweeten their homes before they leave them. If my friends have alabaster boxes put away, full of fragrant perfumes of sympathy and affection, which they intend to break over my dead body, I would rather they would bring them out in my weary and troubled hours and open them, that I may be refreshed and cheered by them while I need them. I would rather have a plain coffin without a flower, a funeral without a eulogy, than a life without the sweetness of love and sympathy. Let us learn to anoint our friends beforehand for their burial. Postmortem kindness does not cheer the burdened spirit. Flowers on the coffin cast no fragrance backward over the weary way."—Tuskaloosa Times.

A NOBLE CHARITY.

Philadelphia is following the example of New York in the noble charity of supplying the poor with sterilized milk. In New York City infant mortality was reduced 20 per cent. in the localities furnished with this milk. In one of the poorest parts of Philadelphia the Sterilized Milk, Ice and Coal Society supplies four pounds of ice for one cent and six ounces of sterilized milk for the same sum. The opportunity to buy in small quantities the very best is a great blessing to people of very small means. Many a little child's life has been saved by sterilized milk, and the poor appreciate the incalculable boon. This charity appeals to the benevolent, and should be established in every large, crowded city of the United States.—Christian Intelligencer.

Difference of opinion prevails as to the outcome of The Hague Conference, many taking the position that nothing practical will result from it, but there seems to be a growing disposition among the governments represented to favor the principle of arbitration in some form. All may not now be gained that was hoped for, but a start has been made, and future conferences will do much to stay the hand of war and to prevent its wastes and ravages.—Presbyterian.

The true minister of the gospel looks for the results of his preaching more in the changed lives of his hearers than in the short-lived and often meaningless expressions of approval heard at the close of the service.—Recorder.

The heaviest words in our language are the two briefest ones, yes and no. One stands for the surrender of the will, the other for denial, one for gratification, the other for character.—Theodore T. Munger.

BIG DIVIDENDS.

A thonghtful pastor picked up a boy in the ontposts of his circuit, gave him a start in his primary studies, and then made it possible for that boy to go to one of our best schools. That was a contribntion to the twentieth century enterprise that will bring in larger dividends than many gilt-edge securities of men who think little of the possibilities of their investments. Let the church put her money into boys and girls, and they will bring in large returns, in the highest, noblest estate of consecrated womanhood and manhood.—Southern Christian Advocate.

NOTES.

Dr. J. T. Sawyer has removed his family to Shreveport.

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Bishop J. P. Newman, of the M. E. Church, died at Saratoga, N. Y., on the fifth.

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A Woman's Home Mission Society was organized at Flora, Miss., July 3, 1899; Rev. J. G. Cammack, P. C. Who next?

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"Children's Day money" should be remitted promptly to W. T. Griffin, Mayersville, Miss., as the treasurer is not in the State.

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Rev. J. M. Alford writes that on account of prevailing "charbon" in the community the Denham Springs Camp Meeting has been postponed.

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Rev. H. W. May, of the Louisiana Conference, paid an appreciated call at the ADVOCATE office last week en route to the Baton Rouge District Conference at Zachary.

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Rev. R. C. Grace writes: "Many thanks to the brethren for their kind and sympathizing letters that they have written to me since the death of my darling wife. Brethren, pray for me. I am so lonely."

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"Studies of Bible Truths" is the title of a book from the pen of Bishop Keener, recently published by Barbee & Smith. We are in receipt of a copy, but have not yet had time to read it. We hope to have that pleasure in the near future.

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Bishop Galloway spoke in the interest of the Twentieth Century Educational Movement last Friday at Clarksdale, Miss.; on Saturday at Springfield, Tenn., and on Sunday at Tulip Street, Nashville. He will spend next Sunday at the Seashore Camp Meeting.

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Rev. J. G. Galloway writes: "The corner-stone of our new church is to be laid July 12. Work is progressing nicely, and by Sept. 1 we will have completed a church which will be a credit to the town and a monument to the devotion and self-sacrifice of our people."

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The patrons of the Grenada Female College will be glad to learn that Rev. W. M. McIntosh has secured the service of Mrs. M. I. Hoskins, of Corinth, Miss., as hall teacher. It is said that there is not a more brilliant woman than Mrs. Hoskins in the State of Mississippi. She is a daughter of Col. Inge, and has had large experience in college work.

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Rev. T. W. Lewis writes: "I have received ninety-one into the church so far. Had a meeting recently. Preached twenty-nine times myself. Bro. J. M. Bradley preached eight or ten times. Had fifteen conversions. We now have 436 members. Yesterday morning we had 194 present in Sunday-school—the largest attendance ever known in Corinth. In the afternoon we organized the second Methodist Sunday-school in the city. Bishop Candler's presidency at Jackson was enjoyed by everybody. His preaching was the strongest ever known in this country."

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We are in receipt of a private letter from Rev. H. R. Singleton, the following extract from which will be read with interest by his numerous friends in this section: "We have just closed a great meeting, conducted by Rev. J. B. Culpepper, of our church. All the churches, save the Catholic, took an active part. Over 350 took the W. C. T. U. pledge, and will organize that association. Over 150 have organized a Y. M. C. A. These two orders represent the best class of our citizens. All the churches are revived, backsliders reclaimed, and many members have been and will be received. I will receive my third class on Sunday next, making about 100 members in all since January. All departments of church work have taken on new life, and the outlook is brighter than for many years. I have secured and moved into a new parsonage, nicely furnished and very convenient—one of the best I have occupied. Of course finances will be in full."

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The League recently organized at Keatchie, La., notice of which was given in our columns, was the result of the earnest, persistent labors of the pastor, Rev. J O. Bennett.

We make the above statement because some supposed that it was the result of the District League rally. The League dates its organization some weeks prior to the League meeting held in Shreveport.

It still remains true, however, that Leagues recently organized in many places were evidences of influences set in motion during meetings held in the various districts. Let the Leaguers hold district meetings where possible.

The Burgundy Street (New Orleans) Epworth League recently pledged five dollars for "specials," and have already paid seven dollars and fifty cents. They will devote themselves during the remainder of the year in assisting in raising the "regular" collections "in full."

Would it not be a great thing for the Mississippi, North Mississippi and Louisiana Annual Conferences to report "everything in full" at their approaching sessions? We verily believe that the efforts of the Leaguers properly directed could bring such things to pass.

We hereby extend the right hand of editorial fellowship to the Rev. Henry G. Hawkins, of Madison, Miss., who, at the instance of the State Conference of Epworth Leagues in Mississippi, is appointed associate editor of our department for the next twelve months. He may consider himself a member of the "craft." We judge him "worthy and well qualified," and promise him plenty of room for the exercise of his gifts.

INTERNATIONAL EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Mississippi delegation to the International League Conference, to be held at Indianapolis, July 20-23, will assemble at Meridian on the evening of July 18. Leaguers may leave Jackson on 7 P. M. train, July 18, and join the crowd at Meridian.

The following are the reasons why the Committee on Transportation to Indianapolis chose the Queen and Crescent route:

1. There was an invitation to join the Alabama and Georgia Leaguers at Birmingham, Ala. They had representatives at the Mississippi State League Conference bringing the invitation.

2. The scenery along the Queen and Crescent route is so much better than that of the other roads.

3. The time required for the trip is shorter. It is via Meridian, Birmingham, Chattanooga, Cincinnati.

The meeting will be in progress at different points in the city the same hours, viz: The Tent, Tomlinson Hall, Opera House, and sometimes at the churches. A great variety of live subjects are on the programme, and speakers from all the good walks of life and from all sections of American Methodism. There are patriotic concerts and various inviting intellectual and spiritual feasts.

The programme takes up nearly two pages of The Epworth Era. About the first name on it is Gov. James A. Mount, of Indiana; the last is Rev. G. J. Bond, of Halifax, Nova Scotia. HENRY G. HAWKINS.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS, ATTENTION!

At the last State League Conference a Constitution was adopted which requires that a district secretary be appointed for each presiding elder's district in the two Conferences. This secretary is to be appointed by the president upon recommendation of the district. These secretaries ought to be appointed at once, that our State work may be organized and pressed forward without hindrance or delay. Let the Leaguers, especially the presidents of the various Leagues in the various districts, write to me their recommendations within ten days from date of this issue of the ADVOCATE. More anon.

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THE MILLSAPS LAW CLASS.

Chancellor H. C. Conn this morning received notification from the Judges of the Mississippi Supreme Court that the law class of Millsaps College, which stood examination at Raymond during the first week in June, had all successfully passed without exception.

The class was composed of Messrs. Green, Clifton, Fitzhugh, Power, Watkins, Livingston, Hall, Leverett, Terry and Simonton, and they all made very high averages. Accompanying the notice is granted license to practice law within the State of Mississippi.

This is the third law class that has graduated from Millsaps College, and it makes a total of thirty-nine graduates, none of whom have failed to secure license to practice. The attorneys of Jackson regard it a most remarkable record and a fine compliment to Millsaps College and Judge Edwin Mayes, the instructor in law.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

I am just home off a two weeks' tour, during which I attended the State Epworth League Conference at West Point, the Aberdeen District Conference at Tupelo, the Corinth District Conference at Inka, and the Columbus District Conference at Pheba, all of which I enjoyed very much. These occasions of reunion and communion draw us nearer together in Christian fellowship and service. The cordial greetings and kind words of the brethren are encouraging to one engaged in special connectional work.

Bishop Candler is a great force in a District Conference, both in the chair and in the pulpit, as was evidenced at Inka. His wise counsels and four powerful sermons made profound impressions upon all who heard him, and will doubtless bear much and abiding fruit. He greatly endeared himself to preachers and people who were present. The Conference at Inka will long be remembered for its inspiring and uplifting effect.

The Conferences at Tupelo and Pheba were good to the use of edifying. Presiding Elders Wyatt and Burroughs performed their functions well, and all present conspired together to make the occasions pleasant and profitable. As the several secretaries will furnish synopsis of proceedings, I forbear further details.

Last Sunday was a great day for Winona Methodism; the new church was solemnly dedicated to the worship and service of God in the presence of a large congregation, after an excellent sermon by Rev. J A. Bowen, of Columbus. Led by their faithful pastor, Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb, many of the devout ones were glad that morning when it was said, "Let us go up to the house of the Lord," and they returned to their homes rejoicing because of the "new house," the glory of which is greater than that of the former.

Rev. J M. Massey, pastor of Sturgis circuit, is very sick with fever. Many prayers are being offered for his recovery. The wife of Rev. S. B. Myers, of Tupelo, is also quite sick. We hope and pray for her speedy restoration to health. Capt. J. T. Lay, a prominent member of our church, died very suddenly at his home in Winona on last Sunday night. By his contribution of $4,000 the building of the new church in Winona was made sure, the total cost of which was nearly $11,000.

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Winona, Miss., July 7, 1899.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

Our second round terminated with the District Conference session, held at Coushatta, June 29-July 2. There has been advance on most all lines and on most every charge, the delightful session of the District Conference being a fitting culmination of the work of the preachers during the quarter. The utmost good feeling prevailed throughout, and Sunday night a splendid closing service was had, with two bright conversions, and very many Christians and others giving their hand to signify that they had been greatly blessed during the Conference session.

At 11 A. M., of Saturday, Rev. J. S. Sanders preached on the baptism of power, his sermon receiving the signal endorsement of the Holy Ghost, who fell in refreshing and strengthening power upon preachers and people. Every morning session was preceded by a prayer service, in which our church, her people, interests, and the Twentieth Century Movement, were made the special subjects of our petitions.

The Sunday-school and Epworth League hours on Thursday yielded very much of value to those whose labors are in these attractive fields of work.

The Educational Meeting, on Friday night, was a grand occasion, and so also was the Missionary Meeting on Friday afternoon. The magnates present were on the field, and sound principles, strong thoughts, pleasing rhetoric, scintilating oratory, and a collection, all entered into those brilliant occasions.

Dr. Cooper, of Centenary, and President Sligh, of Mansfield, were with us, and divided the honors with our home orators, Dr. Bolling and Rev. John L P. Sheppard.

On Saturday, Rev. J. O. Bennett read a most excellent paper on missions, and Sunday, at 3.30 P. M, Rev. P O. Lowrey discoursed entrancingly to the children. The love-feast, at 9:30, was led by Rev. R P. Howell, and was a spiritual feast indeed.

Miss Lizzie Paxson, of the Woman's Missionary Society, and Mrs. Hutchins, of the Home Mission Society, addressed the Conference.

All the preaching was first-class—scriptural, incisive, practical, conscience-probing and heart-reaching, each aiming for immediate results.

The host of the Conference was Paul M. Brown, who made royal provision for us all. We sympathized greatly with the people of Coushatta charge in having to give up this valuable man of God. With his accomplished wife and interesting family, his lot is to be cast soon in the Baton Rouge district, where he will take under his wise management the Johnston Collegiate Institute. We are pained to have him go, but we feel sure that he will save and establish that school. He will leave multitudes of friends whose prayers will follow him to his new and most difficult field of labor for God and souls.

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Write it on the churchyard mound,
Where the rum-slain dead are found;
Write it on the gallows high.
Write for all the passers-by,
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it in the nation's laws,
Blotting out the license clause;
Write it on each ballot white,
So it can be read aright,
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it on our ships that sail,
Borne along by storm and gale;
Write it large in letters plain,
Over every land and main,
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it over every gate,
On the church and halls of state,
In the hearts of every band,
On the laws of every land,
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

FRETFULNESS.

Did you ever sit down and deliberately reflect upon what is the greatest trouble in this world? what is the source of its greatest daily unhappiness? I have, and it seems to me that what are thought to be our greatest trials are often truly blessings in disguise.

Poverty, ill-health, and even the sorrow of death can be so consecrated and borne that after awhile we can thank God for having given them to us. They leave no bitter memory behind when they have left us. Such things are not always our greatest troubles; but there are certain ways of behavior, manifestations of traits of disposition which some of us have which drive the sunshine from our homes and clouds the heavenly blue for every heart which loves us. Take, for instance, that unfortunate habit of fretfulness which is the besetting sin of some young girls. Did you ever stop to consider, my dear frownie face, who are so clever with your fingers, and have such a nice taste in the making of pretty things and in the pleasant arrangement of a room, that you spoil the charm of your whole morning's work when you say to mama, just as papa and the boys go off to business: "Oh, dear! how those men do litter things about. I just have to clean up after them always the instant they leave the room."

You may work, to use your own expression, your fingers to the bone, to keep all things neat and tidy, and to make home pleasant, but it never will be pleasant as long as you live in such a spirit. Papa and the boys are glad when you go away for a visit, and even mama—though she misses your efficient help—heaves a sigh of relief, to think that for a week or two she will not have to excuse your sharp tongue to your brothers, or to try to keep them from exasperating you.

You are surprised, are you not, my poor frownie face, that I should speak to you in this cruel way, when, as you say, you are "always doing something for somebody?" "Yes, you are," said Tom when you made that remark in his presence the other day, "and then you are always telling of it afterward." "Love vaunted not herself," my child.

Did you never observe how catching this habit of fretfulness is? It is worse than the measles. The other morning, for example, when you came down stairs and found Tom's muddy tracks all across the hall and over the sitting-room carpet. Perhaps you remember what you said to him, and what he answered in return. Your father, who was glancing over the paper, heard you both, and it disturbed him more than usual because his heart was full of business cares, so there was a sharp note in his voice as he reproved Eugene with unnecessary severity for leaving the door open, and Eugene, being irritated, slapped Peggy because she joggled him as he was passing the water at the table. Then you scolded Bridget because the plates were not hot, and so it went on—it was like an endless chain. After breakfast mama retired to her room with a headache, and the others went off to school and to business each in a bad temper, and you were left to wrestle with the sitting-room fire alone. It was a miserable day, and you thought everybody was to blame but yourself. Now I am going to show you, partly, how far-reaching the effects of your cross morning were, for I can never trace for you all the mischief that was done; it is only in part that I can bring it before your eyes.

To begin with, your father went away irritated, and he did not conduct his case in court in that calm and equable manner which is usual to him, so the other side gained an advantage which he found it hard to retrieve. To your mother, who is burdened with many cares, it was like the "last straw" to which the proverb alludes—she went to bed sick; she could endure no more. Tom's carelessness was not improved by your reproof, and he went away with a feeling of downright hatred toward you in his heart. The children set off for school cross and miserable, instead of being happy and light hearted. Bridget was out of tune all day, and it took many long hours for each one of your family to recover the serenity which you had disturbed by your irritating words.

I know that you sometimes have a little feeling of wonder in your heart, which is perhaps not altogether unmixed with jealousy, when you see how much fonder your friend Sunny Eyes' home people are of her than yours are of you. Sunny Eyes' brothers are always hanging about her and frolicking with her. Sunny Eyes' little sister trots after her all day long, and Sunny Eyes' father and mother are quick with their appreciation and caresses. And yet you are sure that Sunny Eyes does not work as hard for her people as you do for yours. I think you are right about that, but I wish you could realize that it is not only what we do, but what we are, that counts. Sunny Eyes is that delightful creature, a good-natured girl. She is more than that, she is positively merry. She laughs easily; she makes a good deal of fun as she goes along. It is surprising how delightful such a disposition is in the family, and when you add to it an unselfish spirit, you have a combination which makes a person a blessing indeed.

Now this world is just as full as it can hold of little irritations, little trials, little annoyances, and they touch us on every side of our nature by the express will of God, and if we allow them to disturb us, and to cloud the serenity of our spirits, we are frustrating the very purpose for which God sends them to us; for he wants us to meet them and to conquer them, and realizing their pettiness, to rise above them. We can do it if we follow in the footsteps of our Master; none of these things troubled him, though he was continually beset by all sorts of petty annoyances. "Be of good cheer," said Jesus, "I have overcome the world."—Eleanor A. Hunter, in Christian Work.

DUTY TO ONE'S SELF.

In a certain household located in northern New England, a house set among rugged hills and dimpling valleys, there lives a woman whom the angels write upon the roll of their saints. Her life is one of unremitting toil hard, unrequited, and unrecognized. The people around her, relatives by marriage, are incapable of appreciating the rare heroism of her life, the sweet beauty of her constant, uncomplaining devotion to her daily duty.

I do not think she has an ideal. She is too simple and straightforward, and much too busy, to think about how her conduct impresses others. She spends day after day, year after year, in caring for childhood and tending querulous old age; and through a weary and monotonous life, filled with drudgery, she keeps the sunny sweetness which distinguished her as a girl. It never occurs to her, either, that she is to be pitied or admired, or that she is doing anything extraordinary.

But her self-abnegation is making her young daughters thoughtless of their mother's rights and claims. They are surprised when she occasionally expresses a wish for a change of scene or a new gown, or hints at being included in some projected party of pleasure. Her husband accepts her unremitting service as his due, and seldom puts himself out to show how much he thinks of it and of her. Indeed, it has become to him like the commonplaces of the sky and earth and air, and he takes it in the same way, as a matter of course, and will never acknowledge what it is to him till one of these days it is gone. Even then it will not be evident to him that his wife died of devotion to him and his, a martyr to too great disregard of self, too unstinted outpouring for her family.

Dear sisters, there are some of you who need this reminder. God asks of you an account of one soul of his fashioning entrusted by him to your care. For the talents he entrusted to you he will exact a full report at the end of the day. You have no excuse for squandering yourself, your precious wife, you beloved mother, you faithful daughter or sister. I know a woman growing thin and gray—a woman who toils strenuously in an exhausting profession, earning her salary in the literal wearing out of her strength—and twice in the last five years she has bestowed every penny of her savings on a strong, but indolent relative, a man who has never had force enough to take care of himself, but who does not scruple to take advantage of her weak unselfishness. Is she praiseworthy? Is she not rather responsible to a large degree for his pettiness and his disgraceful lack of manly chivalry?

Depend upon it, that each of us owes a plain duty to herself. This duty includes a proper care for our physical well-being, a taking whatever belongs to us, in consideration from others, in time and in leisure, and a recollection that we are God's children, and as such entitled to our share of what God meant us to have. Too much of the altruistic spirit and attitude may rebound unfavorably, and harm rather than help the very persons it hoped to elevate and broaden.—Mrs. M. E. Sangster, in Congregationalist.

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Unless your religion changes you, makes you honest in business, pious behind counters, temperate at dinner tables, loyal to your country, affectionate to your family, neighborly in your community, conscientious at the ballot box, patient in affliction, humble, cheerful and hopeful everywhere and always; unless it links you in brotherhood with the poorest of God's children; unless it leads you on errands of mercy to hovels and hospitals and prisons, as well as to cushioned pews and sacramental boards; unless you live Christ on week days as well as worship him on Sabbath day, then we had better take a look into our religious life and see if it will stand the judgment of the Lord Jesus.—Southern Churchman.

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The Book of Life the shining record tells."

Capt. Samuel C. Bains was born in Tuscaloosa county, Ala., Jan. 15, 1821, being the youngest of four children. His father, the Rev. James Bains, was a Baptist minister who at first resided in South Carolina, but who removed to what was then the Chootaw Nation in Mississippi in 1827. Capt. Bains was at first a citizen of Holmes county, where he resided until 1859, he then became a citizen of Choctaw county, where he remained for three years, and he then moved to Valden, Carroll county, Miss., which was from that time his home. He was thrice married; the first time to Miss Lucy Paulding, to whom one child was born, which died, with its mother, at an early age; the second time to Miss Henrietta Sample, to whom eleven children were born, six of whom are now living; and in 1874 to Mrs. Florence Peebles, who, with the two sons born to her, survives her deceased husband.

In 1861, when the tocsin of Civil War sounded, Mr. Bains, then in the prime of life, raised a company of one hundred and forty men, which was known as the Valden Artillery. Of this company he was made captain, and did valiant service throughout the war. He was in the battles of Shiloh and Corioth, and in the siege of Vicksburg, where he was taken prisoner. He was subsequently exchanged, and was in the siege of Mobile.

At the close of the war Capt. Bains engaged in the mercantile business, at which he was a decided success. In 1888 he retired from business, and thereafter lived quietly at home with his family. Until about two years ago he was remarkably well preserved physically, but suddenly it was discovered that that awful malady, Bright's disease of the kidneys, had fastened itself upon him. From that time his decline was steady. He faded gradually from existence like an Autumn sunset. The feeble fire of life burned lower and lower, until at last it flickered and went out. Throughout his illness he was patient, trustful, and resigned. Loving forms bent tenderly above him to soothe his suffering brow, and to perform for him the sweet ministries of affection. The end, which came Sunday morning, May 7, 1899, was peaceful. "God's finger touched him, and he slept." The whole community followed his remains to the cemetery, loving tributes were paid to his memory, and his grave was literally covered with flowers.

Such, briefly told, are the leading events of a long, noble, and useful life. It is impossible within the narrow compass of an obituary notice to discuss intelligently a character like that of Capt. Bains. I can only speak very briefly of a few of his most prominent traits. Perhaps his most striking characteristic was his unswerving adherence to what he conceived to be right. He was the embodiment of that old Latin saying, "Mild in manner, resolute in conviction." His ways were gentle and kind, but in a matter of right or wrong, he was fixed and immovable. He abhorred that which is evil, and held fast to that which is good. He stood uncompromisingly against vice of every form, and when wicked men sought to fasten evils upon the community, though all others might be silent, his voice never failed to ring out in condemnation. He would form no truce with the powers of darkness, but with drawn sword and flashing eye he ever stood a brave and fearless champion of the right. He would have suffered martyrdom rather than sacrifice the truth. Scores of young men who were saved from moral bankruptcy and ruin by his watchfulness and courage will rise up in eternity and call him blessed.

Capt. Bains was an exemplary Christian. He was a consistent and active member of the M. E. Church, South. For many years he was a faithful, conscientious Sunday-school teacher; always punctual, always at his post. He believed in the Bible as the inspired Word of God. He accepted its doctrines, lived its precepts, and proved its promises. The moral element in him was strong. Duty was his watchword, and to him the voice of conscience was imperative. I have not known a disciple of the Master who had a more complete mastery of himself.

But, after all, it was, perhaps, in the family circle that our deceased friend was at his best. His home life was beautiful beyond description. Not a jar or jostle; order everywhere; love beaming from every face; each one considerate of all the others; kindness in every voice. Such homes are all too rare in this world of ours. Among his sons the deceased seemed more like an elder brother than a father. He exercised authority, to be sure, but so gently was it done that those who obeyed were unconscious that they were yielding obedience. It was more like taking the advice of an older and more experienced friend. He gained and kept the confidence of his boys, and no higher tribute can be paid his memory than to say that he has left eight sons behind, and that there is not one of them who is not orderly, moral, and upright.

But this happy home circle is now broken. Its honored head, which constituted its concentripetal bond, has passed away, and those who remain are enveloped in the dense gloom of sorrow. But this circle may be re-formed to abide forever beneath the cloudless skies of the eternal city. God grant that it may be so.

R. A. MEEK.

MRS. MELISSA M. COFFEE.

A letter from Bro. and Sister E. J. Guice brings the sad news of the death of this Christian lady. She passed away at their home in Franklin county, Miss., June 8, 1899.

Mrs. Coffee was born June 7, 1826. At what age she was born from above we are not informed, but we think early in life. She was a matured Christian, full of faith and good works, thirty-one years ago, when we first became acquainted with her. Her maiden name was Guice. Her husband, Rev. Nathan Coffee, was at one time a member of the Mississippi Conference. He died many years ago, as did also their only son, and now they all sleep side by side in the cemetery at Fayette, Miss.

Mrs. Coffee was a consistent and useful member of the church, and was loved and revered by all who knew her.

As I write these lines memory is fresh of the many saints of God who flourished on the Fayette circuit in 1860, when I was there, a boy preacher, the assistant of Rev. H. F. Johnson, of precious memory. They were all kind to me, but none more so than Sister Coffee and her saloted husband. They are nearly all gone now, but I shall meet them again in a better world. If the younger generation of Methodists on that circuit measure up to the standard of their predecessors, the church is safe in their keeping. W. B. LEWIS.

O'QUIN—THOMAS JEFFERSON O'QUIN was born Oct. 11, 1830; married Jan. 18, 1852, to Miss M. L. Vause. On the morning of April 18, 1899, he started out to enjoy a morning's walk. He was gone only a short time when his devoted wife began to be uneasy. When they began looking for him, he was found at the back gate dead. How sad to give up our much-loved and honored citizen! No one knew him but to love him. He was very quiet; loved to stay at home. He read a great deal. Yes, he has gone, but we will ever cherish his memory, and endeavor to emulate his virtues.

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FISHER—FLORENCE FISHER, the infant daughter of Bro. Ernest Fisher and Sister Ada Fisher, fell on sleep June 3, and was laid to rest in the cemetery at Edwards.

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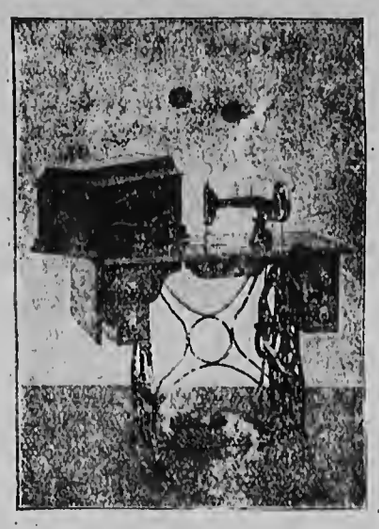

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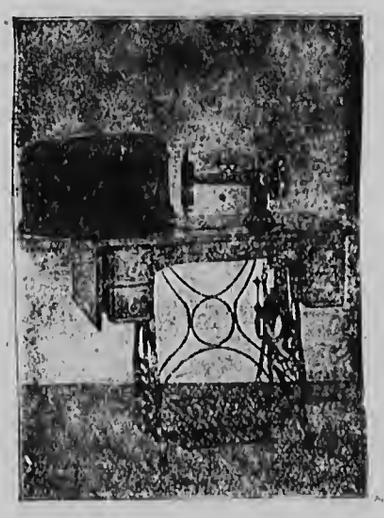

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Admiral Cervera and the other commanders of the Spanish fleet destroyed in the battle of Santiago, whose conduct has been the subject of inquiry by special court-martial, have been acquitted and formally liberated.

A London capitalist has offered to construct at Southend a huge sea wall, at a cost of $3,000,000, and asks in return permission to use the tidal force for working a generating plant to supply London with electricity.

It is reported that the Czar of Russia is very much disappointed at the evident failure of the Peace Conference. Disarmament has proven entirely unacceptable to all of the powers, and arbitration has been about the only subject upon which there has developed a remote prospect of agreement.

Plans for the Dewey celebration have been outlined at a meeting of the committee in New York. It has been decided practically that there shall be a two-days' celebration and land and naval parade. Admiral Dewey will pass under a large triumphal arch to be constructed either in City Hall Park or Madison Square Park at a cost of $10,000.

Although no definite settlement of the differences existing between the British Government and the Transvaal authorities has yet been arrived at, the situation wears a decidedly more pacific aspect. The firmness of Lord Salisbury's Government has convinced the Boers that Great Britain would use force, if need be, to compel the recognition of the just rights of the outlanders in the Transvaal.

Never before in the history of the country, according to the calculations of the financial journals, has so great an amount of money been distributed as was disbursed in the shape of dividends and interest payments upon July 1, just past. Although there is no way of accurately aggregating the amount of these disbursements, it is believed that they were in the neighborhood of $150,000,000.

According to the latest advices from Washington, all efforts to arrive at a temporary arrangement or modus vivendi as to the Alaska boundary have failed, and, as a result, the whole question remains in a most unsatisfactory shape. Owing to the peculiar circumstances of the case, delay in arriving at a settlement is actually dangerous, and a temporary agreement is absolutely essential to a proper maintenance of law and order on the border-land.

After a couple of months of negotiations, the Peace Conference, now sitting at The Hague, has finally formulated its arbitration proposals, and has adjourned in order to afford its members an opportunity to consult with their respective Governments before finally adopting the arbitration plan. While, therefore, completed as far as the members of the conference are concerned, the arbitration plan is not yet final, as it is yet liable to changes to be made by direction of the different powers represented.

Emperor William's visit to the French training-ship "Iphigenie" at Bergen, on Thursday, and his cordial exchange of telegrams with President Loubet were received with great enthusiasm. As one paper puts it, it promises to be the turning-point in the world's history. At the opening of the Kiel Canal his majesty went on board one of the French ships, but in the present instance it is maintained the Emperor set foot on the deck of a French vessel, which is equivalent to French soil, by the express invitation of her commander, who was acting upon instructions from his Government.

Governor Foster will call the General Assembly in special session, to meet on Tuesday, Aug. 8, and close on Tuesday, Aug. 22. The business which is to be put before the Legislature on this occasion is to be, first, to authorize the city of New Orleans to organize a Sewerage and Water Board to construct and administer great public sanitary works, and in this connection, through the aid of a constitutional amendment to that effect, to permit the issuing of bonds based on a special tax, the proceeds of which are to be used in the construction of the public works so provided for. In addition to local matters, the Legislature will be asked to carry into effect Article 281 of the Constitution, authorizing various cities, towns and drainage districts of the State to levy special taxes and issue bonds for works of improvement and protection from floods, and for sanitary purposes.

The end of the greatest flood ever known in the Brazos valley, Texas, is now in sight. The crest of the water is now within fifty miles of the gulf and the fresh water is pouring through many small channels to the salt. The water has spread out over the low lands on the coast and the Brazos is now over fifty miles wide, extending half across Brazoria county in one way and will soon cover the whole length of 150 miles. The people are now getting their heads together and are deciding on their together and are deciding on their plans. The response to the appeal for help has been most liberal, but it can be only temporary; the destitute people are farmers, big and little, and will have to provide for themselves for twelve months after the charity has been expended.

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Calhoun, at Mosier's Chapel 11 A M.	9
Ada and Winfield	12, 13
Rapides Camp Meeting	13-19
Spring Creek at Fellowship	26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept 2, 3
Montgomery and Olinx, at C	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek at ——11 A. M., 8 P. M.	21
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Pine Grove, at Camp Ground	19
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Slaughter, at Slaughter	26, 27
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Donaldsonville	27
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Zwolle, at Zwolle	12, 13
Pelican, at Williams' Chapel	16
Manafield	22
Pleasant Hill, at Rocky Mount	26, 27
Red River, at Knox Point	Sept. 2, 3
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope	9, 10
Coushatta, at Brownsville	13
Wesley, at Davis Springs	16, 17

The pastors will please be prepared to answer Questions 14, 16, 17, 19 and 20. The written report required by Question 17 should be full on each of the five points. The answer to Question 19 should be, "I have read and expounded them." ¶ 123 of the Discipline requires preachers in charge "to see that a fast be held in every congregation within his charge on the Friday preceding every quarterly meeting, and that suitable service be held on the occasion wherever practicable." Let the stewards answer Question 8 with full returns: "For the Scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The laborer is worthy of his reward." (1 Timothy v. 18.)

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

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French Settlement, at Cypremort	17
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New Iberia	29, 30
Abbeville	Aug. 5, 6
Lafayette	12, 13
Opelousas	19, 20
Lake Arthur	26, 27
Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point	9, 10
Plaquemine Brule, at Coyne	16, 17
Grand Chenier, at Leesburg	23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vinton	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

Durant District Conference.

Durant District Conference will meet at Ackerman, Miss., July 27. Trains arrive from Durant: Mail, 6 P. M.; local, 11 A. M. From West Point: Mail, 10:25 A. M.; local, 9 A. M.; special, 7 P. M.

Let us know how many to expect from the work. We will continue our meeting. Bro. McIntosh assisting. Let us have a full delegation.

R. M. EVANS, P. C.

Ackerman, Miss., July 8, 1899.

Providence Camp Meeting

The Providence Camp Meeting will begin on Thursday night, July 27, and embrace the fifth Sabbath.

We ask all who attend Sny Sunday-school, who can be with us at 9 A. M., to come prepared to recite the lesson for July 30, without reference to their papers during recitation.

Providence is twelve miles east of Hazlehurst, Miss., and will be connected with that place by hacks.

C. McDONALD, P. C.

Tryus, Miss., July 10, 1899.

NOTICE.

To the Preachers in Charge in the Forest District—

DEAR BRETHREN: Please see that new Quarterly Conference Record Books, edition of 1898, be procured on your circuits. The old records will not do. They can not contain the Minutes required by the Discipline of 1898. And be sure that the Church Registers and Records of Church Conferences be presented at the third Quarterly Conference. And, I beg of you, be ready to answer Questions 17 and 18 as the law expects them to be answered.

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FARRELL—WOOD.—At the parsonage in Tunica, Miss., July 2, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Graves, Mr. H. P. Farrell to Miss Myrtle Wood, all of Tunica, Miss.

PAINT TALKS, XVIII.

HOW TO SELECT A PAINT.

The many inquiries received from consumers since the publication of these "Paint Talks" was begun, show not only that the public are interested in the subject, but that information upon the matters discussed was much needed. Buyers appear to have learned, by costly experiment, that "strictly pure white lead" is not a durable paint material; but beyond that point they are all at sea.

Many correspondents who have followed the series and are persuaded of the reasonableness of the arguments advanced, write to inquire who manufactures the kind of paint described. As I have shown in preceding articles, it would be obviously unfair, in such a series, to mention one manufacturer at the expense of all the rest. The fact is that all the leading paint manufacturers produce combinations of zinc and white lead, zinc and barytes, zinc and silica, or mixtures of zinc, lead and barytes, silica or gypsum, which answer all the requirements of a lasting and economical paint and are in every respect superior to straight lead.

Unfortunately, as already pointed out, the old time lead corroders got the trade into the bad habit of calling all white paint "white lead," and all the old combinations which have made their reputations under that designation still come upon the market as "lead."

Manufacturers generally are glad to inform buyers as to the components of their products, and if the buyer knows what he wants the nearest manufacturer can probably furnish it.

In selecting a white or a tinted paint, therefore, the consumer should primarily demand a paint containing a fair proportion of zinc white (say from one-third to three-fourths lead), pure linseed oil, and no naphtha. With such a specification to start from he can open correspondence with the manufacturers in his vicinity and receive full information as to quality, price, quantity required, etc. For as soon as manufacturers are convinced that buyers are informed regarding the comparative usefulness of the several paint ingredients and, know that the inquirer is unprejudiced, they will frankly give full information and valuable advice.

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SUBMISSION.

BY MRS. ANNIE WITTENMYER.

Shall not the Lord of all the earth
In everything do right?
Why should I murmur or complain,
Whether he bless or smite?

I see but little of his plans,
And can not know what's best;
I'll claim his precious promises,
And trust him for the rest.

If he should scatter all the hopes
That I have nursed for years,
And spoil my little harvest store
That I have gleaned with tears;

'Twill be because he knoweth best
The things that should abide;
So I'll accept his sovereign will,
Whether he bless or chide.

—Exchange.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

It is too hot to write, to read, or to ink hard. Thinking is hard, hot rk when well done. Bishop Cand dug deep and plowed close to the rn at our District Conference at ka. He knows how to get at the lk in the cocoanut. He was overly xious to know everything concern- g the work and the workers. He pt on pumping till he found out. e "chap-logic" method of reaching nclusions was taking, amusing, and nderfully impressive. The points made were clear and as keen as a zor. They were pointed, pungent, netrating prods that went to the re of things. His preaching was riptural, practical, expository, hor- tory, and filled with the power of e Holy Ghost. His sermons were g and strong, and yet I heard no rd of complaint about long ser- ns. The interest rendered the ple insensible of the flight of e. If Bishop Candler preaches erywhere as often, as strong and as g as he did at Iuka, his preaching ys will soon come to an end. No man being, no steam engine, can t long under pressure of that kind. e "keepers of the house will trem- , the strong men bow themselves, wheel will break at the cistern, d so will the pitcher at the fount- ." The Bishop is solidly built, d was put up as if meant to stay , but the heat and hard work will ake the framework of his physical nhood.

In some sections the Mormons and Second-Day Adventists are sow- down the land with papers, tracts d books. The Mormons and the ventists both claim to have special d superior revelations from God. is makes them inspired interpre- of the Bible, and, in special revc- ions, superior to the written Word God. In some sections some achers and some people, full of thusiasm, but lacking in wisdom, im to have inspired interpreta- s of God's Holy Word and special velations from God. The funda- ntal tenet of their system and ching is exactly the same as that the Mormons and Adventists. In way, without knowing it or in- ding it, they are preparing a peo for Mormonism and Second Ad- tism. Both claim a hearing and and a surrender for one and the e reason—special revelations of truths from God, and revealed authoritative interpretations of written Word of God. Beware the leaven of Mormonism and of nd Adventism. New fads in logy are, generally, old errors amped and presented as new hs. For my own part, I shall d on the revealed and written of God as against all new reve- ns and inspired interpretations, ther by Mormons, Adventists, tists, Methodists, Presbyterians, hat not. The underlying princi- is a gross error, subversive of the h of God. The Mormons and the ventists have just as much right ew and better revelations, and to ired interpretations, as have some tists, some Presbyterians, and Methodists. I pitch all books, phlets and tracts into the fire claim to have new revelations inspired interpretations of God's Holy Word. I want no man or woman in my pulpit who claims to be wise above what is written in the Bible, or claims to give an inspired interpretation of God's Holy Book. All such teachers are dangerous, and they are either open or covert enemies of the truth of God. Some of these teachers do not know it, and do not intend it, but they are cleaning up the ground and preparing the land for the seed-sowing of Mormon elders. If I am not mistaken, this matter demands more than a passing notice. It is worthy of very serious consideration.

In some sections the drouth has been long and severe. In other parts the seasons have been favorable, and the crops are fine. GILDEROY.

July 14, 1899.

FAITH IN THE SEED SOWN.

Mrs. Florence Keiser Nance, who, it will be remembered, sailed for China about a year ago, writes an interesting personal letter giving her impressions of that mission field. We take the liberty of publishing the letter in part. Mrs. Nance writes from Shanghai, China:

A novice on a mission field is the better prepared to understand the work if she is without opinions entirely. I fancy most of us meet the Chinese with the feeling of superior beings, to whose ideas of every-day life and manner of social intercourse, as well as words, the inferior must come before he can stand on a plane with us; and that day is an auspicious one when we realize that the one thing we came to them for is to bring the knowledge of Christ. Having this, the veneer of custom which overlies and holds down every desire or ambition in a man for honest, genuine communication of thought or feeling must wear away.

I surprise myself every now and then by discovering in myself a feeling of warmth akin to love for some of these women I had expected to tolerate and make half-sisters of. They are so eager to know—know anything. Their little circumscribed lives so soon become evident to them when they come in contact with women whose opportunities for development are colossal beside their own. One must come face to face with the deformities of paganism to appreciate the graces of Christianity.

One grows impatient with the necessity of spending so much time in "loosening the tongue," so evident is it that the little one may know of the true life may be of inestimable value to the multitude around. This first lesson in patience stands the missionary in good stead—for future trials, I fancy. No matter what the ultimate capacity of a seed may be, nor how much of vitality it may in itself contain, we can not expect phenomenal growth if it is planted in a soil grown barren by years of non-cultivation, or weed-growth. Not only must we wait with patience for the signs of growth, but even after germination and visible signs of future vigor are given, constant care must be given our young plant, lest the old possessors of the soil, firm-rooted and wide-branched, crowd the interloper out of place. If this is true of a seed, it is just as true of the tiny particles of Christian truth which the servants of God are striving to plant in this great rank wilderness of weeds. One must have faith in the quality of seed sown, and be not lacking in vigorous attention to the infant plant.

I was talking with Bishop Wilson, soon after my arrival in China, full of disappointment at the seeming meager results of the work so faithfully done. His reply made me ashamed of myself and my narrow view. "You should see what the results of twenty years of such labor has been. I never felt so strongly encouraged to press on." And since then I have found out that those who know the work best are also those in whose hearts failure or discouragement seem to have no place.

You know of the recent meeting of the Educational Association in Shanghai, and have, doubtless, received a report of the proceedings. Those engaged in educational work find great pleasure and no little benefit in these triennial gatherings. What struck me especially was the fact that church differences seem of such minor importance in this essentially Christian organization. In this respect I was reminded of the Student Volunteer meetings.

Following closely this assembly was the Y. M. C. A. Convention—a three days' session held in the Anglo-Chinese College. As a power for good this body of young men is beginning to tell in China. Young life out here, as at home, is, or can be, full of eager, earnest enthusiasm.

In fact, when once one's eyes are opened, it is easy to find compensations enough for so-called "sacrifice" of self and ambition to work in China, and I am glad to be numbered among those who are willing and happy to spend a life in such service in the Orient.

"4—ADDITIONAL ECHOES."

Carrollton reports two more dollars, received from a gentleman and his wife now residing beyond the limits of Mississippi. To a circular letter they responded cheerfully. Rev. J. S. Oakley, P. E., reports thirty-six and 25-100 dollars from Durant. Rev. R. A. Burroughs, P. E., writes enthusiastically of the success of the rally at the Columbus District Conference. "Dr. Sullivan preached a great sermon. Plans are well laid for raising the full amount, four thousand six hundred and sixty-eight dollars. I believe all of it will be provided for by the meeting of Annual Conference." Rev. A. F. Watkins observed Twentieth Century Education Day at Vicksburg, using the programs furnished. He writes: "Amount received, one hundred twenty-one and 50-100 dollars. Of course, this is only the beginning of my effort. My plan is to continue the work by dividing my roll into ten smaller rolls of from forty-five to fifty names each; give these to my most active and intelligent Leaguers, and ask them to work up the lists for all they are worth. I feel confident of the success of the movement here."

Of course! That degree of faith, and that wise plan faithfully carried out, will succeed anywhere. Vicksburg is now engaged in building a twenty-thousand-dollar church. Let other Mississippi cities and towns take note of this. Let all pastors take note of the methods used by Bro. Watkins. He belongs to the "first class" described by Dr. Pritchett. I urge every preacher to read Dr. Pritchett's letter, and note his earnest words and wise suggestions. May his heroic faith and enthusiastic zeal become contagious! If any Mississippi preachers are in "class two" or "class three," let them at once secure a "transfer" to "class one."

More than one hundred preachers have not reported to me. Will they not do so?

We must prepare for a "Twentieth Century Education Rally" at our Annual Conference sessions next Fall. If any charge fail to report, we will lack that much of being prepared.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., July 17, 1899.

CORINTH DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Corinth District Conference met in the Methodist Church at Iuka, Miss., June 29, 1899. Bishop W. A. Candler presided. All the pastors were present except Bro. Foust, who was kept away by sickness. About forty lay delegates were present. The presiding elder, Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, reported the district to be strong in resources, though these resources are largely undeveloped. There are eighteen charges and over seven thousand members, yet more than half the charges receive appropriations from the Board of Missions, and the finances are badly behind. The Bishop inquired closely into these conditions, and none present will ever forget how he expressed himself as to the cause. Bro. Ramsey has met the issue squarely as it is, and is urging the pastors to preach the fundamental doctrines of the church. If his sound advice is faithfully carried out, and if the laymen will co-operate, the district will soon be in better condition.

The report on spiritual conditions revealed the fact that there had been only sixteen conversions so far during the year; that many of our people are unconcerned about the church, and that a very low spiritual standard exists all over the district.

Bishop Candler preached four times, and his sermons were just such as might be expected from him. As a great preacher, his superior can not be found, and his greatness is in spiritual power.

Rev. G. W. Bachman was present with a choice line of books, faithfully looking after the work committed to him.

Rev. M. L. Burton, manager of the Orphans' Home, was present; preached and secured a handsome sum for that institution.

Rev. W. M. McIntosh, the newly-elected president of Grenada Female College, made a fine impression on the Conference. He is very popular in this section, and no man in our Conference could have been called to take charge of this growing school who will add more to it than he. Our preachers and people may be relied upon to stand by Grenada.

Bro. Shumaker and his good people entertained us in regular Iuka fashion, and that means more than any adjectives can describe.

The next session goes to Booneville. J. M. BRADLEY, Sec.

Booneville, Miss.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We are as much as ever convinced of the ensing and blighting influence of the saloon, and of the great duty of our church which stands as the ever-vigilant sentinel of all those issues which shape the destiny of our State and make for the salvation of our people. We congratulate the brethren on the fact that up to this time our church has given forth no uncertain sound in this section of our country; but wherever the red flag of the saloon has flown in this district it has been hauled down, and the banners of Christian temperance raised in its stead. Who will haul it down? No open saloon in Columbus district, and a growing sentiment against it; and not only in this district, but all over the State, slowly, but surely, the enemy has been forced to yield, until only a few strongholds are left, and they are tottering.

But while we have these things for congratulation and thanksgiving, we would call attention to the fact that the fight is not done. As the century draws to a close the enemy is rallying his forces for our final struggle. Already the attack has begun in Hinds county, where is located our beloved institution of learning, Millsaps College. It is true that the enemy has been twice repulsed in their petitions by the narrow margins of three and nine, but they have not given up the fight. On all sides they are marshaling the base, the godless, the lawless; they are using the political conventions; they are leaving no stone unturned. Bishop Galloway and the good people of Jackson are doing all they can, but we must arouse to the sense of the danger of our college, and in token of the fact that we recognize that the fight is not with Jackson alone, but with every Christian citizen of the State, that we are thoroughly aroused, and that our interest is now centered upon them; and be it

Resolved, That we, in District Conference assembled, do express our heartfelt appreciation for the heroic work that is being done, and our willingness to aid by our influence, by our voices, and by our prayers.

Resolved, That we do not relax our vigilance in our own district, but redouble it, so that we may clear the harbor for the twentieth century without a gallon of whisky on board. May God help us and bless us in this work!

M. E. TUMLIN,
R. E. V. YEATES,
J. B. MITCHELL.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Baton Rouge District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, met in the Methodist Church in Zachary, La., July 5-9, 1899. The Conference was presided over by Rev. R. W. Tucker, presiding elder of the district, who will this year close a four years' term on this district, during which time he has greatly endeared himself to the preachers and laymen of the district.

The session of the Baton Rouge District Conference, which closed Sunday, July 9, was one of deep interest, perfect harmony, and great spiritual power. The attendance of the citizens of Zachary and the surrounding country upon the sessions of the Conference and the preaching services was inspiring to the Conference and to those of us who had the pleasure of preaching to them.

All the preachers of the district were present except one, with a fair attendance of local preachers and lay delegates. The preaching was of the highest order, such as is heard from Methodist preachers baptized with the Holy Spirit, filled with a consuming desire for the welfare of Zion and a burning love for the souls of men.

The Missionary Institute, which was held in connection with the Conference, was a decided success, and the speeches made and papers read were full of thought, fire, and truth, calculated to beget missionary enthusiasm and put new life into the missionary work of the district.

Rev. I. W. Cooper, D. D., president of Centenary College, was with us part of the time, preaching twice to the delight and benefit of all who heard him. Under the wise and able leadership of Dr. Cooper, backed up by the hearty co-operation of the preachers of the Louisiana Conference, the success of Centenary is assured.

One young man, L. H. Walker, who is a student at Centenary College, was licensed to preach.

Rev. D. E. Kelley was recommended for admission on trial and for deacon's orders.

Rev. J. L. McManus, J. A. Tillery, T. D. Lipscomb and Newton Felder were elected delegates to the Annual Conference.

St. Francisville was selected as the place for holding the next session of the District Conference.

This account of the Baton Rouge District Conference would be incomplete without some kindly mention of the Conference host, Rev. T. J. Upton. To him, in large measure, is due the pleasantness of our late session. He is this year finishing a four years' pastorate at Zachary, having won and retained the love and respect of all classes.

J. I. HOFFPAUIR,
Sec. Baton Rouge Dist. Conf.

Greensburg, La., July 13, 1899.

RESOLUTIONS.

MR. EDITOR: I send you for publication a short account of the Baton Rouge District Conference; also accompanying resolutions, which were, by a unanimous vote of the Conference, ordered published in the ADVOCATE:

Whereas, By limitation of the law of the church this year will close the present period of service of the presiding elder of this district; therefore, be it

Resolved, By this District Conference, that we recognize in Rev. R. W. Tucker a faithful, diligent, self-denying, successful presiding elder.

Resolved, We appreciate his zeal and devotion to our Lord and Master, and the demonstration he has made among us of his fidelity to every interest of our beloved Methodism. He has been a pain staking and wise administrator, and the church has prospered under his care.

Resolved, That we pray that the blessings of our Father in heaven rest on him, his family, and his work.

(Signed) N. J. ROBERTS,
C. C. MILLER,
F. S. PARKER.

And then:

Whereas, At the last General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, which was held at Baltimore, Md., an act was passed to establish, or adopt, and to correlate into one system church schools; which shall be linked and united in the Christian education of the boys and girls of our Southland; And, whereas, At the session of the Baton Rouge District Conference, which was held in Greensburg, La., in May, 1896, the Johnston Collegiate Institute was adopted as a church school, and that said action of said District Conference was ratified at the session of the Louisiana Annual Conference which was held in Ruston, La., in December, 1896; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Baton Rouge District Conference, do hereby recommend to the Louisiana Annual Conference at its next session that the Johnston Collegiate Institute be recognized as a prospective church school, and that it be adopted and correlated as such whenever its debts are paid, and transferred by title to the M. E. Church, South.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the action of the Board of Trustees of the Johnston Collegiate Institute in their election of Rev. Paul M. Brown, of the Louisiana Conference, to the presidency of the school, and we do hereby recommend it to patrons as a high-grade school, the object of which is to prepare pupils for our colleges and universities.

(Signed) J. I. HOFFPAUIR,
F. S. PARKER.

Greensburg, La., July 13, 1899.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT, NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Whereas, In the economy of Methodism the administration of our presiding elder, Rev. R. A. Burroughs, will terminate with this Conference year; And, whereas, By the wise, patient and laborious discharge of the grave responsibilities of the office he has endeared himself to the ministers and laymen of his church, as well as to the entire citizenship of our district, it is, therefore, by this District Conference,

Resolved, That we fully appreciate our dear brother for his labor in our midst, for his fearless discharge of duty under all circumstances, for his uncompromising loyalty to God and the church; and that while we deeply regret that he can no longer serve us as presiding elder, bowing submissively to the powers that be, we trust that it may be the wisdom of our Bishops to continue him in this capacity in another field.

Resolved, We do thank God for sending Bro. Burroughs among us, and, with united hearts, invoke Heaven's choicest blessings upon him and his dear family; and in whatever fields of duty he may be called to labor, may he feel that the hand of God is guiding him to a life of yet greater usefulness.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy of same sent to NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE for publication.

L. C. ANDERSON,
H. S. SPRAGINS,
EUGENE JOHNSON,
J. A. BOWEN,
E. S. LEWIS.

Take the self-denial gayly and cheerfully, and let the sunshine of thy gladness fall on dark things and bright alike, like the sunshine of the Almighty.—James Freeman Clarke.

MEN.

BY J. G. HOLLAND.

God give us men! A time like this demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office can not buy;
Men who possess opinions and will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking—
Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking.
—Exchange.

Communications.

WHAT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR?

BY REV. Q. A. OATS.

(An essay read before the Preachers' Meeting in Friar's Point, and published by request.)

(Continued.)

Of all men, the pastor should know and master himself, because there is more involved in the consequences of his conduct than with men of any other class. He should carefully consider his weak and deficient points, and give them the cultivation they need. He should not so pride himself in the stronger and more efficient as to suppose they will make up for all lack in others. He should strive to be a well-rounded character, and symmetrical in all the parts. Everyone is in danger of abnormal development in one respect, while there may be abnormal depletion in another. One may find that he possesses a genius for association and making friends, and he may be deceived by thinking that this will make up for deficiency in study and strong preaching, for which he may not feel a natural adaptation, and can not accomplish them without much distasteful labor, and will, therefore, give all he can to social work; another may have no taste for social work, and but little adaptation, while he loves his study, and delights in the preparation and delivery of masterly discourses, and this may lead him to undervalue his social obligations, while he prides himself in his superior mental work, and concludes that it should over balance his lack in social work. The one of these brethren needs to cultivate on the mental side of his nature, leaving the social side to take care of itself, and the other needs to cultivate social powers and efficiency, leaving his study to his natural inclinations. This thought will apply in many other respects to natural inclinations and disinclinations of the pastor.

Many preachers, by following an unwise course of self-cultivation, become deformed and repulsive to the public they seek to win and influence. The very things they pride themselves in and give their special attention is made their ruin. Some preachers cultivate an idea of doctrine, or moral question, or plan of work, till they become hobbyists. To become a hobbyist is to be a failure; therefore, let us avoid being hobbyists. The hobbyist usually becomes so extreme in one thing as to be unfitted for all others, and loses his influence for any good on the line of his hobby by disgusting and driving the people from him, it differs not how important it may be, and he usually blocks the way for others to deal with it. I have known some men to make a hobby of temperance till they could not preach about anything else, and would preach a rabid temperance sermon in any place and any hour, though there might not be an intemperate individual in the whole section of country. I have known others that would preach on baptism, though there might not be anybody in miles who disagreed with their views.

Some pastors become chronic church builders, and they must build wherever they go, or they have nothing to do. I have heard of some who had to build, though they had to divide a membership of only fifty and build only a mile away, or they would have a new church pulled down to remodel on a different plan. Build they must, because they have lost all conception of other needs, and have lost all ability to do anything else. These are extreme presentations, but they clearly point out a real danger.

The pastor should never conclude himself specially and peculiarly adapted to one thing or one line of work, and specially unadapted for others, and, therefore, decide that he may excuse himself from making an effort to cultivate in himself the things that are lacking, and form efforts to succeed in the unpleasant and laborious duties. The more he realizes the lack, the more heroic and determined should be the efforts to succeed. It must be admitted that no man can do all things equally well and with equal facility, and we shall always find ground to exercise a charitable judgment toward men for unavoidable deficiencies, and to excuse them, but this does not justify their self-excusing. This thing of liberally excusing ourselves is one of the most dangerous and ruinous evils. The pastor should feel called upon to do the work needed, let the effort and sacrifice cost him what they may. Be instant in season and out of season.

While it is the duty of the pastor to cultivate social qualities, and to be pleasant and kind to everybody, he should have a care not to lower the dignity of a true gentleman or the highest standard of Christian character in such efforts. To be guilty of such a course will defeat the end aimed at, and destroy the confidence of the people in his religion, to say nothing of the effects on his own soul. In a recent conversation with an intelligent, but unconverted young man, who was in the late volunteer service, he spoke of the conduct of some of the chaplains, saying that the chaplain of his regiment was a most companionable fellow, and was exceedingly liked by all the boys. He said he would joke, swap stories, smoke, play checkers, roll billiards, and sometimes take a toddy with the boys, and was an all-round jolly good fellow, but that they had no faith in his religion. This lack of confidence had a serious illustration: One of the boys was very sick in the hospital, and told his doctor that he wanted the services of a minister of the gospel. The doctor told him he would send his chaplain, but he replied: "I do not want him. I like him as a friend and companion, but I want a man now that I believe has got religion." Could any comment on a gospel minister have been sadder?

It is a truth that pastors are tempted to cultivate personal popularity at the expense of the confidence and respect of those of whom they seek it. They are usually rewarded with a sort of cheap temporary popularity that may sometimes bring them compliments, valuable gifts, and may be a strong petition to the Bishop to return them to their charges. This popularity usually fades, and in the process of soberer thinking turns to contempt. If the pastor is forced to choose between popularity and the respect and confidence of the people, which sometimes occurs, he should choose the course securing the respect first, last, and all the time, and at any cost and sacrifice.

The pastor should be ready to rebuke sin in private and in public, and he should do it in plain terms. He should not fail to declare the whole counsel of God as he finds it both in the law and the gospel. No doubt there is too much tendency to treat sin as a trivial matter, and to hide its hideousness, and to make religion an easy affair, and preachers need to guard against the temptation; yet there is a danger on the opposite extreme that many fall into. It is to indulge coarseness and splenetic vituperation. It seems that some preachers have been seduced into attempting to manufacture a cheap reputation for candor and bravery by using their pulpits for such coarse and ungentlemanly conduct. There is nothing more cowardly than to fall behind the deep respect and reverence people hold for the pulpit to say things that could not dare be said anywhere else. It is an evil that may easily befall any preacher before he is aware of it. Such a course will soon destroy all respect for the ministerial calling, and make it an object of contempt.

The pastor should never be intentionally personal in his public discourses, especially when, by so doing, he may make the subject of it a conspicuous object of attention. This fault requires being closely guarded against. The way to deal with parties guilty of vicious and unconscious sins is always in private, and should always be done in the spirit and manner of love. It will seldom happen in such cases that reproof will fail to be kindly received, and in most cases will bear good fruit. I have known a pastor to be troubled with a number of young people afflicted with the ball-room mania who would make them a subject of special attention in every discourse. This was giving them much more attention than they deserved, and in most cases made them worse, and the pastor lost all influence over them. It would have been far better to have dealt privately with them. It usually does little good, and often much harm, to constantly harp any one theme, or against any one evil.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The twenty-ninth session convened at Phebe, Miss., July 4, 1899.

The first day was devoted to education and Twentieth Century Fund. Many strong speeches were made, and Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan preached at night, emphasizing education to the delight and instruction of his hearers.

The business of the Conference was taken up on the morning of the fifth, with our popular presiding elder, R. A. Burroughs, presiding. (I use the word "popular" advisedly, as words of regret were to be heard on all sides that under the Discipline he could not be with us longer, and a strong resolution expressing regret and recounting many good services he had rendered the district was passed.)

Reports show the district to be well to the front in all its departments of work. Spiritual condition good. Most of the charges show an increase of members. Temperance cause, Sabbath observance and educational interests strongly emphasized.

Fourteen of the fifteen preachers engaged on the work, Revs. W. A. Rainey and A. P. Leech, and the largest lay representation we have had in years, were present.

Rev. G. W. Bachman, our working colporteur, and Revs. R. T. Nolan and J. W. Roper favored us with their presence.

The good people of all denominations of Phebe entertained the Conference to its entire satisfaction and to their credit.

It is unnecessary for me to say that we had good preaching when I tell you Revs. S. M. Thames, M. E. Tumlin, M. L. Burton, J. A. Bowen and E. S. Lewis did it.

Delegates to Annual Conference: J. T. Senter, W. V. Connell, E. N. Yeates, and S. C. Frazier. Alternates: E. C. Leech and T. J. Mitchell.

The Conference will meet at Brooksville next year.

W. V. CONNELL, Sec'y.

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Mr. Editor and Sisters of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Mississippi Conference:

I feel constrained to write and tell you something of the proceedings of the twentieth annual session of the W. F. M. S., Mississippi Conference, which convened in the progressive little city of Hattiesburg, June 24-28. The attendance was not what we wanted, but surpassed our expectation. Our prayer is, that the Seashore district will derive as much benefit from our meeting as they gave us pleasures and blessings. The hospitality of those Christian people was unbounded, and surely not one delegate present but felt and realized in her soul, "Tis the old-time religion that makes us love one another."

The Conference, as a body, and the recording secretary, in particular, missed the inspiration of the presence of our beloved sisters: Sudie H. Parker, E. D. Jones, and Addie Purnell. This is the first Conference the secretary has attended at which these dear sisters were not present; but when she remembered that their prayers for her would ascend to the throne of divine grace, she felt "strong in the Lord."

Saturday evening we held a consecration service, and Sunday morning we listened to one of Bro. B. F. Jones' best sermons. We know it was one of his best, because all those dear people gave us the very best they had, and Bro. Jones was certainly no exception. Time and space forbid my giving a synopsis of this grand sermon preached from Isaiah xiii, 4. How we wished the rain had not prevented the whole of Hattiesburg hearing that sermon.

Twice within six months have Bro. and Sister B. F. Jones been the host and hostess of the W. F. M. Conference, and so royally have they performed their duties that we felt it a great temptation to accept the invitation to be their guest again next year.

On Sunday afternoon we held a memorial service in memory of our beloved sister, Kate M. Watts, of Meridian, and of Sister Beall, of Moss Point. Sister Drake, of Bay St. Louis, conducted this meeting. Suitable papers and resolutions were read, and the touch of "sorrow (nature) makes the whole world kin" was manifest in this meeting; yes, the presence of the Lord was in our midst.

Sunday evening—ah! this was "Welcome Evening"—and surely nobody ever received such greetings as were voiced by Mrs. Drake, secretary Seashore district; Miss Thrash, Miss Bostwick, Miss Self, and our own Bro. Jones. On behalf of the Conference, Mrs. W. H. Jones, of Vicksburg, responded in a gracious and appreciative manner.

Monday morning the president called for the reports from auxiliaries. Mrs. Reese Price, president of that wide-awake Enterprise Auxiliary, made a fine record. She reported that Mrs. Sue Taylor, widow of the late Capt. S. T. Taylor, so well known to all Mississippi and Alabama Methodists, had taken through the Enterprise Auxiliary a scholarship in a day-school in Sung-kiang, China, to be known as the "Sue Taylor Scholarship." Our lamented Sister Beall, of Moss Point, left a beautiful ring to the Moss Point Auxiliary, to be sold, and the proceeds used as that auxiliary might direct. They decided to take a scholarship in the day-school at Saltillo, Mexico, the same to be known as the "Eliza Wood Beall Scholarship."

Bros. Drake, Meadow and Simmons, of the Mississippi Conference, were with us. Not soon will this body forget Bro. Drake, who knows so well how to say nice things, and is not chary in saying them.

Monday evening Miss Addie Marshall, our president, made her annual address, which was good, and showed she had kept well up with the work, and while she was not satisfied with the results, we were all inspired to renew our efforts and to pray for better returns another year. Miss Sallie Smylie, the corresponding secretary, made a very good report of the year's work, and of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. Little Miss Evie Rivers, of Meridian, delighted the audience with a beautiful recitation. Miss Mary Andrews, our faithful treasurer, made her annual report. Mrs. W. H. Jones contributed one of her beautiful recitations to the pleasure of the evening. Miss Henstise, of Mobile, sang sweetly that dear, familiar hymn, "Abide with me." What a privilege it is to honor the Lord with our talents!

Tuesday morning was also given to reports from auxiliaries and district secretaries, and this work being finished before the hour for adjournment, we proceeded to elect officers for the next year. The result of the election was as follows: President, Miss. Addie Marshall, of Brookhaven; vice-president, Mrs. A. A. Foote, of Hattiesburg; corresponding secretary, Miss Sallie Smylie; recording secretary, Mrs. Chas. R. McQueen; treasurer, Miss Mary Andrews; auditor, Mrs. Jas. A. Gulley. District secretaries: Vicksburg district, Miss Scott Phillips; Seashore district, Mrs. J. P. Drake; Forest district, Mrs. T. L. Mellen; Jackson district, Mrs. W. L. Fryant; Natchez district, Mrs. Jno. A. Guice; Brookhaven district, Mrs. H. Walter Featherstun; Meridian district, Mrs. D. E. Phillips.

Tuesday evening brought to full fruition the hopes, the prayers and the loving labor of five long years of work in behalf of one of God's handmaidens, who, in her quiet country home, heard the voice of need from the foreign land, and, with "full purpose and endeavor," said, "Here am I; send me," and offered herself to the fostering care of the W. F. M. S. of the Mississippi Conference. Being accepted by them, she went on her way to college, winning everywhere the loving respect of schoolmates and teachers, all of whom count it their gain to have known Lelia McNemar. The blessings of God have been upon her health and upon her study, and she comes to the work with all the natural sweetness of a Southern girl, deepened and strengthened by the spirituality that speaks through the earnest eyes and the loving smile that lights the pure face as she tells of her preparation for her life-work, and thanks the friends who have been God's instruments in helping her to the end so long loved and wished for.

Our Bro. Drake, in beautifully choice words, presented to the Conference our missionary-elect, Miss Leila McNemar, of Edwards, Miss. In her modest way she expressed her appreciation of all that had been done for her, and saying that "she knew the value of the clouds as well as of the sunshine that had come into her life."

As she concluded, Miss Marshall asked the audience to come up and give Miss McNemar "a handshake and a God-bless-you." The response was unanimous, and few were the eyes that were dry as they looked upon this consecrated young woman who had so unswervingly held on her way to the end she had in view for the glory of the Lord. She wished always only to be allowed to work for the Master, leaving the choice of the field to those who knew best about such things, echoing in her heart and practicing in her life the sentiment of the song so beautifully sung by Miss Genevieve Cochrane, "I'll go where, go where, you want me to go, dear Lord."

Wednesday morning the reports from the committees were called for. This finished the business of the Conference.

The grand social feature of the Conference was a reception at the palatial home of Bro. Jno. A. McLeod, a broad-shouldered, six-foot Methodist, whose heart and pocket-book are proportionate with his size. (Ah! Bro. Black, I could tell you more about this reception than I dare write.)

Mr. Hall, the mayor of the city, addressed the ladies most felicitously.

Little Miss George and other dear little maidens captivated all hearts with their recitations.

Our thanks are due Bros. and Sisters Jones, Tatum, McLeod, Foote, Warren, Turner, Hawkins, Carter, and others, for a most happy session of the Conference. We can only say, Thank you, and God bless you.

MOLLIE MCQUEEN,
Rec. Sec. W. F. M. S., Miss. Conf.

To the Members of the W. F. M. S. of the North Mississippi Conference—Greeting—

DEAR SISTERS: Since, by your choice and not my own volition, I occupy the place of editor for your body, it seems mete to crave your assistance; hence I take this time and method to earnestly request your help. Write me bits of personal experience in this work for the Master; items of intelligence bearing on the subject gleaned from other sources—in a word, anything that will serve to interest our women and stimulate them to greater vigor in service that should evoke the best that is in our lives, namely: the taking of the world for Christ. In "union is strength," and in the lack of it, the converse of times, if not invariably, proves true; therefore, my sisters, officers and members, I ask your co-operation, for with it we may hope for the success of the column so kindly granted us by our ADVOCATE, and without it we may reasonably expect only failure. Give the help of your pens, at the same time praying that its contents may be blessed in the strengthening of many who are weak, and arousing many who are now indifferent.

My own weakness in this new duty is plainly felt, but by the prayerful aid of my sisters the column may be so conducted that you will not feel ashamed to see at its head the name of

MRS. J. F. EVANS,
Valden, Miss., Editor.

NOTICE.

To Ladies of North Mississippi Conference:

I desire to state that the Minutes of the annual meeting of the W. F. M. Society of the North Mississippi Conference have been in the hands of the publisher for the past three weeks, and circumstances unforeseen have retarded the work. I thought to have the Minutes out by July 1, and sincerely regret this delay, which was unavoidable. We will have the Minutes ready to send out in about one week. I have done all in my power, but the printers could not possibly hurry the work more.

Asking your patient indulgence, also your pardon, for thus keeping you waiting, I am,

Truly, MISS ELLA GRIDER,
Sec. W. F. M. S.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

Dear Sisters of the Home Mission Society of the North Mississippi Conference:

In taking up the work where our dear friend, Mrs. Featherstun, laid it down, I naturally find myself confronted by many difficulties. Hence, in the very beginning, I would beg your kind indulgence and sympathy, and your prayers, that the work may not cease to prosper, even as in former years.

There are several matters to which I would call your attention, the first of which is, that North Mississippi is placed at very great disadvantage by your failure to report what you are doing. Our annual report, as contained in the June number of Our Homes, is imperfect in the highest degree, while I compiled it just the best I could from the data sent me by the district secretaries. Nor can I censure this faithful band for the failure. The trouble lies beyond—in the auxiliaries themselves. You can not answer the questions properly unless you use the Wolff Record Books. These have been carefully prepared, and certainly the price asked for them brings them in reach of all. Please let us bring about a reform right here. Let every auxiliary corresponding secretary and treasurer who has not one of these books order one at once from Mrs. R. K. Hargrove. Study the questions, and by Sept. 1 you will be ready to send in reports that, from their minuteness, shall gladden the hearts of your district secretaries, and show exactly how you stand. Do not hesitate because your society may not have done well, and you feel discouraged about it. Perhaps, when we learn all about it, we may be able to help you. So be sure to send in your reports.

Then, as to our organ, Our Homes. How could fifty cents be more judiciously expended than in a year's subscription to this paper? You can not fail to become interested in this work if you read Our Homes every month. Could you only meet its sweet-spirited editor, you would at once give her a warm place in your heart. See that you have a whole-souled, energetic agent in your auxiliary, and that she watches every subscription and seeks for its renewal, so that not one may be lost, and at the same time secures as many new ones as possible. At the recent meeting of the Board in Dallas the paper was made entirely dependent upon its subscription list to meet all expenses. Read what the editor has to say in June Our Homes. Our president pledged us for fifty new subscribers. How many of these can your society furnish? Only one hundred and thirty-five in our entire Conference! Notwithstanding the heat, let us see what we can do for it during this quarter. If there are any complaints of irregularity in receiving the paper, investigate them fully, and have the fault removed. Remember, if one paper at an office is received, all should be, as they are all sent in a single package.

Lastly, I wish to mention the action of our H. M. Board in reference to the Twentieth Century Fund for education, and beg to refer you once again to the June Our Homes for a full explanation of what was done. (You see how indispensable that paper is to a complete understanding of our work!) The women of North Mississippi must not lag in this forward movement, but, stimulated by the suggestions of our leaders, go bravely forward. Our part of the $10,000 must be raised. Who will be first to send in a contribution?

Praying the richest blessing of the Father upon each one of you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

MRS. J. B. STONE,
Conf. Sec. W. H. M. S., N. Miss.
Winona, Miss., June 28, 1899.

Believe me when I tell you that thrift of time will repay you in after life, with a usury of profit beyond your most sanguine dreams, and that waste of it will make you dwindle alike in intellectual and moral stature, beyond your darkest reckoning.—Gladstone.

It is a pleasant sight to see anybody thanking God, for the air is heavy with the hum of murmuring and the roads are dusty with complaints and lamentations.—Spurgeon.

"Think of Ease But Work On."

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MORE CHILDREN'S DAY REPORTS.

I have to-day (July 11) received from Rev. W. T. Griffin the following list of Sunday-schools that have reported to him since June 22 to July 8. This does not include those that may have reported to Thomas Monnt, treasurer of Board. Bro. Monnt early in the year moved from Vicksburg to New Orleans, where he remained for some time. Some time ago he went to Nashville, where he has since resided. Because of his unsettled condition, instructions were published in the ADVOCATE for all Sunday-schools to send Children's Day money to W. T. Griffin, in order to prevent confusion. I am sorry that some of the brethren have not observed these instructions. Of course, the money sent to Bro. Monnt will come up all right in the end; but to prevent confusion for the present, we thought best to have money sent to Bro. Griffin. Brethren, please observe these instructions. His address is Mayersville, Miss. Send your Children's Day money to him at once. The time for receiving reports to go in the Year Book has been extended from July 20 to 27. All schools reporting to Bro. Griffin after that day will be too late to be credited in the Year Book, but will be duly acknowledged through the ADVOCATE. A report from Bro. Monnt will be secured in time for a list of all the schools sending money to him, to appear in our annual report, which will be published in the Year Book. This is the second report from Bro. Griffin.

Shiloh	$ 3 80
Gallman circuit	15 50
Bond	4 25
Hattiesburg	25 25
Vossburg	2 45
Saundersville	4 50
Goodwater	1 50
Philadelphia	2 60
Nebo (Meadville circuit)	5 15
Amsterdam	3 40
Siren's Creek	6 05
Yazoo City	5 25
Yazoo, Bonnett Chapel	1 70
Salella	1 40
Wesley Chapel (Natchez)	2 65
Union	5 25
Central Church, Meridian	8 25
Westville	5 20
Martin	3 65
Johns	3 72
Total	$111 52

By an oversight I failed to report $10.05 from Madison Sunday-school last week. This makes my report this week, $121.57; previously reported, $217.73; total up to date, $339.30.

Up to this time Hattiesburg has reported the largest amount raised by any Sunday-school, and Warren circuit the greatest reported by any charge. Let us hear from you, brethren, right along.

Yours in the work,

D. SCARBOROUGH, Sec.

AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

BY A. PARSONAGE.

I was born in the State of Mississippi, United States of America, some time since the Flood. I have forgotten just how old I really am; but, suffice it to say, I am something less than four thousand years old. As to my ancestry, I never had any. I was the first of my tribe.

I realize to-day as I have never realized before that I have been a disgrace to civilization and enlightened Christianity—not of my own choosing, however. During all my long existence (for I can not be said to be alive and healthy) I have made loud profession through my guardians to give protection and comfort; but I have been a constant disappointment to my friends. The truth of the matter is, my friends have been few, my only ardent supporters have been those who were dependent on my shelter, and several of these have "loved" me so fondly as to severely "chasten" me. Such abuse and the long neglect by those who profess to have my interests at heart have rendered me uninhabitable to those of pride and respectability.

My feet and limbs are either diseased or broken, my body is feeble and full of germs, my head is hoary, my hat is full of holes, my eyes are sunken in their sockets, my spectacles are broken, and the waters of time are fast undermining my very foundation. My face was never powdered, and my whole complexion is dingy and rusty. I have heard talk about paints and brush, but I have never seen them.

One of the greatest reproaches is my size. I have not grown one cubit since the long-ago day of my birth. The only compartment I possess of comfortable dimensions, and in which there is a fire-place, is combined from year to year into sleeping department, company room and pastor's study. This engenders untold inconveniences to both pastor and family.

On opening my doors for successive years preachers have found no possessed with or absent of the following furniture: (I could tell by their looks that they were used to comfort and better things, but it was the best I could offer them. The preacher and his family would suffer had they not brought with them a few household effects.) One old rickety writing-table and one wash-stand, both home-made out of rough dry-goods boxes; kitchen and dining-room tables home-made, and out of the same material; two rusty wash-pans, "more holy than righteous;" no bowl and pitcher; four knives and forks, old enough to have carved "Job's turkey," and bought at fifty cents a dozen; four broken or cracked cups and saucers, two rusty iron tablespoons, three dishes, four teaspoons, etc. (It is a source of much amusement to me, as well as sorrow, to watch the pastor's wife when company comes.) Six dining room chairs with bottoms out or falling to pieces. These are the only chairs I possess, and they are carried every day from "sitting-room" to kitchen, from kitchen to dining-room, from dining-room to sitting-room, and from sitting-room to gallery, and from gallery to bed-rooms.

The pastor comes in after several days' visiting and preaching weary and exhausted, and the wife loans him the only rocking-chair, to rest (which is falling to pieces), and in which she nurses the little ones. One bedstead is up to date, but the other two show scars of many a hard-fought battle. My cooking-stove, burcan, etc., answer the purpose, but on opening my doors the pastor finds me destitute of many conveniences. The garden fence, fowl-house, stable, etc., on my premises are rottening and falling to pieces; but those in whose charge I am never speak of making new ones.

I exist in a territory in which there are many well-to-do members of the church and in a town worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. In fact, the pastor to whom I am now giving shelter preaches to five hundred Methodists, many of whom make loud profession to sanctity. With few exceptions, they all live in good houses and comfortably supplied with furniture. My custodians have been often informed of my needs, but they pass me by with few words of sympathy and no material expression of friendship.

"At this poor," neglected "rate" I can exist but a few more years at best. I always feel sorry for the pastor and family who come depending upon the comfort and conveniences which I am unable to give. I overheard a conversation recently, in which I learned that the pastor asked at the Quarterly Conference for an increase in salary, so as to personally supply my defects; but one of the stewards objected to raising the salary above four hundred dollars for fear "he would be preaching for money." It pains me greatly in my old age to know that the pastor is neglected as well as myself. If he has a good home, he can better suffer a shortage in salary; or if he gets a good support, he can supplement the defects at the parsonage. In some way I have learned that where members neglect the comforts of the parsonage, they neglect the preacher, too, and their profession to sanctity is spurious. And I regret that my warders are so far behind the times as to expect the Conference to send them a "good preacher" from year to year, when they are negligent both of his home and support. Selah!

SUNDAY TRAINS.

Now is the time to accomplish effective work to bring about prohibiting the running of freight trains on Sunday, and the working of men in railroad shops and yards all day Sunday.

At the last session of the Legislature there was an act before the House to prohibit the running of freight trains on Sunday, which was defeated by only three votes, and there was very little agitation of the subject beforehand. A new Legislature is to be elected this year, and every Methodist preacher should interview every candidate for representative and senator in order to ascertain his views upon the subject, and urge all his voting members to do the same, so they will know for whom to vote, and send men to the Legislature who will be in favor of this reform. If they can not be seen personally, then address them a letter, and urge this reform upon them.

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FROM BRO. KILGORE.

MR. EDITOR: As I have received many inquiries as to the condition of my wife's health, I will say that her condition seems somewhat improved: still she is yet confined to her bed most of the time, as she has been for nearly seventeen weeks. Much of this time she has been quite low, and several times her physicians have given her up entirely; still she has survived, and we can not tell how long she may yet be spared to us. Will the readers of the ADVOCATE please pray that she may finally recover?

I have not been able to leave home to do any work at all since March, and have only engaged in one meeting during the entire year. This has all been a very great affliction to me, but God's grace has so far sustained me, and I will still trust in him.

Fraternally, E. G. KILGORE.

Egypt, Miss., July 11, 1899.

The religion of Christ is not a dismal thing. There is nothing that so lessens life's burdens and fears. It offers infinite peace and comfort and hope. It finds the sorrowful and dries their tears. It whispers truest consolations into the ears of the suffering. It teaches men glad endurance and inspires them with cheerful courage. Do you know the blessedness of being right with God? You can not unless you have been to Christ's cross. Do you experience the rapture of Christian service? It is impossible unless you are busy in his vineyard. Seek to gladden and strengthen the early years of the children, do your best to relieve someone's heavy burden, help some poor fellow to a better life, and you shall discover the most rare and exquisite gladness, you shall learn what the very joy of heaven is like. It is very significant that in St. Paul's list of the fruits of the spirit, while the first place is given to love, joy stands second. When a man has been forgiven and restored, he finds the only perfect and abiding joy that can be found on earth. Brought up out of the horrible pit, out of the miry clay, his feet set upon the rock, his goings established, he learns the new glad song of praise unto God.—Rev. G. E. Young.

I have now disposed of all my property to my family. There is one thing more I wish I could give them, and that is Christian religion. If they had that, and I had not given them one shilling, they would have been rich; and if they had not that, and I had given them all the world, they would be poor.—Patrick Henry's will.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. C. C. Griffin, P. C., July 12, 1899: "We have just closed a very fine meeting at Galloway, assisted by Bro. N. J. Roberts, of the Louisiana Conference. Results: seven additions to the church, four infants baptized, church greatly revived. Bro. Roberts is a plain, practical and forcible preacher."

Rev. W. G. Backus, P. C., Meridian, July 8, 1899: "Last Friday night we closed a glorious meeting at Poplar Springs—one of my churches. The whole church greatly revived, backsliders were reclaimed and fully fifteen were converted; eleven accessions to our church and several to other churches. Some of these were young men and women of considerable promise to the church. The Sunday-school, Epworth League and prayer meeting, as a result of this meeting, are taking on new life. Glory to God for the victory! Bro. C. M. Crossley did the preaching, and his work was thorough and honored of the Holy Spirit."

Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, Enpora, July 8, 1899: "We have just closed a successful meeting at Enpora. We gained a signal victory. The different churches were greatly revived. A large number were reclaimed. Six joined our church, and there will be more to follow. We are indebted to Rev. R. P. Neblett, one of our Millsaps' boys, for efficient help in the song service. He is the first representative for Millsaps College I have seen in the field. He did good work for this institution. He is a fine advertisement. Bro. McIntosh dropped in and secured three girls for Grenada. Bro. McIntosh will succeed with our school. Bro. W. C. Harris gave us an excellent sermon. He came over to try our springs and regain his health. Bro. H. P. Crowe preached to the delight of all our people. His noble character is a forcible sermon within itself. He will be long remembered by the people of Eupora. The Lord is blessing us in all our work."

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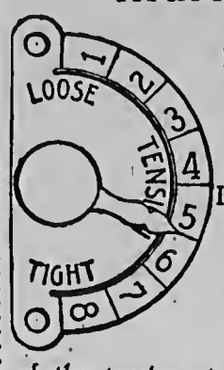

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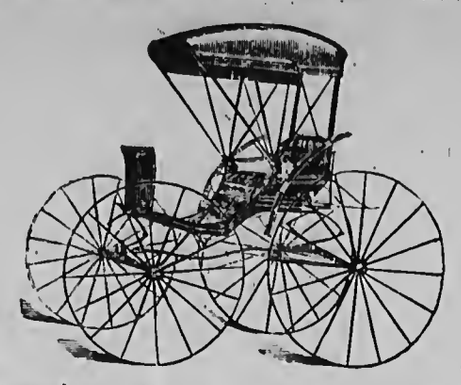

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The waves of time may devastate our lives,
The frosts of age may check our failing breath;
They shall not touch the spirit that survives
Triumphant over doubt, and pain, and death
—Celia Thaxter.

To outlive one's usefulness is a calamity.—Tilton.

This world is given as a prize for the men in earnest.—F. W. Robertson.

Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives himself to his work—body and soul.—Charles Buxton.

Every great and commanding movement in the annals of the world is the triumph of some enthusiasm. Nothing great was ever achieved without it.—Emerson.

Be not disturbed by infidelity. Religion can not pass away. The burning of a little straw may hide the stars, but the stars are there and will reappear.—Thomas Carlyle.

When you come down from the summits, you do not come away from God. There is no task in life in which you do not need him. The work-bench needs his light as truly as the cloister.—Phillips Brooks.

Nothing else is so contagious as enthusiasm; it is the real allegory of the lute of Orpheus—it moves stones, it charms brutes. Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity, and truth accomplishes no victories without it.—Lord Lytton.

Timidity is a disease of the mind, obstinate and fatal; for a man, once persuaded that any impediment is insuperable, has given it, with respect to himself, that strength and weight which it had not before.—Dr. Johnson.

Let us be content to do little, if God sets us at little tasks. It is but pride and self-will which says, "Give me something huge to fight, and I should enjoy that; but why make me sweep the dust?"—Charles Kingsley.

Intercession is the very safety-valve of love. When we feel that we really can do nothing at all in return for some remarkable kindness and affection, how exceedingly glad we are that we may and can pray.—Frances Ridley Havergal.

A vice will never turn to a virtue, but a virtue may turn to a vice—as when frugality, abnormally developed, becomes parsimony. Virtues, like rapidly growing vines, often need as much attention as vices and diseased vines.—Exchange.

There come to God's children hours of transfiguration, in which the heavens are opened, the ground is suffused with glory, and Christ, our Head and Savior, shines out royally before us. And these momentary glances into the invisible world are the most precious part of a man's life.—Beecher.

If there be nothing celestial without us, it is only because all is earthly within. If no divine colors upon our lot, it is because the holy light is faded on the soul. If our Father seems distant, it is because we have taken our portion of goods and traveled into a far country to set up for ourselves, that we may foolishly enjoy rather than reverently serve. —James Martineau.

EXALT THE GOSPEL.

It is marvelous how prone the world is to imagine that the chief need of the world is something else than the gospel. Philanthropists and reformers, as a rule, seem to expect more beneficent results from humanitarian schemes and legislative enactments than they do from the leavening of society with divine truth. The socialist fancies that the best way to lift the masses out of poverty and degradation is to bring about an equal distribution of wealth, so that none shall either be poor or rich. By the abolition of wealth and aristocracy he would, he thinks, rid humanity at one stroke of all its ills and vices. But suppose the dream of the socialist could be realized! How long would such a state of things continue? In a marvelously short time the property of the indolent and incapable would pass into the hands of the thrifty and industrious. The selfish and the cunning would soon out-wit and defraud the unwary, while the extravagant, like the prodigal son, would quickly "waste their substance in riotous living." As Dr. Alexander Sutherland, of Toronto, Canada, well says in his book, "The Kingdom of God and Problems of To-Day:" "If one thousand could be taken at random from any rank or all ranks of society, and started with absolutely equal chances to-day, at the end of twenty or thirty years their positions would be as diverse as actually exist under the present social system. The fact is, success in life depends not half so much upon having precisely equal chances with other people as upon the energy and persistence with which we seize and utilize the chances we have." So long as the majority of men are actuated principally by self-interest, may we look for a continuation of social ills and deplorable inequalities of condition. In the Golden Rule, not in socialism is the solution of the problem of poverty.

There is no question that much of the gross iniquity which abounds in the slums of our great cities would be driven out if the surroundings of the unfortunates who dwell there were made wholesome and pleasant, and their wages more satisfactory. But it needs to be remembered that while some are the helpless victims of circumstance, a large per cent. of those who experience the bitterness of life in the slums are brought to that sad state by intemperance and indolence. Improved environment makes life more comfortable, but it by no means follows that the beneficiary thereof will become moral and industrious. We would not for a moment depreciate the efforts of those who seek to purify the dark spots in the cities by the erection of comfortable tenements, the securing of employment for the unemployed, and the relief of dire poverty. Nevertheless, we must not expect the immoral, the vicious and the shiftless to become wholly transformed by such means. Unless altruistic efforts are followed up by mission work—by the proclamation of the gospel—they can but result in failure.

Elegance, wealth, and ease do not avail to make men righteous. On the contrary, they but furnish additional opportunities for sinful gratification and selfish living. As Bishop Candler bluntly expressed it, "Your American gentleman in evening dress needs the gospel as much as the African savage in no dress." Corruption in high life, though gilded and enticing in its forms, is as deep-dyed and notorious all over the land as is the flagrant wickedness that shows its impudent face among the lower classes. Gentility and culture have never been able to refine away lewdness, debauchery, covetousness, and ungodliness.

Not by "the foolishness of preaching," but by means of intellectual culture, material prosperity, and civilization, bringing in their train of lofty advantages and superior environments, do many hope to render government secure and life worth living. Thus do they expect the golden age to be ushered in. Proclaiming an earthly gospel, they neither inspire hope for the future nor lift men out of the mire of iniquity.

Christianity is the only force that can put a moral basis beneath society, and purge away corruption. Nothing less than the gospel can give the guilty conscience peace, or restrain the evil within. Bishop Galloway, in "Modern Missions," cites the following remarkable test made by Bishop Colenso in Africa as to the effect of civilization without Christianity: "He selected twelve Zulu lads, and took them into his service, using every possible art and influence upon them, except the gospel. Christian teaching was rigidly excluded. When the time expired, everyone returned to barbarism, leaving his European clothes behind him. Soon afterward the Bishop went over to the American Mission, and left a note for fifty pounds, with this statement: 'You were right, and I was wrong.'"

Christ's chief mission to earth was not to better men's circumstances, not simply to do away with poverty and ignorance and disease, but to establish a kingdom in the hearts of men. He came to transform the inner life, not merely to make men more comfortable outwardly. He realized more fully than any of us ever has, that true blessedness is not a matter of condition, but of character, for "as long as there are inequalities in human character, they will," as Henry Watterson says, "show themselves in human condition." The true regeneration of society, then, is not to be thought of save through the spiritual regeneration of the individuals composing it.

A form of Christianity that pays little heed to the physical wants of man, that fails to do works of charity, is not of the New Testament pattern. The numerous eleemosynary institutions of modern times are all the glorious fruitage of the gospel of Christ. But while Christianity has a grand work to perform in this direction, her permanent duty is to the souls of men.

As the editor of the Richmond Advocate forcefully says: "Our up-to-date reformer hugely enjoys poking fun at the old-time preachers who tried to persuade the poor to take the gospel on an empty stomach. The gospel is all right in its place, we are told, but what the poor fellow in the slums needs is a plenty of good food and good clothing, and a coat of whitewash, and some pretty lace curtains, and some flowers in the window, to elevate his moral ideas. That is to say, the way to make a man good inside is to make him respectable outside. By no sort of miracle will a healthy body produce a healthy moral nature. Take a degraded wretch out of the slums and put him in anything you please; and, if you do not put something in him, he will be a degraded wretch still. A Fifth avenue parlor will not transform him; he will only transform the parlor. What he needs, first of all, is not new surroundings, but a new idea, that will eventually make his surroundings new."

SOME RESOLUTIONS.

At the Jackson District Conference, held last week, the following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, By the Jackson District Conference, now assembled at Capitol Street Church, in the city of Jackson, that articles that are personal in nature and polemic in spirit, such as some that have recently been published in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, are exceedingly offensive to Christian readers of our Conference organ, and that we earnestly request Dr. Black, the editor, not to publish any more such articles, and that the secretary of this Conference furnish Dr. Black a copy of this resolution for publication.

(Signed) R. J. JONES,
W. B. LEWIS,
L. A. MAGRUDER.

Resolved, That we do re-commend and recommend the Nashville Christian Advocate and the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE most heartily to our people for necessary light upon church affairs, and to our pastors as powerful instrumentalities and coadjutors. J. WILSON BROWN,
F. M. WILLIAMS.

In regard to the first of these resolutions, we desire to say that we are heartily glad it was passed. Had we been present at the District Conference, of which we are a member, we would have voted for it. Articles such as these resolutions refer to are not to our taste, or in accordance with our sense of propriety. We have published them because brethren insisted that they had a right to use the columns of the Conference organ as a medium for the exchange of thought and sentiment. Believing that this resolution voices the sentiment of our best people, not only in the Jackson district, but elsewhere, we shall hereafter exercise our editorial prerogatives a little more freely.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Rev. M. A. Thurman has been changed from the Pleasant Grove circuit to the Whitestown circuit, and Rev. Geo. W. Hiveley, local preacher, has been appointed preacher in charge of the Pleasant Grove circuit.

Rev. J. W. Tinnin, appointed at the last Conference to the Whitestown circuit, has withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the M. E. Church, South, surrendering his credentials.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN,
P. E. Brookhaven Dist., Miss. Conf.
Brookhaven, Miss., July 17, 1899.

VICTORIA IN SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

It is not generally known that some twenty years ago Queen Victoria conducted a Bible class in Buckingham Palace. When the court is staying in London there are many servants in the palace, and as a considerable number of these are married and have children, Her Majesty formed a Bible class for the special benefit of the little ones. This novel Sunday-school was held in one of the Queen's private rooms, and sometimes quite a large number of children were present. Her Majesty conducted the class herself, and many of the children, now grown to be men and women, look back with intense pleasure to the time when they had for their Sunday-school teacher none other than the Queen of England.—Christian Herald.

A CHURCH THAT WILL HOLD.

Doctor Van Dyke tells the following: "A man came into my study the other day from one of the vacant churches on Murray Hill, and said: 'I wish you would recommend a minister for our church.' I said: 'I can recommend a dozen.' He seemed rather bluffed at that: thought that was a large number, and said: 'Won't you suggest a name?' And I went on suggesting one name after another. I suggested one man, and he said: 'I understand that man has not got a very strong voice.' I suggested another. 'Well, I understand that man wears a black cravat in the pulpit.' Another man. 'Well, I understand he is not a very good reader.' And another man. 'Well, I understand that man has a very stiff and formal delivery.' Finally, he said: 'Well, what we want in our church is a minister who will draw.' 'Oh, no, my Christian friend, what you want is a church which will hold. You haven't got it. Twenty congregations passed through your church in the last twenty years, and they have passed through because you have not had a church which would hold. You want a church which will hold the people when they get into it. The minister can not hold. Success depends not half so much upon the minister as upon you, the church,'"—Selected.

THE "PURE LIQUORS" FALLACY.

Another persistent fallacy that should be hunted to death because it is itself dragging so many to death, is the idea that it is chiefly because liquors are "adulterated" that they are harmful. On my speaking to the eminent Dr. Janeway, of New York City, of the adulteration of intoxicants, he answered swiftly and intensely, "The worst thing ever put in drink is the alcohol." It is not fusel oil that fuddles and intoxicates, nor is it cocnlus indicus or any other of the motley crew sure to hide wherever alcohol makes his rendezvous. These may injure the man who drinks, but they do not madden him and so drive him to injure others. Every schoolboy knows it is the alcohol that makes a man break his wife's head and heart. The drugs may hurt a man's liver, but it is the alcohol that fires his lust. The drugs may kill the drinker, but it is the alcohol that makes him kill others.—Twentieth Century.

A GOOD EXAMPLE.

When General Grant was in Paris the President of the Republic, as a special token of respect, invited him to a place in the grand stand to witness the great racing which occurs in that country on Sunday. It is considered a discourteous act to decline such an invitation from the head official of the Republic. Such a thing had never been heard of, but General Grant, in a polite note, declined the honor, and said to the French President, "It is not in accordance with the custom of my country or with the spirit of my religion to spend Sunday in that way." And when Sabbath came that great hero found his way to the American chapel, where he was one of its quiet worshipers. Such reverence for the Lord's day is greatly needed now in this country, as elsewhere.—Religious Telescope.

He that idly loses five shillings' worth of time, loses five shillings, and might as prudently throw five shillings into the sea.—Benjamin Franklin.

NOTES.

The postoffice address of Rev. R. C. Grace has been changed from Branch to Rayne, La.

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Our handsome new church at Boyce, La., will be dedicated on the first Sunday in August by Dr. I. W. Cooper.

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In our editorial, of last week, the types made us say "sacrifice conscience," when the wording should have been, "sacrifice convenience."

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We were in error in stating in our last issue that Bishop Galloway had given an address at Clarksdale, Miss. We should have said Clarksville, Tenn.

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Rev. J. Wilson Brown, of the Mississippi Conference, who has been in ill health for some time past, has recovered and resumed the duties of his pastorate.

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Under date of July 10, Rev. J. H. Barrentine writes: "Our dear brother, J. M. Massey, who has been quite ill from slow fever, is much better. I think, with close attention, he will soon be himself again."

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Dr. I. W. Cooper writes that he confidently expects an enrollment of 225 pupils at Centenary next session. About thirty young ministers and twenty sons of ministers have signified their intention of attending.

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Dr. J. H. Kirkland, of Vanderbilt University, has been elected president of the Board of Missions in place of Col. E. W. Cole, deceased. Col. Cole's place on the Vanderbilt Board of Trust has been filled by the election of his son, W. R. Cole.

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The Nashville Advocate records the death of Dr. G. E. Kelsey, of Red Bank, Miss. Dr. Kelsey had been for many years a leader in our Zion, filling many important positions in the church, and always measuring up to a high standard of efficiency.

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Rev. J. T. Sawyer writes: "I have made changes in the Shreveport district as follows: H. W. Bowman, from Mooringsport circuit to Coushatta circuit; M. G. Jenkins, from Logansport circuit to Mooringsport circuit; and Reuben S. Collier, to supply Logansport circuit."

In the absence of Dr. Bolling, who expects to be in Kentucky at that time, Dr. I. W. Cooper will occupy the pulpit of First Church, Shreveport, on the fifth Sunday.

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From a private letter from Rev. J. A. Bowen we quote as follows: "We have had 131 accessions to the church, 100 additions to the Epworth League, and 200 added to the Sunday-school work this year."

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Rev. H. G. Hawkins has been elected to fill the chair of English in Whitworth College. This arrangement gives Whitworth College a true man and an excellent teacher of several years' experience. We congratulate Whitworth and its patrons on this acquisition to its faculty.

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At this writing the Seashore Camp Meeting is still in progress. The attendance is reported as larger than for many years. Some one, we suppose, will send in a report. Bishop Galloway preached twice on Sunday to the delight and edification of the large audiences present.

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Under date of July 15, 1899, Rev. T. B. Clifford writes: "As you are already aware, I have been assisting the pastor, Rev. W. H. Benton, in a meeting near Zachary, La., during this week. Several have professed conversion, and thirty were at the altar last night asking for prayer and desiring salvation. The meeting will continue till Sunday night. It is a good community, and has given to the church a good preacher—Rev. R. W. Tucker, now presiding elder of Baton Rouge district."

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At the recent primary in Lowndes county, Miss., J. T. Senter, editor of the Columbus Commercial, was elected to the Legislature at the head of the ticket. The Columbus District Conference also elected him as a delegate to the Annual Conference. Our readers will remember that it was Bro. Senter who first turned on the light in regard to the villainous assault upon Bro. Gibbs. Since that time he has valiantly kept up the fight in behalf of Bro. Gibbs' cause. This double endorsement is the answer which good people make to the furious attacks that have been made on him by certain Mississippi papers.

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Under date of July 14, Rev. J. A. Leech, writing from his home at Minter City, Miss., says: "I write to ask the prayers of our brethren. We buried our eighteen-year-old daughter (Elma) in Friendship Cemetery, in Columbus, Miss., last Sunday morning. She died in sight of the glory-land; asked us not to grieve, but to meet her in the sweet by-and-by. Edwin, my eldest son, and Ethel, my second daughter, have both been very near the gate of death. Thanks to God and good nursing, they are improving. This is a new experience to us. We have learned more of the blessings of the gospel we have been trying to preach for sixteen years. We sorrow because we miss her; yet we rejoice because we will meet her again. My postoffice address for the next thirty days will be Columbus, Miss."

We sympathize deeply with our brother in his affliction, and bespeak for him the sympathies and prayers of his ministerial brethren and of his numerous friends.

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The following, from the pen of Rev. R. W. Vaughan, will be read with painful interest. Let fervent prayer be made that the life of this faithful itinerant may be spared to the church.

Rev. C. F. Staples, of the Lanesville circuit—that devout and faithful servant of God—is in deep affliction since the twenty-third of April. He and his family have been bedridden. He was taken with a severe case of measles; then his wife and two children. His baby died (he lost a child only a few months before). His other child—a bright, healthy boy—lingered for eighteen days between life and death; is now in a convalescent state, but in a pitiable condition. Bro. Staples and family are now with his brother, J. C. Staples, at Downsville, and he is wrestling with a case of continued fever. His low state of health will barely permit a long spell. Brethren, he needs your sympathy and encouragement. Pray for him. He begs his charge bear with him until God stays the hand of affliction.

ROBT. W. VAUGHAN.

P. S.—We have just closed a gracious meeting here. Had a goodly number of conversions, and some accessions. The pastor was alone in the meeting.

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DR. HAMMOND: With yonr odi-torial permission I will state two or three facts, and of them predicate as many suggestions tonching tho work in which wo aro all intorested, and for which your paper speoially stands.

In my goings to and fro I find that the sentiment concerning the Twentieth Centnry Fund, among both preachers and people, varies in abont the following degrees:

(a) There are those who are perfectly confident that there will be no failure—that the church is going to fully vindicate both her ability and integrity before God and men.

(b) There are others who are in gore donbt abont the whole matter, who see many "lions" in the way, bnt who are still "hoping" for the best.

(c) There is still a third class (and its name is legion), tho members of which have predicted failnre from tho beginning, who are preaching it from every house-top, and practicing it in all their relations to the enterprise. This is fact nnmber one.

Explanatory of this state of affairs I further find: That the men of the first class have pnt their hearts and hands and money all into this business. Hence snccess is to them an assured fact. (This is tho secret of their confidence.) That the men of the second class have invested little of thonght or prayer or effort or money in the movement (acting tentatively even in what they havo done); hence their skepticism. That the men of the third class, having pnt absolntely nothing into the nndertaking, and intending to pnt nothing, find their conclnsion and justification in infidelity as to its success. This all constitntes fact nnmber two.

Before I make my snggestions, yon will allow the statement of an honest, earnest conviction on my own part that the church is going to raise at least two millions of dollars for this fnnd. She can not afford to do less. Her place among the churches, her interest in the world of lost sonls, to say nothing of her obligations to God and her loyality to Christ, demand it.

I suggest, first, that the work of raising this amonnt mnst be done by the preachers.

After the Board of Edncation has perfected and pnblished its elaborate plan of canvass; after the bishops and doctors have delivered their "wonderfnl" addresses at the varions centers of wealth and influence; after the newspaper correspondents have exhausted their stock of adjectives in describing the immediate prospective results of these public demonstrations—after and beyond and above all these, if the work is done, it mnst be done by the preachers. The history of the Methodist Church is in proof that the preachers—the rank and file of the itinerancy—make or mar its every nndertaking.

I suggest, secondly, that in doing this work each preacher intelligently, prayerfully, in the trne spirit of the occasion, and with set pnrpose, in the fear of God, to succeed, make a thorough canvass of his entire membership, beginning with the yonngest and poorest, giving good reasons why each should give, and why each should give proportionately to his personal obligation to God.

I snggest, thirdly, that this canvass be not conditional upon the "revival" for which we are praying, bnt that it be made the condition for the revival we so much need in both pnlpit and pew. It is neither wise nor scriptural to expect a blessing before we have done onr duty. God's order is, "Give, and I will ponr you ont a blessing." Let the giving be done humbly, thankfnlly, cheerfnlly, liberally, and, God's word for it, the revival will come gloriously and without stint. This, of conrse, means give yourselves first; then the balance is easy.

I have had occasion to take part in the canvass, so far, only in an incidental way. I have seen little of the practical working of yonr plans in the older and richer Conferences. In following my own line of work I have been with the brethren of the Indian Mission Conference at three points, and you may be glad to know that of the $12 900 of this fnnd assumed by the Educational Board of this Conference, $10,000 is now in sight at these three points. The preachers of this Conference can easily make this amonnt $20 000.

Trnly, J. H. PRITCHETT.

—New Century Education.

"WHO'S TO BLAME?"

In repiy to the above inquiry at the close of the article concerning "That Parsonage" (signed E G. Williams), the following is in order: Did Bros. Yonngman, Booke, Silvertongue, Bonntifni, or any one of the "nnmber of preachers since," ever attempt to organize a "Woman's Home Mission Society"? Possibiy that partionlar parsonage is occnpied by one of the 105 preachers in the Mississippi Conference who continne to report, "No Home Mission Society in my charge." If only half the preachers had organized, snch a pictnre of a Methodist parsonage wonld never have appeared in the colnmns of yonr paper. One hnndred and five preachers in the Mississippi Conference without Parsonage Societies. "Who's to blame?" Bat let ns hope "That Parsonage" is not in the bonnds of the Mississippi Conference. One more question: Is there a "Parsonage and Home Mission Society" in the charge to which Mr. E. G. Williams belongs. If not —"who's to blame?" A. P.

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I trnst we shall have a Conference that will be a spiritnal blessing to everyone who attends.

A. T. BELL.

Shubuta, Miss, July 14. 1899.

NOTICE.

Our new church in Boyce, La., will be dedicated, Aug 6, by Dr. I. W. Cooper. All former pastors are cordially invited to be present. The Rapides Camp Meeting will commence Aug. 12. Hacks will meet the trains at Boyce to convey passengers to camp ground, 8 miles from the railroad. All preachers are invited, and will be cared for while on the camp ground free of charge.

A. W. TURNER, P. C.

Boyce, La., July 11, 1899.

NOTICE.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

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We may fear to be positively genuine, lest it might stand in the way of success. We remember that the gold and silver in our pocket—the "current coin of the realm"—have their alloy of baser metal, and that it is this very alloy that hardens them into serviceability and gives them as currency the stamp of success. Therefore, we conclude that to the sterling qualities of character we will add something of cunning and worldly wisdom. Integrity of soul and unflinching fidelity to truth need something, we think, to float them. Integrity must be pushed to the front by artifice. Absolute honesty needs something of cunning added to get it recognition. The soul, we say, needs the body, boney and fleshly, as the agent; so the high qualities of manhood need the lower in order to bring them into current recognition and success. Summed up in one common phrase, it sounds like this, "You must be willing to be a little wicked if you are bound to succeed."

Every man has times when these thoughts come to him. He says them over to himself, but he wounds his Christian manhood when he does so. "A little meanness is necessary," we say. But the soul revolts at the statement, and will not believe the lie. It feels instinctively that God wants it to be genuine, first of all. It recognizes that success is subordinate to character, and that the latter, and not the former, is life's highest achievement. Every man feels that the most difficult task that daily confronts him is to hold his soul calmly, unwaveringly, to genuineness in thought and action, and not to be led astray by those standards of life that make conspicuousness the measure of success, and mere position the test of ability and worthiness.—Exchange.

LOVE BLOSSOMING TOO LATE.

There is a great host of weary men and women, toiling on through life toward the grave, who most sorely need, just now, the cheering words and helpful ministries which we can give. The incense is gathering to scatter about their coffins; but why should it not be scattered in the hard paths on which their feet to-day are treading? The kind words are lying in men's hearts unexpressed, trembling on their tongues unvoiced, which will be spoken by and by, when these weary ones are sleeping; but why should they not be spoken now, when they are needed so much, and when their accents would give such cheer and hope? The flowers are growing to strew on their graves; but why not cut them now to brighten dreary lives and dark paths? Many a good man goes through life plain, plodding, living obscurely, yet living a true Christian life, doing many a quiet kindness to his neighbors and friends, yet seldom hearing a word of commendation or praise. The vases filled with the incense of affection are kept sealed. The flowers are not cut from the stems. One day you stand by his coffin, and there are enough kind things said to have brightened every hour of his life, if only they had been said at the right time. There are enough flowers piled upon his casket to have kept his chamber filled with fragrance all through his years, if only they had been sent day by day. How his heavy heart would have thanked God, if in the midst of his toils, burdens, and struggles, he could have heard a few of the words of affection and approval that are now wasted on ears that hear them not! How much happier he would have been in his weary days if he had known how many generous friends he had! But, poor man! he had to die before the apprehension could express itself. Then the gentle words spoken over his cold form he could not hear. The love blossomed out too late.—J. R. Miller, in Interior.

Folded at rest are the dear little hands;
And you miss their soft pressure to-night;
Folded for aye are the silken fringed lids
O'er the eyes, with their glorious light;
Folded and still are the tiny white feet
That so playfully tripped by your side;
Folded and mute are the sweet, smiling lips
Of your sunny-faced darling that died.

TEMPTED BY DEGREES.

John Newton says Satan seldom comes to Christians with great temptations, or with a great temptation, or with a temptation to commit a great sin.

You bring a green log and a candle together, and they are very safe neighbors; but bring a few shavings and set them alight, and then bring a few small sticks and let them take fire, and the log be in the midst of them, and you will soon get rid of your log. And so it is with little sins. You will be startled with the idea of committing a great sin, and so the devil brings you a little temptation, and leaves you to indulge yourself. "There is no harm in this," "no great peril in that;" and so by these little chips we are at first easily lighted up, and at last the great log is burned. Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation.—Exchange.

NOVEL-READING.

The young people who read the greatest quantity of novels know the least, are the dullest in aspect and the most vapid in conversation. The flavor of individuality has been burned out of them. Always imagining themselves in an artificial relation to life, always content to look through their author's glasses, they become as commonplace as pawns upon a chess-board. "Sir, we had good talk!" was Sam Johnson's highest praise of those he met. But any talk save the dreariest commonplace and most tiresome reiteration is impossible with the regulation reader of novels or player of games. And this is, in my judgment, because God, by the very law of mind, must punish those who kill time, instead of cultivating it. For time is the stuff which life is made of, the crucible of character, the arena to achievement; and woe to those who fritter it away. They can not help paying great nature's penalty, and "mediocre," "failure," or "imbecile," will surely be stamped upon their foreheads. Therefore, I would have each generous youth and maiden say to every story-spinner, except the few great names which can be counted on the fingers of one hand: I really can not patronize your wares, and will not furnish you my head for a football, or my fancy for a sieve. By writing these books you get money, and a fleeting, unsubstantial fame; but by reading them I should turn my possibility of success in life to the certainty of failure. Myself plus time is the capital stock with which the good heavenly Father has pitted me against the world to see if I can get some foothold. I can not afford to be a mere spectator. I am a wrestler for the laurel in life's Olympian games. I can make history; why should I maunder in a hammock, and read the endless repetition of romance? No, find yourself a cheaper patron.—Frances E. Willard.

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Happiness is never found by searching, but finds its own resting-place where it abides. How much of your time and mine has been wasted in searching for happiness? We have sought it in books, in society, in the effort to make money, and in a thousand avennes, and yet, though we could almost have it in sight our hands stretched out to grasp it—yet it has eluded us like the "will of the wisp" of the fable. The truth is, the very search for happiness renders it invisible and intangible. The slightest taint of selfishness in us drives it far away. I know the power that makes happiness abide in our hearts, and when there, the home, the fireside, are radiant with beauties which are its children. The spirit which, in entire forgetfulness of self, seeks the good of others, is the only means of making happiness our friend and companion. Let no question of this arise in your heart, but recall to your mind the happiest people you have known, and you will find, without exception, they are those who have contributed the most to the happiness of others. It is true in the family, in society, in the world at large, and, above all, in the church, that the happiest people are those who contribute most to the happiness of others—and it is contributed very slightly by wealth or any of our environments.—Atlanta Constitution.

"Good-by, God, we're off for a vacation," said a little girl in her prayer just before starting with her parents for her Summer outing. Unconsciously she voiced the sentiments of a great number of good people up and down the land to-day. People who are good because it pays to be so at home, but who think vacation means letting down the bars into the broad fields of selfish indulgences, and giving free rein to all the sinful passions of the soul. They would frown down any immorality at home, but away from home, the restraint of public estimation, they leave their religion, and sometimes their self-respect, behind.

"No God beyond here," announced a sign on a country road leading to a godless settlement within the limits of this county. That inscription might be placed upon the conscience of some men when departing from their home associations.—The Church Visitor.

If our religion means anything, it means composure, heroism, serenity, loyalty at all times and in all places. It must be able to stand the strain put upon it, if it is to recommend itself to the world.—Rev. Garrett Wychoff.

Hygiene.

EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL.

Alcohol is one of the worst things to imbibe when it is necessary for the body to withstand great cold or fatigue. An eminent physician, in giving advice to a party of young men who were setting out for Klondike, said: "If you want to get the most out of yourselves in the land of the Yukon, let whisky severely alone." The Arctic explorer, Nansen, showed that those who drank alcohol could not bear the northern cold, and no one of his staff was allowed to partake of it. Another illustration of the undesirability of using alcohol in trying latitudes is given by Dr. Lesser, who notes that, as an experiment, a number of regiments in the English army while in the Soudan received certain quantities of alcohol, while other regiments went without. The result showed that the latter could bear the strain of long marches far better and were better preserved than those to whom spirits were given. Dr. Lesser also remarks that he has found alcohol injurious to digestion and deleterious in septic conditions. The results of the investigation and observations at Red Cross Hospitals are striking and suggestive, and are receiving the careful consideration of the medical profession.—Exchange.

More sleep, with more regularity in taking it, is a prime need of our exhausting modern life. People talk of giving rest to their minds; but it is not likely that the mind itself ever tires. The brain, or some overworked tract of it, may need repose; and it seems a well-established physiological fact that this central organ literally undergoes repair and renewal during sleep. The slowing down of the blood permits the deposit of nutritive particles, just as the slowing of a river permits it to drop its sediment. There is wisdom as well as wit in the Quixotic saying: "Blessings on him that first invented this same sleep!"—Youth's Companion.

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ESTHER MAY HEALEY.

A note from Bro. James Healey, dated June [illegible] brings this sad intelligence: "Our darling, Esther May, died this morning a little before eight o'clock. She had been sick nearly two weeks. We had two good physicians and good nurses, but they could not avail."

Most deeply do we sympathize with our dear friends in this bitter bereavement. She was born in Lake Providence, La., May 13, [illegible] and on Nov. 6, 1898 we dedicated her to God in holy baptism. She was so lovely in her sweet, guileless manner on that occasion that its memory will not soon fade away. Honor is laid upon us when God withdraws his gifts. He then deals with us as with friends. If we did not know him, he could not expect us to trust him. We must be strong and pure of heart before he can reveal himself to us; "and it is in straying weather," it is under these trials of faith and courage, that we grow pure and strong. How wonderfully does our heavenly Father work! We never knew a truer man than James Healey, nor a better woman than his good wife, and the death of their first child called forth the real respect and love of the community for these noble Christian workers. C. B. RIDDICK.

KERSH—The subject of this sketch, D. G. Kersh, was born in Orangeburg district, S. C., Dec. 5 1822, and emigrated to Rankin county, Miss., in 1834, where he remained till his death, Aug. 7, 1898. He professed religion and united with the M. E. Church when he was very young, of which he lived a consistent, useful member until the Master thought proper to call him away from the labors of the church below to the rest and joys of the church triumphant. On the twenty-ninth of February, 1852, he was happily married to Miss Mary M. Ormond, who, with one son, remains to mourn his absence. He went out as a volunteer in the Confederate Army in 1863, where he made a good, faithful soldier during the remainder of the war.

Bro. Kersh was not what is usually called demonstrative in professions of religion, and yet he was demonstrative in the true sense of that term, showing his faith by his works. He was an uncompromising devotee to the Christian religion as he understood it to be taught by the Bible and the Methodist Church. He was a man of very few words, but many deeds never ready to say much, but always ready to do whatever was required of him; and as he was an industrious, thrifty business man and a man of means, the church always found him a strong supporter, and his neighbors found in him a friend in time of need. The extent of his liberality was measured by what he conceived to be his Christian duty.

Bro. Kersh loved the church, loved God and his people. The preacher always found a hearty reception at his house, and there was nothing, in his estimation, too good for the preacher to enjoy. In addition to paying his assessments, he took pleasure in slipping to the parsonage with a little bagful of something that he thought the preacher would appreciate, and that would be of substantial benefit to him and his family. The first few years of his married life, like a great many others, he failed to have family prayers. Meditating on this fact while in the army, he resolved that when he returned home he would establish a family altar, and live in the discharge of this duty also, which he did, and kept it up as long as he lived.

A good man has been taken away from the earth, the church has lost a worthy member, the family a loving and beloved husband and father, the country a good citizen, and the afflicted and needy a kind friend.

Knowing that he was nearing the shores of eternity, and that it would not be long till the Master to whom he had devoted the labors of a long life would call him hence, he had all his business matters arranged, so as to be ready at a moment's warning to leave the world. He said nothing about his religious condition, but his life and death testify to the fact that he had peace with God. He came in about noon complaining that he felt unwell, and about the close of day, without suffering, fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. Full of years and of good fruits, he slipped across to the other shore to join the friends that are over there, and await the coming of those that are here. May God help us all to live so as to meet him on the other shore! LOUIS KENDALL.

CALHOUN—Died at her home, Eutaw, Catahoula parish, La., Mrs. MARY CALHOUN, the wife of Dr. D. P. Calhoun, aged seventy-one years.

Mrs. Calhoun was married twice. She was the widow of S. Oswalt Decar, formerly of Concordia parish. She was the mother of six children by her first marriage. Only one survived a daughter, Emma Oswalt, who remained with her mother during all her sickness. She was baptized in 1878 by Rev. Stewart. She lived and died a Christian. She was buried in the Oswalt graveyard beside her five children, Rev. Broom officiating. She died a happy death. Her daughter remained with her to the last, praying and pointing her home to God. We mourn for thee, dear friend, but thou art happy in heaven. L. L. C.

Vidalia, La.

BOUCHER—ROBERT BOUCHER, the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Boucher, was drowned in the Tombighee river, opposite the Riverside Mills, Columbus, Miss., Tuesday afternoon. He and a number of smaller boys were in bathing, and being unable to swim, he was holding on to a log projecting over the water, playing. In an unguarded moment he lost his hold and went down. The water at this point being about fifteen feet deep, he was unable to get out, and in the presence of his frightened companions went down to rise no more. The boys gave the alarm, and people hurried to the scene. Mr. W. F. Price, after repeated efforts, secured the body and swam to shore.

By this time quite a crowd had assembled. Dr. Brownrigg was summoned, and he and sympathizing friends worked faithfully for an hour, or more, and did everything possible to bring him back to life, but were unable to do anything for him. He was placed in a hack and, on account of the serious illness of his mother, was carried to the home of his grandfather, Rev. A. P. Leach. The news was a great shock to his parents, and when it was told his mother, she became unconscious, and a physician had to be summoned.

The funeral was held from the residence of Rev. A. P. Leach yesterday morning at ten o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. J. A. Bowen, and the remains interred in Friendship Cemetery.

HORTON—JAMES S. HORTON was born in Chesterfield county, S. C., Feb. 4, 1843, and died at his home in Red River parish, La., March 21, 1899. He was reared by Christian parents. He was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of fourteen. His life as a member of the church was beautifully consistent up to the last. As a Sunday-school superintendent, he was faithful to his duty. He enjoyed religion, and was regular in his attendance upon the means of grace. He willingly did all he could for the cause of Christ. He was a kind, loving husband and father, bringing his children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

His death was very affecting and triumphant. He knew several days before his death came that he must go. He only dread was leaving his family. Requesting them to meet him in heaven, he sang several hymns and prayed. For some time before his death he was delirious, but even in this condition he repeated passages of Scripture, sang and shouted the praises of God. He died singing, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

Bro. Horton leaves a wife and eleven children. May God bless them, and may they be faithful to the end! is my prayer.

GEORGE D. PURCELL, P. C.

MURPHY—Died in Sabine parish, La., June 10 1899, little ROLLIE WARREN WILKERSON, son of Rev. H. C. and Sister Jessie Murphy. He was born May 23, 1893, making him one year and seventeen days old at his death.

Little Warren was a precious child, and all was done by his parents and his attentive physician that could be done, but the good Lord seen it to call him home. Dear parents, weep not. Be faithful, and you will meet your babe again in the sweet bye-and-bye.

JOHN FRANKLIN, L. D.

MONTGOMERY—THEO BENTHUM, infant son of W. A. and Mary M. Montgomery, was born in Whitestown, Miss., July 25, 1898, and died Sept. 29, 1898.

Theo was a beautiful child, the light and joy of the home. Its life was short, but it accomplished a great mission. Heaven seems nearer and dearer since Theo has gone there to live. How inspiring the thought that though our loved ones can not come back to us, we can go to them! Blessed hope! J. W. TINNIN.

HICKMAN—WM. TINNIN HICKMAN was born Nov. 30, 1897, and died June 7, 1899.

He was seriously sick for nine days. He was named for Rev. J. W. Tinnin, a former pastor. May God comfort the sorrowing hearts! C. MCDONALD.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Great activity is apparent through the Alabama iron district.

A great loss of life occurred by an explosion of gas in a coal mine at Kyushu, Japan.

Col. Wm. Preston Johnston, president of Tulane University, died at Lexington, Va., on July 16.

The president of the Rennes court-martial has decided that fresh charges can not be made against Dreyfus.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, advocates the nomination of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee for the presidency by the Democrats.

The employees of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company have struck, claiming the management has broken its agreement as to hours.

Nearly 1,000,000 feet of cypress lumber, valued at $100,000, were burned in a yard of the New Orleans Cypress Company last Saturday.

Natives of the Kiso-Chon district of China are offering serious resistance to the building of the German railroad, and have had a sharp conflict with German soldiers.

There have been serious fights between Frenchmen and Italians near the border. Two Frenchmen were killed at Aubagne, and on the Island of Crete there were a number of fights.

The Anti-Imperialist League of Boston has made an alliance with negro leaders in the North, and an uprising of the negro race against the administration and the Republican party is being organized.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works has received an order for thirteen locomotives from the State railroad of Finland, seventy-nine from the Chinese and Eastern road, ten from the French State railway, and others for England and Russia.

United States Consul Smith, of Victoria, B. C., is said to have forwarded to the American Government a memorial from R. E. L. Brown, an American mining engineer, requesting the Government's intervention to secure Brown's claim against the Transvaal Government for damages resulting out of the well-known Witfontein case, in which Brown secured a judgment for $1,812,000.

The fact that the celebration of the national holiday in France has passed without disturbance is an evidence to everybody that the new Ministry has safely passed through a most difficult crisis and has matters well in hand. The great review of the garrison at Paris, and the minor reviews at the various military posts throughout France, passed off without hitch or unpleasant occurrence.

An order to General Brooke directs him to appoint two census supervisors in each military district of Cuba, for the purpose of taking a census of the qualified voters of the island. After the census is completed arrangements will be made for the election of municipal governments all over the island, after which the question of a general election on the island to decide upon the form of government desired by a majority of its voters will be taken up and settled. It is possible, although not yet decided, that annexation may be voted upon when the general election is held.

Secretary Hay has received all of the protocols of the proceedings of The Hague conference. Included among the papers is the draft of the arbitration and mediation treaty, which is regarded as the most important achievement of the conference. As there is occasion for the utmost haste in completing the work of the conference, our Government has concluded not to depend upon the slow-going mails to communicate to its delegates approval of their work, but will by the cable empower them to sign the protocols in the name of the United States. The treaty will, of course, be required to be submitted to the Senate for its approval.

The American newspaper correspondents in the Philippines have entered a protest to General Otis against the military censorship exercised over the telegrams sent away to the newspapers in America. The correspondents declare that false news, or views so colored as to be utterly misleading, is the only sort allowed to be sent, and that the American people are wholly misinformed of the situation in the islands. The correspondents aver that the American authorities have not got the military situation well in hand; that the Filipinos are not demoralized and are not ready to surrender, and that the American volunteers are not ready to any great extent to re-enlist.

Though seven months have passed since the signature of the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain containing this provision, Spain has taken no action, so far as the authorities have been advised, looking to the release of the Cubans and Filipinos imprisoned at Fernando Po and at other Spanish penal prisons. Minister Storer, at Madrid, has been instructed by Secretary Hay, at the instance of Senor Quesada, the representative of Cuba in Washington, to call the attention of the Spanish Government to the provision of the treaty cited above, and to request that the Cubans and Filipinos still in confinement be granted their liberty without further delay.

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Starkville station	29, 30
Cedar Bluff station	Aug. 5, 6
Sterkville circuit	12, 13
Sturges	19, 20
Columbus circuit	26, 27
Columbus station	Sept. 2, 3
Lagrango	9, 10
Winetonville	16, 17

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HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Waterford circuit, at the camp ground	July 22
Connersville circuit, at ——	26
Potts' Camp circuit, at Pisgah	29
Ashland circuit, at Ashland	Aug. 2
Red Banks circuit, at Wesley Chapel.	5
East Holly Springs cir., at Mt. Hope.	19
Holly Springs circuit, at Marvin	23
Byhalia circuit, at Fountain Head	26
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Marshall Institute	Sept. 2

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DURANT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pickens, at Goodman	July 22, 23
Ackerman, at Ackerman	29, 30
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	Aug. 5, 6
Durant station	12, 13
Poplar Creek, at Prospect	18
Tomnolen, at Tomnolen	19, 20
Rural Hill, at Rural Hill	25
Chester, at South Union	26, 27
Salem circuit	Sept. 2, 3
Bolzona	9, 10
Louisville	16, 17

District Conference at Ackerman, commencing Thursday, July 27, at 2.30 P. M.
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Tatum, at Ebenezer	July 22, 23
Minter City	29, 30
Pittsboro, at Big Creek	Aug. 5, 6
Ellzey, at Oak Springs	Thurs. 8
Banner, at Blount's Well	Thurs. 10
Paris, at Hunter's Chapel	12, 13
Chapel Hill, at Bethesda	19, 20
Slate Springs	26, 27

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Pleasant Hill	July 22, 23
Wall Hill	29, 30
Cockrum	Aug. 5, 6
Courtland	12, 13
Pleasant	Wed. 10
Eureka	19, 20
Tyro	26, 27
Longtown	Sept. 2, 3

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GREENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Greenville	July 23, 24
Friar's Point	29, 30
Lyon	Aug. 5, 6
Bellevue	9
Coahoma	12, 13
Hollywood	19, 20
Dubbs	23
McLeod's	26, 27
Doeson	29
Gunnison	Sept. 2, 3
Bolivar	6
Rosedale	9, 10
Lebrton	13

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CORINTH DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Corinth circuit	July 22, 23
Saltillo circuit	28
Guntown and Baldwyn	29, 30
Jonesboro circuit	Aug. 5, 6
Ripley circuit	12, 13
New Albany circuit	11
Marietta circuit	19, 20
Jacinto circuit	25
Brown's Creek circuit	26, 27
Belmont circuit	29

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Houston and Wesley	July 22, 23
Nettleton circuit	29, 30
Quincy circuit	Aug. 1, 2
Amory and Smithville	5, 6
Tremont circuit	12, 13
Fulton circuit	14, 15
Buena Vista circuit	19, 20
Shannon circuit	21, 22
Okolona circuit	22, 24

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Sidon and Ethabena, at Markesville	July 29, 30
Carrollton circuit, at Cogdell's chapel.	Aug. 5, 6
Winona circuit, at Salem	12, 13
Black Hawk, at Sweet Water	19, 20
McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sunny Side	26, 27
Dublin and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept. 2, 3
West, at ——	9, 10

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Porterville, at Burton's Chapel	July 22, 23
Meridian—East End	Wed. P. M. 26
Mathorville, at Hebron	29, 30
Lauderdale, at Bethel	Aug. 5, 6
Middleton, at Manassas	12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house	Wed. 16
Waynesboro, at State Line	19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M. 20, 21
Pachuta, at Adams	26, 27
Enterprise, at Mayerhoff	27, 28
Meridian—South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed. 30
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon. Sept. 3, 4
Dalnville, at Souls Chapel	9, 10
Blunsville, at Blunsville	16, 17

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NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tarver's Chapel	July 22, 23
Macedonia	29, 30
Bethel	Aug. 5, 6
Woodville	12, 13
Percy's Creek	12, 13
Kingston	19, 20
Providence	26, 27
Natchez—Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez—Wesley Chapel	2, 3
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	16, 17
McNair	23, 24

The District Conference will meet at Woodville, Aug. 9, at 4 P. M. Bishop Galloway is expected to preside. Recording stewards will please have their new Record Books present for examination. All proper work of a District Conference is expected to be attended to.
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JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Sharon, at Forest Grove	July 22, 23
Yazoo circuit (Short Cr.)	Sat. A. M., Sun P. M. 29, 30
Yazoo City	Sun. A. M. 30, 31
Canton, at Thornton's	Aug. 5, 6
Vaughan's, at ——	M. to W. 7-9
Madison, at Pearl River	12-15
Brandon	19, 20
Steen's Creek, at Richland	26, 27
Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 3
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	16, 17
Tranquil, at Lo. Grove	P. M. 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ——	Oct. 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Clarksburg, at Holly Bush	Sat. and Sun. July 22, 23
Preacher's Institute, at Hickory.	Thurs. and Fri 27, 28
District Conference, at Hickory.	Set.—Mon. 29-31
Newton and H., at Hickory	Sat.. 29
Hillsboro, at Hillsboro	Sat. and San. Aug. 5, 6
Carthage, at Liberty	Thurs.. 10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland	Sat. and San 19, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun 26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Sat. and San. Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and San.. 9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville.	Sat. and Sun. 16, 17
Decatur, at Centerville	Sat., San.. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun.. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs.. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and San.. 7, 8
Lake, at Carr	Sat and San.. 14, 15

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BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

McComb City	July 22, 23
Providence, at Camp Ground	27-31
Wesson	Aug. 5, 6
Summit and Tepisaw, at Camp Ground.	10-16
Crystal Springs	16
Hazlehurst	26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lenoir's	9, 10
Brookhaven	13
Mt Carmel, at Bethel	16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 10
Tylertown, at ——	23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge	7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wallman	14, 15

The preachers in charge will please see that the books are on hand to be examined as the Discipline directs under Ques. 20. Let very careful attention be given to the preparation for a full answer, as the law requires, to Ques. 17.
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SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Vancleave, at Mt. Zion	July 22, 23
Escatawpa, at Orange Grove	29, 30
Moss Point	30, 31
Gallaway, at Isabella	Aug. 5, 6
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Lumberton	12, 13
Columbia, at Thompson's Chapel	17
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	18
East Covington, at Hebron	19, 20
St. John's, at Mississippi City	26, 27
Leaksville, at Avera	Sept. 2, 3
Hattiesburg	10, 11
Whittington, at Palmer Camp Ground.	16, 17

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GOD'S PROVIDENCE.

BY MARGARET E. SANGSTER

"God's Providence is mine inheritance!" I read
The quaint old legend on a rainy day,
When gray and thick the clouds hung overhead,
And mists were folding close about my way.

God's Providence! Then, wherefore should I fear!
My Father's love is roof and bar for me.
Forever, since my Father holds me dear,
His goodness shall my guard and shelter be.

Another, heaven-endowed with worldly gain,
May count his wealth and gaze his acres o'er;
May reap his harvest fields on hill and plain,
And heap in barn and bin his fragrant store.

And I may own no inch of tilth or foot
Of fallow in this great wide earth I tread;
Yet am I rich, and need no pledge to boot,
Save God's clear stars above my lifted head.

God's Providence is mine inheritance. Come loss
Or change or grief, whatsoe'er God send,
All things shall work for blessing, and the cross
Be gladly borne if shared with Christ, my Friend.

—Christian Intelligencer.

Communications.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHER AS A LAY PREACHER.

BY MRS. J. M. WYATT.

(Read before the Aberdeen District Conference at Tupelo, and voted by the "brethren" to be published in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE.)

There is in the world to-day an army vaster than any Spanish aims ent, mightier than the British navy, braver than the Grand Army of the American Republic; a great moral and religious host moving under the banner of Christ against the combined forces of evil; its officers the divinely-appointed ministry of the church, its soldiery the thousands of consecrated Christian workers in our Epworth Leagues and Sunday-schools. fully panoplied in the whole armor of God—the girdle of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of faith, and the helmet of salvation—they march forth to victory, their feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, their strong right hands brandishing the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. Thus equipped, what may not this valiant, consecrated host accomplish in the name and by the might of the great Captain of our salvation? Wonderful are the possibilities of conquest, glorious the hopes of victory to be achieved by this united army of Christendom. But each private must be heartily pledged to this service; heart, mind, and energies glow with zeal and enthusiasm.

Each Sunday-school teacher is, or should be, just such an earnest, faithful soldier of the cross, for in the conversion and salvation of the world stands side by side with the teacher; in some respects secondary to that divinely-commissioned agent, other particulars occupying a position even more advantageous for winning the hearts, directing the thoughts, and moulding the character of the young. It is universally conceded that one age is determined by conditions existing in the preceding; that one generation, in a large measure, gives character to the next. These are only new ways of expressing the old, old truth, "The child is father to the man." No more condusive proof of this fact could be desired than that furnished in God's own Word by the ever-recurring and elevated emphasis laid upon the discipline and instruction of childhood. Solomon the Wise sounded the key-note to the whole situation when he said, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Our Savior felt the weight of his divine authority in those tender, beautiful words, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God."

Realizing the importance of this early religious training of the young, the churches, more than a century ago, originated and established what they called, to them the very best, most efficient way of accomplishing this much-to-be desired end—the instruction and conversion of youth; and this time-honored institution of our fathers—the Sunday-school—has lived, grown and flourished for more than a hundred years, enlarging in its scope, improving in its methods, and increasing in usefulness from decade to decade; keeping pace with the progress of the great world as it spins forever through the ringing grooves of change.

Since the Sunday-school is such a potent factor in the ultimate success of the church, it is a self-evident fact that the teacher becomes a very important agent in the salvation of the world. This is manifest for many reasons. First, because the ages of childhood and youth are the highly responsive, plastic periods of life. Then ideas are easily and deeply rooted, thought is quick and active, the heart tenderly responsive to divine truths. The soul of an innocent child is like some sweet, upturned flower drinking the fragrant dews of heaven, and expanding in the mellow warmth of its skies. It weaves its silken texture, borrows its brilliant hues, and distills its delicate perfumes silently, imperceptibly, from the subtle forces of nature. Even so the child's unfolding character takes distinctive form from those early educative influences exerted by parent and teacher, for their work should be truly complementary, the one to the other. Unfortunately, however, in too many instances the Christian Sunday-school teacher has to eradicate the training of godless parents, and hence becomes, in a very marked degree, the spiritual guide, the model, the good shepherd to these tender lambs of the church.

One of the most dangerous tendencies of this age is the failure of parents to take their children to the regular Sunday services in the house of God, thus removing them from the magnetic circle of holy influences emanating from the sacred desk; heedlessly depriving them of the rich spiritual food there dispensed by the faithful pastor, who is yearning for souls as his hire. In this condition of affairs, then, the teacher's influence is even more telling on child life and character than that of the preacher, because of the immediate personal contact, the intimate, affectionate social relations existing between the ideal Christian teacher and his pupils. The daily life of such a teacher will lend weight to his teaching. In everything his loyalty to the church and his devotion to its great Head should be manifested. He should illustrate all the Christian graces in his inner life, and show forth that supreme love to God and his fellow-man which are the unmistakable signs of the new creature in Christ Jesus. Both by example and precept will the wise teacher point the responsive heart of childhood to the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." By example he will constantly reveal the beauties of a life "hid with Christ in God"—a life replete with the righteousness, peace and joy welling up from a heart where Jesus sits enthroned. No more exquisite setting can be given to this gem of truth than the following lines from Goldsmith:

"And as a bird each fond endearment tries
To tempt its new-fledged offspring to the skies,
He tries each art, reproves each dull delay,
Allures to brighter worlds, and leads the way."

The teacher who conscientiously discharges this sacred obligation is a lay preacher, in the fullest sense of the word—one of whom our Father demands great things, because into his charge have been entrusted sacred responsibilities. For "unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required."

We teachers are stewards of one, two and five talents, respectively. God forbid that any of us should bury our Lord's gift, and return it unto him void of interest and increase. It is ours to preach to our pupils in our daily lives a gospel of love, peace, and good-will, accentuated and emphasized by a prayerful, spiritual manner of teaching on Sundays. It is ours to study child-life in its nature, needs and environments, and to bring ourselves into closest, sweetest, tenderest touch with these young minds just fresh from the hand of God; ours to turn their worshipful reverence to a loving Creator "in the days of their youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when they shall say, I have no pleasure in them;" ours to visit our pupils in their homes, in every particular sustaining to them the same relation which the pastor sustains to his flock; ours to share their joys, enter into their golden hopes and youthful plans, and sympathize with them in all their childish disappointments, sorrows and cares. Never was the injunction to "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep," more binding than it is to-day upon the Sunday-school teachers of Christendom. By no means can we more successfully grapple to us the hearts of the young, as it were, "with hooks of steel." It is ours to feel and practice that divine charity which "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." It is ours to pray for and with our pupils, laboring personally for the conversion of each of the precious, blood-bought souls entrusted to our tutelage.

Oh, that we, as a great army of teachers, were as keenly alive to the gravity of the situation and the sacredness of our responsibility as we ought to be, as soldiers of the cross and embassadors of our King! Then how soon would the world be brought to the feet of Jesus! How soon would "every knee be made to bow and every tongue be made to confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father!" How soon would the weight be lifted from our faithful, overworked pastors, who now feel too keenly and too much alone the burden of souls, which it is our duty—nay, rather, our glorious privilege—to share with them! Let us strike hands with these godly preachers all over the land, becoming fully their associate lay workers; let us pledge them our unwavering support and hearty co-operation; let us teach and emphasize in our classes the truths which they expound from the pulpit. Then, indeed, shall we hasten the coming of that glorious day when all the sainted hosts of earth and heaven shall join the grand class of the redeemed, and sit down at the feet of the great Teacher, Christ Jesus. There shall we learn the everlasting truths of God, recite the lessons of eternity, and sing its triumphant songs, the glad refrain of which shall ever be:

"All hail the power of Jesus' name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all."

Aberdeen, Miss., June 29, 1899.

Correspondence.

SOUTH CAROLINA LETTER.

South Carolina Methodists are becoming enthused over the Twentieth Century Fund. I am glad that our great church is taking hold of this subject with an earnestness commensurate with her task. Indeed, we face a crisis. Emerson once said that America was another name for opportunity. This is pre-eminently true at this juncture of our history. The new century will afford us opportunities such as we have never known before. If we are prepared for these, the church will witness a forward movement unparalleled in the history of the world. On the other hand, if we rush forward into these fearful opportunities unprepared, we shall experience a failure and a retrograde movement that will stand for ages as a perpetual monument of our folly and neglect.

South Carolina Methodists are beginning to realize the absolute need of Christian education. The competition in our State is waxing fiercer and fiercer; but with all the inducements offered by the State, I believe that the preachers have it in their power to turn the tide in favor of our own institutions of learning.

Our colleges have all had their commencement exercises. Wofford College has closed a prosperous year, and the evidences are that next will be a still more prosperous one. Dr. Carlisle, the honored and loved president, still lives to bless the institution with his wise counsels and sanctifying influence. It seems a pity that such men have to grow old and die. Did I say die? Dr. Carlisle will never die. He may cease to move about among us in person after a while, but he will live as long as a Wofford boy lives, or Wofford College has a history.

The Columbia Female College has had a good year. Dr. Rice, the active and able young president, is making a strong fight to establish the college on a broad and lasting foundation. May he have success!

At the late session of our Conference the Williamston Female College, of which Dr. S. Lander is the honored president, was admitted as a Conference institution. Some of our people are fearful of the effects of a divided patronage, while others think it a wise step. Time only will demonstrate which is the correct theory. No one, however, doubts the ability of Dr. Lander as an educator. His long and successful career is sufficient evidence on this point.

In political circles South Carolina mourns the death of a governor. Gov. W. H. Ellerbe, our former Chief Executive, died some weeks ago. He had been from youth a member of our church. It so happens that the present governor, Col. M. B. McSweeney, is also a Methodist. In fact, we Methodists seem to be in the swim now. May we have sense and religion enough to use wisely and well our opportunities!

Now, I had many things to write when I started, but to record all would extend this communication beyond endurable limits for this hot weather. I mean that it would be unendurable to you and your readers. In fact, I have learned to cut everything short this kind of weather. I preach short sermons, pray short prayers (public), make short talks. By that means I hold my congregations even in the most trying weather.

More and more do I appreciate the weekly visits of your paper to my home. May God bless you in your noble work, and may he graciously sustain you while you toil on in the midst of many discouragements! It takes grit, grace, and gumption to make an editor. May you possess these in great measure!

WATSON B. DUNCAN.

St. George, S. C.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

In compliance with an invitation of the pastor, Bro. W. W. Williams, I spent three days, embracing the second Sunday in this month, in Oakland. It was quarterly-meeting occasion, and Presiding Elder Morehead was in place, as usual, diligently performing his ministerial and official duties. After supplying the church with song books, and the people with such good books as they would have, I left the protracted meeting in progress, the pastor being assisted by that noble helper, Rev. W. M. Young.

After spending two days at home, Thursday, the thirteenth, I ran down to Goodman to meet an engagement with the Holmes County Sunday-school Convention, and to spend twenty-four hours with former parishioners and friends. On arrival I was taken in charge by Bro. W. S. S. Harmon, with whom and his charming family I had a delightful home, as in former days. Other former pastors of "old Richland circuit" will join me in expressions of great joy in seeing this brother so worthily walking in the steps of his noble father, the late M. L. Harmon, who was a pillar in the church, and one of the best friends a preacher ever had. May the succession continue for all generations to come!

On Friday evening I ran up to Ackerman, and was met at the depot by Rev. R. M. Evans, and conducted to the parsonage, where a needed night's rest was much enjoyed.

Saturday Bro. Cochran came with conveyance for me and the books to go ten miles to Antioch Church, whither I had been solicited by Pastor W. L. Anderson to spend a week in a meeting, the which has been done to my delight and, I hope, to the profit of many. Bro. Robert A. Clark, student in Millsaps College, was present, and rendered effective service, both in and out of the pulpit. The meeting was conducted on the sensible plan for country churches, of having all the services in the daytime, with dinner on the ground, thus giving preachers and people the benefit of a full night's rest, which is essential for health at this season of the year. The meeting closed yesterday with seventeen accessions to the church on profession, several family altars pledged, a goodly number of books and church papers put in circulation, and much good in other respects doubtless accomplished.

I am now in Ackerman; will aid in a meeting a few miles from here a few days; attend the District Conference here, 27-29 instant, and then return home for a few days of rest with the loved ones.

The protracted-meeting season being on, it is in order for our pastors to see that the churches and homes of the people are supplied with our song books in sufficient quantity for "all the people to sing, not one in ten only." The standard "hymn book" and the "Young People's Hymnal" are so cheap that there is no reasonable excuse for not having an ample supply, especially of the word editions. I have a good stock of each on hand to supply the demands. Send me your orders, and let us put them in circulation.

G. W. BACHMAN.

July 22, 1899.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

That we might suit the convenience of the lay members of the District Conference, we appointed the session to embrace the leisure time of the farming and other interests—July 12-15—and yet the representation from that branch was less than twenty-five per cent. The place of convening—Capitol Street—is the most accessible point on the district, entailing the minimum of time and expense to all.

That no pastor might have the excuse of absence from his pulpit, we arranged to finish the work by Friday afternoon at latest; yet one pastor came not at all, and two others looked in upon us for only a little while, and took their departure without one word of report from their works. Brethren, why this?

To the stewards and members of the district:

Dear brethren, suffer a word of exhortation. One-half, and more, of the Conference year has passed, and we have just entered upon the third quarter. A careful review of the work to the close of the second quarter develops the fact that not a single pastor had, at the time of holding the second Quarterly Conference, received one-half of his salary. One had received 43 per cent.; no other exceeded 33 per cent.; several 25 per cent. only; five less than 20 per cent., and two of these only about 12½ per cent.

Now, my brethren of the stewardship, it is with you to remedy these conditions. Your pastors are dependent upon you. The economy and education of our church make this your duty. Few will pay except as you call upon them. One strange feature appears: The pastors concerning whom I have heard the kindest expressions from the people are the lowest in scale of receipts. Who is to blame? With families to support, and no time for anything outside of their ministerial work, your representative among the people—some of these "your servants for Christ's sake"—have not received as much as the wages of a common day laborer. The average clerks in the crossroad stores have received far more.

Brethren, remember these men of God among you. Honor yourselves and the Lord by honoring them. How some of them have fed and clothed their families I know not, and yet a more cheerful, uncomplaining set I have never met. That you may have no doubt as to their sincerity, they murmur not; "they seek you, not yours." And yet he who boasted this declared that the laborer was worthy of his hire. "Muzzle not the ox that treadeth out the corn." Your pastor may not be all you desire. On the other hand, are you perfect? He may not be as diligent as you think he should be. Have you met all of your appointments and promises?

Let me say, my brethren, that the amount promised is the minimum, and in some cases is too small; therefore, do not fail to meet these claims in full.

I believe the pastors on the Jackson district are as good and faithful men as can be found anywhere, and it is with you to hold up their hands and encourage them as your leaders. Will you do it? During the five months that remain let the motto of everyone be, "My fullest duty," and our district will stand at the head.

Please suffer one more word: Many of our Quarterly Conferences are too poorly attended. Whether intentional or not, to be absent from these meetings is to discredit the pastor and show an indifference toward the work which is discouraging.

Hoping that my brethren will take what I have written in love, and praying God's blessings upon all the work and workers of the church, I am,

Yours for Christ's sake,

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

July 18, 1899.

A WHOLESOME EXAMPLE.

The Quarterly Conference of the First Methodist Church of this city, the official body of the church, and authorized to speak for the church on all matters, being its governing body, has adopted the following resolutions commending Mayor Todd for suppressing the blind-tigers in Jackson:

"Whereas, For some time past the local-option law has been so flagrantly, openly and defiantly violated in the city of Jackson without any apparent hindrance on the part of the officers of the law, and inasmuch as it was evident that this spirit of lawlessness had begun to permeate the social fabric of our community to that extent that the lives and characters of our young men were being seriously affected, and the enforcement of law a farce, the officers themselves were fast becoming subjects of ridicule and disrespect; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we hail with delight the successful effort now being made by our mayor, John W. Todd, to enforce this law, and we feel that we but voice the sentiment of every good and law-abiding citizen in Jackson when we are thus seriously affected, and promise him our earnest co-operation and support.

"Resolved, That we believe that Hon. John W. Todd has demonstrated in the last few days that the local-option law can be as easily and as effectively enforced as any other law in the code."—Daily Picayune.

We commend the example of Mayor Todd to those charged with the enforcement of law everywhere.

COURAGE.

It is not they that never know
Weakness or fear who are the brave:
Those are the proud, the knightly few
Whose joy is still to serve and save.

But they who, in the weary night,
Amid the darkness and the stress,
Have struggled with disease and blight,
With pitiful world-weariness:

They who have yearned to stand among
The free and mighty of the earth,
Whose sad, aspiring souls are wrung
With starless hope and hollow mirth:

Who die with every day, yet live
Through merciless, unbrightened years,
Whose sweetest right is to forgive
And smile divinely through their tears:

They are the noble, they the strong,
They are the truest, the trusted ones,
And though their way is hard and long—
Straight to the pitying God it runs.

Harper's Weekly.

Communications.

WHAT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR?

BY REV Q A OATS.

(An essay read before the Preachers' Meeting in Friar's Point, and published by request.)

(Concluded)

There is an unfortunate mistake indulged in by some pastors that consists in themes, expressions and allusions that deal with indelicate questions in a flaunting and coarse manner, that, in many cases amounts to blatant vulgarity. The pulpit should always be a model of refined and pure manners and speech. While this is a dangerous tendency, yet there is danger on the other extreme. A false idea of delicacy may lead the pastor to ignore existing evils that deserve plain and positive treatment in his pulpit. It can not be questioned that things are allowable and sometimes necessary in the pulpit that would not be before any other promiscuous assemblage. In such cases the pastor may find a morbid squeamishness that will cause an unjust cry of alarm over a thing mentioned in the pulpit, or alluded to, that is so prominently practiced as to cause no sense of shame anywhere else. I have serious doubts of the practice in some pulpits of preaching sermons to men only, and to women only, when the other sex is excluded, and the intention is to deal with things in a way not suitable in a mixed audience. I have yet to know of a condition of evil that would not bear treatment in all sufficient plainness before a promiscuous audience when due care was taken in the use of terms and manners of expression. Let no man conclude that the special liberties of the pulpit constitute a license for impure speech and coarseness.

In pastoral work there are many difficulties and dangers to be guarded against. There is always need of serpentine wisdom and dove-like harmlessness. The eyes and ears should, in the main, be well open, and the tongue under control. He should be desirous of knowing all that may enable him to work wisely; yet there are always many things it would be best for him not to know. It is a real virtue to desire ignorance of evils we can not remedy, and especially so when they would place barriers in the way of doing men and women good. In my personal experience I have found myself materially hampered in my dealings with people in my charges by somebody having unwisely related to me unfortunate things regarding them. The pastor should always discourage such informers. There are things, however, he needs to know for his own protection, and information regarding them should be thankfully received.

A pastor should never repeat harmful things among his people, however worthy they may be of his confidence. I have known of some pastors becoming in this way veritable newsmongers, while utterly unconscious of their fault.

The pastor should wisely guard against becoming a partisan in family and neighborhood troubles, and to do so will often require the utmost diligence and skill. He will always find one side more to blame than the other, and his sympathies will naturally go out to the injured party, and the temptation will be great to unnecessarily display them to one or both sides. He should be a peacemaker, yet, in attempting it, he needs to be master of the most delicate skill; otherwise he is in danger of doing more harm than good. I have known more than one pastor to do absolute harm, and ruin his own influence, by over-anxiety and unwise efforts to settle difficulties among his people. The pastor should always be wise enough to discern possibilities and impossibilities, and to know when, where, and how to act.

Pastural visiting, to be a success, should be studied as a science. It is possible to be a numerous visitor to little or no purpose. There is danger, on the one hand, of making the visits too much of pleasant social affairs, and on the other all formal, and unpleasantly religious. He should never neglect to be pleasant and entertaining, and may often win his way to great good in being interested in the business enterprises, and in the modes of pleasure pursued by each member in the home, and he should never forget that his supreme duty is to lead them to Christ, and into holy thinking and living. He can not be governed by any cast-iron system. There are some pastors who have a regular order of religious exercises that they must go through with in every home, it differs not what may be the circumstances. They will read and comment on a long chapter, and pray a long prayer, though the children may all be sick, or the good sister's week's baking may all be burning up, or the week's washing may be left standing in the tub, or some urgent demand to attend some other important matter. The fewer visits such pastors may make, the better it will be in such homes for the cause of Christ. It may be that all religious services should be let alone sometimes, but, in the main, a wise, apt, and spirited short service will do good. In most instances it will be expected and appreciated. The people should be taught to expect it and to prepare for it.

There is a danger to some pastors that I have seen much of during recent years, and have seen great disaster to the cause of Christ to follow. It is the disposition to create and cultivate a personal party in the church. They are usually men gifted with what is termed personal magnetism, ardent temperament, ambition, and sometimes brilliancy. Such men easily mistake their ambitions zeal for ardent faith and consecration, and all opposition as persecution, and finding themselves easy masters of a large following, they mistake the infatuated enthusiasm of their party for a wise appreciation and endorsement. Such men always weaken the cause, and often break up strong churches. In every case the men who follow them are more or less sacrifices, and years of wise labor is usually necessary to get the church back into a desirable condition. In every such case the man should have wisdom, grace, and consecration enough to say to his Bishop, "Move me." It naturally pleases us all to feel that we are popular, and to desire it in a true sense is a laudable ambition; but we need to be wise enough to detect its dangers, and to have grace enough to put a stop to it before harm results, let it cost us what it may.

There are cases in which the ambition for popularity takes a very dishonorable turn, and works great injustice to all parties. To illustrate: I have known pastors to take care of personal popularity at the expense of candor by encouraging the impression among their people that they are the only people they have any desire to serve, and if they should be moved from them, it would be against their wishes, and injustice to both people and preachers. At the same time the preacher of this class would be zealously clamoring for a better place at the hands of the appointing authorities. The preacher who follows such a man is usually a sacrifice, more or less, to these unrighteous machinations, and the people blindly believe they have been dealt unjustly with by the authorities of the church, and their loyalty is tainted.

There are brethren who carry the mischief even farther. They will manage to keep in touch with their enthusiastic and disaffected friends by visits and letters, and will keep them in mind of their supposed unjust treatment, and will put every obstacle possible in their successor's way by adverse criticisms and comparisons. They actually sometimes encourage the people to put the money into their hands that is justly due their own pastor. I would more readily vote to locate such a man than almost any other, and would be sure not to allow any Bishop or presiding elder the liberty to employ him.

A true pastor will always retain great love for his former charges, and feel deep solicitude for them; but he will realize that much delicacy and skill should be exercised in all his intercourse with the people, especially when there may be dissatisfaction towards their pastor. I have known pastors, after leaving a charge, to solicit and claim it as a sort of personal right to return to marry the young people, to baptize the children, and even to officiate at funerals. The circumstances ought to be very peculiar in which a former pastor will feel anything zeal to return to his successor's charge to perform such offices. Methodist pastors should be brethren, remembering that one can not be wronged without injury to all, and all should be concerned to keep the office pure.

"THAT PARSONAGE."

Yes, I "have seen it," or its counterpart, Bro. Williams, and I hope it may tumble down before Bro. Wakeman is sent there. If it does not before, it surely will after, for he has a way of making things lively. He would not sit down and sing—

"Except the Lord doth build the house,
The labor is in vain."

I rather think he would change it to suit the case and sing—

Except I bear this shanty down,
They'll patch it up again,

and the very first string those slowites would know some of them would be on the 'Building Committee," with as many "plans" as Gradgrind.

Just let me tell you what Bro. Wakeman did last and this year. He was sent on a circuit not very far from "Post Oak circuit." There was no parsonage at all, and he lived in "his own hired house" one year—yes he lived in three hired houses—and he said unto himself and others: "We must have a parsonage. We have the lot and we must have the house." Bro. Holdback said, "We are not able just now to build." Bro. Weakley said he "was afraid they would get the church into a debt they could never pay off." Bro. Windward said he "was willing, but they would have to see which way the wind was blowing first, and there was no need of haste." Bro. Bossem said he thought they had better find out how much they could get the thing started for and pick out the site. Bro. Humpit said he thought they "had better go to work." Bro. Wakeman seconded that motion with all his heart, and they had to hustle from that on, and the parsonage was a thing like "Mr. Finney's turnip"—"and it grew and it grew." And today Bro and Sister Wakeman are domiciled in "that parsonage."

It is a thing of beauty and a joy to its inmates, and all that go there find a hearty welcome. One little lamb has been added to the fold, and, although it is not "after the similitude of a palace," or quite finished in its belongings and tasteful touches of paint and varnish, yet it is home—a home for the weary itinerant and his dear little heroine he calls wife, and who has worked nearly as hard as he has to bring all this to pass.

There were some rough places to smooth over while this work was going on, but Bro. Wakeman seemed to ignore the stumbling-blocks and pushed on.

If "that parsonage," which is "the shabbiest house in town," had Bro. Wakeman for an inmate, things might change for the better. The 'Rip Van Winkles" would be astonished some fine day. "Who is to blame?" Bro. Williams.

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W. F. M. S., LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

The Annual Meeting of the W. F. M. S., Louisiana Conference, convened in Minden, June 15, 1899. The opening exercises began at 10 A. M., with a devotional service conducted by the president, Mrs. LaPrade. The usual business regulations followed, and through the hours set apart for the sessions of consecutive days everything moved smoothly, harmoniously and prayerfully to the close. The delegation was small, owing to some misunderstanding or inadvertence of the societies as to the appointed time.

Several of the executive officers were unavoidably absent. The corresponding secretary, providentially hindered, sent her report; the treasurer was not present, to the regret of all, but her report was presented in the usual neat form; the faithful recording secretary, who, for fifteen years, has been promptly at her post of duty, was detained en route by sickness, and her place was filled by Mrs. Jno S Young, pro tem.

Notwithstanding all these and other hindrances, the efficient president and delegates present rallied to the needs of the hour, and, with the assistance of the local society (invited to voice and vote in the proceedings) and the preacher in charge, the meeting proved a profitable and enjoyable occasion. To the "faithful few," however, who labored under such disadvantages, the exigencies of the situation emphasized the importance of representation in the Annual Meetings from every auxiliary (and we venture to add, by way of suggestion, that those present certainly deserve no criticism from the "stay-at-homes"—Ed.)

Mrs L. Prade gave an interesting account of the late meeting of the W. B. F. M. in Nashville, and infused much of her enthusiasm into the workers who heard her.

The committees all presented fine reports. It is a source of thanksgiving that no death within our Conference was reported.

Two young women are before us as applicants for foreign work—Miss Helen Johnson, who hopes to be allowed a course in the training-school, and Miss Nettie Peabody, who has attended the school one session, and is full of zeal and anxiety for a life of usefulness in the regions beyond.

The officers elected for the next fiscal year are: President, Mrs. W. H. LaPrade; vice-president, Mrs. T. K. Faunt Le Roy; recording secretary, Miss Lizzie Paxson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. T. Foster; treasurer, Mrs J. J. Holmes; alternate to W. B. F. M., Mrs LaPrade; editor of column in NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Mrs. T. P. Fullilove. District secretaries: Arcadia district, Mrs. O. P. McDonald; Alexandria district, ——; Baton Rouge district, Mrs B. E. Eskridge; Delhi district, Mrs E. W. Anderson; New Orleans district, Mrs. F. A. Dicks; Opelousas district, Mrs. Emma Foster; Shreveport district, Mrs. Burrues Foster.

Shreveport was elected as place, and April as time, for the next meeting in 1900.

Mrs. C. J. Foster, corresponding secretary, reported as follows: Auxiliaries, 20—adult members, 482; Y. P. and Juvenile Societies, 5—Y. P. and Juvenile members, 188; total adult and juvenile members, 670—life members, 21; Bible women supported, 3—scholarships supported, 4; subscribers to W. M. Advocate, 102; subscribers to Little Worker, 54.

The Louisiana Conference pledge of $200 to W. B. F. M. has not been redeemed.

Mrs. S. B. McCutcheu, treasurer, reported (abridged):

Minden Auxiliary	$	133 45
Minden Juvenile		52 15
Ruston Auxiliary		30 86
Total Arcadia district	$	216 46
Amite City Auxiliary	$	5 42
Jackson Auxiliary		15 72
Baton Rouge Auxiliary		38 10
Baton Rouge Juvenile		4 00
Total Baton Rouge dist.	$	63 24
Monroe Auxiliary	$	5 60
Total Delhi district	$	5 60
Carondelet Auxiliary	$	47 00
Louisiana Avenue Auxiliary		43 25
Rayne Memorial Auxiliary		146 95
Rayne Mem. Young People		56 31
Felicity Street Auxiliary		33 30
Total New Orleans dist.	$	326 81
Crowley Auxiliary	$	40 12
Franklin Auxiliary		42 60
Lafayette Auxiliary		15 60
Lake Charles Y. P.		7 75
Opelousas Auxiliary		20 65
Opelousas Juvenile		5 35
Total Opelousas district	$	132 07
Bell Bower Auxiliary	$	5 95
Grand Cane Auxiliary		3 50
Greenwood Auxiliary		23 55
Greenwood Juvenile		2 65
Keachie Auxiliary		16 60
Mansfield Auxiliary		8 80
Pleasant Hill Auxiliary		5 80
Pleasant Hill Juvenile		1 75
Shreveport Auxiliary (the banner society)		156 05
Shreveport Juvenile		82 75
Total Shreveport district	$	307 40
Total from La. Conf. W. F. M. S.	$	1,051 58
From advertisements in "Minutes"		26 25
Grand total	$	1,077 83

The foregoing synopsis of the late Annual Meeting, held at Minden, will be read with interest by the members of the Conference Society, all of whom are, doubtless, anxious to know of the proceedings. This resume is necessarily brief (within the limits of our missionary column), but later on we are promised the "Minutes" in pamphlet form. Every corresponding secretary is requested to collect ten cents each for as many copies as are desired in her local auxiliary, and report the same in her quarterly statement. Please don't neglect this little thing; much depends on the workers keeping in touch with one another.

MRS T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS

Mrs. W. H. Watt, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. S. E. Kennedy of Louisiana Conference

Miss Marcie Marvin, daughter of Bishop Marvin, who spent five years in Brazil in our mission school, but who is now engaged by the Home Mission Board, and stationed at Key West, Fla., spent some time in our Conference organizing while en route to visit her sister in Missouri. She has promised to visit other points in our Conference before her return, Sept. 1. We are glad indeed to have her, and her presence will inspire all who are privileged to meet her.

Forest, Flora, and several other auxiliaries have been organized since our last annual meeting.

The Home Mission work in our Conference is encouraging, every year showing growth in numbers and contributions. We raised last year $1 447.50. Since our organization, about five years ago, eleven parsonages have been aided. Yet, from the statistical report in our last Conference Minutes, we note: Pastoral charges, 123; parsonages, 104—leaving 19 to be supplied.

Our desire is a comfortable home for every preacher in our Conference. A Home Mission Society in every charge would soon accomplish this end. Let us press forward to this mark.

The lamented Dr. Morton said of our society, that it was "the right arm of the Board of Church Extension."

But we would not press this line of work alone. In our own land there are so many (not heathen, for all could hear the gospel if they would) who need urging to the supper of the Lamb. With the same earnest, consecrated work that is given by our foreign missionaries to lead the Japanese, Chinese and Mexicans into the fold, city missionaries in all our large cities could reap a rich reward in the salvation of those perishing at our door. Let us no longer "pass by on the other side," but do with our might what our hands find to do.

We regret to note the serious illness of our Conference recording secretary, Miss Inez Watts, with typhoid fever. She has so recently been called to mourn the death of her mother. Our prayers and sympathy are extended the family in their bereavement and this additional sorrow. May it please God to restore her to loved ones and to our work! MRS. J. B. CHATFIELD,

Vice-Pres. H. M. S., Miss. Conf.

The Christian Life.

CHRIST AS A WORKER.

Although the commonest work well done is honorable, every kind of work is not of equal honor. There are some callings in which a man can contribute far more directly and amply than in others to the welfare of his fellow-creatures, and these stand highest in the scale of honor.

It was on this principle that Jesus acted when he quitted the bench of the carpenter to devote himself to preaching and healing. Than these two there are no callings more honorable, the one ministering directly to the soul and the other to the body. By adopting them, however, Jesus stamped a fresh dignity on the work both of the preacher and of the physician, and ever since many in both professions have gone about their duties with intenser ardor and enjoyment, because they have been conscious of walking in his footsteps. But, though his work had changed, he was not less a worker than he had been before. It is a common theme of discussion between manual and professional laborers whether the toil of the hand or that of the brain is the more severe. The artisan thinks that his well-clothed neighbor, who does not need to touch rough materials or lift heavy loads has an easy time of it, while the professional man, harassed with anxiety and responsibility, sighs for the regular hours, the well-learned task, and the freedom from care of the workingman. This is a controversy which will never be decided. But certain—in the case of Jesus, at least—that it was when he entered on his new career that the real hard work of his life began. His three years of work as preacher and healer were years of unexampled toil. Wherever he went multitudes followed him. When he went into any new region they sent into all the country round about and brought unto him all that were diseased in mind or body; the crowds about him sometimes swelled to such dimensions that the people trod one upon another, and sometimes he had not time even to eat. Such was the pressure of congestion of work with which he was beset. It is the kind of life which many have to live in this busy age; but we can look to Jesus and see in what spirit to carry the burden.—The Rev. James Stalker.

EMULATION AND ATTAINMENT.

Man is an imitative being; he copies and patterns after that which he sees and comes into contact with. This he will do both with and without effort. But excellent likeness can only be attained by careful and prolonged effort at reproducing the purest and best, with "a noble emulation" impelling from within. Said a young man, "What an ideal man I could create if I only had the power to combine in one the best things I see in some of the best men I know!" We have that power—the faculty of emulation. And we also have the "pattern of excellence" to imitate, the "model of perfection" to reproduce, even Christ, our great Exemplar. "He is the highest model of religion within the reach of our thought." We are his followers, his imitators. Our business is to show to unsaved men the Christ. We best do this when we exhibit his spirit, and give evidence of having within us his mind. What poor attempts at this we often make! May not the reason be that our life is not so steadily fixed on the model as it should be? To reproduce Christ in our own lives demands close and faithful study of his life, intimate fellowship with him and determined, prolonged effort at reproduction. Excellence will not be attained at once; we should, therefore, not be discouraged, but continually employ the faculty of emulation. The result will be that more and more the Spirit of Christ will possess and dominate us, and we shall become like him.

"Till we, too, change grace to grace,
Gazing on that transfigured face"

—Exchange.

As surely as the careful agriculturist will root out all the weeds that he finds, so surely will our Father take from us whatsoever of sin and defect he discerns in us, if we will let him. Many people in India, in the last plague, gave no end of trouble to the sanitary authorities, because they would hide away the corpses in the back of their hovels; when the dead-cart came round they said that there were no dead in the house; and so the corpse remained to poison the atmosphere, and kill some more of them. If we keep our sins huddled up in the back premises of our nature, and try to put a screen between them and God, by impenitence and locking our lips against confession, then God can not cast out the sins that we cling to, and will keep. But if we go to him and say, "See if there be any wicked way in me. Come into the very innermost recesses of my soul; and whatsoever is there smite with thy searching light," which like the old Greek legend of the arrows of Apollo, will slay the pythons, then God will answer the petition, and we shall be delivered.—Alexander McLaren, D. D.

The love of Christ has ever been and will ever remain, the wonder of all wonders, which neither man nor angel can explain. That God's compassion should pour itself out in human tears, that God's tender mercies should link themselves with the affections of a human heart, is beyond comprehension—it passeth knowledge.—Rev. J. K. Millet.

THE SAM JONES CAMP MEETING

Although I do not at present anticipate the privilege of attending this camp meeting, still, as the time for its session approaches, my meditations and desires turn in that direction, and I can but revert to reminiscences of the times that I have been present, shadowed by regrets, deep and heartfelt, that I allowed those golden opportunities to slip away with but little show of personal work for the Master. I have never before felt the least desire to realize the sentiments of the old song, "Backward, turn backward, oh, Time, in thy flight!" until now, when opportunities of the past rise before me, and I feel that I have been a laggard in my Lord's vineyard, that I partook of his bounties, feasted at his board, and then, fed upon and filled with the bread of eternal life, I failed to break it to others; forgot to hold up the lamp of salvation to those who were still in darkness, and spent more time in the useless indulgence of the creature comforts of life than in the earnest and prayerful effort which every consecrated child of God should make to seek lost souls, and bring them to the living fountains of God's saving grace. Oh, these lost opportunities! How they rise up before us and sit as mute accusers of our sinful negligence and indifference! And am I alone in these painful reflections? Are there not others who have likewise neglected their Lord? I have seen those who should be soldiers in King Immanuel's army; those who should be ever ready for battle—"instant in season and out of season." I have seen them sit, with passive mien and quiet demeanor, through a soul-stirring sermon, and then, ere the fruits of that sermon could be tested—yea, even before repentant souls could be called upon to give expression to their sorrow for sin by coming forward for prayer—I have seen those same soldiers of Christ furl their flag, shoulder arms, and march to their peaceful tents, unmoved by any interest as to the effects of the sermon—seemingly actuated by no desire to follow it up with earnest and persistent efforts to "seek the lost," to cheer the fallen, to press in among the careless multitude, and urge the indifferent to arouse from their slumber of death while present opportunity holds the gospel salvation to their lips.

Let me say to all who may read these lines that I write not in a spirit of criticism—for, surely, in judging others I would condemn self—but because I do feel already self-condemned, because I failed to embrace the opportunities in which I might have honored my Lord; and because of the remorse which now besets me I write, hoping to help others, ere it is too late, to see "wherein we have erred," and to feel an overwhelming sense of duty, of responsibility and accountability renewed and increased as opportunities are afforded them, and that they who may be so favored may attend those sevices this year with hearts full of the love of Christ, with a burning desire to save souls, to sink "self" out of sight, and to "work while it is called to-day."

We do not need "talent" in either pulpit or pew so much as we do earnestness, consecration and lively endeavor upon the part of God's people. Let one think, for a moment, what the effect would be if every individual claiming acceptance with Christ would go to those services with but the one thought and desire to be the individual means of bringing a soul out of darkness into light. How God would honor that occasion! How souls would rejoice in the new birth! How criticisms and jealousies and strife would cease to mar the beauty of the occasion, and the hills and vales would resound with united praises of the redeemed, and the old-time religion, pure and undefiled, would fill all hearts, and scarcely would the soul leave those sacred grounds without having felt the joys of salvation. There could be no such thing as failure. Every Christian full of the Holy Ghost—emptied of self and selfish desires, actuated by one motive, by a singleness of purpose, committed to personal effort, with tongue, hands and feet consecrated to God, resolved to speak only for Christ, to think, to work, plan, to do all in one's power for the glory of God—oh, who can estimate results! And yet, is this too much? Is it any more than our solemn duty? Will not God hold us accountable if we do not thus serve him? What right have we to go there with any other motives? How dare we desecrate the occasion by going with a selfish idea of the charge doing us good?"—or "recuperation out in the pure country air—drinking the cool spring waters and resting our tired bodies?" Is it not rather God's opportunity, a time for activity and effort, a banding of Christians together for a mighty crusade against the devil and his works?

Dear friends, let us ponder the subject in the light of our accountability and responsibility. Let us ask God to lead us there in singleness of purpose—not for our comfort, but for his glory. Then let us enter into preparation for the occasion, and, solemnly and prayerfully divesting ourselves of "self," let us first purify our own hearts, "laying aside every weight and the sins that doth beset us;" let us assemble with pure hearts, clean lives, renewed consecration to our God, and a righteous determination to work and walk as near like Jesus would, were he by our side, as our feeble minds can conceive; and, above all, let us forbear to go with a view to self-indulgences, with more thought of worldly comforts than of the work we should do, with the sinful idea of eating and drinking and sleeping and relaxing generally—simply for the benefit to ourselves. Let us, I say, forbear to do these things, lest we do them to our own damnation.

MRS. L. S. JONES.

Port Gibson, Miss.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The recent session of the Shreveport District Conference, held at Coushatta, was remarkable for the brotherly love and harmony which prevailed throughout the entire Conference. Everyone seemed to esteem other better than himself. It was in many respects the most pleasant District Conference I have ever attended.

Dr. Sawyer presided with dignity, but not with stiffness; with brotherly love and pleasantness, but not with partiality nor lightness. The addresses were all of a high standard.

The presiding elder preached Sunday morning to the delight and edification of the large audience.

The secretary, Bro. Evans, will give you a more extended report, but I desire to give you the following resolutions, which, among others, were adopted either unanimously or by a large majority:

Whereas, The settlement of the claim of our church against the United States, commonly called the "War Claim," is causing much unwholesome discussion and controversy as to the methods used by our Book Agents and their attorney in obtaining settlement of said claim, and that the unsatisfactory condition of affairs over this settlement is doing great harm to our church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Shreveport District Conference express that, in their opinion, it is expedient to call a special session of the General Conference to settle this vexed question in accordance with the honor and purity of our beloved church.

Resolved, That we consider it desirable and expedient for our Annual Conference to elect afresh delegates to the said General Conference.

Resolved, That our delegates to the ensuing annual session of the Louisiana Conference be requested to vote in accordance with the above resolutions.

Resolved, That we continue to give the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE our hearty support, and will do all we can to increase its circulation.

Besides these, we passed strong resolutions against the use of tobacco, and in favor of prohibition of the liquor traffic; also in favor of aggressive missionary movements at home and abroad, and our colleges—Centenary and Mansfield—as well as on Sunday-schools, Sunday Observance, Tithe Law, etc. All of the above resolutions were introduced by the Committee on Resolutions, and all were adopted without amendment.

ROBT. P. HOWELL,
Chair'n Com. on Resolutions.

TO "REX"

Our brother "Rex" is again protesting against the so-called evangelists, their greed, their methods, and their "jig music," and he is right. But it occurs to some of his readers that the protest might have begun at the name of the camp ground in question, which, from its name, would seem to be the legitimate field of his many imitators.

Secondly, a remonstrance with the Committee on Public Worship who sought to engage one of these "wandering stars," had they not been deterred by his price. Whether this was excessive depended only on the star's drawing power, and this was a question for the stock-holders (supposing the ground in question to be a private enterprise) or their directors to decide. If, on the other hand, the camp ground be the property of the Methodist Church, it should be under the control of her duly authorized ministers, and should be subject to her discipline, which discipline makes no provision for these false lights which lead men astray.

When the church shall return to the old paths, and shall insist that every institution which calls itself Methodist shall be exclusively her own, both in possession and government, then the day-spring of truth will extinguish these "wandering stars;" the "Sun of Right eousness, with healing in his wings," will dissipate these "clouds without rain," and God's people, learning to "separate the precious from the vile," will become as his mouth, who has promised to be both mouth and wisdom to his people. May the Lord hasten the day!

FANNIE MINOR MONTGOMERY.

OUR HOME.

I have just read the journal of our Home at Water Valley, Miss. I was filled with delight as I read the beautiful letters written by the boys and girls published in that paper. Every Mississippi Methodist ought to feel proud of this institution of charity that is destined to bless the future of these boys and girls who have neither father nor mother to love and care for them.

Doctor, I listened with delight to a speech that you made two years ago in favor of this institution being supported by every Methodist in the State of Mississippi in self-defense, as well as to be prompted by a sense of duty to prevent the Roman Catholic Church from making inroads upon our Protestantism by capturing our children and taking them into their institutions of charity, for the same spirit that made old Rome howl when Martin Luther sounded out the key-note that set to music a burning desire for reformation on ecclesiastical lines throughout the Roman Empire is in them to-day as deep as the capacity of the human soul will admit. The same spirit that led Thomas Cranmer, Ridley, Hugh Latimer, and others to the stake would lead the Protestants of to-day there if they only had the power to do so. I appeal to every pastor throughout the bounds of our Mississippi Conference to make this institution a subject of prayer and effort for large donations to insure its continued prosperity and success. May it live long and grow to bless the boys and girls who may have and enjoy the benefits accruing to them through this home for the poor and destitute of our State!

ROBT. H. BARR.

Matherville, Miss., July 18, 1899.

We need not go three days' journey to Mount Moriah in order to erect an altar and offer a sacrifice; there is place for an altar everywhere, and the first uneasy burden that comes to us to be borne, the first expensive duty that comes to us to be done, if borne with the gentle obedience with which Christ bore his heavier cross, and done with the tender submission with which Abraham laid upon the wood his precious offering, will likewise take us up a little way through the cloud toward the clear shining, and give us intimations, at least, of the same voice of promise that spoke peace to troubled Abraham and that made blessed even his hour of struggle and pain.—C. H. Parkhurst, D. D.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, Ellisville, Miss., July 18, 1899: "The protracted meeting held during the month of June at Ellisville was a success in every way. The Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker was greeted at the first service by a crowded house, and for nine days he held the crowds—our large auditorium, together with the Sunday-school room, being insufficient to accommodate the people. Several nights the ushers were compelled to turn quite a crowd from the door. The results were 22 accessions and a spiritual uplift given to the church. Last year the Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker, now of Los Angeles, Cal., assisted; this year the Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, of Crowley, La. Now the brethren say Bro. Herbert Knickerbocker, of Texas, must come to us in 1900, the Lord willing. What's the matter with the Knickerbockers? They are all right! There is a sweetness and freshness about their sermons that reminds one of a garden of roses washed in dew. Nevertheless its the old fashioned gospel in its pungency and power. . . . Last Sunday, July 16, Rev. M. L. Burton, agent of our Orphans' Home, was with us at Ellisville. He gave a good sermon in the morning and a strong Epworth League talk at night. The weather was extremely sultry, but he was faced with a fairly good congregation. The collection for the Home amounted to $50.05 in cash."

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THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1899.

SHAPING THE FUTURE

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

Think ye the notes of holy song
On Milton's tuneful ear have died?
Think ye that Raphael's angel throng
Has vanished from his side?

O no! we live our life again;
Or warmly touched, or coldly dim.
The pictures of the past remain--
Man's works shall follow him!

God's acceptance of imperfect service seems to me a glorious thing. —Austin Phelps.

Our education will never be completed till every good possibility has been fully developed.—W. A. Duncan.

One should count the cost before going to war, and if he can not stand the strain, let him not draw the sword.—Gail Hamilton.

The only possession we can carry to heaven is a Christ-like character. Is it not worth while to seek that more earnestly than gold or silver? —Selected.

It is not so much what is thought and said that matters, but when, where, and to whom it is uttered. Striking a light over a wet blanket is one thing; over a barrel of gunpowder is another.—Exchange.

It is as important to know when to be silent as when to speak. Socrates is said to have asked a very talkative young man a double price for a course of lessons on oratory. When asked why he charged double, the answer was, "Because I must teach you two sciences—one, how to be silent; the other, how to speak."—Selected.

Secular education without moral culture dwarfs the soul. It may make the keen intellect, but it starves the conscience. It may whet the wit, but it lets loose the smart rascal to prey upon society. The entire nature must be trained and developed. Education and religion must go hand in hand to the right exercise and proper development of man.—Presbyterian.

I saw a delicate flower had grown up two feet high between the horse's path and the wheel track. An inch more to the right or left had sealed its fate, or an inch higher; and yet it lived to flourish as much as if it had a thousand acres of untrodden space around it, and never knew the danger it incurred. It did not borrow trouble, nor invite an evil fate by apprehending it.—Thoreau.

When you settle the question whether you will drift or pull in life's stream, you decide whether you will be the master of your own actions, or whether you will let the current decide your course for you. You can drift but one way—down stream; but if there is strength in the arms that wield the oars, you can make your way up stream, to your chosen destination, against the force of the current.—Exchange.

Physical pain is "a blessing in disguise," a reminder that we are not in harmony with the original design of our creation. It comes, like the fire-alarm, to warn us of danger, to ward off real evils, such as might otherwise result in dangerous disease or death. Pain in the brain, stomach, muscles, the eyes, etc., is but another method of saying that these organs are being overworked, abused, in danger.—Selected.

SINS OF THE BODY.

Every now and then there is an appearance of that ancient and heretical notion that after conversion sin is almost entirely, if not altogether, of the body, and, therefore, does not bring the believer under condemnation. Even in this enlightened age there are not a few professed Christians who seek to excuse evil in their lives on the ground that it is chargeable to the essential corruption of the physical nature, and who believe—or, at least, profess to do so—that the soul can remain pure while the body indulges in iniquity of various kinds. Since it is the spiritual, not the physical man, that is regenerated by divine grace, it seems plausible to attribute our sins and shortcomings after conversion to the fleshly nature, which still bears the mark of infirmity and sin. To suppose, however, that professing Christians can "yield their members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin," and be blameless in the sight of God, is to be guilty of infinite folly as well as of gross misinterpretation of the Scriptures.

While it is true that the body is not renewed in conversion, or at any period during our pilgrimage upon earth, it should be remembered that it is not the body that is the seat of sin, but the soul—that part of us which thinks and feels and wills; that invisible, intangible something within us which loves and hates and hopes and fears. The body will not be transformed and glorified until the glad day, when, at the end of all things, our Lord himself shall come again in the clouds of heaven with all his holy angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds. While these tenements of clay that we now inhabit will not be glorified and delivered from weakness and corruption until the resurrection morn, the grace of God can convert them even here in this present time into fit temples for the indwelling Spirit. Frail and sin scarred as the body is, God designs to fill it with his spirit, if we will but yield ourselves to him. Addressing himself to the Corinthian Church, Paul says: "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for that temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." Though subject to infirmity and the occasion of manifold temptations, the Word of God thus plainly declares that the body of the disciple of Christ is holy. Whatever may be the infirmities of the flesh, it is a grave error to regard the bodily nature as the seat and source of sin, apart from the operation of the will. Jesus gave not the slightest hint that evil originates in the flesh, and hence is to be passed over as not involving guilt. He ascribes all sin—both of thought and conduct—to the heart, to the corruption of the spiritual nature. "Out of the heart," said he, "proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, murders, theft, fornications, blasphemies. These are the things that defile a man." Thus the blame of depravity is located where it belongs.

When we have been justified by faith and renewed in the divine image by the Spirit of God, grace is given, so long as we will receive it, to walk in the light, and gain the victory over the appetites and desires of the flesh as well as over the sinful tendencies of the spirit. The dominion of sin is broken, "and a gracious bias towards righteousness and holiness is imparted to the will." We are not responsible for sin except as it is the conscious, voluntary infraction or neglect of God's commands. Every evil act the body performs, or sinful indulgence it revels in, is, after all, the act of the soul, for the two are, until death parts them, but one entity.

The flesh is simply the instrument of the soul, the medium of its operations. The body does not act apart from, or in spite of the will, but in obedience to it. No murderer or thief would dare to plead in court that his body alone was blamable for the crime committed; that his mind and soul were innocent of evil. There is, then, no escape from the conclusion that whatever of wrong any man commits is the outward manifestation of sin in the soul, either of acquiescence or of deliberate purpose.

The service, then, of God includes not merely the spiritual nature, but the whole man. Both body and soul are to be surrendered to the Lord to be the instruments of his will. The Scriptures repeatedly emphasize the duty of honoring God in our bodies, and teach in unmistakable terms the impossibility of serving him acceptably without such dedication. "They that are Christ's," declares Paul, "have crucified the flesh with the affections of lust." Again he asserts, "If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye, through the Spirit, do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live." And again he says, "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

The resolution to yield the body to God must be formed and put into effect by daily striving. How can we be the servants of Christ if our lips speak not words of comfort and blessing? if our feet are not swift to run errands of love and mercy? if our hands minister not to the needy? if our eyes look not upon that which is good? if our ears are not eager for the truth? Not all have made this complete self-dedication; but without it we are only half-Christians. The offering of Christ avails not for our redemption until we have made an unreserved offering of services.

As the "Expositor's Bible" rightly says: "It is only through the body that we can serve our generation by the will of God. Not without the body, but through it, the Spirit must tell on the embodied spirits around us. Without the body, where should we be as to other men?"

MILLSAPS COLLEGE—RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT.

The history of this institution is not long, but it is brilliant. From the hour of its inception to this good day the leadings of Providence have been manifest, and the faithful following of the same has been the joyful purpose of its friends and promoters. The great historian of Methodism said of John Wesley's ready and loyal following of Providence, that it was "the crowning maxim of his philosophy and the crowning fact of his policy." The emulation of that spirit and principle has been the earnest desire of those connected with the establishing and promoting of Millsaps College.

The readiness with which the church in Mississippi responded to the proposed founding of such an institution evidenced the need and timeliness of the movement. The very first appeal resulted in an offering of about three thousand dollars. The first term of the college was patronized far beyond the most ardent expectation. Every year confidence in the enterprise has increased, and the work of the institution has commanded generous and general appreciation.

Our alumni are already taking position in the professional and business world, and several young ministers promise much to the church. The work done is thorough and conscientious, and by earnest, progressive, well-equipped professors intimately acquainted with the best modern educational methods. I know of no institution that in so short a time has wrought so remarkably and written so large a history.

The outlook for next term is reported to me as most hopeful. A large number of old students will return, and applications are daily coming in for rates, rooms, etc. The graduating class next year will be the largest in the history of the college. Without a particle of reserve, and with full knowledge of the facts, I have no hesitation in saying that our people can find in this section no better place for the thorough education of their sons under positively wholesome and Christian auspices. I have no sympathy with that sentimental church loyalty that demands the support of an institution at the sacrifice, educationally, of your son. We are under the highest obligation to give our children the best possible advantages. To imperil their future for a sentiment, however beautiful or sincere, is little less than criminal. Church schools must, therefore, provide the best possible facilities if they are to command the support of the church. With this rigid view vividly in mind, I advise, with all good conscience, the increasing patronage of Millsaps College. Your sons will here find a Christian atmosphere and the highest collegiate training. CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

Jackson, Miss.

LET US BEGIN AT ONCE.

Subscriptions to the Twentieth Century Fund should begin at once in every Conference and congregation. There has been much of discussion and seed-sowing; the beginning of harvest is at hand. We can not longer postpone the active and personal canvass for offerings without imperiling the great movement. In every congregation the work should begin, however small the amount promised. Open the honor roll, and let each giver sign his own name and amount. Each one counts two. The gift of one person will stimulate the thought and stir the conscience of another. Reports from some sections of the church are encouraging; others as yet have done comparatively little. If pastors allow this matter to go over to next year without beginning the canvass, they may expect humiliating results. Enthusiastic leadership will assure an ardent and courageous following.

CHAS. B. GALLOWAY,
Pres't Bd. of Education, M. E. Church, South.

ATTENTION, PREACHERS.

RALLY IN INTEREST OF TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

Bishop Galloway authorizes the statement that he will lead our education rally on Aug. 30 and 31, and urges all members of the Louisiana Conference to attend. The rally will be held in North Louisiana, the place to be announced in ADVOCATE next week. WM. H. LAPRADE,
Sec'y B'd Education.

SEASHORE CAMP MEETING.

Being so situated at the time that it was impracticable for us to attend the Seashore Camp Meeting, we are glad to be able to present the following account of the exercises from the facile pen of Rev. R. H. Wynn:

The twenty-eighth camp meeting at the Seashore Camp Grounds began Wednesday night, July 12, and closed Wednesday night, July 19. There is scarcely any place in the South that is enshrined in the affections of a greater number of Christians than is this hallowed spot, where people from all parts of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, and other Southern States, have met in social and religious intercourse, and where hundreds have found Christ.

About thirty-five preachers, traveling and local, were present during a part or the whole of the meeting, there being about an equal number from each one of the three adjacent Conferences. Twenty-nine sermons were preached by twenty-one different men. It is quite an enjoyable intellectual and spiritual feast to listen to such a variety of preachers, but it is questionable whether the effect upon the consciences and lives of the hearers would not be increased by having only a few men specially suited for revival work to do all the preaching.

None of the advertised celebrities were on hand except Bishop Galloway, who was present from Saturday until Monday, preaching twice on Sunday to very large audiences. The writer was not present on Sunday, but learns from other sources that a profound spiritual impression was made by the Bishop's sermons on the texts, Jer. i, 5—last clause—and Gal. vi, 17.

The three presiding elders were present, conscientiously and prayerfully superintending the service, and each of them preached once.

The crowds on the grounds this year have been as large as usual, and the attendance at the services was very good compared with other years. The experience meetings conducted at the 8:30 morning service were invariably precious seasons. Very faithful and earnest preaching was done, and there were a number of bright conversions and reclamations, while a very large number of people professed to be blessed in some way.

There were no accessions to the church, as those converted were church members in every instance.

The editor of the Alabama Advocate was present during the entire meeting and made an excellent report for his paper.

Dr. A. E. Clay was present one afternoon with all of the waifs from the Beauvoir home, and conducted the service, making a strong appeal for his noble work.

R. H. WYNN.

Bishops Galloway and Fitzgerald delivered addresses at the Indianapolis Convention.

A NEW BOOK.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND PROBLEMS OF TO-DAY. Lectures delivered before the Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University. By Alexander Sutherland, D. D., Toronto, Canada. 12 mo., 240 pages. Price, $1. 1898 Southern Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.

There was a time, as the author points out, when the conditions of life of wasps and bees and the habits of earthworms received more attention at the hands of men like Sir John Lubbock and Charles Darwin than was given to the conditions of life among the common people by the leaders of the Christian Church. Happily that day of ignorance, of social ills and of shameful indifference to them has nearly passed away, and now there is throughout the Christian world a deep interest in the study of sociological problems and in attempts at the amelioration of the oft pitiable condition of the masses.

The six lectures which compose this volume are a masterly exposition of what may be called "Christian sociology," and are aimed to show the application of the laws and principles of the kingdom of Christ to social concerns and difficulties. The field that the subject covers is too vast to be gone over fully in one volume; hence the author has not attempted a complete elucidation of every topic touched upon. Nevertheless, he probes matters to the bottom, and has given us some valuable conclusions as well as wise suggestions. After setting forth the fundamental principles of Christianity, the author proceeds to indicate the necessity and the manner of their application to the various problems of modern civilization.

The following live topics are discussed at length, namely: The Liquor Traffic, the Sabbath Question, the Problem of Poverty, Labor Disputes, and Socialism. The tone of the book is bold, but optimistic. The author evidently has unlimited confidence in the efficacy of the gospel to regenerate society and bring about the abolition of the grave evils from which it now suffers. "We can have better social conditions," he remarks, "only when we have better men, and the only way that has yet been discovered of making better men is the transforming power of the Spirit of God." On the other hand, the author believes that the church will be guilty of great folly and neglect should she attend merely to spiritual things. He says in this connection: "The church needs to learn what this meaneth, 'Man shall not live by bread alone;' no, nor even by religion alone. No one thing—not even religion—can fill the whole round of man's needs, and the church must learn to champion the cause of the toiling masses in regard to many things which lie outside of the spiritual realm." The book is able and philosophic in its treatment, and contains much matter of interest to every philanthropist and student of the times. None who read it can fail to be instructed and stimulated.

The number of Roman Catholics in Austria who have passed over to Protestantism during the present movement was estimated at the beginning of March at 5,000. It is thought that by this time it may have reached 10,000. In Vienna alone 600 were converted during 1898, and 250 during the first quarter of the present year. Encouraging reports come in from many other places. In Carlsbad, for example, a Protestant minister acceded to the request of some Catholics to give them instruction in Protestant principles. He expected to find only fifteen or twenty persons. He saw with surprise four times that number, and his labors resulted in forty conversions.—Central Advocate.

Every great success in life is the result of concentrated thought. It is the search-light which the mind sends out, illuminating the path it desires to take. Once learn to focus the mind on a subject, and undreamed-of avenues of knowledge open to the view. Scattering, desultory habits of thought cause many of the worst failures in the world.—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

It is now claimed that there are in the Southern Methodist Church forty-eight colleges and universities, valued at about $3,700,000, with an income of $583,000, and an attendance of 7,517 students. There are also nineteen academies, valued at $561,850, with an annual income of $66,500, and an enrollment of 2,500 students.—Texas Christian Advocate.

NOTES.

Rev. M. M. Black and family spent last week in the city visiting relatives.

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Bishop Granbery will deliver the Cole lectures for 1900 before the Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University.

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Sept. 6, 1901, has been fixed as the date of the next Methodist Ecumenical Conference.

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Rev. A. G. Brown, one of the leading spirits of the Virginia Conference, is seriously ill.

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Thirty-five theologues are attending the Summer Institute of Biblical Study at Vanderbilt University.

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We were pleased to meet in the city a few days since Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, of the Louisiana Conference.

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Bishop Hendrix has sailed for Brazil, where he will remain three or four months, supervising our mission work.

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We regret to have missed a call recently from Bishop Galloway, who was on his way home from the Seashore Camp Meeting.

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Rev. F. G. Hoentt was a welcome caller at the ADVOCATE office a few days since, en route home from the Seashore Camp Meeting.

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Rev. Paul M. Brown has removed to Greensburg, La., and entered upon his duties as president of Johnston Collegiate Institute. Let correspondents take note of change of address.

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Mrs. H. B. Keils, formerly of the staff of the Union Signal, honored the ADVOCATE office with a call last week. She was in the city on a visit to her distinguished friend, Mrs. C. E. Merrick.

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Rev. Albert S. Lutz writes: "Have just closed a successful meeting at Buetoville Church. Was assisted by Rev. F. S. Parker. Results were: twenty conversions, six accessions to the church, and believers built up in their most holy faith."

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Rev. N. J. Roberts, Franklinton charge, La., July 24, writes: "We are in the midst of a gracious meeting on the Franklinton charge. Rev. W. D. Bass, of Corinth, Miss., is doing the preaching, and his work is being honored by the Holy Spirit. Pray for us."

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The Louisiana Conference Board of Education held a meeting in the ADVOCATE office last Monday. As a result of the meeting, a notice appears in this issue. We invite the attention of the Louisiana preachers to this notice, and to one that will appear next week.

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After several years of earnest effort the Methodists of Port Vincent, La., have about completed their substantial and commodious house of worship. It will be dedicated (D. V.) the fourth Sunday in September by Rev. T. B. Clifford, who will also conduct a series of services during the week following. Much credit must be given to the pastor, Rev. S. S. Bogan, who, having been hindered much by sickness in his family, has, nevertheless, pushed the work to completion.

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The Wesleyan Advocate, of last week, announces the election of Hon. Walter B. Hill, of Macon, Ga., to the presidency of the University of Georgia. Mr. Hill is a ripe scholar and a man of fine literary attainments. He is a thoroughly consecrated Christian and a polished gentleman in the highest sense of the term. A more symmetrical, better-rounded character we have not met in all our journeyings. We congratulate the patrons and friends of the university on their choice. In our judgment, a better selection could not have been made.

I can hardly understand how any great imaginative man, who has deeply lived, suffered, thought and wrought, can doubt of the soul's continual progress in the after life. —Alfred Tennyson.

I have lived to know that the secret of happiness is never to allow your energies to stagnate.—Adam Clarke.

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Our friend, Hawkins, has recently been elected professor of English in Whitworth Female College.

For some time he tanght in the government schools at Matsnyama, Japan, and prior to entering the ministry was connected with the work of public edncation in his home county in Mississippi.

We shall expect him to stick to the Epworth ship, and help fill the spaco reserved for us oach week in the ADVOCATE.

We are in receipt of the "Epworth League missionary nnmber" of the Midland Methodist, and hereby desire to commend those in charge for their interest and enterprise thns displayed.

The "Holston plan" has been commended by Dr. Hoss and others as a practical means whereby the Leagnes may become enlisted in the regular Conference work, proving themselves to be the pastor's helper, a sort of "junior preacher."

Below we give some excerpts from an articie recently contribnted by Rev. T. C. Shuler, entitled, "The Leagne's Part in the Plan:"

"When the Epworth Leagnes of Holston Conference, one year ago, resolved to assist the pastors in raising in fnil the regnlar missionary collections, and not undertake to support a special missionary in the foreign field, it was not contemplated that the Leagnes shonld pay in fnll the collection for each charge, mnch less that any ten of their members shonld do this. Either wonld be exceedingly hnrtfnl to the missionary interests of any pastoral charge. No wise pastor conld afford to allow any one or two members—ten or twenty—to pay off these assessments for the church, because giving is a means of grace, and every member needs it.

"Bnt the resolution did contemplate the League's assistance in raising the collections. Not for the Leagnes to take this work out of the pastor's hands, nor stand behind him in his work, but right beside him, working with him and for him to fnll collections and fnll liberality. The League simply pledges itself to see that the missionary money of each pastoral charge is paid in full, and after doing all that can be done lawfully, as a last resort pays the deficit itself. It is not the guarantee that is valnable, but the League that makes the gnarantee.

"But the League is not to resort to clap-trap methods to do this work. There are to be no cake-walks, ice-cream suppers, exonrsions, etc., bnt it is to be done on the high plane of Christian liberality. There is to be an intelligent, Christian purpose to do this for Jesns' sake.

"The League is to organize, plan, and work to this end. It must put itself in the front. It must lead the entire charge in consecration, in spirituality, and liberality. It mnst be able to teach by example and precept the great, fundamental truths in the 'Go ye into all the world.' The League's part is to make every member of the church intelligent and effective as a contributor to missions; to bring about a real missionary church. It is to secure the missionary money by a process that will bring to the church the highest type of Christianity. It is not to exhaust the resources of the church, bnt to enrich with the deposit of a broader faith, a trner purpose, and a higher aim, thereby making it possible to always, hereafter, raise the fnll amount assessed for missions.

"The League's part, then, is to assist the pastor in raising his collections. To put itself under contribution to the pastor, to plan with him, to work with him, to see those whom he can not see, and never quit the field until the last cent is paid over."

In every great movement there is a single chief-inspiring soul. But this spirit must find responsive spirits. Thus it has been observed that in every reform, or other great achievement of history, there have been several inspiring spirits concentrio abont one chief-inspiriting soul. There is first a leader; a few others catch his spirit, and it develops in each one according to the bias and training. This gives variety, breadth, interest to the movement. Each one of this circle of leading sonls inspires all the others, and is inspired by them. Those who have had experience in League work have noticed that in the history of every chapter there was some one who was determined to "make it go." That one was nndannted. The chapter would several times have "fallen through" bnt for that one. Now others have worked enongh in it to love it; they have caught the first leader's spirit; they are now just as determined as he, and, if the leader shonld fall, the work would go on, because some of these can command just as skillfnlly—it may be more so.

Rev. G H. Thompson, of Benton and Midway charge, Mississippi Conference, has some skilled Leagners. They are going to undertake the raising of the Twentieth Centnry Fnnd. That League which has learned to lift instead of always leaning, has caught the right idea.

The chapter of the First Chnrch, Jackson, Miss., recently passed resolutions commending the mayor, Hon. John W. Todd, for his efforts to relieve the city of blind-tigers. It seems that the mayor's efforts have met with snccess, and it is very proper that such efforts receive recognition and commendation. It is disconraging to worth when it is not recognized.

HENRY G. HAWKINS.

The Interstate Epworth Leagne Conference will be held on Seashore Camp Gronnds, Aug. 15-25. Plan to attend. Send for descriptive pamphlet to GEO. D. PARKER.

Station B, New Orleans, La.

Rev. Robert W. Vaughn, a prominent yonng minister of the Louisiana Conference, has rented the McGehee Cottage, situated on Centenary College campns, and will take twelve boarders. The McGehee Cottage will be nnder the control of the college anthorities, and Bro. Vaughn will furnish first-class board, including everything necessary, for $12 per month. Bro. Vaughn expects to take the A. B. conrse at Centenary College.

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NOTICE.

An Edncation Rally will be held on Friday night of the next session of the North Mississippi Conference, Dec. 1, 1899. Bishop Candler will be the speaker. We expect it to be a meeting of great power and blessing. Onr energetic Conference Secretary of Edncation, J. R. Bingham, has moved this action, and the Executive Committee of the Conference Board hereby ratifies it, and appoints the meeting.

Notice is given thus early that every pastor may nrge forward his work, and be ready to report in time the results of his lists and of his Edncation Day. The secretary and the treasnrer of our Board will need the preachers' reports by Nov. 1.

W. T. J SULLIVAN, Chairman.

Kosciusko, Miss., July 19, 1899.

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DOLPHIN—LEWIS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Thursday, July 6, 1899, by Rev. Nolan B Harmon, Mr Jesse C. Dolphin to Miss Minnie Lewis, all of Ellisville, Miss.

HISCOX-ROWLAND.—At the residence of Mrs. Pierce, Sunday, July 16, 1899, by Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, Mr. Andrew N. Hiscox, of Laurel, to Mrs. Eugenia Rowland, of Ellisville.

BRANDON—OWEN. At the residence of Mrs. Eliza Case, May 28, 1899, by Rev. Angus T. Buck, Rev. J. M. Brandon, of the Christian Church, and Mrs Dana Owen.

UNGER-GLASS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Hon F. M. Glass, Sallis, Miss., June 20, 1899, by Rev. Angus T. Buck, Mr. David E. Unger, of West Point, Miss., and Miss Lennie A. Glass.

STONESTREET-HARMON.—At the home of the bride, July 16, 1899, by Rev. Angus T. Buck, Mr. Robt. W. Stonestreet and Mrs. Hattie Harmon, both of Attala county, Miss.

SMITH-TOTEN.—At the residence of the bride's father, July 19, 1899, by Rev. Angus T. Buck, Mr. Oscar J. Smith and Miss Willie Toten, both of Attala county, Miss.

HARDY-BAGGETT.—In Fruitvale, Cal., July 12, 1899, by Rev. John Hannon, D. D., Col. Chas. Hardy, of Brookhaven, Miss., to Miss Nora Baggett, of California.

ANGLIN-KERKLEY.—At the home of the bride's father, near Coushatta, La., June 27, 1899, by Rev George D. Purcell, Mr. George Anglin to Miss Nora Kerkley, both of Red River parish

VANDYKE—FABER.—At Wesley Chapel parsonage Natchez, Miss., July 13, 1899, by Rev. H. D. Howell, Mr. Joseph E. Vandyke and Miss Mamie Faber.

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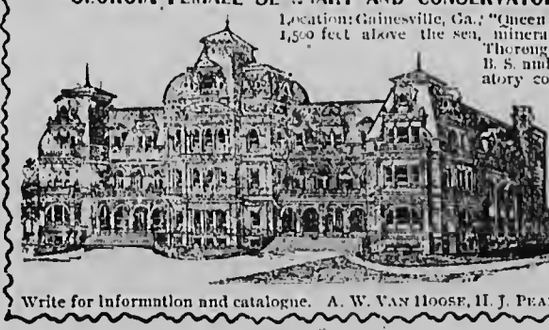

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Although his clothes are torn.

I saw him tumble on his nose;
And waited for a groan—
But how he laughed! Do you suppose
He struck his funny bone?

There's sunshine in each word he speaks,
His laugh is something grand;
Its ripples over run his cheeks
Like waves on snowy sand.

He smiles the moment he awakes,
And till the day is done;
The school-room for a joke he takes—
His lessons are but fun.

No matter how the day may go,
You can not make him cry;
He's worth a dozen boys I know,
Who pout and mope and sigh.

—Exchange.

AN EVERY-DAY MAN.

Upon the broad Post Office piazza in one of Western Massachusetts' prettiest villages groups of people are waiting for the mail to be "sorted." On one side a half dozen farmers in various-shaded, "second-best" suits, and palm-leaf hats, are discussing the hay crop, while a little apart a gay party, whose negligee suits and freshly-tanned cheeks proclaim them "city boarders," are talking over the latest hop, when from across the street approaches a gentleman who is neither farmer nor boarder. The simple dress and dignified bearing betray nothing of his position in life, and a slight literary stoop of the shoulders gives the only clue to his occupation. Whoever he may be, it is clear that all know and respect him, for, as he steps upon the piazza, all conversation ceases, the farmers raise their hats, and every face smiles a welcome. He smilingly lifts his hat in courtly acknowledgment of the greetings, and after chatting a moment with the boarders, turns to the group of farmers. They listen as if charmed by the kindly face and musical voice, while in tones of genuine interest he inquires of one and another in regard to his family, his farm, or the weather prospects, and later, as he passes down the street with his mail, one says to his neighbor, with emphasis, "Mr. Curtis is a real, every-day kind of a man, and I like him."

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A WONDERFUL BEING.

What a wonderful being is man! Created in the image of God. The breath of the Almighty within him. Stars and sun make his servants. His scepter given dominion over all animal creation. Destined for two worlds. Made a little lower than the angels. Glory and honor his crown. God standing ready to die for his redemption. Heaven set into a jubilee over his repentance. A son of God—yea, a king and a priest unto God. Certainly his dignity towers up like a mountain. To no other existence outside the jasper walls is attached such significance. And yet how we forget all this! We act as if we were earth-born and earth-destined, and without a higher end than to sport with sin and revel with corruption. How contracted our vision. How little we see the parapets and towers of the next world. How fully we see those of this. How earthly passions play and hold carnival in our hearts. How seldom are we lifted to a third heaven by a touch of inspiration. How we live as if the life were not more than meat, nor the body than raiment. How shadowy and faint, like the first gleams of the morning, are the great realities of the soul, and how thick and heavy the darkness of worldliness and falseness which surrounds us. How the apparent triumphs over the real. But we are the sons of God, nevertheless, and the breath of the Almighty has given us understanding. We should be filled with the thought. To think highly of ourselves will help us to act nobly and well. If tempted, remember you are a prince, and should not act like a slave. What many persons need to do is to discover themselves. They have never been aroused by the thought of who and what they are, and whither they are hastening. If we are the sons of God, we should be like him. If we are hastening into his presence, we should assimilate of character like his own. Our motives and deeds should correspond with our dignity. Young man, young woman, think highly of yourself and lead a worthy life.—Epworth Herald.

THE DUTY OF BEING CHEERFUL.

We speak much of the duty of making others happy. No day should pass, we say, on which we do not put a little cheer into some heart, make the path a little smoother for some one's tired feet, or help one fainting robin unto its nest again. But we are not so accustomed to think of the duty of being happy ourselves. Yet the one duty is taught in the Bible as clearly as the other. Jesus said his disciples should have tribulation in the world, but he said in the same sentence, "Be of good cheer."

That is the problem that is set before us as Christians. We are to live cheerfully. The fact is, however, that not all Christians are cheerful Christians at all times. Some are scarcely ever cheerful—are habitually uncheerful. Others are cheerful only at times, when the sun shines and all things go well with them.

How can we learn to be of good cheer, even in times of trouble? It does not come naturally. Nor does it come even to a Christian without being learned. All the fine things of Christian nurture and Christian culture have to be gotten through discipline. We have to learn to be of good cheer.

Some practical suggestions may aid those who are sincerely desirous of learning this lesson. One is, that we should train ourselves to see the good things, the bright things in life. There are few habits more common, even among Christians, than this of seeing and remembering unpleasant things, and being blind to and forgetting the pleasant things, and there is no habit which is more inimical to cheerfulness.

The truth is, there are in the ordinary life a thousand pleasant things to one that is unpleasant. It is a shame, therefore, to let the one roughness or pain spoil for us all the gladness of a thousand good things; the one discordant note mar for us all the music of the grand symphony.—Forward.

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CONVERSATION.

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Happiness does not consist in the honors of the world. There have been those for whom the kingdoms of the world and all the glory of them had no attraction. The heads which wear the crowns still lie uneasy. The greatest conceivable foolery is the hunt for fame. To the living it proves a gilded vapor; the dead are beyond its glamor. Here is the true dream-life—a momentary intoxication and the vision dissolves How few live in the pages of history, and there by what accidents? Difficult of attainment, brief of tenure, impotent of good, fame brings no human soul substantial satisfaction. —Texas Advocate.

Those who think to pursue a course of sin for years, and finally become Christians at the end, little know the power and permanence of evil habit. A tree was once broken down by the wind, but it was found on examination that it had been cracked many years before, and straightened up and healed; but when the strain came it broke in the old crack. A broken bar of iron usually shows an old, rusty flaw; and many a broken-down man may trace the final wreck of his life to the results of sins indulged in years before.—H. L. Hastings, D. D.

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Hygiene.

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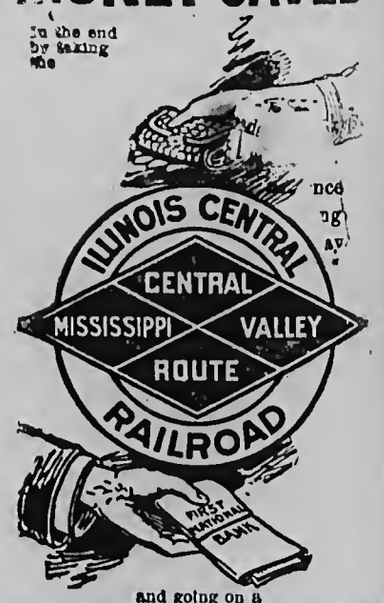

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DAVIS—Bro. W. K. Davis was born Jan. 15, 1820, and died April 26, 1899. He was married to Miss Sarah A. Caine, Oct. 29, 1846. Joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1853, and ever after lived a faithful, consistent and devoted member of the same, true to his church vows, and a staunch friend and supporter of his pastor—in fact, a model man in all the relations of life—a true and devoted husband, a kind and indulgent father. He was the father of eight children by his first wife, she having died on the 20th of March, 1879. After the death of his first wife he was married the second time to Mrs. Mary H. Womack on the twenty-second of March, 1880.

I was this writer's privilege to know him intimately or more than fifty years; ever in all these years as a true gentleman and a good citizen, a kind and obliging neighbor. But our friend and brother is gone from among us; but we mourn not as those with no hope, as he expressed himself as being ready and waiting for the change. His mortal remains lie in the old family burying ground where all his good father and mother, sainted wife and many other loved ones are quietly awaiting the resurrection morn, when in my small arise and shine with that bright and glorious flag that shall ever contract rize the children of God and rise upward and onward to meet him in triumph descending the skies. Dear brother, loved companion and his loving and dutiful children and loved ones, to remember that he can not return to them, but they may go to him. He will ever be ready to meet you at the pearly gates of the New Jerusalem, and walk with you the golden streets of the celestial city, where God himself has promised to wipe all our tears away. H. C. Nawson.

Flora, La.

FERGUSON—Mrs. Cynthia Adaline Ferguson (nee Sparkman) was born March 16, 1838, and died May 19, 1899.

These dates bound a life of wifely, motherly, sisterly devotion to duty in all the lines of life common to ordinary mortals. Her life was spent in her native county of Pike, and for many years near the old town of Holmesville, so long the county site. She joined the church, under the ministry of Rev. Henry M. Youngblood, in her twenty-first year, having previously been married to Mr. Jas. A. Ferguson. She became the mother of eight children—five sons and three daughters—five of whom survive her. About ten years ago her husband died.

During the years of my life at Kavanaugh College, in Holmesville, I was a frequent visitor to the Ferguson home. I loved the sweet restfulness of this country home, and I loved more this gentle, pious couple, and the youngest son and daughter—my pupils who were still under the parental roof. I prayed with them; I administered the Lord's Supper to them in the home when Bro. Ferguson became too much of an invalid to get to church, and the memory of these ministrations and associations is very sweet indeed. The strength and beauty of a quiet life—these marked the character of Sister Ferguson. She was ready to go when the call came, and she said so; but if she had left no death-bed assurances, her loved ones could not be in doubt about it, for they have a long life-assurance of her title to a home in the beautiful beyond.

H. Walter Featherston.

FANT—Elmire, infant daughter of Bro. and Sister S. A. Fant, of Johnston's Station, Miss., was born July 19, 1898, and died May 3, 1899.

Brief and beautiful was the life of little Elmire. Like a ray of morning sunshine, she brought joy and gladness to parents, grandparents, brothers and sister; but the cloud of death soon hovered down over the home.

Of unusually lovable disposition, she had already found a warm place in the hearts of the entire circle of neighbors and friends. It is natural that every child should be peculiarly dear to its own parents; but "our baby" had entwined the tendrils of affection about the hearts of many.

For twenty-eight days there was a struggle against the ravages of a wasting, continued fever. All that anxious hearts and willing hands could do was done to effect a recovery. The most scrupulously careful medical attention was given, but, in spite of all, she died. Died? No; she could not die. Like the chrysalis, she broke forth from her temporal tenement beautiful though it seemed to us—and in a higher clime and a glorified form she lives. Shall we not see her again? Yes, I believe it. May Heaven comfort the sorrowing!

J. A. Moore.

PARKER—Mrs. Jettee Parker an excellent Christian woman, well beloved by all who knew her, passed away from earth to glory after a lingering illness of six weeks. She died of that long, lingering disease called consumption. She was only confined to her bed about six weeks. In all her affliction she was never known to murmur or complain at the providence of God. Her only regret was she leaving her children. She said, if it was God's will, she wanted her baby to go with her to the glory-world. Among her last requests was for her pastor to baptize her baby and bow with her in prayer. With meekness, patience, and all the Christian graces the dear suffering displayed, served to lessen and ease the bereaved hearts of her devoted husband and other loved ones.

Sister Parker was twenty-four years and eleven months old. She died July 1, 1899. Just as she is gone, but the world is made better by her having lived in it. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn their loss. They mourn not as those who have no hope, but we expect to meet her again at the right hand of God on high. May God bless this lonely home!

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Raleigh, Miss.

DONAGAN—Resolutions adopted by the Live Oak Sabbath-school of Slidell, La., on the death of Mr. W. C. Donagan, who, for the last five months, has been doing duty in the police force of New Orleans, La., and was accidentally killed while on duty about three o'clock A. M., May 18, 1899.

Resolved, That in the death of our beloved friend and former superintendent, Mr. W. C. Donagan, this Sabbath-school has lost one of its most efficient members, one who has given service as satisfaction to those whom he has served in an official capacity, a worker alone and faithful in his official duties, upholding the work for Christ, and practicing its truths by an honest, truthful and faithful walk in all the avocations of life. A good neighbor and true friend, a kind parent and tender husband. We miss his familiar face and voice in our meeting, and not with sadness his vacancy in our midst; but while we deplore the loss to our Sabbath-school, to his friends, and, most of all, to his family, especially his widow and sweet little girls, yet we would bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well, believing, as we confidently do, that our loss is his eternal gain.

Resolved, That we will try and emulate his zeal, and we will cherish his memory as one of the faithful few of our little Sabbath-school.

Miss. S. J. Chaney, for Com.

FISHER—The angel of death has crossed the threshold of another happy home and flown away on its wings the soul of Florence Rebecca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fisher. She was born near Edwards, Miss., Dec. 20, 1887, and died June 3, 1899, aged one year five months and thirteen days.

Although her life was short, yet who can measure the height, breadth or depth of her influence in drawing her loved ones nearer Christ? Everything is done with an eye for man's good and God's glory. She was the idol of her fond grandparents, as well as her parents. One month ago, during the little one's illness, she was tenderly watched over day and night by her loving grandmother. Nothing that was done could revive this flower, until, failing away to be revived on the resurrection morn. Grieve not, loved ones, but prepare to meet her in heaven, where to be is a parting. M.

MILLER—In memory of our little brother, Andrew S. Miller, who was born in Leake county, Miss., April 21, 1883, and died in Smith county, Miss., March 8, 1899, aged fifteen years eleven months and sixteen days.

Andrew joined the M. E. Church, South, at about seven years of age, and lived a consistent member until the time of his death.

It was my happy privilege to visit in the home of his parents, Bro. and Sister S. D. Miller, several times during the year I was their pastor, and I always found little Andrew glad to see the preacher. He was a regular attendant at church. He was an obedient son, an affectionate brother, and an agreeable playmate. He left abundant evidence of his entrance into the realm of the pure and the good. Weep not, dear mother and father, brothers and sisters, for your loss is his eternal gain; your grief is his everlasting joy.

P. H. Howse.

CATCHINGS—Mrs. Mollie S. Catchings was the only child of Mr. Jas. A. and Mrs. E. A. Bovard, and was born in East Baton Rouge parish, La., Oct. 12, 1873. In 1879 she moved to Madison county, Miss. On Jan. 5, 1899, she was married to Mr. F. B. Catchings, of Georgetown, Miss. She joined the Methodist Church at the age of fourteen, and was a consistent member. After patient suffering with a lingering illness she died May 24, 1899, in hope of a blissful resurrection.

We can but regret the loss of one who was so bright and happy, and so calculated to scatter sunshine in her new home. We commend the bereaved husband and widowed mother and others to God's sustaining grace.

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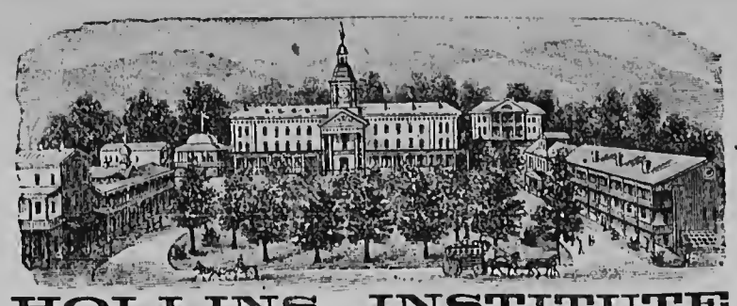

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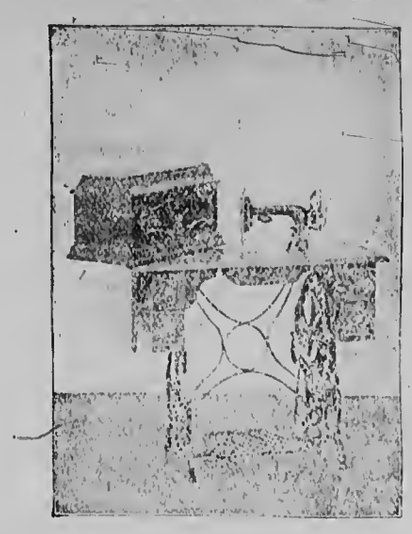

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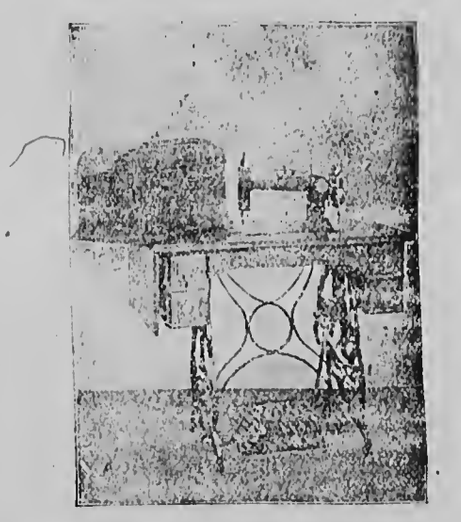

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A grain elevator was destroyed by fire at Toledo O.

Nine trained nurses have left New York for the Philippines.

Efforts to run street cars in Cleveland resulted in serious rioting.

The next national meeting of the Epworth League will be held in San Francisco.

Unprecedented rains will retard military operations for a long time in the Philippines.

Admiral Dewey has been entertained at Trieste by the American minister to Austro-Hungary.

The Anniston carpet mill has begun making the first carpets ever manufactured in the South.

There is much indignation in Florence, S. C., over the appointment of a negro postmaster.

An explosion on the British torpedo-boat destroyer "Bullfinch" killed nine men and injured four others.

Col. Robert G. Ingersoll died suddenly of heart disease at his home near Dobbs' Ferry, N. Y., on July 21.

Delegates representing trades unions of Greater New York have taken steps to form a new labor party.

Jerome Hall Raymond, the new president of the University of West Virginia, was a newsboy in early life.

A Filipino priest with the insurgents has started a movement for the independence of the church in the Philippines.

The street railway strike at Cleveland is becoming serious. Dynamite was used in an attempt to blow up two cars.

A lieutenant and four members of the crew of the Austrian torpedo boat "Adler" were killed by the explosion of a boiler.

An attempt of contractors to do extensive construction work at Tyrone, Ky., with imported negro laborers, may lead to serious trouble.

Organized druggists of Tennessee will attempt to regulate the sale of cocaine, as the cocaine habit is growing at an alarming rate in that State.

The Pullman Palace Car, Southern Express and Bell Telephone Companies have been listed for taxation for the first time in South Carolina.

President Diaz will be invited to attend the ceremonies of the laying of the corner-stone of the new Federal building in Chicago on Oct. 9.

An epidemic of charbon in Sweden is increasing alarmingly. Deaths of human beings who have contracted the disease from animals are recorded.

Vanderbilt University, in Tennessee, is to have a new dormitory to cost $125,000. It is to be called Kissam Hall, and is named after Mr. Vanderbilt's mother.

Memorial services to the memory of Robert G. Ingersoll were held in Pooria, Ill. A movement for the erection of a monument in that city to his memory has been started.

The English Bible Society, which in these matters acts with the American Bible Society, has translated the Bible into Tagal, Vicol and Ilacano, three languages in the Philippines.

Gen. Otis declares American correspondents wanted to send out reports which would have imperiled operations. He denies charges against him contained in the Manila "round robin."

The reports of a Chinese-Japanese alliance, which have been persistently denied for some time, have now assumed definite form, and are causing great excitement in Russian circles.

The President has no intention of relieving General Otis from the military command in the Philippines. He had seriously thought at one time of assigning an officer of high rank to command the forces in the field leaving General Otis to perform the administrative duties of governor-general.

The announcement of the resignation of Secretary of War Alger has been followed by the publication of the name of his successor. When Alger retires his place will be promptly taken by the Hon. Elihu Root, of New York. The new appointee is a well-known New York lawyer, a man of acknowledged ability, closely identified with Governor Roosevelt, of New York.

The health report for the past two weeks has been the most favorable ever known in the history of Havana. There have been no yellow fever cases, and the number of other contagious or infectious diseases has been reduced to the minimum. The authorities will not declare that it is impossible there should be a yellow fever epidemic there, but are doing everything possible to avoid such an occurrence.

The International Peace Conference, which began its sittings about two months ago, has about concluded its labors, and it is understood will adjourn during the present week. The Czar, who was primarily responsible for the Peace Conference, has every reason to feel disappointed at the results, as really nothing has been accomplished. Disarmament has not even been touched upon seriously, and no restrictions whatever have been placed upon warlike inventions. About the only definite and clear-cut result of the conference has been the adoption of a plan of voluntary arbitration of international disputes.

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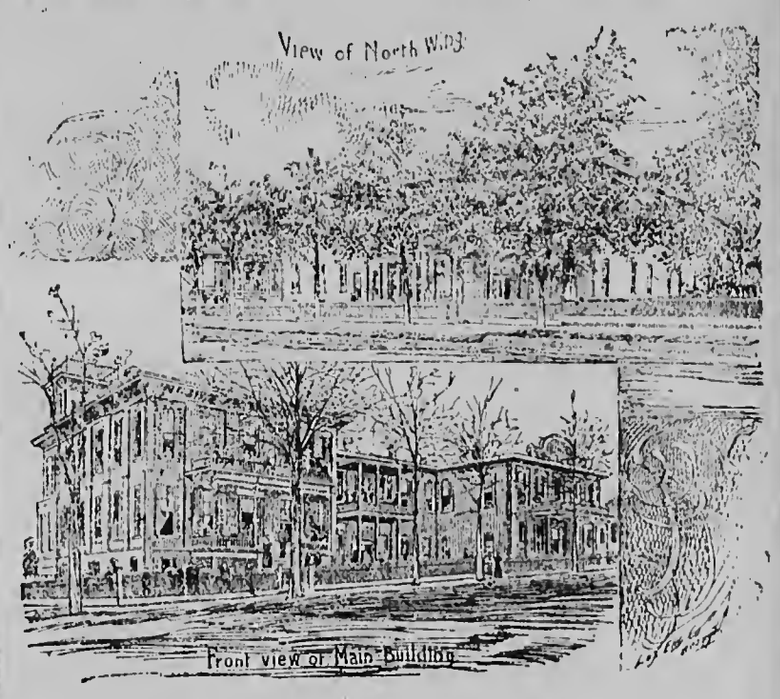

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SURETY.

BY SARAH ROBERTSON MATHESON.

nd shall the Hand that brings the rose to bloom
Out of the barren bough of Winter brown,
ave the fine soul forever in the tomb,
Where the spent body to its rest lies down?

nd shall the Might that fixed the whirling star
And the strong sun in light our darkness here,
ve never ray of light to guide afar
Aught journeying beyond this little sphere?

nd shall the Love that gave the bird its wings
And moves the sweetness of its song unsought,
ovide no pinion for the soul that sings
Of with the rapture of its heavenward thought?

e's river flows, and the immortal hears
Calmly the passing flood, with feet secure
on the stepping-stones of mortal years,
Each stayed the surety that the rest is sure.

— The Expository Times.

Correspondence.

E JACKSON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Jackson District Conference s held at Capitol Street Church, ckson, July 12-14; T. B. Holloman, E, in the chair. R. S. Rickotts s elected secretary, with B. F. wis and H. C. Brown as assistants. The district comprises seventeen torial charges. Fifteen pastors re present—two being providen- ly hindered—and about the same ber of lay delegates. The ex iment of meeting on Wednesday, s to give time for pastors to reach ir Sunday appointments after ad- nment, was not a marked success, y a few remaining to the close of session on Friday.

eports showed that the work on t of the charges has been prose- d during the last year under seri- discouragements — quarantine, dyke weather, and recently much ness among the people; still the iding elders, old and new, have s full proof of their ministry, and pastors have been earnest and ful, so that we have not only nur own, but have good prospect increase in all departments of ch work. Especial interest has shown on most of the charges in nrth Leagues and Sunday-schools. ral interesting papers and ad- ses on these subjects enlivened proceedings of the Conference, gave rise to quite animated and, he main, practicable discussions. paper read by Bro. G. H. Thomp- on "The Epworth League as or Pastor" was ordered sent to DVOCATE for publication.

e terms used in describing the tual state of the church were: ellent," "good," "improving," ," "average," and in a rare in- e, or two, "poor." For the least losing of these conditions reason ud chiefly in bad weather, the ed nature of the work, or in presence or proximity of that y of all righteousness—the open n. There is much rejoicing g us in the recent defeat of two eive petitions for a local-option n, and over the results of our ary elections just held, which lind-tiger people say were run e preachers, and which is the in this instance, as saying that were mostly run right.

ers are two local church papers district—The Yazoo Method- blished at Yazoo City, and The dist News, published at Jack An effort was made to have the rence assume the management latter as a sort of organ of the t, but while the present man- nt of the paper was commend- was not deemed prudent to n further responsibility in the r.

Nashville and the NEW OR- CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE were nded to our pastors and peo- t the Conference, by resolu- eprecated the recent publica- the latter of certain articles nal in nature and polemic in and requested the editor to e a rigid censorship over such nications in future.

educational work received due on. Millsaps College was rep- resented as having had, under some what adverse circumstances, a highly satisfactory session; and President Chambers, of Whitworth, gave a good report of the work done at that hon- ored institution, adding a vigorous plea for greater concentration in our denominational school work. On Thursday night an Educational Rally was held, with interesting addresses by the presiding elder and Bro. H. B. Hawkins, pastor of Madison charge. Not all the charges have had this subject presented to them, but when it has been presented the response has been encouraging, and there is no doubt that contributions will in- crease as our people are made more perfectly to understand the necessity and the possibilties of this great movement of our church.

Bro. M. L. Burton, manager of our Orphans' Home at Water Valley, gave a good account of his work. Too little attention is paid to the claims of this institution, which is now providing for nearly sixty or- phan children.

Judge J. R. Enochs, J. J. Daniels, G. W. Galloway and J. A. Hobbs were elected delegates to the Annual Conference.

Miss Addie Purnell, Conference secretary of the Woman's Home Mis- sion Society, made an interesting re- port of this organization, to whose beneficent work so many an itinerant owes the comforts of a home.

Yazoo City was selected as the place for the next meeting.

On the whole, the session was a pleasant one. Capitol Street Church abounded in hospitality, and the pre- siding elder and the Conference were in cordial agreement throughout.

Good preaching was done morning and evening by Bros. Golden, Wil- liams, W. B. Lewis, and Thompson.

SECRETARY.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Opelousas District Conference met in Lake Charles, June 22, at 8 P. M.; Dr. C. W. Carter in the chair, and about the usual number of preachers and delegates present. The growing and prosperous city by the lake extended a cordial hospitality, and the genial "young" host, Rev. B. F. White, assisted by his man of all work, Bro. A. M. Mayo, had all things in readiness for the reception of the Conference. Rev. Jno. G. Sloane was elected secretary, and filled the position very efficiently. The usual District Conference business was transacted with dispatch. There seemed to be a general feeling, shared by presiding elder and pastors alike, that the spiritual condition of the work in the district, as a rule, was far from satisfactory, lacking, to a large extent, in the important ele- ment of revival power. The finances were reported far behind on most of the charges. Most of the charges, however, are supplied with good church-buildings and comfortable parsonages. Some notes of progress were reported. In the charges of Bros. Riggs and Blocker new ground had been broken by revival meetings under a tent in localities where Pro- testantism had been hitherto a stran- ger.

An interesting and profitable feat- ure of the session was the early morn- ing prayer meeting called each morn- ing by the presiding elder.

Dr. Cooper was present in the in- terest of Centenary College, and was abundantly used in the pulpit.

Attention was called to the Twen- tieth Century Movement, though no representative of the Board of Edu- cation was present to push the mat- ter.

An elaborate program for a Mis- sionary Rally, but several of the speakers had gone home before the time appointed for the meeting, so the whole subject was left to two or three speakers; but the rally, never- theless, was considered a success.

A memoir of Bro. J. White Davis was prepared, and resolutions of sympathy for Bro. R. C. Grace, in the loss of his wife, were adopted.

The pulpits of the Methodist Epis- copal, Presbyterian and Baptist Churches were filled by members of the Conference on Sunday, besides our own Southern Methodist pulpits.

M. Carter Holt, of Crowley, was licensed to preach, and the license of Rev. W. H. Ney, of Lake Arthur, is- sued by the M. E. Church, was recog- nized in due form. Both are young men of promise.

Rev. Jno. G. Sloane was recom- mended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial.

If memory does not mislead, the lay delegates to the Annual Confer ence are: Capt. J. N. Pharr, A M. Mayo, Geo. D. Price, and Rev. Jno. G. Sloane. If the list is at fault through inaccessibility of the record, the secretary will, doubtless, make correction.

Several of the preachers were pre vented by sickness, or other cause, from being present, and several oth- ers returned home before Sunday, but enough remained to fill the vari- ous pulpits. It would seem that if the preachers can not be held over Sunday, it would be better to hold our District Conferences in mid-week.

This account is written by request of the presiding elder.

W. WINANS DRAKE.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The session of the Baton Rouge District Conference is among the things of the past, but its influence is still felt amongst us. Our people were glad to entertain it, and would willingly entertain it again. I think every host and hostess was pleased with their guests, and if they should be honored with the pleasure of en- tertaining the Conference again, would be glad to have the same guests assigned to them.

The preaching was practical, spir- itual, and scriptural, and by men evi- dently "called of God." The sub- jects chosen were eminently appro priate, and treated by workmen that "need not be ashamed," and who "rightly divided the word of truth." Each sermon seemed to be almost perfect, but the missionary sermon by Bro. Hoffpauir, on Sunday, was certainly one of the finest presenta- tions of the duty of the church on that subject that this writer has ever heard. Indeed, that is the opinion of many (if not all) who had the pleas ure of hearing it, and that opinion was manifested by a generous con tribution from the great congrega- tion at its close to the cause of mis- sions.

Methodism, I am quite sure, has gained largely in the estimation of our people by the Conference holding its session here, and its influence will not soon be forgotten.

A goodly number of families, too, have begun to determine who they would prefer as their next preacher, and, so far as I have heard, they have each selected the man whom they entertained during the Confer- ence session.

A remarkable feature of this Con ference was that there were thirty- six more homes provided than there were guests to occupy, and the only complaining is from those who had no guests to entertain. Did you ever know of anything of that kind, Mr. Editor? I am sure I never did.

All in all, Mr. Editor, it was one of the best District Conferences it has ever been my privilege to attend.

The work here, Mr. Editor, is in a reasonably prosperous condition, and a kinder people no man ever served.

THOS. J. UPTON, P. C.

ARCADIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

This body met in the town of Homer, Claiborne parish, June 27, 1899. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. N. S. Cornell, of Hanesville charge, at 11 A. M. The organization was effected by the elec tion of W. H. Leslie, of Arcadia, sec- retary. In the absence of an episco- pos the sub-Bishop of this delightful district, Rev. B. T. Crews, presided to the satisfaction of all.

The first day was devoted to mis- sions, addresses being made by Revs. S. J. Davies, C. H Carson, C. P. Smith, and others. Bro. A J. Notes tine, of Ruston, presided at this Mis sionary Institute. In the evening a Missionary Rally, addressed by Revs. S. J. Davies, W. A. Clark, and C. P. Smith, was followed by an appeal from Bro. Crews for a contribution to our Cuban work. Forty-one dollars was quickly raised.

The second day was devoted to Sunday-school work. Some good ad dresses were made. We note espe cially the address of Bro. W. H Les- lie, which was well prepared and well received.

Dr. I. W. Cooper and Rev. J L. P. Sheppard represented our schools in good addresses. These brethren were gladly welcomed, and their presence much enjoyed. Mrs. Sligh, in well- chosen words, spoke of the work of Mansfield College, in which she has her heart and soul.

I have not the Minutes of the Con- ference at hand, so can not give a satisfactory report of this important feature of our meeting.

Reports from the charges indicate progress. Some charges report good revivals and additions to the mem- bership.

We gladly state that the prospects of our work in this district are said to be brighter than for many years. The Conference collections will be increased, and especially is this true of foreign missions.

Sermons were preached by Revs. Notestine, Carson, Davies, Cooper, and Smith.

The Spirit of God was with us in all our sessions. An half hour was given to prayer before the business sessions opened each day, morning and afternoon.

We closed our Conference in a feast of love. Glory rolled over our souls while dear Bro. Wright led us in prayer. Heaven seemed very near. We meet next year at Minden.

C. P. SMITH.

Minden, La., July 24, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

I am now in Byhalia, in the north- west corner of Marshall county, Miss., spending a week with my long-time friend, Rev. R. M. Davis. Bro. Davis is a man of full, varied and accurate information along many lines, and along some lines he is the best-posted and wisest man I know. In meta physics, logic, and in theology, he is well informed, and a close and pro- found reasoner. A week with him is like taking a course of lectures in theology. I go to his house to study and to learn—to fill up before I run dry. He is pious, social, and as con- genial a companion as I have ever known. His company is as refresh- ing and strengthening as mountain air. He sets me to thinking along higher and deeper lines. The fric tion of mind with mind generates heat of the right kind. If preachers were sent out in pairs now, I would like to be junior to R. M. Davis.

Church circles here feel the loss of Prof. E. H. Randle, who goes to Her- nando to teach. He has been here eight years, and is said to be one of the finest teachers in all the land. I have longed to see him at the head of one of our church schools. He is a cultured, polished Christian gen tleman. He is active, efficient, and punctual in all church work, and is a power for good in the community where he lives. Bro. Randle has had experience in the ministry, and takes the pastor's place when the pastor is called from home. Such a man is missed when he moves, and he is felt where he goes. Would that we had many more such men.

Byhalia is an old town. It has been here from the early days. This section was once the garden spot of Mississippi, but it is not so now. The hills are leaching down and melting away under the tooth of time and rain, and the valleys are filling up with sand. The hill-sides are fur- rowed with gullies deep and wide. It is sad to see them scarred and blighted as they are. The level pla- teaus, and the branch and creek bot- toms, are still very productive, and this is a prosperous country. The people are not getting rich, but they prosper and live well.

Byhalia sits on seven hills, or more, and covers a wide space, and there are many substantial and beautiful homes. Long as I have lived in North Mississippi, this is a new terri- tory to me. I have served in the bounds of every district in the Con- ference except the Holly Springs. At times it is comfortable to get where you are unknown. The grazing is fresh and green. This has been a delightful week to me.

GILDEROY.

July 21, 1899.

NOTICE.

At the Arcadia District Conference the following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: R T. Mc- Clendon, W. H Leslie, T. J. Baker, and Rev. Thos J. Martin. Rev. C. H. Carson was recommended for re- admission. D. F. Turner was recom- mended for admission on trial; also A. F. Vaughan, who has since with- drawn from the church. J. M. Man- ley and D F. Turner were recom- mended for deacon's orders. Four were licensed to preach. D. F. Turner has been appointed to supply the Fort Lick circuit, in place of A. F. Vaughan, withdrawn from the church.

Communications.

MENEMEN ULEKETE PHARSIN.

The closing days of the century constitute a testing time. In a pecu- liar sense this is true as to Method ism. The Twentieth Century Edu- cational Movement will reveal what manner of men we are. As a great ecclesiastical organization, and as in- dividual members thereof, we are be- ing tried. Opposite each name are the words, "Weighed in the balance." When the time comes for the final test, let it not be added, "and found wanting" Nay, let it rather be, "He hath done what he could." When we come to the "Education Rally" at the sessions of our Annual Confer- ences, next Fall, may no preacher be speechless because he has not on the garment of honest endeavor, and may none begin to frame weak excuses! Bishop Candler's interest in this work is known of all men. Recently he said, "I will stump the State in dog days rather than this movement should fail in Georgia." No North Mississippi preacher will fail to ap preciate such zeal. Let us be ready to gladden his heart by the reports we will make at Greenwood. Missis sippi preachers will do the same for Bishop Fitzgerald. Bishop Gallo- way's splendid canvass has met heartiest commendation from all sources, and he has inspired the hopes of the people everywhere. His own Mississippi must not be behind the very foremost in this noble en- deavor. Let us not disappoint our leaders and humiliate ourselves by failure. Back of these great men, and inspiring them, is the Lord of hosts, who is looking on. We must not disappoint him who is always mindful of us. This is his cause, and we must not neglect it.

Rev. J. M. Huggin is observing the day on Pittsboro circuit, using the programs furnished. He makes the proper start by making pledges for the members of his own family.

Rev. F. B. Ormond, Winchester circuit, is preaching on the subject, and explaining the manner of work- ing the plans, and making prepara tion to observe the day, and will then report the results. He is confident his charge will meet its obligation. A young lady is so interested she could not wait, but has already handed him two dollars. God bless that young lady, and may there be many to imitate her noble example!

Rev. J. H. Smith, assisted by the Epworth League, observed the day at Wall Hill, securing fifty dollars, and "will continue till we reach every church." Therein lies success. Earn- est, continuous work done in faith will always succeed.

I hope none of the preachers are hesitating because they are fearful, and yet many more reports should have come to hand than have been received up to the time of this writ ing.

Dear brother, prepare, prepare, pre- pare, and then give your people an opportunity. Do your duty, at any rate.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., July 31, 1899.

IS THE FIELD BEING OCCUPIED AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE?

It is Saturday evening in the city of Matanzas. An intelligent, thor- oughly Americanized Cuban and his American Methodist wife have come to the door of the Methodist Mission hungry—yes, with a hunger that has not been satisfied for six months. For six months they have been liv- ing in a place of three thousand in- habitants, with no opportunity for attending public worship of any kind, the Catholic Church of the place being closed because the people have not been able to raise the amount of money demanded by the priests for their services. And this American- ized Cuban who feels so keenly the needs of the Cubans, and knows, or, at least, thought he knew, so well the wealth and the missionary spirit of American Christians, stands as an emphatic interrogation point to his question, "Why don't the Protestant Church of America come and occupy such places?" The missionary can only reply that the field is being oc- cupied as rapidly as possible. Is it? Our Board of Missions and the hand- ful of missionaries are doing all they can for Cuba, but is not Southern Methodism falling far below what it might do? We hear of one man giving $1 000 for the Cuba work. In all Southern Methodism is there but one one-thousand-dollar man for such a time as this, when in one little corner of Cuba there are three thousand human souls as sheep hav- ing no shepherd? Southern Method- ism may not be able to show many one-thousand-dollar men to Cuba, but it surely ought to show hundreds of fifty and hundred and five-hun- dred-dollar men, and thousands of five and ten-dollar men.

E E. HUBBARD.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the Louisiana Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: By the consent of my presiding elder and approval of Bishop Galloway, I have under- taken to raise $2,500 of the Twen- tieth Century Fund, eighty per cent. of which is to be applied to needed repairs and improvements on Cente- nary and Mansfield Colleges. As it will be impossible for me to present this claim in person to your various charges, will you kindly aid me in this important work by presenting this claim and collecting what you can, and forward to me at Mansfield at the earliest possible date?

The Delhi District Conference has just passed a resolution to do what I ask you to do.

Fraternally,

J. L. P. SHEPPARD.

Oak Ridge, La., July 30, 1899.

Did you ever hear of a man who had striven all his life faithfully and singly toward an object, and in no measure obtained it? If a man con- stantly aspires, is he not elevated? Did ever a man try heroism, mag- nanimity, truth, sincerity, and find that there was no advantage in them —that it was a vain endeavor?— Thoreau.

THE PAST IS O'ER

The past is o'er—
Waste not thy days in vain regret.
Grieve thou no more.

Look now before
And not behind thee do not fret—
The past is over.

Thy pain is sore
And thou hast cause for sorrow, yet
Grieve thou no more

Close memory's door
That day is dead, that sun has set
The past is o'er.

There are in store
For thee still happy days. Forget!
Grieve thou no more.

Smile as of yore—
No longer let thine eyes be wet.
The past is o'er.
Grieve thou no more!

—Chambers' Journal.

Communications.

REV. HENRY PARKER GIBBS.

The life and labors of Henry Parker Gibbs will ever be an inspiration to his brethren in the ministry and a blessing to all who were privileged to know him

Born in "Bourton-on-the-Hill," Gloucestershire, England, July 19, 1805, he grew to young manhood among the historic and inspiring scenes that have made the Englishmen the quiet, gentle, brave men that rule the world.

In 1882 he came to America to seek his fortune. We find that he engaged in farming and merchandising in Noxubee county, Miss., and by his thrift and devotion to business began at once to prosper.

It was while engaged in these pursuits that he came in contact with "the people called Methodists," and met those who, under the providence of God, were to change the whole aim and purpose of his life.

Raised in the Church of England, he was naturally prejudiced against the Methodists, but during a meeting held by Rev. T. B. Malone at Trinity Church, Crawford circuit, North Mississippi Conference, he was deeply convicted of sin. After a night and a day of anguish, on his way home from his work, Aug. 18, 1887, as he knelt in prayer by an old step on the roadside, he was powerfully converted, and felt at once that he was called of God to preach the gospel. He began immediately to prepare for his life-work, and God raised up for him a friend in Mrs. T. B Hargrove, and for a year and a half she led the mind and heart of the young Christian in his search after knowledge. It was during this time of preparation that I first met Harry. After a hard day's work he would ride five miles, and for hours pore over his books and the Bible. It was in this home that he met Miss Carlotta Hargrove, and won her heart and her promise to become his bride, and go with him to his first appointment.

With T. B. Hargrove, H. T. Cunningham, R. H. B Gladney, W. H. Sanders, and others, he was admitted on trial into the North Mississippi Conference at its session in Starkville, Miss., December, 1888, and was appointed to Cherry Hill circuit, Greenville district. His work in that charge will never be forgotten by that devoted people. The following year he was sent to Pleasant Grove circuit, where he labored most faithfully and with great success for three years. During these years "many added to the church of such as shall be saved." While on this charge he made a fuller consecration of himself to God, and received a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit.

From Pleasant Grove circuit he was sent to Jonestown circuit, where he spent two years in untiring labor. God gave him a place in the hearts of that people such as few men have enjoyed, and used him to draw them nearer to himself.

From Jonestown he was sent to Starkville circuit, and under his ministry the work developed rapidly. There is little doubt that had he been permitted to return, he would have been able to bring it up to a self-sustaining circuit.

His next charge was Enpora and Maben, where, in spite of sickness in his family, lasting almost the entire year, he did a great and good work. Here, as in every other charge that he served, the people were devoted to him.

His last and, in many respects, most successful work was Main Street station, Water Valley, Miss. One of the most important and most difficult works in the Conference, it required all the strength and patience of his great, loving heart. You have but to examine the records, or mention his name in Water Valley, to see how great was his success. His successor, Rev. J. C. Park, does not hesitate to say that Main Street, Water Valley, is the best-organized and most religious church in our Conference. It was my privilege to labor with him in the last meeting he ever held, and never can I forget his loving, patient, untiring devotion to his work. There was nothing too hard or too menial for him to do for his people. He went into the homes of the poor and sorrowing, and with the tenderness of a woman supplied the want of body and soul. All that he possessed of material or spiritual good was laid, a willing sacrifice, on the altar of their need.

It was for their good that he wrote the articles, "The Factory and Its People," that brought down upon him the wrath and condemnation of those who opposed him, and the shameful assault and insult that, no doubt, hastened his death. These articles were written after a careful study of the conditions, and mature and prayerful deliberation, and were not given to the public until they had received the approbation and endorsement of his presiding elder and brethren of the Methodist ministry resident in Water Valley.

I was with him during his last illness, and whenever he was allowed to talk, it was of his work and of the joy that filled his heart, because of the conscious presence of his Savior. On Friday he said to me, "George, Jesus is as present with me as you are," and when I asked him if he had any direction concerning his family, he replied, "Jesus knows." He had committed them into the hands of One that he knew was able to keep that which he had committed unto him against that day. When the end was near I asked him if he had any message to send to his brethren of the Conference; he replied, "Tell them that I love them." On Saturday morning before his death he said to his wife and myself: "The matter of the Head Light is in the hands of the Methodists of Mississippi, and of my brethren of the Conference, and of our great church, not only national, but international in her interests. We must go on and on, and up and up, and at last in heaven we will rejoice together." To his attorney and dear friend, "Bro. McGowan," he sent this message, "I want Bro. McGowan to know that every true man in Mississippi is with him, and that we are not to antagonize men, but for the glory of God and the good of the church."

Such statements show the spirit that actuated him, and that which he wished to govern and control those who should take up the battle for the uplifting of humanity, and the right for which he bravely fought and died. It was not for revenge, but for the right that he would have them fight, and, if needs be, die.

That night, when he was too weak to talk much, I sat by him and asked him these questions, viz: "Harry, is Jesus with you now?" He replied, "Yes; oh, yes." "Harry, is it all right now?" "Glory! glory!" was the response from the dying preacher. Again I said, "Harry, you are going home on Sunday morning." "Glory! glory!" was the reply. When he failed to answer my questions I said to the brethren, "I will see if he has gone beyond our reach," and began to sing a song that we had sung together many times during revival meetings, "We praise thee, O God! for the Son of thy love," and when I came to the chorus, "Hallelujah! thine the glory!" his whole face lighted up, and, with a voice clear and strong enough to be heard all over the room, he joined in with me. His last act was one of praise to the God he loved and served so faithfully. The room was filled with the presence and glory of God as the dying preacher sung his praises.

None who were privileged to be there can ever forget that scene. Truly, it was none other than the gate of heaven. On Sunday morning, April 23, 1899, he passed with praises on his lips to join the innumerable company which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ.
The battle's fought, the victory's won;
Enter thy Master's joy."

Before the hour for Sunday-school his body was carried to the church, and never have I seen such a universal expression of sorrow. The children of his congregation were devoted to him, and refused to be comforted, because he was not.

The memorial service, held in his church on Sunday night, was a beautiful expression of the love of his people.

On Monday his body was shipped to Columbus, Miss., and after one of the most impressive and helpful funeral services I ever attended, it was laid to rest in the quiet city of the dead

In the death of Henry P. Gibbs the North Mississippi Conference lost one of its best and most faithful preachers. God grant that a double portion of his spirit may fall upon his brethren, and that they may bravely and lovingly carry forward the banner of the cross until the knowledge of God shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

May the God of all grace comfort and guard his bereaved wife and children, and bring them at last, an unbroken family, to heaven! I shall see him, but not now.

GEO. H. LIPSCOMB.

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REPORT OF TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF W. F. M. S, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the W. F. M. S. of the Mississippi Conference convening in Hattiesburg, June 24, preceded its sessions by an executive meeting Saturday afternoon, at 6 o'clock.

Saturday evening, at 8:15, a consecration service—beautiful and appropriate preparation for the duties before the Conference—was conducted by the president, Miss Marshall.

Sunday morning, in spite of the downpour of rain, all the officers, delegates, and many others, were present to hear the annual sermon by Rev. B. F. Jones, who preached well from Isaiah. His words of encouragement for mission work he fortified by comparing ours with other religions, showing the cause for the Christian's hope, the true nature and eternal destiny of Christianity.

Sunday afternoon was the time set apart for a service in memory of our dead. This memorial was conducted by Mrs. Drake, of the Seashore district. She paid a beautiful tribute to the life and death of Mrs. Bell, of her own district, who in her last hours remembered so generously the foreign missionary cause. Mrs. Featherstun read a fond memoir of our own Mrs. Watts that moved us deeply. She spoke beautifully and truly of her strong Christian faith and courage, her gentleness and goodness; how she was loved by all who knew her; of the great loss we have all sustained in her death. Miss Smylie was well able to speak of her in church-work relations, where she was always ready to enlist her interest, time and effort for her Master's work. It was with deeply touched hearts that we joined in singing at this service that hymn associated with her last moments, "Jesus, lover of my soul."

The memorial service was followed by a love-feast, and testimony of experience in the work. The choir rendered well-selected music, and the service closed with prayer and the Doxology.

Sunday evening, at 8:15, with the president in the chair, and after devotional exercises, the address of welcome from the Seashore district came from the gifted district secretary, Mrs. Drake. Miss Self, of Hattiesburg, gave a cordial and graceful welcome in behalf of the local auxiliary, while from the Baptist Church awaited us pleasant, fraternal greeting expressed by Miss Bostwick. The Epworth League, which we found a strong organization in the church, was no less hearty and cordial in receiving us. It remained for the pastor to welcome the assembly to Hattiesburg Church. Mrs. W. H. Jones, of Crawford Street Church, Vicksburg, responded to all these addresses gracefully and well—a pleasant voice for the Conference.

Mrs. Fryant, secretary of Jackson district, read at this interval an appropriate selection, a poem full of missionary sentiment—the work of a personal friend.

The first business session was called Monday morning, at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss McNemar, who gave a Scripture reading on the guidance of our Lord. The devotions closed by prayer and Hymn 872. The president then took the chair, assigned the delegates and district secretaries their places, and called for the roll, to which officers and delegates responded with their names. On motion, carried for proceeding with reports from the work, the district secretaries responded with their reports. This business was followed by the introduction of the question of an organizer for the W. F. M. work of Mississippi Conference, but the question made no development at this time. Miss Smylie read a letter Mrs. E. D. Jones had written to the Conference, to which she was instructed by the Conference to respond. The corresponding secretary read also a letter of business and information from Mrs. Trueheart.

Monday evening, at 8:15, the president was in the chair, and the officers present. Scripture service was held by Rev. Jones. The features of this meeting were the reports of the treasurer, the annual address of the president, and the report of the Conference corresponding secretary. There were entertaining and well-chosen recitations by Miss Evi Rivers, of Central Lights, Meridian, and by Mrs. Jones, of Vicksburg. A more business-like feature of the evening was the enlisting of new members for the Hattiesburg Auxiliary.

ONE OF THE DELEGATES.

(To be continued.)

Whereas, God, in his providence, has permitted death to enter our midst and remove from our mission ary society of Central Church, Meridian, our beloved friend, Mrs. Kate M. Watts; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in her death our auxiliary has lost a valued and efficient member, for her spirit was sunshine and her presence always helpful at our meetings.

Resolved, That we bow in submission to the divine will, knowing our loss to be her eternal gain, and pray that her example of faithfulness and devotion may draw us through God's Holy Spirit onward in the way that leads unto that rest which remaineth for the people of God.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family our tenderest sympathy in their deep distress, but rejoice with them upon the inestimable inheritance her godly life and saintly death have bequeathed to them.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Minutes.

MARY ANDREWS, for Com.

Home Mission Society.

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The monthly meetings of our Woman's Home Mission Society are seasons of "refreshing from the presence of the Lord;" pleasant reunions at the parsonage with Christian friends—"all with one accord in one place." Here we leave for awhile the dusty thoroughfare of care and rest in the "green pastures" and besides the "still waters" of God's eternal Word. Oh, these waiting times before the Lord!—these moments of prayer before our Father's throne! How they strengthen us to take up the burdens of life, and to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus!"

"How blest the sacred tie that binds
In sweet communion kindred minds!
How swift the heavenly course they run,
Whose heart, whose faith, whose hopes are one!"

At our last meeting we enrolled two new members and placed six names on the Baby Roll. Our babies are leading on to higher, holier planes of living a great army of mothers. I saw a mother's eyes grow dim and gentle as she looked at her baby's certificate of membership, and then at the frail, tiny fingers pressed against her bosom—little fragile fingers, but stronger to lead her than any chain of steel or brass. "A little child shall lead them."

Dear sisters, we have so much for which to be thankful. We live in a land favored of God, and prosperous. We have access to the good and great in literature, comfortable homes, congenial companionship, and, above all, we have the open Bible and churches scattered all around us. Shall we not show our appreciation of these manifold blessings?

Our Woman's Home Mission Society is calling the women of Southern Methodism to enter this field of labor. There is work for each one to do, specially suited to you and to me. We have about one hundred pastoral charges in the Louisiana Conference, and only forty auxiliaries of the W. H. M. Society. Appropriations were made last year to Benton, White Castle, and other places, and there are now six or seven applications for aid in building or repairing parsonages before the Executive Committee. These appeals are urgent, and would most assuredly not be in vain if we had an auxiliary in every pastoral charge in the Conference. If our preachers, each and all, would lend a helping hand, we could more than double our membership before the dawn of the twentieth century. Our General Secretary, Mrs. Hargrove, says: "At the lowest estimate, the work of the society for 1899-1900 demands the raising of $20,000."

Let us at once, then, invest the one, two, or five talents committed to our keeping in some one of the many departments of this work, for the Lord will demand of each one of us at his coming an account of the investments we have made of time and opportunity—talents far more precious than jewels of gold or silver. An article in the Review of Missions on the many-sidedness of home mission work is very suggestive along this line. Parsonage-building is the most attractive to some; others favor specially the home-mission feature, while to another class the educational work appeals most forcibly, of the Department of Supplies or Systematic Giving, or the Baby Roll—all important and broad enough to suit the taste and surroundings of every woman and child in the Methodist Church.

We are sometimes discouraged at the smallness of our work and its meager results, but—

"In the world is darkness,
So we must shine;
You in your little corner,
And I in mine."

I am glad to think we are not commanded to make the world go right, but only to let our "light shine;" only to do with willing hearts and hands the work that God appoints. I am glad he tells us to "Sow the seed," and he will care for the harvest. So many of us would fail if our salvation depended upon eloquent words of wisdom or wonderful achievements; but, dear friends, let us be sure we are doing what we can. The close of each day ends a chapter in the book of life, with its record of mistakes and follies; its opportunities, duties, and obligations; its careless words and worthy acts and thoughts. All these have gone from us into the great gulf of the past, never to return, except, perhaps, as accusing phantoms when death places his icy seal upon our brows, and we bid farewell forever to time and opportunity.

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness I can show, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

ELIZABETH R. KENNEDY.

Lafayette, La.

The Christian Life.

THE DISCIPLINE OF LIFE.

Sooner or later we find out that life is not a holiday, but a discipline. Earlier or later we all discover that the world is not a play-ground; it is quite clear God means it for a school. The moment we forget that, the puzzle of life begins. We try to play in school; the Master does not mind that so much for its own sake, for he likes to see his children happy, but in our playing we neglect our lessons. We do not see how much there is to learn, and we do not care; but our Master cares. He has a perfectly overpowering and inexplicable solicitude for our education; and because he loves us, he comes into the school sometimes and speaks to us. He may speak very softly and gently, or very loudly. Sometimes a look is enough, and we understand it, like Peter, and go out at once, and weep bitterly. Sometimes the voice is like a thunder-clap startling a Summer night. But one thing we may be sure of—the task he sets us to is never measured by our delinquency. The discipline may seem far less than our desert, or even to our eye ten times more. But it is not measured by these; it is measured by God's solicitude for our progress; measured solely by God's love; measured solely that the scholar may be better educated when he arrives at his Father's. The discipline of life is a preparation for meeting the Father. When we arrive there to "behold his beauty," we must have the educated eye; and that must be trained here. We must become so pure in heart—and it needs much practice—that we shall "see God." That explains life—why God puts man in the crucible, and makes him pure by fire.—Henry Drummond, in Ideal Life.

LEAVING SELF OUT.

Self ought to be left out of our service for Jesus Christ. Indeed, it must be. We can not serve Christ and have self uppermost in plan and effort. If self is served, then Christ can not be. If Christ is served, then self must take a back seat. The Christian life is an unselfish life. The more we learn of Christ, and the more we become like him, the more will we leave considerations of self out of our aspirations and work.

It is said that a young man who had attended a Summer meeting of Christian workers went away, saying, "I will leave a great deal of myself at this camp." He had received such exalted views of Christ, and what a life consecrated to him meant, while at the meetings in the grove, that he came to think less of himself and more of Christ. So he was going to leave self behind, and put Christ in the forefront of his future life.

A rich spiritual blessing will lift many a Christian to this higher view of the Christian life. Happy would it be for all Christians if they would learn to leave out self in the camp meetings and revivals, when they take higher spiritual grounds, and return to their work filled with the Holy Spirit.—Exchange.

VALUE OF MEDITATION.

Desire may be intensified and purified by meditation upon the value of the objects desired, and the real reasons for which we desire them. The phraseology of ordinary prayer requests for things of immeasurable worth, and yet is often need with the vaguest idea of that worth, and consequently with the faintest desire for their possession. Let the Christian meditate upon the meaning of the Holy Spirit's power in his life and influence; upon the need of higher wisdom in winning men to Christ and enriching them in the Christ-character; upon the incalculable evil of sin, its terrible doom, and its well-nigh impregnable intrenchment in the human heart; and his prayer for divine assistance in Christian life and effort will be at times agonizing.—Selected.

The one purpose of Christ's coming into the world was to save men. The story of Christmas, Good Friday and Easter is not for our entertainment. It is the gospel to a lost world and the power of God unto salvation. God does not reckon the success of a church by the crowd which attends, but by the number of lives which it makes Christ-like. Enthusiasm for soul-saving will bring life into the deadest church. Consider the value of a soul. Remember its immortality. Try to realize how much it means for a soul to be lost. Think of the glories which await the follower of Christ. Make it personal. Think of one of your own family as lost. If this work of soul-saving be so all-important, what are we doing who belong to the Christian church? Are we satisfied to be saved ourselves and let Satan take the rest? I do not want to reach the other shore on a piece of wreckage. We ought to ride into the harbor bringing other souls with us. Heaven is not for selfish people. Let us help men to learn that God loves them. This is the great truth taught and lived by Christ. For this purpose he died, that men might know how great is God's love toward them.—Selected.

The spiritual life is not knowing, not hearing, but doing. We only know so far as we can do; we learn to do by doing; what we do truly rightly, in the way of duty, that, and only that, we are.—Frederick W. Robertson.

It is right to have companions in this life, but it is wrong to have except those who will refuse to companionship with Satan.—Exchange.

FIRESIDE SERMON BY GEO. G. SMITH.

THE SAVIOR'S PICTURE OF A GOOD MAN.

In the Sermon on the Mount there are enough subjects to supply a preacher with more than a volume of sermons; but there is a possibility of so studying this matchless discourse as in a few sermons to point out what was our Lord's ideal of a good man.

It is in happy contrast with the intangible, transcendental descriptions of Christian life which are found in many of our mystical devotional books, to see the simplicity of Christian life as it is portrayed here. In analyzing this sermon I find it resolves itself first into what a good man is.

He is poor in spirit. Bishop Candler says this means he feels like a poor man might be expected to feel, it matters not what he has. He is as humble, as helpless, as dependent, as unpretentious as though he was a penniless pauper. This may be true, and is true. A rich man's spirit may be in a poor man's breast, and a poor man's humility may be in the rich; but I do not think this is what is meant by the Lord here. It includes this, but it goes much further. The good man has lowly views of his intellectual powers; the pride of intellect, which lies at the base of much of our rationalism, is absent from his bosom. He knows he is not wise, that he needs God's constant guidance and enlightenment, that his strongest convictions are by no means certainly true, and he humbly sits at the Master's feet to learn of him. He has lowly views of his own excellence of character, of his own attainments in religion—as Bunyan quaintly expresses it, each sees the beauty in another which he can not find in himself. He has no worldly ambition to be great; is willing to be little and unknown, if God says so. He does not seek great things for himself. He is poor in spirit, in truth.

He is pure in heart. He is not content with mere outside virtue; he seeks to have everything contrary to God's pure love driven from his heart. He has a unity of intention, a purity of thought, and a purity of affection. He has one ideal—the absolute perfectness of God—and he is seeking continually with a single eye to reach it.

He is meek. Realizing how very unworthy he is of anything, he aims to meekly receive what, in the providence of God, is granted to him.

His life is no life of thoughtless frivolity, but he has reasons of real sorrow over the defects of his own life, the sorrows of others, and the sins of the world.

He is merciful. He gives alms, not as the hypocrites do, but unostentatiously, generously, cheerfully. He is merciful in his judgments, as he is merciful in his deeds.

He realizes the sad results of contention and strife, and does not find an excuse for his own bad temper under the pretexts of zeal for the truth, but seeks after peace with all order; he is a peace maker. Alas! how many men otherwise conscientious are conscientiously unamiable, and stirrers up of strife, and how much more of happiness would we know if we sought always to follow peace with all men, and to seek earnestly to keep the peace between our neighbors.

He has a great hungering and thirsting to be good and to do good. The one raging desire he has is to be a good man and be filled with righteousness. He aims to be perfect as God is perfect.

He is careful in attending to all his religious duties. He goes into his closet and shuts the door and prays to his Father in secret, which sees in secret.

He fasts and makes no display of his self-denial, but anoints his head and washes his face so that no man knows the character of his exercises.

He lays his gifts on the altar in the church of God, and tries to learn the will of God, and to teach men so.

He is not ostentatious in his religion. He does not sound a trumpet before him, nor pray standing in the synagogue, nor seek the glory of men for his piety, nor does he cast his pearls before swine, and speak of the deep things of God where men are likely to be hurt, and not heeded; but while he is not obtrusive, while he submits to much and does not openly condemn, yet he has an eye for a true prophet. The fact that a man makes pretensions does not blind him to the fact that often the boldest pretender is an enemy of the cross of Christ. The blasphemous Mormon, the Christ-ignoring Unitarian, the Socinian rationalist will meet his opposition. He pulls off the lamb-skin and sees the wolf beneath, and the green leaves do not hide the sharp thorns of the fruitless tree. The loud pretenses of Scribes and Pharisees, who tithe anise, mint and cummin, who would rather let a man die than on the Sabbath day do any thing to save him, do not hide from the true man the character of this mere outward piety. In his relations to his fellow man he seeks to avoid everything which is harmful and do everything which is good.

Knowing he himself is fallible, he tries to remedy his own defects, and to him these defects are so odious that they appear even greater than those he tries to correct, and so he does not judge harshly his erring brother. He sees in things objectionable in another reason for greater care in his own conduct; but at the same time he is not devoid of common sense, and he judges men by their fruits, and puts a true estimate on them and their opinions. His lowly views of himself, and of his want of perfectness, does not shut from his eyes the fact that the Pharisee has made void the law by his traditions, and while he is willing to meekly submit to wrong, he stands firmly for the right. He judges men by their fruits. He does not with a blind optimism find good where God finds only evil. He is not, however, harsh in his judgments nor stern in his resentments. He seeks to be reconciled to his brother, forgives him freely as he hopes to be forgiven, and seeks to agree with his adversary while he is the way with him. He loves even his enemies, and personal wrongs do not excite his resentment.

He not only does not revenge himself, but he does not even use opprobrious words, and keeps his heart pure from malevolent feeling. He not only leads a pure life, avoiding everything like criminal relations with the other sex, but he avoids all impurity of thought, and has a pure heart and a clean tongue.

He is ready to help those who need help, and has no such rigid rules of business as will prevent his lending "to those who are in need, and yet who are not willing to beg. He bears the faults of his wife, nor puts her away from his heart or his home because of them, but condones no crime. Petty wrongs are overlooked by him. If there is a suit, he submits to loss rather than contend. Firm as a rock when principle is involved, and devoid of fear, he stands against all comers when there is a trust to be kept, but petty, personal wrongs do not excite his resentment. He can be brave enough and strong enough to be smitten on the one cheek and turn the other. The selfish cowardice which is unwilling to bear lest men should count him weak, or the wretched spirit which allows personal wrongs to lead to public disturbances, is absent from his magnanimous heart. Oh! how much we suffer because all men seek their own. A little endurance, a little patience, a few soft words would often avert a conflict which involves a whole section.

He has a single eye, a oneness of purpose, and does not try to serve God and mammon. He knows that a self-seeking, ambitious, selfish man who is striving to lay up treasures here can not be the true servant of the all-loving, generous God, and he seeks, above all, to be a good man, fully assured if he will be good and do good, God will see to it that all that is best shall come to him. This, then, is a picture, very imperfect, of him who has at great labor dug down deep and found the rock.

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SOMETHING OF SUPERSTITION.

Recently, returning to the parsonage from a pastoral engagement, while a moderate rain was falling which had already well settled the dust, coming to an angle in the road on the descent of a long hill some distance below me, I saw a man, or youngster, laboriously forcing his horse backwards as he sat on him. I thought at once the fellow was in trouble. I was anxious to escape a thorough wetting, but thought I must help him, if I could. I did not stop, but slowed up as I came to him. I said, "What is the matter?" He turned to me with a look of real concern on his face, and replied, "I advise ye to turn yer hoss roun' and ride backwards over dat rabbit trac', so as not to spile yer luck." I took in the case and situation at once, and rode on in the falling rain, reviewing the superstitions which crept into my childhood life caught from my father's negroes—then slaves—and also from the neighbors about us. An animal crossing the road before one brought a painful certainty of impending evil. The being compelled to turn back after starting to a place, the "luck" of the unfortunate circumstance, might be made void by making a crossmark on the ground and spitting in the cross. One old woman, the wife of an old soldier of the Revolution, who was then living, would take a negro as a safeguard to church and other places. She gave him strict orders to pilot her round the track of any squirrel, rabbit, or any thing of the animal kind whose escapade had portended such luck. Another omen of shocking force to her was the spilling of salt in the doorway. Such a fault in a servant was a misdemeanor not lightly condoned. Another neighbor of my father's, between whom and my father was a warm friendship. The neighbor—an old man—sickened and died. My father was present, and aided in dressing and laying out the corpse, after which the newly-made widow was called in to see it. For a time she looked on the face of the dead in silence. All in the room were respectfully quiet. She broke the silence with the following speech: "I had Dicy" [negro woman] "dipping candles the other day, and told her, whatever she did, not to drop one. After a while I went in to see how she had finished up. I asked her if she had dropped any. She said, 'No,' but I saw from the sign on the floor she had dropped one, and, now here is the result." A husband, a father and neighbor dead, because a half-made tallow candle slipped from the greasy fingers of an awkward negro.

But this recent experience with the fellow forcing his horse backwards up a slippery hill, as he rode him, to reverse the ill luck entailed on him by a frightened rabbit scurrying across the road before him seeking safety by flight, was something new to me in the lists of "sign" and "luck." It certainly had no effect on my belief in the overruling providence of God, though I did think it was an up hill business.

J. D. NEWSOM.
Longtown, North Mississippi Conference.

MORE REPORTS.

The brethren keep sending in Children's Day money. This is our third report to the ADVOCATE, and it covers the period from July 8 to July 10.

Cantrel (Hillsboro circuit)	$ 1 50
Pearl River (Madison circuit)	5 00
Lake (Lake circuit)	3 10
Lawrence (Lake circuit)	2 75
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Longstreet	1 92
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Amite	5 50
Moss Point	7 00
Magnolia	8 00
Total	$ 52 51
Previously reported	339 30
Total to date	$391 81

Bro. Griffin has receipted every remittance sent him, and every report that has reached me so far has been acknowledged through the ADVOCATE.

Brethren, send on your money to Bro. Griffin by the twenty-seventh instant if you want your charge credited in the Year Book, with its Children's Day collection. Up to this time 74 have reported. There are 116 schools to which programs were sent that have not yet reported.

Brethren, have you put off this service till the last of the year, or are you just holding the money? Why not report to Bro. Griffin, and have your charge or school make fair showing in the Board's annual report?

D. SCARBOROUGH, Sec.

"Every married man must ask his wife's permission to make a success." That was a saying of a wise old clergyman who knew that marriage was a partnership in the broadest sense, and that there can be no success in any partnership in which the partners do not contribute equally to make success possible. For this, if for no other reason, every man who is trying to climb the ladder of success should be interested in his wife's health. A healthy woman is always helpful. A tired, nervous woman, depleted in strength and depressed in mind, can contribute neither mentally nor physically to a husband's success.

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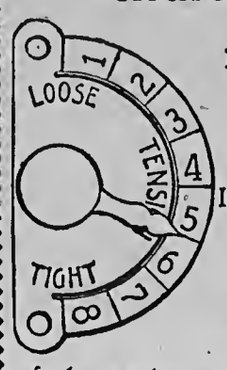

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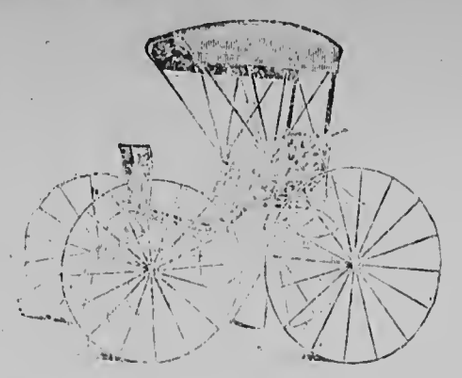

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1899.

Self is the only prison that can ever bind the soul;
Love is the only angel who can bid the gates unroll;
And, when he comes to call thee, arise and follow fast;
His way may lie through darkness, but it leads to light at last

Henry Van Dyke.

One always has time enough, if one will apply it well.—Goethe

The most pious church members generally have the least to say about their piety.—Standard.

The troubles which mellow and sweeten a big heart may harden and sour a little one.—Selected.

To be happy is of far less consequence to the worshipers of fashion than to appear so.—C. C Colton.

If you would reform the world from its errors and vices, begin by enlisting the mothers.—C Simmons.

If conscience smite thee once, it is an admonition; if twice, it is a condemnation.—Nathaniel Hawthorne.

Common sense is the knack of seeing things as they are and doing things as they ought to be done.—C. E. Stowe.

There are many persons who think Sunday is a sponge with which to wipe out the sins of the week.—H. W. Beecher.

Every unbrotherly assault that is made upon you furnishes an occasion for the exercise of Christian magnanimity.—Exchange

Look upon the success and sweetness of thy duties as very much depending upon the keeping of thy heart closely with all diligence.—John Flavel

The true Christian is like the sun, which pursues his noiseless track and everywhere leaves the effects of his beams in blessing upon the world around him.—Luther.

After all, the kind of world one carries about in one's self is the important thing; and the world outside takes all its grace, color and value from that.—J R Lowell.

It is the spirit of that life to which we should attain. It is not by saying Christ's words, or by doing Christ's acts, but it is by breathing his spirit that we become like him.—Frederic W. Robertson.

Our faith is in Christ who is and who is not, in a dead man who is our living God, in the living God who died, in one who was humiliated into eternal exaltation, who in extremest weakness realized and revealed the supreme power of heaven and earth.—R. T. Forsyth.

There is a difference between character and reputation. Character is what a man is, reputation is what he is thought to be. Men of good character are generally men of good reputation, but this is not always the case, as the motives and actions of the best of men are sometimes misunderstood and misrepresented.—Ed. Burke.

Very lately a manifesto has been signed by twelve hundred members of the Episcopal Church in England: "The Holy Ghost does not make his home in any dissenting sect. Sometimes people break away from the church. We call these people dissenters, and their sham churches sects. The Holy Ghost does not dwell with them."—Selected.

SIMPLICITY OF LIFE.

Modern civilization, with its grand inventions and priceless benefits, has so wonderfully multiplied comforts and conveniences that even the poor now enjoy advantages and pleasures that a century, or two, ago were beyond the reach of kings and millionaires.

Along with this multiplication of the means of enjoyment which is so marked a feature of modern civilization comes, however, the multiplication of wants, and the growth of luxurious tastes and habits. Unfortunately, too, the desire for luxuries with most people grows faster than the financial ability to gratify the same; so that, notwithstanding the manifold benefits civilization has conferred upon the masses, discontent is rife, and thousands are miserable because of a restless longing for things not included in the catalogue of necessaries. There is no question of the fact that one of the most noticeable characteristics of American life today is the strong and growing tendency to luxurious living. The healthful simplicity and wise economy that distinguished our forefathers are fast disappearing, and we are in danger of degenerating into a nation of pleasure-lovers and spendthrifts, like the Romans during the latter period of the Empire. Simple tastes and contentment with modest surroundings are becoming less and less common. The whole body of society seems to be permeated with a burning desire for elegance and sumptuous fare, the future being left to take care of itself. Hundreds who dress well and live well come to have no higher aim than the gratification of extravagant tastes and appetites. The marvelous increase of wealth in this country is already having its demoralizing effect upon the habits, aims, and pleasures of the populace. People of moderate means are striving to imitate the elegance and indulge in the luxuries that the rich only can afford, while they, by their folly and extravagance, involve themselves in debt and dishonor. Many of the poor also oft times spend their last dollar purely to gratify a false pride or a fondness for something that ill befits their condition.

While far from being regarded so by the average man, the growth of luxurious habits is one of the greatest enemies to the stability of society and government, and also to the development of Christian character. Wealth and luxury caused the downfall of nearly every one of the great nations of antiquity. A thousand men have been injured in character and soul by riches to where one has been injured by poverty. It was not idolatry alone that brought Israel under the divine displeasure during the time of the prophets. The downfall of the nation was due in large measure also to the selfishness, cruelty, and pride that were the outcome of revelling in wealth and pleasure. No one who thoughtfully considers the spirit of the times, and the customs and demands of society, can fail to perceive that a premium is put upon extravagance, display, and costly entertainment. Where is it all to end? Are we to think only, or principally, of the gratification and adornment of the outward man? Is physical enjoyment the chief end of life? Truly, the blandishments of the world and the attractions of indulgence are causing many to forget the teachings of the Master, that "the life is more than the meat and the body than the raiment." A fundamental law of the kingdom of heaven is that of self-denial. "If any man will come after me," says the Master, "let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me."

However other men may act, the Christian must strive to live simply and unselfishly. To spend money recklessly on self, and then to plead impecuniosity to the calls of charity and benevolence, is a grievous sin in the sight of God. If, because of sumptuous and stylish living, there is little left in our purses for the poor and the mission cause, it is no excuse in the eyes of the Judge of all the earth. Leaving out of the account the enervating effect upon the physical man of a luxurious mode of living, the greatest evil resulting therefrom is the spirit of selfishness that it fosters. What does the average man or woman of society care about the sufferings and hardships of the poor, or the spread of the gospel at home and abroad? The most heartless people in the world are those who give themselves over to feasting, fashion, and frivolity. Such will often spend hundreds and thousands of dollars upon a banquet or a ball, but will not give a hundredth part of that sum to the alleviation of distress or the cause of Christ. They are willing to assist in any charity that does not involve self-sacrifice and self-denial; but a simpler mode of life for the sake of Christianity they will not hear of. The pulpit can hardly speak out too strongly against the corrupting influences of luxury and self-indulgence, or picture too attractively the advantages of a simple and self-denying mode of life. It is not a sin to want luxuries; neither is it a sin to enjoy them, provided it be not at the expense of one's loyalty to Christ or one's duty to humanity. Every man must judge for himself how simply he ought to live, and how far his self-denial ought to extend. What would be luxury to one man would not be to another. What a noble example has been left us by some of the early Christians, who, in their extreme poverty, used to fast in order that they might have where with to help those more unfortunate than themselves!

Some time ago the Congregationalist uttered the following timely words regarding luxury: "The drift to-day is toward excess. Christians may be easily swept along by the world-currents of display and extravagance. There are at least three conditions under which Christians have no right to luxuries, when indulgence means disaster to their spiritual lives and faithlessness to their Master:

"A Christian has not the shadow of a claim upon a luxury which he can not afford. . . .

"A Christian has no right to a luxury which materializes him. The one thing he is after is strength and symmetry of spiritual life. . . .

"A Christian has no right to a luxury which isolates him from his fellow-men. Harm attaches to every luxury which makes one less sensitive to the tremendous struggle that is going on all about us—a struggle often not for delicacies for the table or for an occasional trip abroad, but a struggle for daily bread and for shelter by night."

If we recognize, as we ought, that everything we have belongs to God, then we shall be careful to spend nothing except in ways that he will approve. Another writer says: "The Christ-spirit forbids lavish expense upon one's self while the needs of humanity are so many and great. A Christian may indulge in any luxury which he is sure will better fit him for, or aid him in, Christ-like service."

A NEW BOOK.

"FACING THE TWENTIETH CENTURY." By Rev. James M. King, D. D., General Secretary of the League for the Protection of American Institutions. Large octavo 640 pages. New York: American Union League Society.

After tracing in the opening chapter the composite sources of our great civilization, the author next discourses at length upon the three fundamental American institutions, namely: the State, the Church, and the School. In this connection much interesting and valuable information is given concerning educational institutions and agencies, special mention being made of the enlightening influence of the newspaper, the Chautauqua movement, and the public library. In Chapter III. a contrast is drawn between Anglo-Saxon and Latin civilizations, the causes and results of the recent war with Spain are narrated, and it is pointed out how strangely the hand of Providence seems all along to have delivered us from the oppressive and corrupting domination of Romanism.

The bulk of the volume is devoted to an arraignment of the aggression and unjustifiable methods of Roman Catholicism in this country. Not without reason, Dr. King characterizes the Romish Church as a "political-ecclesiastical" organization, and makes some startling revelations regarding its movements and aims. He unmasks the disgraceful schemes of Roman Catholic plotters at Washington in their efforts to obtain office and recognition for men of that faith, shows how persistent the Romish Church has been in seeking aid out of the public treasury in behalf of its schools, and exposes its hostility to our free public schools. The antagonism of Roman Catholicism to our American ideals of government, and of civil and religious freedom, is strikingly presented and borne out by a strong array of facts and figures.

In the concluding chapter the author outlines the agencies and measures to be depended upon for the protection of our American institutions against the menace of Romanism. Among other things, he advocates an amendment to the Constitution forbidding all appropriations either by Congress or by any State Legislature to sectarian institutions.

The book gives evidence of considerable investigation, and will furnish every true patriot much food for reflection. While, in our opinion, the author overdraws the picture in some particulars, and has not in every instance been guarded enough in his statements, there is no question that the matters to which he calls attention are of the most serious importance, and should receive careful consideration at the hands of the liberty-loving.

The volume is a regular thesaurus of information concerning the matters discussed, and to most readers will prove extremely interesting. Artistically considered, it is a very attractive volume, as it is profusely illustrated with portraits of public men of the past and present, of the heroes of war and peace, and views of historic buildings and places. (Price, $2 75; half Russia, $3 25. Sold by subscription, or on application to the American Union League Society, 156 Fifth avenue, New York.)

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W F B

Oddly enough, no book has ever been published which may be fairly called an adequate treatment of the business of American journalism. It is to fill this gap that Julian Ralph, "the best reporter in the world," has written for The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, a series of twelve papers on "The Making of a Journalist." The series will begin in the Post of Aug. 12

The Southern Magazine, for July, contains a biographical sketch of Paul Hamilton Hayne by Col. J. P Thomas, historian of South Carolina. Capt. W. P. Carter contributes an article on the battle of Fredericksburg. The "Religious Views of Jefferson," from an original letter of Thomas Jefferson, will be of interest. Mildred Rutherford's series of articles on Goethe reaches its second installment. "Dickens' Farewell"—a personal reminiscence by Geo. C Rand—adds to the interest of this new and valuable magazine.

The leading article in Appletons' Science Monthly, for August, is a reply to Comptroller Coler by Franklin H. Giddings, professor of sociology in Columbia University. The Hon. Charles D. Walcott, director of the United States Geological Survey, contributes an article on "The United States National Museum." "Are Jews Jews?" by Joseph Jacobs, president of the English Hebrew Historical Society, is a reply to Professor Ripley's articles, in which the latter took the ground that the Jews were not a distinct race, but simply a people. Prof M. V. O'Shea is the author of an article on "Mental Fatigue." The second part of the late Hon. D. A. Wells' paper on the "Best Methods of Taxation" is published in this number. "Herbert Spencer at Seventy-Nine" is the title of an interesting account of this great philosopher's work during the past ten years, and includes many interesting details regarding his habits and daily life.

In the August Ladies' Home Journal the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, D. D., has an interesting article on "The Diffusion of Happiness through Conversation," the third of his "Secrets of a Happy Life" series, and Mrs. Burton Kingsland and Emily D. Striebert write of "With the Children on Sunday"—their diversions and instruction. On two pictorial pages are shown cozy and attractive "Houses in Woods, Valleys and Mountains," and "The Sweetest of Summer Charities" pictures the work of the flower missions in several cities. The latest feminine fancies in dress are set forth in "The Gossip of a New York Girl." Mrs. S. T. Rorer's cooking lesson is on "Cold Dishes for Hot Weather," and Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Warman's health talks are on timely themes.

THE NEW CENTURY EDUCATION.

The New Century Education is the name of a neat and attractive sixteen-page monthly issued by our General Board of Education in behalf of the Twentieth Century Educational Movement. Each number is filled with exceedingly interesting and valuable matter anent the subject of education, and the progress world-wide Methodism is making in equipping herself during the closing years of the century for more effective work in education, and along other lines.

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A WISE APPOINTMENT.

Bishop Galloway has appointed Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard financial agent for Centenary College and Mansfield College. Centenary and Mansfield are to be congratulated. Bro. Sheppard is a first-class man, and is thoroughly enlisted in the great educational movement of the day. He is also an ardent friend of both the Conference schools. A better appointment could not have been made. Let the Methodists of Louisiana give him their co-operation, and they will accomplish a work that will tell upon coming generations. Bro. Sheppard is already in the field making a canvass in North Louisiana.

RALLY AT SHREVEPORT.

The rally in the interest of the Twentieth Century Movement will be held at Shreveport, La., Aug. 30 and 31. Bishop Galloway requests me to urge all the preachers of the Louisiana Conference to attend. All will be entertained free of charge who send their names to Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D.; Rev. P. O. Lowrey, or Col. S B. McCutchen.

Wednesday, Aug 30, will be devoted to addresses and prayer, with special reference to spiritual power and ministerial fellowship. Thursday will be set apart for the discussion of the educational movement, methods of procedure, etc.

Brethren, let us pray for a great spiritual baptism, a "time of refreshing"

Railroad rates will be published later. WM. H LAPRADE,
Sec. B'd of Education.

NOTICE.

MR EDITOR: The statement in the ADVOCATE, of the 27th instant, giving me credit for the completion of our new church at Port Vincent, is misleading. Other pastors have done the work, and I have entered into their labors. I rejoice that it falls to my lot to have it dedicated, and we are confidently expecting and praying for a refreshing from the Lord on the occasion. God bless you.

S. S. BOGAN.

What men weave in time, they must wear in eternity.—Exchange.

Get good sense and you will not want good luck.—Exchange.

NOTES.

Rev. T. B. Clifford was one of the working force at the Sam Jones Camp Meeting.

Rev. A. D. McVoy is spending his vacation at the Seashore Camp Grounds.

Rev. G. D. Parker is assisting Rev. J. P Drake in a meeting at Long Beach, Miss.

Rev. F S. Parker passed through the city recently en route to Asheville, N C., where he will remain some weeks.

Rev. V. D. Skipper spent last week at Adams Camp Ground, assisting the pastor, Rev. W. W. Morse, in a meeting. He will remain in Mississippi two or three weeks.

The opening sermon of the next Ecumenical Conference will be preached by Bishop Galloway.

Bishop Thoburn, of the M. E. Church, is in the Philippines laying plans for extensive mission work.

The numerous friends of Rev. J. M. Henry will be pained to learn that he is quite ill with malarial fever.

The celebrated millionaire, Andrew Carnegie, has given $50,000 for the establishment of a public library at Fort Worth, Texas.

San Francisco was selected as the place of the next International Epworth League Convention, which will be held in 1901.

Rev. H. H. Ahrens attended the Indianapolis Convention. Bro. Ahrens also visited Nashville, Louisville, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, and Baltimore.

Rev. R. W. Vaughan writes: "Rev. C. F. Staples is slowly improving. He is in very weak physical condition. He has no fever now."

Dr. W. M. Leftwich, of the Tennessee Conference, has been appointed to the pastorate of Main Street Church, Danville, Va., to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. R. N. Siedd.

Under date of July 25 Rev. G. W. Hoff writes: "I have just closed a meeting on my work. Fifty-one members received into our church, and thirty or forty bright conversions. We had no help from outside the circuit."

Rev. A. F. Watkins, of the Mississippi Conference, recently made a visit to the Crescent City. He occupied the pulpit of Carondelet Street Church on Sunday night, and preached one of his characteristically excellent sermons.

Under date of July 24, Sister C. F. Staples writes: "My husband, Rev. C. F. Staples, has had fever twenty-five days. We are hopeful, as the fever is declining. Our little boy is improving very fast. We ask the prayers of the brethren."

An unusually large number of people are spending the Summer at the Seashore Camp Grounds, every cottage except three being occupied. So far there has been preaching every Sabbath by visiting brethren—Bros. Sheppard, Cox and McVoy.

Bishop Hurst has invited Bishop Galloway, of the M. E. Church, South, to spend Sunday with him during the Rock River Conference, and preach one of the ordination sermons. Bishop Galloway, while holding the Japan Conference of his church, invited Bishop Hinde to assist him.—Northwestern Advocate.

Rev. O. L. Savage writes under date of July 29: "We have just closed a great revival on this charge (Coffeeville), which resulted in 12 additions to our church and 17 conversions. I was assisted by Rev. W. L. Graves, of Tunica, Miss. My people were delighted and edified with his preaching. Sinners were convicted and converted at the altar in the old-time way. Pray for us."

The Interstate Epworth League Conference, to be held at the Seashore Camp Ground, Aug. 15-25, promises to be an interesting occasion. An excellent programme has been arranged. The entire afternoon of each day will be given to recreation—boating, bathing, bicycling, etc. Board can be had at reasonable rates. Reduced rates will be given on the L. and N. R. R.

Rev. R. S. Isbell writes: "I am serving an appreciative people. Am moving up along all lines. Have received about fifty adults into the church—a large proportion of these into the church at Natchitoches. Have baptized thirty-five—near all adults. Have lifted in good subscriptions a large part of my Conference collections. Am getting good subscriptions on my parsonage fund, and hope to build in the Fall. Glorious meetings at Ragan's Chapel, and a bright future for Natchitoches and St. Maurice. Am much encouraged."

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The protracted meeting season is upon us, and many are the calls for help.

Having been obliged to respond to some of these, and our time, therefore, largely taken up of late in preaching, we have been unable to devote much time to this department.

The Leaguers, and young people generally, can assist to a great extent in these meetings. They can, at least, help in the singing; and this is a great factor in a meeting.

We earnestly pray that everyone of them may sing—with the spirit and the understanding also—the following lines:

"Take my voice and let me sing,
Always, ever, for my King."

Some sweet song sung at the proper time in a meeting will often stir a thousand memories, and strike responsive chords in some sinner's heart, and be the means of bringing him home to God.

Let not the Leaguers forget their motto, "All for Christ," which means that they themselves have been fully given to Christ, and intend to work and pray and sing till all with whom they come in contact shall have Christ fully formed within them, the hope of glory.

Those interested in higher female education should not fail to read the ad. of Randolph-Macon Woman's College in this issue. This institution takes rank with Vassar, Wellesley, and other first-class colleges. It is so classed by the United States Commissioner of Education. It has an endowment of over $100,000, and a faculty of twenty-four. It has the same grade of professors and the same curriculum as the best male colleges.

Notice.

I have rented the McGehee Cottage on the Campus at Centenary College, Jackson, La., and expect to run a first-class boarding-house at prices to suit. Any boy that wants to board at private home, and any that room at the dormitories and wish to avoid the rush of the "mess hall" and desire a quiet time, we will feed you at reasonable rates. Will be glad to correspond with any of the boys who contemplate attending Centenary.

Brethren of the Conference, I am making a great sacrifice to equip myself for more useful and efficient service to my church. Any help you can render by referring the boys to me, or putting me in correspondence with them, will be appreciated. Write me at Downsville, La., until the twenty-fifth of August.

Fraternally,

ROBT. W. VAUGHAN.

Downsville, La., July 29, 1899.

A DISTRESS CALL—HELP NEEDED.

We invite special attention to the following appeal. Here is a magnificent opportunity for those Christians to honor the Lord with their substance.

One of the pastors in Alexandria district, having his wife and seven children to support, was put in charge of a circuit which could not be expected to pay any pastor more than $125 to $150. Only $25 was furnished by the Board of Missions.

After advising with Bishop Morrison, the presiding elder advised the preacher in question to devote his time, not spent in filling the appointments, in some way as to complement his income. He started a crop, cultivated and had a fine prospect for 200 barrels of corn, and two or three bales of cotton. The drouth came, and the crop is a failure. The labor and heat has prostrated the brother, and he is now down with slow fever.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The Durant District Conference closed to-day at Ackerman. Rev. J. S. Oakley, P. E., was present and presided with great urbanity and ability. The pastors were all present excepting Revs. L. M. Lipscomb and A. J. Foster. Lay delegates were present—more or less—from every pastoral charge excepting Salem and Cumberland.

Rev. W. M. McIntosh, president of Grenada College, and Prof. W. L. Weber, of Millsaps College, were present, and impressed themselves personally and the institutions they represent very favorably upon all who heard and met them. Their visitations and able addresses will doubtless bear much fruit for the cause of Christian education in general and our two excellent colleges in particular. Bro. Burton, manager of our Orphan's Home, ably represented that worthy institution. Rev. R. A. Burroughs, P. E., of Columbus district, added interest to the occasion by his genial presence and good sermon.

The doors of the Ackerman homes were opened wide, and hospitalities were generously dispensed to all preachers, delegates and visitors. Each guest praised his home, but none had better cause for doing so than Bro. Oakley and this scribe, who enjoyed together the good fare and cheer of the parsonage with Bro. Evans and his good wife and interesting children. Bro. Evans has recently improved the parsonage-building and grounds very much by adding needed repairs, painting, etc., most of which he did with his own hands. The remaining indebtedness on the district parsonage was provided for, so that that encumbrance will soon be a thing of the past.

Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb has been taking a needed rest with relatives in Oxford.

We are glad to note the convalescence of Bro. J. M. Massey. He will ere long be able to resume his work.

Prof. Weber will spend a week or so itinerating in these parts in the interest of Millsaps College. We bespeak for him and the cause he represents the hearty co-operation of our preachers and people wherever he goes.

Bro. McIntosh is also bestirring himself for Grenada College, and meets with encouragement on all hands. He reports the outlook for the coming session as very hopeful, and from all indications his hopefulness is well founded. So may it prove. G. W. RACHMAN.

July 29, 1899.

Martin College, for young ladies, at Pulaski, Tenn., has an announcement in this issue to which especial attention is directed. The institution takes rank among the best in the South. Its faculty is of the highest order, thoroughly competent and worthy of all confidence.

A CALL FOR HELP.

Dear friends and readers of the ADVOCATE, will you kindly send us 25 cents to help us finish our church in the beautiful little city of McHenry? Our people at this place have in the last two years passed through two epidemics of yellow fever, and, of course, need help to build a church. Send money to me at Wool Market, Miss.

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NOTICE.

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Epworth League at Algiers, Aug. 8. This is the last meeting before the Interstate Conference to be held, Aug. 15-25, at Seashore Camp Grounds, and a full attendance of the Leaguers of the city is urged on the eighth.

MARRIAGES.

PRICE—DAVIS.—At the residence of the bride's father, six miles west of Roxie, Feb. 9, 1899, by Rev. J. T. Abney, Mr. Walter Price and Miss Kerna Davis.

ANDERS—DAVIS. At the residence of the bride's father, six miles west of Roxie, Feb. 21, 1899, by Rev. J. T. Abney, Mr. E. R. Anders and Miss Viola Davis.

FORD BLEECKER. At the residence of Mr. Geo. Butler, Knoxville, Miss., April 7, 1899, by Rev. J. T. Abney, Mr. R. R. Ford and Miss Byrnie Bleecker.

ROBBINS—JOHNSON.—At the residence of Mr. Frank Robinson, Enterprise Pinnt, near Knoxville, Miss., July 2, 1899, by Rev. J. T. Abney, Mr. C. A. Robbins, of Pilot Point, Texas, and Miss Hannie M. Johnson.

CASE—ALDREDGE.—At the Methodist Church, Hamburg, Miss., July 26, 1899, by Rev. J. T. Abney, Mr. P. J. Case, of Roxie, Miss., and Miss Ida Aldredge, of Hamburg, Miss.

GRAW—DAMERINE.—At Harmon's Chapel, on Tuesday night, July 25, 1899, by Rev. J. P. Drake, Capt. John Graw and Miss Elizabeth Austin Damerine, all of Bay St. Louis, Miss.

BREDENHARN-PENDER.—In Fleeter Hill Church, Warren county, Miss., June 20, 1899, by Rev. E. H. Mounger, Mr. George Henry Bredenharn and Miss Sallie Billingsley Pender.

AUSTIN—BUSH.—At the residence of the father of the bride, Mr. J. L. Bush, in Terry, Miss., July 26, 1899, by Rev. J. Wilson Brown, W. G. Austin, M. D., of Utica, Miss., and Miss Addie Bush.

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	Begins
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Tepisaw	Aug. 10
Bluff Creek	Aug. 11
Bethel	Aug. 17
Hennington	Aug. 17

CAMP MEETINGS.

Palmer Camp Meeting will begin on Thursday before the third Sunday in September. We expect a glorious meeting, and we cordially invite the preachers of the Seashore district to attend this meeting and help us make it a success. You will buy tickets at Gulf Port or Hattiesburg for Redmond Crossing. Hacks will meet all trains at this point on the Gulf and Ship Island R. R. All ministers will be cared for free of charge and traveling expenses paid. We invite every body to come to Palmer Camp Meeting, and all Christian workers are specially invited to come and lend helping hands in the work. Now, Dr. Black, we invite you to come. I think a visit to Palmer would help you and us and the dear old ADVOCATE. GEO. W. HUFF, P. C.

July 28, 1899.

The Opelousas District Camp Meeting will commence Aug. 17, 1899, at 8 P. M. The prospects are for a good attendance. The grounds are beautiful, and the water is fine. Tabernacle cool and commodious.

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And look for the virtue behind them,
For the cloudiest night has a hint of the light
Somewhere in its shadows hiding;
It is better by far to hunt for a star
Than the spots on the sun abiding.

The current of life runs ever away
To the bosom of God's great ocean;
Don't set your force 'gainst the river's course
And think to alter its motion.
Don't waste a curse on the universe—
Remember it lived before you.
Don't butt at the storm with your puny form,
But bend and let it fly o'er you.

The world will never adjust itself
To suit your whim to the letter;
Some things must go wrong your whole life long,
And the sooner you know it the better.
It is folly to fight with the infinite,
And go under at last in the wrestle;
The wiser man shapes into God's great plan
As the water shapes into the vessel.

—Progressive Age.

TOO MUCH MARRIED.

Mr. Editor: I would not have you and your readers think for a single moment that I am opposed to marriage; on the contrary, I believe in marriage, and, in most cases, believe in early marriage. But not unfrequently I see people who are "too much married."

Marriage was never designed to conflict with a man's duties to God and the church. It was never designed to stand in his way of attending the services of the church, the preaching of the Word, the weekly prayer service and the Sunday-school; and yet, in these latter days, when a couple of young people marry, it is a sign-manual for them to drop out of Sunday-school, or, at least, to attend every now and then. They become mere figure-heads in the machinery of the church, and are worth as much to the church and society as a hole in the side of a gully or a wart on a black-jack tree. These are the sort of people who are "too much married."

The pastor meets the "too-much-married" husband Monday morning, and says: "Good morning, brother, I missed you from Sunday-school yesterday morning; and by the way, your Sunday-school class had no teacher. I also missed you from the preaching service."

Husband—"Yes, it is true I was not at church yesterday, but my wife didn't feel very well, and I thought it was my duty to stay with her. I never like to go away and leave her by herself on Sunday."

Pastor—"How do you manage to leave her for six days in the week? I suppose there must be some dangers stalking about on Sunday that do not find their way out in public on other days."

Husband—"Well, you see it is this way: I work hard all the week, and I feel tired on Sunday, and my wife don't care to go to church, and so I stay with her."

Some people go to Sunday-school and church, for the most part, in order to get married. When they have accomplished their purpose, it is not a strange thing that it develops later that they are "too much married."

If this class ever get to heaven, they will have to get there without having shown any loyalty to the church, or fidelity to the King.

My judgment is (I may be mistaken), God has a contempt, if contempt he can have, for men who work six days in the seven for a money consideration, and refuse to work for God and humanity the seventh day in the absence of money consideration. From people who are "too much married!" good Lord deliver us. —Plain Facts.

DON'T TAKE OFFENSE.

Look here a moment, my friend, just listen to my words: Don't be so willing to be offended. I have noticed you are very sensitive and quick to suspect a fancied wrong. There are many reasons why you should not be thus.

One is: It makes you very unhappy. You know how much you brood over some fancied injury you received. You think about it when alone. You wake in the night and recall how somebody has ill-treated you. This ruffles your spirit, destroys your inward peace, nurtures in you unpleasant feelings, and, sometimes, thoughts and schemes of retaliation and revenge. The effect of such a spirit is at last seen in the face, discerned in less kindly eyes, and even the voice loses its melody and sweetness. The connection between spirit and body is so close and vital that the internetions are sure and effective.

Then, again, this makes you less agreeable to others, and what you in an evil hour fancied become realities. Offenses and slights will be given, because many will not be so anxious to please you. You know when we have a sore on foot, or hand, or arm, some one all the while jogs gles us and hurts us right on that sore spot. So, exactly, if we carry sore feelings, sore spirits, and a sore heart into society, some careless one or cruel one will surely manage to hurt us—and sometimes I think on purpose.

Now, if that spirit injures you so much in respect to yourself, and unfits you for a social life, it must be very injurious to your Christian life; for that involves all other of life's relations, and takes more. You can not be a happy, trustful, amiable, and congenial Christian when you are fermenting with a sense of injuries received. Hence your influence and power for good are very much weakened. Just read Paul's description of an opposite spirit that should govern a Christian soul: "Love suffereth long and is kind, envieth not, . . . is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, . . . beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." What a happy person he must be who is governed by such a spirit! —H. O. Rawlands, D. D., in Standard.

WITHOUT MANNERS.

Standing by the desk of a business man who employs quite a number of lads, I saw a boy of about fifteen come in and apply for a situation. The boy was well dressed, and in demeanor and accent indicated that he belonged to one of the upper grades of the public schools. Without taking off his hat, or appearing to notice anybody who was present, he demanded, in a sharp, unpleasant voice, "Say, mister, are you advertising for a boy?" The business man looked at him for a second and answered, "I want an older boy than you." "What?" "I want an older boy than you," answered the merchant, in a somewhat louder voice. "Oh," answered the lad, as he swung around and walked out.

"That," said the merchant to me, "is a sample of the manner of the Toronto school-boy. In my business, you know, we depend almost entirely upon the politeness, quickness, and adaptability of the young fellows we have behind the counter. I have to change my boys a dozen times a year because I can not get the right material. My customers ask me why I change my boys so often. Certainly it is not to save money, for I would be willing to keep them if they were worth keeping. The first thing they ask me is what wages I pay, and the next, what hours they will have to work. They never think about me or my business; all they want to know is how much they can get out of me. Apparently they give me no credit for being able to teach them a profitable trade; they only regard me as a task-master, who is to be made pay the highest price, give the shortest hours, and accept the lowest possible quality of service."

Parents who are bringing up their boys without manners, and without any consideration for themselves or prospective employers, and without any ambition to acquire a decent method of procuring a livelihood, should cut this little paragraph out, and paste it up where the boys will see it when they rise in the morning and go to bed at night.—Toronto Saturday Night.

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"Yes, I recall the conversation, but don't quite see the connection."

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There is in every heart a dark chamber. There are very, very few of us that dare tell all our thoughts and show our inmost selves to the dearest ones. The most silvery lake that lies sleeping amidst beauty, itself the very fairest spot of all, when drained off show ugly ooze and filthy mud, and all manner of creeping abominations in the slime. I wonder what we should see if our hearts were, so to speak, drained off, and the very bottom layer of everything brought into the light? Do you think you would like it? Do you think you could stand it?—Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

Our expectations, our ideals, our hopes and intentions in beginning life are generally all too low. Many and many a one is only indifferently successful in living a strong life, because at the start the standard of what one ought to be, and the belief in what one may be, were set too low.—Charles Cuthbert Hall, D. D.

We once knew a man who boasted of his ability to take three straight drinks of liquor a day—never any more, never any less. The old man is living yet, but two of his sons died drunkards, and the third one is keeping a bar room. He sowed his "moderate drinking," and has reaped the ruin of his sons.—The Baptist Standard.

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HEARN—In Pearl River Cemetery, on June 8 1899 just at her beloved Sunday-school hour, loving hands consigned to mother earth all that was mortal of Mrs. JAMES HEARN (nee Sue Eda Graves). The old church organ that had so often responded to her skillful touch, and had so lately pealed forth her joyous wedding march, to-day seemed to join its sobs with that of sorrowing friends, as it mournfully chanted her funeral dirge. Just five months before she stood at Hymen's altar and plighted her troth to the man of her choice. Fair and beautiful did she look—so bright, so full of hope—as their little barque glided smoothly off down the stream of life. Her health had not been good for over a year, but loved ones were ever hopeful, and it was not fully realized till just the day before she died that her earthly mission had been filled. That same minister who had joined her in the holy bonds of wedlock stood again before her and read in solemn tones, "I am the resurrection and the life," as she lay in her casket sweetly sleeping that "blessed sleep, from which none ever wake to weep." In that profound repose she seemed a creature fresh from the hands of God waiting for the breath of life, and not like one who had lived and suffered death. Everything that willing hands and loving hearts could do had been done, but the fiat had gone forth, "Dust thou art," and her gentle spirit was wafted across the silent sea. Wrapped in her bridal robes, upon a bed of flowers, she sleeps until the "resurrection morn" beneath the sod that so lightly covers her narrow home. And as we turned sadly away, leaving her alone with the quiet sleepers of the city of the dead, we thought: How many hopes lie buried there! How long a time before broken, bleeding hearts can bow in meek submission and say, Thy will be done!

The subject of this notice was born at Dixon, Neshoba county, Miss., Sept. 15, 1876; moved to Madison county, Miss., in October, 1890; joined the Methodist Church in 1894; married to James Hearn, Jan. 4, 1899, and died June 8, 1899. A FRIEND.

DEAR—There are so many in this beautiful world of ours, who are called to bear the "cross of suffering," numbered among earth's afflicted ones, yet patient, meek, cheerful, and resigned to the will of their "Father in heaven." Such a one was VIRGINIA COFFMAN DEAR, daughter of Dr. C. R. and Mrs. V. E. Boucher.

"Miss Virgie" was born near Enterprise, Miss., Feb. 3, 1871, and was baptized by Bishop Paine, June 4, 1871. At twelve years of age she made an open profession of religion, and connected herself with the M. E. Church, South, which relation she held sacred until her death, which occurred June 13, 1899. She was happily married to Mr. H. M. Dear, of Enterprise, Miss., Dec. 16, 1898.

One year was hardly yet complete
Since she before her pastor vowed
That she would be a true helpmeet,
Who now is in her shroud."

Her reserve and shrinking delicacy, caused by physical suffering, threw a veil over her beautiful character. She was not extensively known beyond her home circle, but there she spread around her that soft, pure light which makes home so attractive. She was an obedient daughter, loving wife, tender and sympathetic in her relations to the world, and now, since she has passed away "trusting in Jesus," her memory is the shrine of pleasant thoughts—"sweet as the scent of flowers." To the bereaved ones we tender pure sympathy, and say:

"Weep not for her! There is no cause of woe,
But rather nerve the spirit, that it walk,
Unshrinking, o'er the thorny path below,
And from earth's low defilements keep thee back;
So, when a few fleet, swerving years have flown,
She'll meet thee at heaven's gate,
And lead thee on;
Weep not for her."

J. T. LEGGETT.

HILL—Col. J. L. S. HILL was born in Chester, S. C., Jan. 27, 1818, and died in Okolona, Miss., June 18, 1899. He was twice married, and by the first wife there were some children, all of whom died in infancy and childhood. His second wife survives him.

Col. Hill was a man of fine character and splendid influence wherever he lived. His mind was clear, strong, and well stored with useful information. He was often honored by his fellow-citizens with positions of trust and of great responsibility, and whether in the Legislature, the sheriff's office, or as a delegate to Annual Conference, he was true to every trust committed to him. Honor, honesty and integrity were the marked features of his noble character. His word was as good as his bond in any matter. He was a polite, courteous Christian gentleman to all persons and in all places—one of nature's noblemen.

As a Christian, Col. Hill was sincere, devout and spiritual; true to God and to his church and ministers. No man had a finer influence for good in the community where he lived. He was a perfect man—one that feared God and hated evil.

A stroke of paralysis nine or ten months before his death rendered him nearly helpless and greatly impaired his mind, but to the last he was the same polite gentleman and the same devout, holy-hearted Christian. His mouth was filled with laughter, and his tongue with singing and shouts of victory, as he slowly and painlessly went down into the last river. A purer, truer, holier man of God I have never known. "A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of one's birth." GILDENOY.

WATSON—CYRUS DAVIS WATSON was born in Grangeville, La., June 25 1877; joined the M. E. Church, South, at Pine Grove, La., under the ministry of Rev. C. D. Caull in 1892; died March 19, 1899, at Grangeville, La.

It was our privilege to be his pastor for three years, and we can truly say we never had a boy in our charge we loved better, or that was a better friend to us, and in his death we fully realize that we have lost one of our best friends. We used to spend days together at the same time, and he never tired of hearing us read the manuscript, or sit down and go through a whole sermon to him, especially if it was the biography of some Bible character. He loved to listen to the trials and triumphs of these great men.

He was the idol of both father and mother. They both depended on him for almost everything, and their trust was well founded, for their interest was his interest; hence no wonder his death was such a blow. Our hearts go out in sympathy to them in their dark hour of bereavement. His father writes me that he has every reason to believe, from his prayers to and talks with the Lord Jesus during his illness, that he has joined that happy throng where sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more.

That the good Lord may cheer and comfort the sad hearts of papa and mama, and help them to so live that bye and bye they may form an unbroken family circle around the great white throne, is the prayer of one who loves them. J. P. H.

CARNEY—MARK BOATNER CARNEY, the youngest son of J. G. Carney, was taken severely ill with pneumonia at his home in Slaughter, La., in the early part of January. All was done that loving hearts and tender, skillful hands could do for his recovery, but in vain. His suffering was intense and brief. On Jan. 8 1899, his tired heart stopped to rest, and he entered the land "beyond the vale of tears."

Boatner was born Nov. 26 1879 and joined the Methodist Church during a revival held by Evangelist Joe Jones. He was one of our good, faithful young men. How we all miss him! He was frequently at prayer-meeting, at Sunday-school, and at League meetings. His disposition was of that quiet, happy kind—always the same; his home life was beautiful, his obedience prompt, his service willing and joyous; his love for father, mother, brother and sister was pure and devoted. The beautiful home circle is broken; the vacant place in the sad, broken hearts can be filled only by Him who loved us and gave himself for us. May God bless the bereaved and sorrowing loved ones! ALBERT S. LURZ.

POOL—Mrs. MALINDA C. POOL was born in Pike county, Miss., April 6, 1825; removed to Copiah county when quite young. She was converted at an early age and joined the Methodist Church, and was ever a consistent and devoted member, praying in public and doing what she could for the cause of Christ. She was twice married; first to A. Y. Lord in 1849, and after his death to W. P. Pool in 1853, and died March 23, 1899. We are bereaved with her loved one.

Sister Pool was one of the best women it has been our privilege to know; quiet, unassuming, but deeply pious, and ever ready to testify for her Lord. We shall miss her, but we know where to find her, "in the sweet by-and-by."

May God graciously bless her loved ones, and help them to meet her where parting will be no more! A. D. MILLER.

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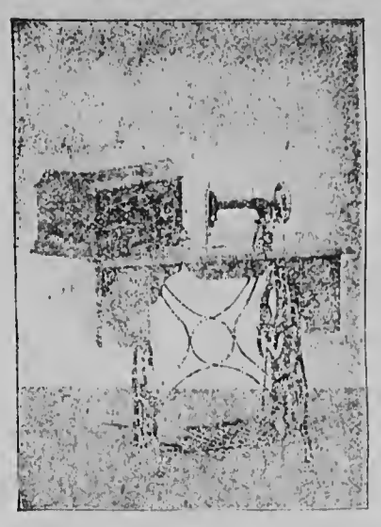

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The rumors of a China-Japanese alliance are semi-officially denied.

The wholesale liquor dealers of the country are forming an association to fight the Whisky Trust.

The Horriman expedition to Alaska has returned to this country with specimens of great scientific value.

The report of the tripartite commission, sent to Samoa to settle the government there, has been made public.

Princeton University is endeavoring to induce President Diaz to visit their city and then make a tour of this country.

Major A. Lalande, chief of the Guatemala national police, who came to this city for surgical treatment, is suffering from severe burns produced by X rays.

It is said the President will recommend to Congress a system of home rule for Cuba, with the exercise of civil and military functions by the United States.

A mass meeting was held in Havana, Sunday, under the auspices of the Sociedad Democratico, at which speeches were made favoring absolute independence.

The situation in San Domingo is critical and the Government is preparing for an outbreak, which is momentarily expected. The revolutionists are preparing to attack Puerto Plata.

An accident on the Erie railroad, Sunday morning, at Lackawaxen, N. Y., resulted in the death of an engineer and a fireman and the wounding of a large number of passengers.

A new law has just gone into effect in Massachusetts forbidding the performance of the marriage ceremony by justices of the peace, unless they have been specially designated for that purpose.

The New York Herald insists that Admiral Dewey did make the statement that our next war would be with Germany, but says he made it in private conversation, and not for publication.

The steamer "Pasig," held at Manila, will be confiscated as contraband, proof being at hand that she carried arms to Aguinaldo, shipment being made by an American, who will have to avoid extradition nations.

A "reign of terror" prevails in Servia and hundreds of men have been thrown into prison without warrant. The scheme to assassinate Milan was conceived by the ex-King himself, and carried out by his creatures.

A girl who came from Saxony two years ago and knew only her native language has taken first honors in a public school in New York, with an average of 94.8. She ranked third among all the grammar school graduates in the city.

The thermometer registered 92 at New Orleans on Sunday. Outside of New Orleans the temperature was 90 or over at Abilene, Atlanta, El Paso, Galveston, Jacksonville, Little Rock, Mobile, Montgomery, Oklahoma, Palestine, and Vicksburg.

There is but one opinion among the returning volunteers recently arrived home from Manila as to the conduct of the war in the islands. They are all agreed that General Otis is responsible for the small results which have been achieved, and is utterly incompetent to meet the difficulties of the situation.

A volume of clippings, valued at $2500, is to be presented to Admiral Dewey upon his arrival. The book contains between its solid silver covers a wealth of printed matter, from profound editorials on the admiral to humorous poetry regarding him, and from the comments of the President and Cabinet down to the jokes of street gamins.

The announcement that General Henraux, President of the Republic of San Domingo, had been assassinated naturally created some concern in this country, not so much because of any special interest in the man himself, as because of the political consequences which may follow his sudden taking off. Like all other Latin-American countries San Domingo has been ruled completely by the personal influence of a single man.

Officially the authorities say that the "New Orleans" and the "Machias" are being sent to the Dominican Government solely as a precautionary measure; that the press dispatches indicate political intrigue, which may result in a revolution, and that as American interests in the little republic are paramount to those of any other country, it is a part of prudence to have ample force at hand to see that full protection is given to these interests.

United States Minister Merry has been instructed to represent to the Government of Nicaragua that in the opinion of the State Department that $9000 collected by General Torres, from the American merchants in Bluefields, should be returned to them. The merchants were required to pay this amount of money on goods that had been assessed previously by the revolutionary party, while the latter was in control at Bluefields. Our Government objects to this double collection.

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Spring Creek, at Fellowship		26, 27
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Montgomery and Colfax, at C		9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice		16, 17
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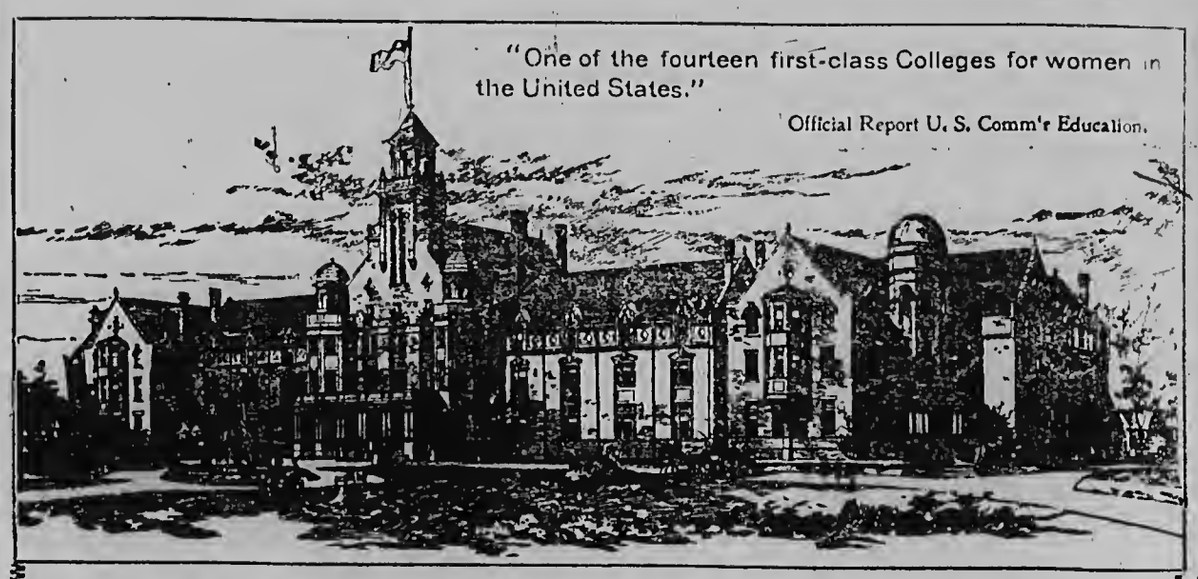

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LETTER FROM KENTUCKY.

BY REV. CHAS F. EVANS, D. D.

For many years it has been the custom in this city for the various churches to concentrate their night services during July and August at one church, and so, for the past four Sabbaths, I have had a half day's rest. It has been more—a season of sweet communion with other denominations, tending to deepen our fellowship, and the privilege of hearing from other lips the precious gospel. We preachers also need to hear the gospel, and if it comes by unexpected combinations and points of view, so much the better for breadth of our theology and the sifting of our personal experience. In this "Woodford county" not only do our traditional opponents, the Baptists and Campbellites, whose pulpits have always been closed to us, but the Protestant Episcopalians also, join in this union service. I hope they will, ere long, wake up in Louisiana to the fact that we also have a view, a message, and an unction.

The Twentieth Century Educational Campaign has begun in Kentucky, not very vigorously, for we are waiting for our Conference, now about five weeks off, to settle some essential preliminaries. But our District Conferences have inaugurated the discussion, and individual pastors are scattering literature and preaching sermons directly and indirectly bearing upon this interest. Much has to be done in informing both our congregations and certain classes of our preachers before any general enthusiasm will appear. After all, our general success depends largely upon the spirit of our circuits. If the young men upon the circuits will be at the pains to read the specific works of such men as John Stuart Blackie on "Self-Culture," Herbert Spencer on "Education," and Principal J. C. Shairp on "Culture and Religion," they will obtain not only rich and wonderous thought for distribution among their flocks, but choicest personal culture, which will prove an abundant personal and official blessing all their lives.

I have been privileged with several opportunities to use such matter, and expect to embrace everyone that offers. Very recently I went to the field of our pastor at Nicholasville, in an adjacent county. A choice congregation in a fine church gave exceptional attention, showing their sympathy with the movement, and appreciation of the fact that the future history of our denomination is being certainly defined by the esprit de corps which is brought to this movement, the thoroughness of our work, and munificence of our gifts. If we do not prepare for ourselves a higher and more symmetrical character in the pulpit and in the pew by a more general and generous use of our literary institutions, we will be not only discredited before our communities, but find that all our enterprises limp and halt for want of both intellectual skill and financial support. There has never been any enterprise projected by Southern Methodism that so vitally touches its ministry in their personal or fiducial capacity, nor one that in bringing rich results to the church enriches so variously its pastors. It is to be hoped that the Annual Conference secretaries and the Boards of Education will arrange to supply every charge with such speakers as will instruct and enthuse the people.

Being in Jessamine county, and only nine miles from the site of Bethel Academy—the second educational enterprise of American Methodism—I could not forego the privilege of looking upon its ruins, and rescuing from them a relic or two. There is nothing left now but a grass grown heap of broken bricks, and a few pieces of native marble supposed to be the foundation of what, everything considered, was a noble structure. It was eighty feet long, forty feet wide, and three stories high. It was founded in 1790, opened with a course of primary instruction in 1794 by Jno. Metcalf, and chartered in 1798, when Valentine Cook took charge of the enterprise. It was short-lived, for it was abandoned in 1803. It is marvelous that such a house should have been built at all, or that it should have been used so long. Nicholasville was the nearest settlement, and was nine miles away, while Lexington, much larger, but then only a village, was twenty-one miles distant. Asbury's visit to the first Conference in Kentucky, in 1790, when the institution was started with a collection of £300 in money and land, was made under guards. The country was unopened, and hostile Indians threatened every path. The Conference was composed of only six preachers, and the Bishop moved with his escort on bridle-paths, through cane-brakes and deep streams, and over mountains, where wild beasts were as great a menace as the red men of the forest. There were but one thousand church members represented in that Conference, and they lived under shadow of military posts that were scattered through the territory. It is wonderful to think of their enterprising and daring faith. These men got for their year's ministry an allowance of sixty-four dollars, and Burke says "that the building of this house rendered the pecuniary means of the preachers very uncertain, for they were continually employed in begging for Bethel Academy." Did these unmarried and childless men stand in equivocal relation to the subject of education, to the weal of the church, or the glory of God? Has Southern Methodism a shameful record, or, with such a history, will it fail to meet the demands of the twentieth century, or will it, with faltering feet and craven heart, fail to follow the white plume of Galloway as he leads this noble charge for God and humanity?

"ON TO INDIANAPOLIS."

This was the slogan voiced by the Epworth Era, and echoed by State and District League Conferences; and having been honored, even in my absence, with the presidency of the Mississippi State Conference, and being urged by my friends and family, I heeded the slogan.

In company with Rev. J. M. Morse and his little daughter, Ora, Miss Annie Lee Sudduth, and Miss Grace Loper, the second vice-president of our State Conference, I left for Indianapolis on Tuesday, July 18. We found the chair-car accommodation on the I. C. all that we wished. At Memphis, Miss Blanche Frazier, a sister-in-law of Judge Estis, came aboard, and very soon she and our Grace were acquainted, and she became a delightful addition to our party.

From Memphis to Paducah was passed in the night, and from Paducah to Louisville, across the big bend of the Ohio, in the early morning. Stock farms and apple orchards had taken the place of corn fields and cotton plantations. We got breakfast at Louisville, boarded a yellow car of the Big Four line, and crossed the Ohio into Indiana. Broad fields of hay and corn, wheat and oats spread away to the horizon, and towns and villages were numerous. At every station hoosiers came aboard, many of them, like ourselves, Epworth Leaguers bound for the International.

This was the first time I was ever in Indiana. One thing impressed me at once—that Indiana sadly needs the temperance sentiment and anti rum legislation that prevails in Mississippi; the saloon signs to be seen in every town and village we passed, and a very odoriferous saloon patron, who sat behind me, gave strong evidence of this want. The second thing that impressed me is, that all the verdant young people do not live in the pine woods of Mississippi.

Indianapolis is a beautiful city, with broad, well-paved, clean-swept streets, handsome cottages, and splendid public buildings. It is her boast that she has neither millionaires nor paupers. Her State House is an immense structure, magnificently built and located. In the centre of the city, from which radiate in every direction avenues and streets to the distant city limits, is a circle, in the centre of which stands the soldiers' and sailors' monument, said to be the grandest in the world. It rises 284 feet above the street, and from two sides of its base there rush sheets of water, leaping in cataracts to broader pools below, where it glistens a rich Nile green. A sculptured group on one face symbolizes war, and another, on the opposite face, peace. Stone terraces lead from the street up to the base, and statues of Indiana's great men, at regular intervals, guard the circle. One morning these vast terraces were crowded with Epworth Leaguers holding a sunrise prayer meeting.

The Conference, or "Convention"—as our Canadian brethren termed it—met simultaneously in a large circus tent on Court Square, in Tomlinson Hall, across the street from the tent, and in English's Opera House, some blocks away; and although the three places combined offered seats for some fifteen or twenty thousand, at almost every meeting all three were overcrowded. It is estimated that from twenty-five to thirty thousand Epworth Leaguers were present. Epworth League flags and the Maltese cross, and the blended League colors of the Northern and Southern Leagues, with American and British flags, were to be seen everywhere.

Most of the addresses delivered were spoken of as fine. As a matter of course, I only heard about one-third of them, as I could only attend one of the three simultaneous meetings at any time. No other speaker evoked the applause that greeted our own Bishop Galloway. It mattered not whether his theme was missions, or prohibition, or the Twentieth Century Movement, his utterances were listened to with bated breath, and followed by the very strongest expressions of approval. We were proud of him.

The negro was in evidence, there being about five hundred of them present. Some of them were on the program. Their promiscuous intermingling with the whites in the audiences was a little embarrassing to the Southern Leaguers.

The closing service in the tent on Sunday night was one of the most thrilling I ever witnessed. Between eight and ten thousand people were crowded about the platform. While Profs. Excell and Gabriel sang a duet a great wave of emotion swept over the vast audience, and old Methodist shouts broke out from every part of the assembly.

The Leaguers of the M. E. Church, South, met in a "League Rally" at the First Baptist Church on Sunday evening. The idea previously suggested that we have a biennial General Conference of the Leagues of our church met hearty endorsement at this rally. The first of these Conferences will be held next year, the place to be determined later.

Several matters were specially popular. One was prohibition, another was anti-Roberts-of-polygamy fame, and another was the prospective Anglo-American alliance. Whenever allusion was made to anyone of these applause greeted the suggestion.

A great deal of good came of it. Inspiration to better work and higher ideals was caught by many a Leaguer, while broader views and truer knowledge of the various sections of Methodism, and a better feeling between those of distant sections, resulted. I am glad that I went.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

DURANT DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

This body met this year in Ackerman, Miss., July 27. Ackerman is a growing county town on the Aberdeen branch of the I. C. R R, between Kosciusko and Starkville. Rev. R. M. Evans, P. C., was the Conference host. Ackerman and her pastor were at their best in entertainment. That speaks volumes. All were happily homed and bounteously entertained. Bro. Evans thinks he could entertain a session of the Annual Conference.

Two weeks earlier we could have had Bishop Candler, and would have saved ourselves the regret of losing the able presidency of this able chairman, of whom brethren in attendance at other District Conferences speak in such landable terms, had not our political pot been boiling so vociferously, and our Democratic primary conflicted with that date. We were compensated for this loss, however, by the fact that our beloved presiding elder had so far recovered from his partial paralysis as to be "on the ground" and ably preside at every session. He—Bro. Oakley—is now meeting his Quarterly Conferences, even in this warm season, and we trust will, ere long, be himself again.

On account of the advanced date, many of the preachers left on Friday evening and Saturday, so as to begin revival meetings on Sunday, thus avoiding the loss of another week during the season. This was more than made up by the good number of laymen who attended, their farm duties being abated some just now.

A fine team of laymen was elected to the Annual Conference. They are: Messrs H. A Sorrels, J. F. Wilburn, M. T. Boswell and J. G. Irving, principals; J F. Broom and P. Williams, alternates.

The preaching was full orbed and to full houses. Great good must come of it. Revs. J. C. Lowe, G. W. Gordon, R. A. Burroughs, N. G. Augustus, J. W. Treadwell, W. T. J. Sullivan, J. J. Garner, T. H. Porter, R. O. Brown and R. H. B. Gladney did the preaching.

That was a masterly sermon on the broad and narrow ways by Rev. R. A. Burroughs, presiding elder of Columbus district; so also that by Dr. Sullivan on Christian education. Things "old and new" were blended by the faithful "scribes," with the old-time fervor and no uncertain sound.

Revs. W. M. McIntosh, president of Grenada College; R. A. Burroughs, presiding elder of Columbus district; M. L. Burton, manager of our Orphans' Home; F. L. Banks, pastor Presbyterian Church, Ackerman, and Prof. W. L. Weber, of the faculty of Millsaps College, were distinguished visitors. They added much to the interest and profit of the occasion by their preaching and speeches.

Bro. Burton captures the hearts of the people where he goes, but feels somewhat embarrassed in his work, because brethren do not invite him definitely, and open the way for him on their charges. A suitable resolution was passed by the Conference extending to him a cordial welcome into the district; so also were proper resolutions passed at the last session of the Annual Conference, but these do not suffice. By not taking collections for this ourselves, nor specially inviting him, we "neither enter in ourselves, nor suffer them who would."

Bro. McIntosh is the right man to carry our woman's college to success. He magnifies the man and magnifies his office. The universal consent is to give him our support.

Prof. Weber evinces great confidence in "our" Millsaps College, and insists upon all Methodists claiming interest in it. His speech will do much good.—He is close akin to the Methodist ministry, and made a warm place in all our hearts. Come again, we all said, and magnify Millsaps College.

Small progress has been reported in the district, because preachers forget that District Conference reports embrace a year—not simply since the last Annual Conference.

A glance at the report on the spiritual state of the church brings us to our knees. In a membership of 5,031 only 77 family altars—about one family in every thirteen. A low state of spirituality is recognized by the committee, and suggest the remedy to be found in Bible sermons prayerfully prepared, and clean, pure lives by our ministers.

The Sunday-school interest is doing well—a slight advance in some quarters. Rev. G. W. Bachman, colporteur and Sunday-school agent, was on hand with his genial smiles and tempting books. A more useful man is not found in all our borders.

The next session goes to Kosciusko.

We go out from this council chamber feeling that we have met our Lord, and been recommissioned to "hold forth the Word of Life." The rich spiritual feasts enjoyed by preachers and people we trust will kindle all over the district into flames of holy power.

W. L. ANDERSON, Sec.

Chester, Miss., Aug. 1, 1899.

MIXED RESIDENCE IN JAPAN.

The question that is pre-eminently the question of the hour with both foreigners and Japanese at this time in Japan is that of the enforcement of the New Treaties, from July 17, by which Foreign Concessions in Japan are abolished, foreigners come under Japanese law and are permitted to reside anywhere in the country without passports.

Hitherto, foreigners have been free to live and trade only in certain "Treaty Ports," such as Yokohama, Kobe, etc. Permission to live, or even to travel, in the interior was to be obtained only by special application to the government; and even then sometimes there would be considerable delay and difficulty in obtaining it. But the foreigner was everywhere exempt from the jurisdiction of the Japanese law courts. He had the satisfaction of knowing that he was subject only to the laws of his own country.

Now all that is to be changed. Foreigners are to be freed from the inconvenient restrictions of the passport system; but they are to come under the restrictions of Japanese law, administered by Japanese. And as the time for that important change draws near it is but natural that all parties concerned should be greatly interested.

The Japanese are busy making all necessary preparations, even down to such minute details as the preparation of prison uniforms for foreign prisoners. I am told that one of our lady missionaries here in Osaka was asked for dress patterns for ladies to be used in making the same kind of uniforms for foreign ladies. In another city a member of our mission has been asked to act as chaplain for the foreign prisoners that are to be in that city. The purpose of such preparations, of course, is only to be prepared for all emergencies; but they have rather an unpleasant suggestiveness.

Both foreigners and Japanese seem very anxious that the change should be made as smoothly as possible. So that I think there is no reason to magnify, with the pessimists, all the possible difficulties that may arise. And yet, even with the best intentions, it would be strange indeed, considering the difference between the broad-minded men that make the laws and the narrow-minded men who, in many instances, enforce the laws, if considerable hardship were not at times experienced, especially by business men.

As to our work, of course, missionaries do not anticipate personally any special difficulty in coming under Japanese law, more than a little annoyance at what seems to an American excessive red-tapism. The change will give us greater freedom in evangelistic work.

The widespread interest in the question of Mixed Residence is now having a decidedly favorable effect on Christian work in Japan. Throughout the country there seems an increasing desire to hear of Christianity, and in many places the work seems to be taking on new life. Of course, in some places it is a surface interest, but in other places there seems to be a true spirit of revival. Certainly it is a time of opportunity to be improved while it lasts.

May this spirit of interest in Christianity now awakened by the near approach of Mixed Residence in this land become, through the working of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the people, a spirit of deep conviction, causing everywhere the earnest cry, "Men and brethren, what must we do to be saved?"

B. W. WATERS.

Osaka, Japan, June 21, 1899.

Communications.

THE TIDE IS RISING!

LET US HAVE A SUMMER OVERFLOW!

Rev. J. A. Bowen, Columbus, writes: "The Twentieth Century Educational Movement has been properly brought before our people. In addition to what the pastor has had to say on the subject to the church and League, Dr. Murrah, by invitation of the pastor and the Official Board, spent a Sunday with us, and very ably presented the cause to a large audience. He made a fine impression. Our membership roll has been copied as directed, and I have engaged some of our best Epworth Leaguers to solicit subscriptions this Fall for the fund. I am encouraged and hope for success. The cause shall be kept before the people, and pushed to the best results the pastor is capable of achieving."

Thank you, brother; that is all we ask—"the best results the pastor is capable of achieving."

Rev. R. A. Meek observed Twentieth Century Education at Starkville. The congregation was considerably smaller than usual, on account of extreme heat and sickness. Sixty persons gave one hundred and eight dollars. Bro. Meek writes: "Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan was here on a visit to relatives. He did the preaching, and gave us a splendid discourse. I have only begun the canvass for subscriptions. I mean to make out lists, secure the assistance of my Leaguers, and to vigorously push the work. I hope to make a creditable report at our rally in Greenwood. I believe Starkville will pay one dollar per member."

Of course it will! And so will most places, if the pastor will throw himself into it and lead the way.

Please note that both these pastors have followed the plan suggested, and they also secure the assistance of their Leaguers. Pastors who have reported have shown the way and demonstrated the possibility of success. Get a move on you, brother, and let us hear from you. Observe Twentieth Century Education Day, using the programs sent you, and follow that with personal solicitation. Use the League, the Sunday-school, the Official Board, anybody, everybody; but the pastor must lead.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Aug. 7, 1899.

The sky-lark, soar she never so high, still sings as she soars; and the higher the flight, the sweeter the song. So ambition to rise appears at its best when, for those above whom it has risen, it has heartiest words of encouragement and cheer.—Selected.

THE CARES OF LIFE.

BY GEORGE BANCROFT GRIFFITH.

Not a moment lose in fretting,
Nor let change or loss annoy;
Every sorrow's but the selling
Of some sparkling gem of joy!

Happy birds that soar while singing
Have no dust upon their wings;
So the buoyant heart, unspringing,
All vexation from it flings.

Freedom, freedom for the spirit!
Leisure, too, for higher things,
And may those we love inherit
All the sweets contentment brings!

Exchange.

Communications.

THE MODERN UNIVERSAL PEACE MOVEMENT AND AMERICA.

No apologies need be offered for the Modern Universal Peace Movement, for it has been "the dream of poets, prophets, philosophers, and all noble souls, from the most remote time." The civilizing forces of literature, art and commerce, the silent and unseen influence of the teachings of the "Prince of Peace" upon the heart and intelligence of humanity, prepared the world for its birth.

The immediate cause, however, of the rise of the Peace Movement in Europe was the reaction against the long and desolating Napoleonic wars, described by Lord Russell as "the most bloody hostilities that ever mangled the face of Europe." Under the influence of this reaction the thoughtful public, led by Dr Chalmers, David Bogue, and others, began to realize the true nature of war and the responsibility of the Christian church for the existence of international conflicts.

The war of 1812 in America gave rise to a similar sentiment against the customs of war, which crystallized in various peace organizations, the first of which was the New York Peace Society of 1815. In less than a quarter of a century the sentiment in America became national, resulting in 1828 in the American Peace Society, which at present has its headquarters in Boston, with Hon. Robert Treat Paine as its president.

In Europe the Peace Movement was national in its inception, and after some years of agitation the great continental Peace Congresses were brought into existence. The Peace Societies of the world number to-day at least 300 and among their members are some of the most prominent men and women of all professions. It was the representatives of these societies that held their fifth Universal Peace Congress during the Fair in Chicago.

The purpose of these organizations is threefold. First, the enlistment of a world-wide army of peace; the organization of those individual forces which are opposed to the customs of war, but are ineffectual through their lack of combination and direction. Again, and more definitely, they aim at a system of international arbitration which shall substitute the tribunal of reason for that of force in national disagreements. Reason, says Cicero, is proper to men; force to brutes. These societies want the outgrowth of the principles of liberty, justice and equity wrought out especially by the Anglo-Saxon race instead of war—the greatest scourge of the human race—the miseries and horrors of which the research of the historian, the eloquence of the orator, the imagination of the poet, the colors of the artist, are alike powerless to portray.

The success and growth of this arbitration movement has been marvelous. Tell a man who sneers at international arbitration that there have been nearly one hundred important national differences settled thus in this century, and he will question such history. Tell him America, his own country, has entered into not less than forty-eight agreements for international arbitration. Such facts astonish him. The present sentiment on both sides of the Atlantic foretells a glorious future for international arbitration in the coming century.

The third definite proposal of these societies is the reduction of the standing armies and navies of the world. Not only do they advocate a reduction, but strive to hasten that day prophesied by Victor Hugo in his opening address before the second Universal Peace Congress: "When weapons will fall from men's hands and cannon balls will be replaced by ballots by the universal suffrage of the people. A day when a cannon will be pointed out in a museum as an instrument of torture, with astonishment that such a thing could ever have existed. The growing unity of man religiously, intellectually, and commercially; the surrender of national and racial prejudices, the growing consciousness of the brotherhood of man, demand that the nations of the earth furl their battle flags, hush the noise of the war-drum, and that 'the bugles of battle blow the marches of peace.'".

What is our part as a nation in this great Peace Movement? What is our responsibility in regard to ushering in the reign of universal peace? "The responsibility for the peace of the world," says Dr. Benjamin Trueblood, "rests upon the United States as upon no other country." Our geographical position, separated by great oceans from other nations, gives us special fitness for the office of peacemaker, and the number of times the United States has been called upon to act as arbitrator between other nations shows that we are looked upon as the peacemakers of the world.

Our republican form of government bears a unique relation to universal peace. Emmanuel Kant says in his essay on eternal peace, "Universal peace can come only with a universal republic." We, indeed, have furnished a model for the federation of the world. Union of nations will come after the form of union of States.

Our responsibility as an enlightened people is no less than our responsibility as a republican people. Besides the public provision for elementary education and considerable opportunity for higher school training, by our recurring elections each man is educated on the great questions of public interest.

Our moral enlightenment has come from the Word of God; our religious standard gives freedom of conscience; our social institutions are built on simple manhood. Freedom is the Creator's great schoolmaster, and peace can only follow in the path of liberty.

And in respect to our historic records and national influence come a still greater responsibility. The United States is itself the greatest Peace Society in the world, with its record of more than one hundred years of peace and less than six years of war with other nations. Between 1141 and 1815—a period of 674 years—England was at war with France alone two hundred and sixty-six years. So remarkable has been our record for peace that Lady Henry Somerset said that America and war should not be mentioned in the same breath.

To Washington has been credited the honor of changing mankind's idea of political greatness, and to his country will be credited the honor of changing mankind's idea of war. If the Declaration of Independence proclaimed to the world that man had the right to unsheathe the sword in behalf of his own birth-right of liberty, the ultimatum of President McKinley proclaimed to the nations of the earth that man has the right to unsheathe the sword in behalf of his brother's liberty. When war becomes thus unselfish eternal peace is at hand.

The victory of Dewey at Manila will go down in the annals of history, marking the time when the United States of America came forth from her national monastery to take up the white man's burden; marking the time when war of conquest among civilized nations was doomed by a war prompted by motives of sympathy and unselfishness; marking the time when the armor-clad Old World was given a vision of the true glory and grandeur of national destiny.

At present the representatives of the civilized nations of the earth are consulting at The Hague as to how this new ideal may be realized. Let us assure our representatives that they have the privilege and authority to act in accordance with our historic record, in accordance with our republican form of government, our intellectual and moral enlightenment, ideals; and, if necessary, let us be willing to lay aside our new armor in order to lift the crushing burden of militarism off the armor-clad world, and then, with one accord, the great nations of the earth will say, "Let the bugles sound the truce of God to the world forever," and then from all climes, among all races, generations yet unborn will rise up and call America blessed, "for Peace hath her victories no less renowned than War."

We have reached a great crisis in our history. Shall the dream of empire lead us on, as it has other republics, to certain destruction? Shall we forget our responsibilities, our history, our own happiness, and pervert the opportunities and influence which Heaven has given us to the increasing of war and injustice in the world? Or shall we follow our manifest destiny, moving upward and onward, leading the march of civilization, blazing out the path for "universal peace," and making clear the way through which all nations must come in fulfilling the will of the great Creator, and hastening the day

"When the war-drum throbs no longer,
And the battle flags are furled
In the parliament of man,
The federation of the world."

C D ATKINSON.

Vanderbilt University, June 2, 1899.

FROM BRO. TINNIN.

MR. EDITOR: Will you please give me space in your esteemed paper for this letter of explanation? A number of my friends are writing and enquiring as to my withdrawal from the M. E. Church, South; so I desire to inform them through the ADVOCATE. It grieved me very much to sever my connection with the M. E. Church, South. I have always loved her, and tried to be loyal to her laws, doctrines, and teachings, and I do not consider that I have ever been disloyal; but pressure was brought to bear upon me of such a nature by those in authority over me that I had to either sacrifice my self-respect and manhood, or get out; so I chose the latter course.

My presiding elder wrote me, demanding that I should not employ evangelists, and that my reply should be immediate. Because I refused to make him this promise, he moved me from Whitestown charge and appointed me to a work that would not support me. The only cause for his action was, that I would not comply with his unreasonable and unjust demands. My wife was in bed at the time (he was aware of her condition), and other considerations pressing upon me made it impossible for me to move; so I was compelled to resign.

Within the last few years I have served the Adams, Providence, and Whitestown mission. The Lord has wonderfully blessed us. We have had on these works more than 700 professions of either conversions or entire sanctification. Finances the last year that I served Adams was $1 600; at Providence, $1,900; Whitestown mission, $2 400.

It is sad to say good-by to the church that is so dear to my heart, but I can not, in justice to myself and family, remain.

Trusting that the Lord will continue to bless you and the ADVOCATE, I am, Yours, J. W. TINNIN.

McComb City, Miss., July 30, 1899.

INNOCENCE SUFFERING

It has long been argued that the idea that Christ, a perfectly innocent being, should suffer on the cross for the guilt of other people, is contrary to every principle and sense of justice. It is claimed that it is an outrage on God to suppose that he would consent to accept, as an act of propitiation, or as a remedial scheme, the horrible sufferings of his own innocent Son. They tell us that reason revolts against such a thing. Well, it matters not how much human reason may revolt against the idea of the innocent Christ suffering in behalf of guilty men and women, it is a great truth, nevertheless, and it was constantly foreshadowed in the bloody rituals of the Old Testament economy.

I have been recently impressed with this truth while reading in the Old Testament about the animals which were offered in sacrifice for the atonement of the sins of the people. Not only were those animals without blemish, but they were entirely innocent of the sins for which they were slain. They were innocent sufferers; they had not violated any law; they had not done anything for which they should be condemned to death. Their sacrifice was typical of the sacrifice of Christ. They, innocent creatures, suffered death in behalf of condemned sinners. This was not injustice to the animals. They belonged to God, and were used by him in a service which was a pictorial illustration of the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ. They were sacrificed in accordance with the law and order of God. So the suffering of the innocent Christ was not an injustice to him, nor was it against the law of justice. It was a moral necessity, to which Christ was willingly subject. He wanted to save sinners, and his sacrifice was necessary to that purpose.

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REPORT OF TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF W. F. M. S, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

(Concluded.)

Tuesday morning Mrs. Fryant, secretary of Jackson district, had the usual devotions at 9 o'clock. Miss Smylie begged to read before the Conference, "Duties of Delegates." This was so opportune and excellent a number of suggestions that the Conference moved to have them incorporated in the Minutes.

The reports of auxiliaries were resumed, the several delegates giving encouraging response from their societies.

The Conference elected as its next item of business the nomination of officers, which resulted in re-election, with the exception only of vice-president and the secretary of the Forest district.

A very pretty courtesy and excellent choice was the making of the president of the Hattiesburg Auxiliary, Mrs. Foote, vice-president of the Conference. Mrs. T. L. Mellen was elected secretary of Forest district.

The question of an organizer for the missionary work came before the Conference again in the form of a resolution offered by the district secretaries, wherein they defined the needs and the benefits that would result from such an officer in the Conference. The resolution was submitted, but no action taken upon it.

One feature of this afternoon meeting was a special prayer offered by Mrs. Drake in behalf of Miss Hughes, whose bodily strength is of so much concern to her friends and to the work.

Tuesday evening there was a most beautiful and affecting service in the presentation of the young woman to the Conference that had prepared her for foreign mission work. It was especially opportune that the same pastor which first presented her to the Missionary Conference of Mississippi a young, untutored, inexperienced girl, should, on this occasion, present her to the Conference again a woman, stronger still in faith and purpose, thoroughly taught, prepared, and armed with experience in missionary work and study; ready, equipped for the mission for which her Lord had so early set her apart. Bro. Drake spoke tenderly and fondly of her childhood, her youth, and of the call she had to work; but when she herself stood before the assembly, and spoke in simple, earnest words of her life, her call, of the glad hopes she had in her future of service for God, our hearts were touched with the fervent spirit of her own. A farewell service for the Conference to her, her bright, happy Christian faith and trust looked beyond the present, and saw a future full of joy and happy reunion for the saved of her Master. No service could have been more impressive, for surely we have not often seen such abiding love, faith and trust; such gentle, godly womanhood.

There were beautiful and appropriate songs by the choir; an excellent paper by Miss McNemar, our district secretary, on the field of work the Board had appointed her for. Mrs. Scott Phillips read an intelligent and entertaining paper on Mexico. Mrs. Jones' and Evie Rivers' recitations were happy additions to the program of this evening.

Wednesday morning Mrs Ellis, of West End, Meridian, lead the devotional exercises. Mrs. Drake read a good paper on Cuba. Every member of the Conference appreciated it.

After the Conference pledges were taken. Mrs. Phillips, of Vicksburg, reported for Committee on Resolutions, which report was adopted by rising vote.

The hour for adjournment had arrived; but finding that all work could be finished by prolonging the session, a motion to that effect was made and carried. The Minutes of the morning were read and approved. Business over, the motion for adjournment of the Conference carried. In conclusion of the session, Mrs. Jones, of Bay St. Louis, conducted the closing devotions, and the Conference stood adjourned at 12:30, Wednesday.

Wednesday afternoon was given to visiting, dining, and like pleasant things—partially in preparation for the reception to be given the Conference at the home of Mr McLeod. You who do not know Hattiesburg have, no doubt, such ideas of the town as some of us entertained—that it is one of the many lumber towns on that road; and, like ourselves, you will have to go there and be received in the pretty homes of those hospitable people to get queer ideas radically changed.

Hattiesburg opened its homes and its heart to the Conference. It did us good to be there, and we believe it did the work good for them to have us there. Meridian must appreciate having the Conference as Hattiesburg did before it can excel those excellent people in kind, cordial reception, untiring thoughtfulness for our pleasure and entertainment, and the sincerity of all they did to make us welcome.

ONE OF THE DELEGATES.

Home Mission Society.

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THE SUE BENNETT MEMORIAL SCHOOL.

BY BELLE H. BENNETT.

The Sue Bennett Memorial School, at London, Ky., is the largest educational institution yet established by the Woman's Board of Home Missions. The object of this school is to give an opportunity for higher Christian education and training to the large number of young men and women, boys and girls, who live in the more remote and inaccessible mountain counties, and who, up to the present time, have been shut off from all, save the most meager, church and school privileges. These young people, equipped with the best that the church can give them through the ministry of a school where the English Bible is a daily text-book, and where the highest mission of an earnest, consecrated faculty is to lead the students to Christ as a personal Savior, go back to their homes and little district schools preaching the gospel of spiritual, intellectual, and physical redemption to the thousands of cabin-home peoples, who, from father to son for generations, have been leading the same dwarfed, shut-in lives.

The school is just closing its second year, with an enrollment of something more than two hundred students for each scholastic year, and with an average daily attendance of one hundred and seventy-five for the Winter terms. A large per cent. of these have been district school teachers, who, at the close of their three, four, or five months' schools, have saved enough money to enable them to enter for the remainder of the school year. The best primary and academic work is done; but to keep "Christ in the midst" by prayer, precept, and example, is the chief business of all.

Industrial work is greatly needed; but this is expensive, and must be added slowly, as the Board sees best, and as the people will accept. This year carpenter's work has been introduced, and is slowly becoming a popular department.

The main school-building—a large, commodious brick structure—will accommodate three hundred pupils. This, with the thirty acres of ground on which it stands, was secured through the efforts of the Home Mission women of the Kentucky and Louisville Conferences, much of it being given by the citizens of London and Laurel county, irrespective of denomination. The people of this mountain section are poor, most of them very poor, and cheap boarding is an absolute necessity for the success of the work. To meet this urgent demand the cottage system has been adopted, and four Conference Societies—Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Little Rock—have put on the grounds small, well-built frame cottages, at a cost of $300 each, which bear the names of these various Conferences. These cottages have four rooms—two large and two small. Each will accommodate eight, ten, or even twelve persons, who can bring their own furniture and provisions, and live at a cost of not more than fifty cents per week. Sometimes a mother or an older sister from a neighborhood will take a cottage, and, by being housekeeper and house mother, accommodate as many as the principal will allow in one building. The Board is now erecting a small dormitory, to be called the Lucinda B. Helm Dormitory, which will accommodate the lady teachers and twenty or twenty-five girls whose parents may be able to pay for a better class of board. In this dormitory is a large dining-room and kitchen, where comfortable meals will be given to students who room elsewhere at $1.25 per week; students living in the house will pay $1.50. Cooking, sewing, and general housework will be taught in the dormitory, and a close supervision is exercised by the teachers over cottages and boarding departments.

The school has been from the beginning partially self-supporting, and it is the policy of the Board and the faculty to stress this point. Some remuneration is required from every pupil, and even when one is entered on a scholarship a note or pledge of repayment is taken.

The principal of the school, Prof. J. C. Lewis, is a man prepared of God for the place, a Christian scholar and educator in the best sense of the term, and the teachers associated with him would be a blessing to any school or community with which they might be connected. The aim and desire of the Woman's Board of Home Missions in this school, as in every work it has projected, is to be faithful and true to Him who has called, doing the best work and expecting the best results; and here, as elsewhere, the seal of divine approval has been manifested by the conversion each year of many souls to Christ.—Review of Missions.

The Christian Life.

COLD OR HOT.

Cold or hot, my friend? Feel your spiritual pulse and see. Put the Bible thermometer under your tongue. Search your heart and see how much love for Christ is left there. If, after such an honest examination, you find that the temperature has run low, very low—what then? Should you quit the church and throw up your Christian profession? No! a thousand times no! The Holy Spirit's message to you is "Be zealous, therefore, and repent." The only way to repent of sin is to quit it. The only way to warm a chilled frame is not to throw yourself into a snow bank, but to hasten to the fire. Come back to a deserted Savior! Instead of erasing your binrred name from the church registry, seek a reconversion.

Simon Peter's best work was done after he was re-converted. Do not stop with lamenting your neglect in the place of prayer. Open again the door of devotion, and go in and throw yourself down at the Master's feet, and cry out: "I have sinned, I am no more worthy to be called thy servant." Set up again your altar; and on it lay the sacrifice of a contrite heart. At the earliest moment lay hold of some blood-stirring Christian work; it will warm you up. It may take some time to get the blood into full, free circulation again, and to recover your lost ground and lost health. But when you do get a fresh tide of Christ love pouring into your heart, and a fresh glow of his likeness on your countenance, you will feel as Lazarus must have felt when he shook off his grave clothes and leaped into life again.—Rev. T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

Nature never withdraws her flowers, her music, her joyousness, and her sunlight, from before human cruelty or suffering. She overwhelms man by the contrast between divine beauty and social hideousness. She spares him nothing of her lowliness, neither butterfly nor bird. In the midst of murder, vengeance, barbarism, he must feel himself watched by holy things; he cannot escape the awful reproach of universal nature and the implacable serenity of the sky. The deformity of human laws is forced to exhibit itself naked amid the dazzling rays of eternal beauty. Man breaks and destroys, man lays waste, man kills; but the Summer remains Summer, the lily remains the lily, the star remains a star.—Green Thoughts.

While we weep in the desert of misfortune, like Hagar, how often God's angel on the way to point out the well our tear-stained eyes can not see.—Ram's Horn.

OUR LOSS IN MEMBERSHIP.

When the statement first appeared that we had sustained a loss in membership of 8 300, I was ready to hide my face and cry out, My Lord and my God! It was indeed humiliating to me, in a high degree. I was so sorry I was torn all up; I was sorrowful in spirit. I did not believe it, and don't believe it to this day. My reasons for not believing the report is based upon an editorial tabulation of the persons removed by death, certificate, and otherwise, and those received by profession of faith, certificate, and otherwise, in the Nashville Advocate, of April 13, 1899. Mr. Editor, please publish the article in full given below:

"In the Advocate, of March 23, we published a statement indicating a loss in our membership for 1898 amounting in round numbers to 8,300. Since then we have had access to the published Minutes of thirty-nine Annual Conferences, and by carefully tabulating the total number of members reported to each Conference as having been received into the church 'on profession of faith,' and 'by certificate and otherwise,' and those 'removed by death and otherwise,' the following result is shown:

Conference.	Additions.	Removals.
Alabama	.....	392
Arkansas	2,155	1,885
Baltimore	752	....
Central Mexico Mission	400	381
Columbia	419	108
East Columbia	289	303
East Texas	3,142	2,143
Florida	2,157	1,703
Holston	6,243	3,469
Illinois	1,145	1,575
Indian Mission	4,830	2 367
Kentucky	2,042	2,110
Little Rock	3,324	2,083
Los Angeles	284	260
Louisiana	2,404	1,412
Louisville	3,937	2,123
Memphis	4,5 5	3,673
Mississippi	3,079	1,998
Missouri	4,328	3,267
New Mexico	277	243
North Alabama	6,113	4,807
North Carolina	4,963	4,218
North Georgia	9,002	7,760
North Mississippi	896	....
North Texas	5,850	5,030
Northwest Texas	9 155	7,370
Pacific	743	1,546
South Carolina	359	....
South Georgia	5,928	4,683
Southwest Missouri	3 551	2,709
St. Louis	3,785	2,507
Tennessee	6,135	4,206
Texas	3,196	2,433
Virginia	7,241	6,629
West Texas	3,171	2,433
Western	374	384
West'n North Carolina	7,652	6,683
Western Virginia	3,133	1,075
White River	1,735	1,509
Total	128,728	96,849

"NOTE.—Four Conferences do not follow the usual order of giving statistics, but simply give net results. The Alabama shows a net loss of 392; the Baltimore, North Mississippi and South Carolina net gains, respectively, 752, 890, and 359.

"The figures speak for themselves. They show that 31,879 more persons were received into the church last year than were dismissed. If there was a loss, can anyone account for the 31,879? We believe the figures represent the true gain. We base our faith on the fact that a Methodist pastor knows two things, and reports them correctly. One thing is, how many members he receives into the church; and the other, how many are dismissed."

I can not believe that the above figures represent anything but our actual gain in members last year, until it has been proved conclusively that they are wrong. W. T. WOODWARD.

Lecompte, La., July 27, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. W. T. Woodward, P. C., Lecompte, La., July 29, 1899: "I have just closed a very successful meeting at Lamouria, La. We had good congregations from first service to last. The citizens around Lamouria pronounced it the best meeting ever held there. Rev. Geo. Jackson preached three sermons. Rev. J. A. Parker, P. E., preached once for us, and the preacher in charge did the other preaching. Nine by profession of faith, five by certificate; one Sunday-school organized, one subscriber to the ADVOCATE, and several more to follow soon. I spent one week with W. G. Roberts, at Hinston, preaching six times for him. We had a fine meeting. I made a talk for the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE while there."

Rev. W. F. Henderson, Homer, La., July 28, 1899: "Beginning on the thirteenth, and closing on the twenty-third, we held one of those meetings rarely witnessed in a life-time. Arizona was indeed baptized with the Spirit. Some of the oldest members there said they had never seen anything just like it. Bro. Crews, our presiding elder, preached one sermon with telling effect for us Monday night. Bros. H. W. Ledbetter and D. F. Turner, while they did some of the preaching, did most efficient service in a hand-to-hand fight in grove meetings, on the roadside, in the homes, and wherever a sinner was found to be warned, or penitent comforted and led to Christ. The people are loyal; disturbed by no schisms or theories. They rallied to their church and pastor with one mind and one heart, and the Lord honored their prayers, and their labors were not in vain in the Lord. We were indeed visited with a tidal wave of salvation that swept about 40 souls into the spiritual kingdom, and 28 were received into the visible kingdom by baptism and profession of faith."

Rev. B. H. Rawls, Tylertown, Miss., July 27, 1899: "We commenced a series of revival meetings here on the ninth. Bro. H. A. Gatlin, of Beauregard, did the preaching. Everyone who attended the meetings were well pleased with the preaching. The sermons were delivered with much unction. There were seven persons converted, and the membership of the church much revived. The children's service, on the first day of the meeting, was very interesting. The Epworth League received renewed zeal, and we hope to accomplish much through this institution of the church in this place. We have two Epworth Leagues in this pastoral charge. Rev. E. J. Coker, of Anburn, assisted me at China Grove. He talked to the delight of the people. Eleven joined the church and the membership revived. We commence a meeting on the twenty-ninth at Holmesville. Rev. C. C. Evans will do the preaching. Those who know Bro. Evans have some idea what sort of preaching we will have. He is a son of thunder. God grant us a great harvest at Holmesville. Pray for us."

Rev. F. N. Sweeney, P. C.: "We are moving on in peace and harmony on the Pine Grove circuit, and have made some advancements on all lines. Through the aid of the W. F. M. S. we have made considerable improvements on the parsonage. Have secured a lot in the town of Independence on the I. C. R. R., where we expect to erect a church-building some time in the near future. We closed a good meeting at Pine Grove on the twenty-third of July of a week's duration. Bro. A. W. Turner, of Boyce, La., was with me. Bro. Turner preached his first sermon in Pine Grove Church, and it was a great pleasure to his many friends and admirers to have him with them again, and hear him preach in his strong, forcible way. The Word was accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit, and the church was greatly revived. Several reclamations, two accessions on profession of faith, and two infants baptized, as a result of the meeting. On account of charbon prevailing among stock in some localities on my work, and other hindrances, I have had to postpone three of my protracted meetings until Fall. We hope to have a good report at Conference."

Rev. E. S. Lewis, Brooksville, Miss., July 28, 1899: "So far this has been a good year for Brooksville circuit. We have not had any sweeping revivals, but a number have been taken into the church—about thirty—and half that number on profession of faith. I have secured several new subscribers to the church papers, and there seems to be greater interest in the affairs of the church. Some time ago we had Dr. Steel with us for a couple of days. While here he preached us a great sermon on, 'Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you that God should raise the dead?' At night he gave us his lecture on 'Dixie.' It was a delight to hear this bright, genial, eloquent Southerner in our home. He is a prince among preachers. We are taking steps to remodel our Brooksville Church. It is old, and the worse for wear, but with an outlay of a few hundred dollars it can be made comfortable and beautiful. We already have $500 to go on it. This work here is historic. Dr. W. P. Harrison, of precious memory, dedicated the church, and Bishop Hargrove occupied the parsonage here when he was a young itinerant. The type of our people, and their intelligent interest in church affairs, reflect credit on the work done among them in the past. Good seed have been sown by faithful hands, and we are seeing the results in this, our day. May the good men who have gone before us have worthy successors"

Rev. H. J. Boltz, Haughton, La., July 31, 1899: "We closed our meeting at Fillmore, one of our appointments on the South Bossier circuit, July 23. We had a glorious meeting. The church was greatly revived; about the most universal revival in the church that we have had for some years. Every member of the church who attended the meeting was moved up considerably; also members of other churches and other denominations. Eight souls were added to the church, all of whom were saved from their sins. At the close of the last service the writer administered the Lord's Supper, and we had a most delightful service. The entire membership that were present participated in this service. Rev. J. B. Williams, of the Louisiana Conference, was with us most of the time, and gave us good Holy Ghost preaching, which resulted in great good. Rev. John T. Sawyer, our beloved presiding elder, came over from Shreveport to hold my third Quarterly Conference, and preached two soul-stirring sermons, which proved to be a great help in pushing the good work forward that had already begun. My work is getting along very well. I have had some very interesting services during the year at my regular monthly appointments. Our congregations have been larger this year than they were last year. Our Sunday-schools are all in very good condition. I think that I can say truthfully and correctly that the South Bossier circuit is on the up-grade. The circuit has advanced on all lines this year. Our collections for foreign missions is far in advance of this time last year. The preacher in charge and presiding elder have been kindly remembered by the good people of this charge."

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I have just closed a grand meeting on my work. Fifty-one joined our church, 33 were brightly converted, and 10 reclaimed. Truly this is the grandest meeting of my life. Some of our itinerant brethren promised to assist us in the meeting, but they failed to do so, and we went into the battle with what help we had on the circuit, trusting in God for help and results. God came to our rescue in great power. So awful were the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and so deep the conviction on sinners, that the place was simply awful. Strong men and women, boys and girls, were in such agony and crying for mercy, while billows of fearful conviction rolled in fury over their naked souls, that I really feared some one would die at the altar ere they found peace. Oh, for a closer walk with God! Fathers and mothers saw their children gloriously saved. A great writer said, "The promise is unto you and your children." I am sure it is true. I have seen it, thank God. One young man came to the meeting and put a few bottle stoppers in an exhorter's pockets. Our exhorter showed them to me. I said, "Don't say a word, and we will find out who did it," and, sure enough, the next night a young man at the altar, and under awful conviction, cried out, "God forgive me for putting bottle stoppers in a good man's pockets." I said, "Fayard, there is your man." This young man was powerfully converted, and aided us greatly in the meeting.

Our night services continued deep into the night, usually from seven and eight in the evening until one o'clock in the morning. God bless everyone of our friends who took part in this great battle. Bros. Michael Cox and Alex. Scarborough rendered honest service in the fight. Bro. Scarborough did some of the most effective work of his life. Uncle Mike Cox is a grand old warrior, passing sweetly down the stream of time.

Bros. L. Fayard and Ruff Williams, exhorters, did fine work. Bro. Williams is a strong man in the work. Fayard is a great and good man, and like a big battle-ship under full steam—ready for business and battle at a moment's warning. I think Scarborough and Fayard sunk the devil's fleet and captured some of his best men during the meeting. Cox and Scarborough are both superannuated local preachers, and are claimants on protracted meetings for all they can get out of them.

We are under many obligations to Miss Mary Williams and Miss Quillu Walker for very valuable and efficient service at the organ, and in the choir, and in the altar services.

Our members have been greatly revived during the year. We have received 65 members up to date. Glory to God. GEO. W. HUFF, P. C.

Wool Market, Miss., July 27, 1899.

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Give me the lowest place; not that I dare
Ask for that lowest place, but Thou hast died
That I might share
Thy glory by Thy side.

Give me the lowest place; or if for me
That lowest place too high, make one more low,
Where I may sit and see
My God, and love Thee so.

—Christina Rosetti.

Man who man would be, must rule the empire of himself.—Percy Bysshe Shelley.

When a man is wrong and won't admit it, he always gets angry.—Thomas C. Haliburton.

The longer a man lives in sin, the harder it is for him to see the difference between right and wrong.—Exchange.

It is not the mere station of life that stamps the value on us, but the manner in which we act our part.—Schiller.

A man will generally give you his advice without charge, but you will often be cheated if you take it.—Churchman.

It is not so much the being exempt from faults, as the having overcome them, that is an advantage to us.—Jonathan Swift.

Luck is ever waiting for something to turn up. Labor, with keen eyes and strong will, will turn up something.—Richard Cobden.

Any man can sing by day, but only he whose heart has been toned by the gracious hand of Jehovah can sing in the darkness.—William M. Taylor.

There is no finer chemistry than that by which the elements suffering is so compounded with spiritual forces that it issues to the world as gentleness and strength.—George S. Merriam.

After you have been kind, after love has stolen forth into the world and done its beautiful work, go back into the shade again and say nothing about it. Love hides even from itself.—Prof. Drummond.

There are some men and women in whose company we are always at our best. All the best stops in our nature are drawn out by their intercourse, and we find a music in our souls never there before.—Drummond.

When you come down from the summits, you do not come away from God. There is no task in life in which you do not need him. The work-bench needs his light as truly as the cloister.—Phillips Brooks.

Our expectations, our ideals, our hopes and intentions in beginning life are generally all too low. Many and many a one is only indifferently successful in living a strong life, because at the start the standard of what one ought to be, and the belief in what one may be, were set too low.—Charles Cuthbert Hall, D. D.

We will never have it that God created any man, especially any Christian man, to be a blank and to be a nothing. He made you for an end. Find out what that end is; find out your niche, and fill it. If it be ever so little, if it is only to be a hewer of wood and a drawer of water, do something in this great battle for God and truth.—Spurgeon.

THE BIBLE AND THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Although for some time the Bible has been rigidly excluded from the majority of our public schools, it is gratifying to note that a strong reaction is taking place in favor of its reintroduction therein. Catholics, as well as Protestants, are coming to realize as never before that its exclusion therefrom means the encouragement of irreligion and infidelity and the disparagement of Christianity in the eyes of the young.

While it is not the special function of the State to teach religion, the refusal to give any recognition to the Bible in our schools and legislative halls would, if long continued, result most disastrously to the morals of the people. Nobody thinks of objecting to the employment of chaplains for Congress and for the soldiers who enlist to fight the battles of their country. In every State Legislature the voice of prayer is heard at the opening of every session. Then why, since the majority of the people of this Republic are Christians, should it be thought improper to have the Bible, which is the foundation of all morality and jurisprudence, read in the public schools? The Word of God is not denominational; therefore, no sect or denomination that loves the truth and seeks the light need fear the result of its unsectarian use in the schools.

The Roman Catholic Church is largely to blame for the banishment of the Bible from the public schools, thus making common cause with the Jews and infidels and people of no religion. Having accomplished this end, Romanism then turns round and brazenly and hypocritically denounces our splendid public institutions as "secular" and "godless," and boldly announces, in view of this assumption, that the private schools under her care and support are safe, and wholesome morally. Not only so, but she stands ready to receive governmental aid for her educational institutions whenever it is possible to obtain it. Her persistence in making raids upon the public treasury in behalf of her schools, particularly those in Indian Territory, is astounding in the extreme. Nor does Roman Catholicism stop here. Not allowing (when she can help it) children of Roman Catholic families to attend the public schools, she next attempts to dominate the public schools, and in a number of our cities has almost complete control of them. It is stated on the best authority that two-thirds of the teachers in the Chicago public schools are Roman Catholics, and it is claimed that the proportion has been even higher than that. This is only a sample of what is true in other cities. As the editor of the Northwestern Advocate well says: "Rome first withdraws her own children from the public schools, and then assumes to teach the Protestant remainder." Another policy of Rome, where she has the power and influence, is to keep the public schools from being progressive and efficient. It is to her interest to make them inferior, so that her own will appear superior by contrast.

We are glad to say, however, that not all who belong to the Romanist fold are in sympathy with her opposition to our public schools, and to the reading of the Bible therein. The following significant utterance came a short time ago from a leading Roman Catholic layman of Chicago:

"Should the Bible be read in our public schools? It is a question which is engaging the attention of a larger and larger section of the American people. If an affirmative answer has not yet been unanimously given to this question, it is because religious prejudice alone has stood in the way. But as the necessity for a moral as well as a mental training becomes daily more apparent, it is safe to assert that the affirmative must certainly triumph in the end."

At a conference of Roman Catholic educators held in Chicago, in April, the consensus of opinion was that "religion is needed in the schools."

This has been the position of Protestantism all along, but it is too much to assume that instruction in public schools can not be otherwise than secular and materialistic. While the Bible has not the place in our system of public instruction that it should have, as a matter of fact, the teachers in our public schools are, with but few exceptions, professing Christians, and so, by their example, exercise a decided religious influence, even though direct biblical precept be not employed. There is great reason for rejoicing over the recent decision of the Supreme Court of Michigan, in which it was declared that the reading in the schools of extracts from the Bible without comment is not in violation of any provision of the Constitution of that State. Clearly the trend of public opinion is in the right direction; but much yet remains to be done before the Bible will be given the place of honor in our public schools everywhere as a text-book upon morals.

The celebrated agnostic scientist, Thomas Huxley, has put on record the following remarkable and forcible defense of the reading of the Bible in the public schools, the extract being taken from the Northwestern Advocate:

"The boys and girls for whose education the School Boards have to provide, have not merely to discharge domestic duties, but each of them is a member of a social and political organization of great complexity, and has, in future life, to fit himself into that organization, or be crushed by it. To this end it is surely needful, not only that they should be made acquainted with the elementary laws of conduct, but that their affections should be trained, so as to love with all their hearts that conduct which tends to the attainment of the highest good for themselves and their fellow-men, and to hate with all their hearts that opposite course of action which is fraught with evil. I have always been strongly in favor of secular education, in the sense of education without theology; but I must confess I have been no less seriously perplexed to know by what practical measures the religious feeling, which is the essential basis of conduct, was to be kept up, in the present utterly chaotic state of opinion on these matters, without the use of the Bible. The pagan moralists lack life and color, and even the noble Stoic, Marcus Antonine, is too high and refined for the ordinary child. And then consider the great historical fact that for three centuries the Bible has been woven into the life of all that is best and noblest in English history; that it has become the natural epic of Britain, and is as familiar to the noble and simple, from John-o'-Groat's House to Land's End, as Dante and Tasso once were to the Italians; that it is written in the noblest and purest English, and abounds in exquisite beauties of mere literary form. By the study of what other book could children be so much humanized and made to feel that each figure in that vast historical procession fills, like themselves, but a momentary space in the interval between two eternities, and earns the blessings or the curses of all time, according to its effort to do good and hate evil, even as they also are earning their payment for their work?"

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for August, is a Midsummer Art and Fiction Number. It is brilliant and entertaining in its literary contents, as may be judged from the fact that among its writers are included: W. D. Howells, Ruth McEnery Stuart, Joe Chandler Harris, Egerton Castle, Van Tassel Sutphen, Edgar Fawcett, Etta W. Pierce, C. F. Carter, Theodosia Pickering Garrison, Perriton Maxwell. The article upon "Weddings in Art" is illustrated with sixteen beautiful reproductions of paintings by celebrated European and American masters. William Dean Howells gives, in quaint and delightful verse, the gastronomical observations of one of our fellow-countrymen at Carlsbad. Joel Chandler Harris contributes one of his inimitable "Minervy Ann" stories. Van Tassel Sutphen shows, in a wonderfully imaginative work of fiction, entitled "The Greatest Thing in the World," how this country is rapidly becoming golfolized. Larkin G. Mead writes a crisp little newspaper storyette, called "Human Interest." "A Day of the President's Life," by Mrs. John A. Logan, is highly interesting.

In the American Monthly Review of Reviews, for August, the special features are an illustrated sketch of the late Robert Bonner, by E. J. Edwards; a study of "Porto Rico from a Woman's Point of View," by Mrs. Guy V. Henry; the story of the recent defeat of "seven-day journalism" in London, by Dr. Henry S. Lunn; a paper on "Education in the Southern States," by the Hon. J. L. M. Curry; a presentation of the American side of the Alaskan boundary dispute, by William R. Lewis; and an article on "Play as a Factor in Social and Educational Reforms," by Prof. E. A. Kirkpatrick.

The August number of Self-Culture continues to show the rapid strides made by that unique magazine. The half-tone pictures are superb, and they illustrate such interesting subjects as "Quebec, the Gibraltar of America;" "The Birth of the American Flag;" "A Decade of Institutional Development in Philadelphia;" "Papal Possibilities," and "Andreas Hofer, the Tyrolese Patriot." An instructive article by Mr. Edwin Burritt Smith sets forth the legal status of Trusts, and outlines the ancient English and modern American legislation directed against monopolies. Lovers of Browning will find an admirable criticism of "The Return of the Druses" in this number, the work being judged from the dramatic standpoint.

The Fiction Number of Scribner's Magazine (August) is remarkable for its color-printing, its brilliant pictures by young artists, and the high excellence of the short stories. The frontispiece and a story, "The Play's the Thing," show illustrations in color by a young man, W. Glackens, who has the cleverness of the modern French illustrators applied to New York themes. Richard Harding Davis tells in "The Lion and the Unicorn" a love story of a young American playwright in London. Thomas Nelson Page contributes the tale of a negro lynching in the South, entitled, "The Spectre in the Cart."

The August Coming Age contains a paper of great interest by Prof. A. E. Dolbear, the well-known physicist. It is entitled, "The Kind of Universe We Live In," and discusses in a brilliant manner the results of discoveries made through the telescope, spectroscope, and microscope. Other leading contributors are Charles Malloy, Prof Jean du Bay, Dr. James Hedley, Lillian Whiting, and Nina K. Darlington.

The Cosmopolitan, for August, contains an illustrated paper entitled, "By Trolley to the Sphinx." Mrs. J. K Van Rensselaer describes "The Basis of New York Society." "The Bushwhacker Nurse" is a story by Stockton. Gustave Kobbe writes of the late Augustin Daly.

RACE PROBLEM IN THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Memphis, Aug. 2.—A special from Hillsboro, Tex., says: Hon. F. P. Works, president of the State Epworth League, says Southern Leaguers contemplate meeting at some Southern city to consider the advisability of organizing a Southern convention. The object of this convention will be to exclude the negro from participation in the International League meetings. At Toronto and Indianapolis the negro was very much in evidence, and it is the wish to avoid an appearance of social equality hereafter that this meeting was inaugurated.—Times-Democrat.

More than $85,000 were taken in as gate fees at a recent prize fight in New York City. It is said that this is the largest amount ever received for any single performance on any former occasion. This is a most discreditable fact, but a fact, all the same. Christian assemblies are having their occasions, and in some instances they take in gate fees. We would like to chronicle an $85 000 occasion where Christ is honored, to put over against this one where he is dishonored and ignored.—Southern Advocate.

Dr. DuBose, the Southern League editor and secretary, said in private conversation with a friend that he had traveled 60,000 miles during the past year, and had spent one hundred nights in the sleeping-car. He is the busy official head of an organization which now numbers 6,000 senior chapters, with 280,000 members, and 800 junior chapters, with 20,000 members.—Zion's Herald.

Bishop C. C. McCabe, in an interview in the Indianapolis Journal, said: "Not long since Bishop Newman gave $4,000 to an object, every dollar of which he had made by lectures. He also left an endowment, the interest of which is to pay the tuition of thirty students in perpetuity. He never kept a considerable money he earned by lectures. One of our Bishops gave $3,000 to found an orphanage in China from money he earned lecturing. This year he is supporting missionaries, which will require more than $3,000, and which money he is earning in lectures. One of our Bishops has made $150,000 by lecturing, and he has paid it all over to the church. The charge that Bishops enrich themselves in this way is absurd and false. Most of our Bishops are carrying debts to-day in advance because they have given money to help feeble churches and our missionaries on the frontiers."—Northwestern Advocate.

Bishop McTyeire said once, referring to the importance of preparation for the ministry: "If a man is going out to chop wood, it will pay him to first spend a half hour in grinding his ax. He will do his work more easily, and will chop more wood, in consequence."—Southern Advocate.

NOTES.

Rev. V. D. Skipper has returned from his visit to Mississippi.

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Rev. J E. Danson spent last week visiting friends in Mississippi.

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Bishop Galloway and Dr. Hammond will attend the Educational Rally at Shreveport.

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We regret to have missed a call recently from Prof. A. M. Muckenfuss, of Millsaps College.

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Rev. J. H. Montgomery is carrying on a meeting at Hammond, La. He is assisted by Rev. W. D. Bass.

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At the Preachers' Meeting, on Monday, sixteen accessions to the church were reported for July.

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Dr. W. R. Lambuth has taken his departure for an official visit to our mission fields in China and Japan.

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Rev. W. W. Woollard, the popular and efficient pastor of Aberdeen station, will be off soon for a short rest among the mountains of Virginia.

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We are pleased to learn that Rev. J. M. Henry is on the road to recovery. He hopes soon to be able to take a trip to the mountains for recuperation.

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Rev. E. P. Craddock writes: "The delegates from Aberdeen district to Annual Conference are Dr. Grand Sykes, G. F. Leftwich, F. J. McDonnal, H. F. Harkey."

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We are indebted to our friend, Rev. J. A. Randolph, chaplain of the Sixth United States Infantry, for a copy of "The American," a paper published in English in Manila.

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Rev. Ira L. Bronson, of the Louisiana Conference, mourns the death of his father, which occurred at Orwell, Pa., a few days since. Bro. Bronson has returned to his charge at Gilbert, La.

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Because of his avowed belief in Spiritualism, Rev. Dr. B. F. Austin has been deposed from the ministry by the London Methodist Conference. So says the New York Advocate.

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Rev. James A. Duncan, D. D., has been elected president of Randolph-Macon College. Dr. W. E. Edwards has been chosen for the chair of moral philosophy and biblical literature.

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Rev. W. W. Drake, of the Louisiana Conference, and Prof. B. M. Drake, of Vanderbilt, attended the New Orleans Preachers' Meeting on Monday. Prof. Drake will spend some time visiting his mother in Baton Rouge.

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Rev. Dr. J. B. Fearn, of the China Mission Conference, and his family are visiting relatives in Mississippi. They will remain in the United States about a year, during which time he will take a post-graduate medical course.

Prof. G. W. Burton, formerly of the Brandon District High School, at Montrose, Miss., has been elected to the presidency of Franklinton Academy, Franklinton, La., and has accepted.

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The Epworth League of Holly Springs, through its president, Bro. L. H. Johnson, has sent us $5 for the response to Dr. J. A. Parker's appeal in last week's issue of the ADVOCATE. This is an example worthy of universal imitation.

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Rev. J. I. Hoffpanir, P. C., Greensburg, La., writes: "I closed a meeting at Darlington last Sunday, July 30, which had lasted ten days. I was assisted by Bro. C. C. Miller. A number of conversions, fifteen accessions on profession and two by letter, and the church revived."

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We were pleased to receive a call, on Tuesday last, from Rev. Dr. J. C. Simmons, of the Pacific Conference, who was en route home from the Indianapolis Convention. He is in fine health and spirits, and, notwithstanding his advanced age, seems likely to be an efficient worker in the Master's cause for years to come.

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In speaking of the Sam Jones Camp Meeting the Centerville Jeffersonian has this to say of Rev. T. B. Clifford: "He is such an energetic and forceful speaker that some one has given him the soubriquet, 'Cyclone Clifford.' He does strike a cyclone lick at sin at all times, but he is as gentle as he is earnest, and is a great favorite with both saints and sinners."

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The United States Government has been officially notified of a new remedy for consumption discovered by Dr. Mendel, of France. The ingredients of the remedy are cinnamon, thyme, and encalyptus, in olive oil. It is said to be quite efficacious. As the materials can be had everywhere at an insignificant cost, the value of the compound will, doubtless, be decided very soon by the profession.

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Under date of July 31, 1899, Rev. T. J. Norsworthy writes: "At this writing we are engaged in a tent meeting at Thomastown, having begun yesterday at 11 o'clock. We preached twice yesterday to congregations estimated at about six hundred in number. Everything indicates that we shall have a splendid meeting. We have no ministerial assistance. Will continue through next Sunday."

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Rev. W. L. Anderson, P. C., Aug. 4, 1899: "We have held three revival meetings on Chester charge this Summer—at Pisgah, Antioch, and Salem, and were assisted in them by Revs. W. J. O'Bryant, R. A. Clark and J. J. Garner. These brethren did good, faithful work, and the Lord honored their preaching. There have been forty-two accessions—thirty-seven on profession of faith, five by letter. More to follow, and several go to other churches."

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At the close of Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald's sermon at Indianapolis a Jewish rabbi, deeply touched by the sermon, walked up to the pulpit and asked the privilege of pronouncing upon the Bishop the Hebrew benediction. No objection being offered, he laid his hands upon the Bishop's head and pronounced the benediction in Hebrew, and afterwards repeated it in English. The audience were moved to tears. For an account of this incident we are indebted to Dr. Simmons.

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Rev. John A. Randolph, Illoilo, Panay Island, P. I. (Headquarters Sixth Infantry), June 19, 1899, writes: "MR. EDITOR: As you have doubtless seen in the papers, the Sixth Infantry goes to Iloilo, Island of Pany, to relieve the First California Regiment. I wish my friends in Mississippi to know where I am, and to remember that a stranger a thousand miles from home will appreciate being remembered very much. They can help me in my work greatly by sending me newspapers, magazines, etc., as there will be a dearth of reading matter in the Sixth. We held services every day for two weeks on our trip over, and sixty men were converted, and I think much good done. The weather during the entire trip was perfect. We had several men quite sick, but lost only one. If you wish, I will send you an occasional line."

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The most captivating address at the Indianapolis Convention was delivered by Bishop Charles B. Galloway

We are glad to note cheering news from the League at Friar's Point, Miss. We know some of the Leaguers there honts, having had the pleasnre about two years ago of talking to them concerning the aim and work of the Epworth League.

Rev. J. O. Bennett reports the organization of a League at Greenwood, La., with thirty-five members. This makes the second Epworth League organized on the Caddo circuit this year.

We have received a copy of the "Student's Hand-Book," presented by the Young Men's Christian Association of Centenary College, Jackson, La. It is a neat and nniqne prodnction, and is printed at the office of this ADVOCATE.

We gladly give epace to the following commnnication from onr fair friend from Mississippi, Miss Vic Thompson, concerning the Epworth League gathering at the Seashore.

ATTENTION, MISSISSIPPI LEAGUERS!

I trnst that a great nnmber of Mississippi Leaguers will attend the Interstate Conference to be held at the Seashore Camp Gronnds, Ang. 15 25. The objeot of this Conference is to bind into closer nnion the Christian workers of the Gnlf States, promote systematic stndy of God's Word, and awaken a more intelligent interest in missions—or rather "to consider the evangelization of the world for Christ, and nnitedly to resolve to undertake greater things for His kingdom." I nrge each League in Mississippi to defray the expense of at least one delegate to thie Conference. Aside from the spiritnal good to be derived from the association together of consecrated workers, and listening to snch speakers as Dr. DuBose, Bishop Galloway, and blind Joe Ramsey, the pleasnre of recreating at the sea-coast for ten days will mean a great deal to onr yonng people. So I trnst it may be my pleasnre to join hearts and hands with a great nnmber of Mississippi Leaguers on the sea-coast.

VIC THOMPSON,
State Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

Pastors and League workers in Mississippi need to be reminded that, as there is no pecnniary remnneration to their League Department editor, and as the nnmber of Leagues which he can visit in person mnst be very limited, he is greatly dependent upon them for snitable news. An appeal is hereby made for items of interest from every League. And, pray do not think that yonr items will be excinded because they seem to be of small interest. The best Epworth Leagues we have are those that are attending to a lot of little things. If yon have recently had yonr charter framed, if yon are pnt-ting flowers at the church; if in any way the overbnrdened pastor is being helped in his work, send the word. Items concerning what you have done in the past, what you are doing in the present, or concerning what yon propose for the fntnre, will all be welcomed.

We might make it beneficial to systematize the news, devoting the column one month to flower work, another month to work among the sick, a third to the League Stndy Course, and so on.

There rests a "scandal upon the fame of Jesns;" it is the condition of the heathen world. Shall this scandal be removed? There are needed men and women, strong and many, of prophetic mind and heavenly citizenship, to carry forward to a successful issne this vast enterprise which the church has undertaken.

Whilst the Leaguers are carefnl to not neglect the assembling of themselves together, let them, above all things, take time for reading the League Conrse each year. There is broadening and deepening and npholding in the qniet study of these books. The reading year begins in October and ends with Jnne. The books, 1899-1900, are: "Onr Island Empire," by Morris; "Among the Forces," by Bishop Warren; "Great Books," by Dean Farrar, and a devotional work, yet to be selected.

The Epworth Era, of Jnly 20 has a photo gallery of the members of our General Epworth League Board. Among the fifteen faces we recognize Bishop Candler, strong determined, thonghtfnl; Dr. DuBose, versatile, eloqnent, flashing; J. W. Newman, polished and bright; W. S. Parks, cultnred and ready.

Sometimes it happens that one who has been accustomed to speak to a hnndred or several hnndred finds his voice nnfitted for an audience of a thonsand or several thonsand. This evidently was the case with many who were on the program of the International Conference. Rev. J. D. Ellis, of the Alabama Advocate, says: "The largest meeting place was in a tent; for the great crowds that gathered there to hear was simply impossible, except when such men as Bishop Galloway spoke." The Indianapolis News refers to "Rev H. M DuBose, D. D.," of Nashville, Tenn., as "a man with a voice that was easily heard in every part of the hall."

T. AND P.

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Scents all the dewy air;
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Oh, follow Jesus there!

Wanted! young hands to labor;
The fields are broad and wide,
The harvest waits the reaper
Around on every side;
None are too poor or lowly,
None are too weak or small,
For in His service holy
The Master needs them all.

Wanted! young ears to listen;
Wanted! young eyes to see;
Wanted! young hearts to answer
With throb of sympathy.
When on the wild waves' edging
The strange, sad tale is borne
Of lands in darkness lying,
Forsaken and forlorn.

—Exchange.

WILL IT PAY?

A new standard has been setup in America. Everything, to-day, must be measured by its money value. "Will it pay?" "What is there in it for me?" These are the great interrogations of the century. Even the American youth is beginning to measure his acquaintances, his friendships, everything, by what he can get out of them for his own profit or promotion. When he is introduced to a newcomer, he immediately asks himself: "Is there anything in this man for me? Can he give me a lift? Can he help me to a customer, a patient, a client? Can he be a constituent? Can he help me to capital, to a position, to promotion?"

The first questions asked about a stranger in some of the Western cities are: "Has he 'arrived?'" "Has he got there?" In other words, has he made his fortune? If he has not, he is of little account, except to a few friends.

It is most unfortunate that our youth are brought up to look upon money as the great measuring line of values. It is not so very long since character, respectability, were so prominent in this country that little was thought about how much money one had if he possessed the sterling qualities of manhood.

The finer sentiments are being crushed out of American character by this insane greed for profit, this mad rush for wealth. Everything which money can not buy or replace is sacrificed to this voracious Mammon. Even higher education and culture are now being estimated as the equivalents of money. "Will it pay to send my son to college?" ask the merchant and the farmer. "Will education enable him to earn more salary?—to get rich quicker?" They speak as if the growth, the expansion of man's god-like powers, could be estimated in dollars and cents!

In this wild rush for wealth our people are murdering health, energy, comfort, culture, friendship; all that we should really hold dearest. Peace, happiness, often honor itself; the very things which we struggle hardest to obtain are sacrificed, only to find that money has no power to restore or replace them.

What have our rich men to look forward to when they retire? Many of them possess nothing but money. They have destroyed their capacity for happiness while they have been getting ready to enjoy. Their minds have not been cultivated; they know little of books, and less of art; even the power to enjoy the riches of nature has been overcome in the race for gold. Almost everything for which they desired wealth has vanished. They had hoped to get pleasure from the works of art their money could buy, from the libraries they would collect, from foreign travel, from luxurious living. They did not realize that faculties unused would die, and that if they did not cultivate the aesthetic part or the social side of their nature, they would shrivel and decay; that the exclusive development of the lower nature would kill out the higher.

Does it pay the acorn to unfold the possibilities wrapped up within it? Would you stop its growth and stunt its future when a sapling? Does it pay to stop a boy's growth just as he is expanding into manhood, and take him out of school or college because for the time he can earn a little more money? Is this all that education means? Does it mean nothing to unfold the infinite possibilities of the youth's nature; to give him the opportunity to act the Columbus to his own undiscovered powers?

Shall we give no time to the cultivation of the flowering side of our nature? Shall all the sap go to develop the coarse, woody fiber, and none to call out the foliage, the flower, the beauty, the fruit? Do we need nothing but hard timber or wood? Has life become so mean and sordid that we must spend all our time in the kitchen and dining-room of life, providing for the animal part of us? Are we never to enjoy the artistic, the æsthetic, the social side of life in the drawing-room and the library? Are the externals—houses, lands, stocks, stores—more important than the unfolding of the divine possibilities within us?

A profitable question would be: Does this kind of scramble and hurry and money-coveting and money-getting, without accompanying ease, rest or pleasure, pay?—Success.

NEVERS FOR BOYS.

Never make fun of old age; no matter how decrepit, or unfortunate, or evil it may be. God's hand rests lovingly on the aged head.

Never use intoxicating liquors as a beverage. You might never become a drunkard; but beer, wine and whisky will do you no good, and may wreck your life. Better be on the safe side. Make your influence count for sobriety.

Never make sport of one of those miserable creatures, a drunken man or woman. They are wrecks; but God alone knows the stress of the storms which drove them upon the breakers. Weep rather than laugh.

Never tell nor listen to the telling of filthy stories. Cleanliness in word and act is the sign manual of a true gentleman. You can not handle filth without becoming fouled.

Never cheat or be unfair in your play. Cheating is contemptible anywhere at any age. Your play should strengthen, not weaken, your character.

Never call anybody bad names, no matter what anybody calls you. You can not throw mud and keep your own hands clean.

Never be cruel. You have no right to hurt even a fly needlessly. Cruelty is the trait of a bully; kindliness the mark of a gentleman.

Never tell a lie. Even white lies leave black spots on the character. What is your opinion of a liar? Do you wish other people to have a like opinion of yourself?

Never hesitate to say no when asked to do a wrong thing. It will often require courage—the best kind of courage, moral courage; but say no so distinctly that no one can possibly understand you to mean yes.

Never quarrel. When your tongue gets unruly, lock it in—if need be, bite it. Never suffer it to advertise your bad temper.

Never be unkind to your mother and father. When they are dead, and you have children of your own, you will discover that even though you did your best, you were able to make only a part payment of the debt you owed them. The balance you must pay over to your own children.

Never trust other boys' sisters better than you do your own.

Never fancy you know more when fifteen years old than your father and mother have learned in all the years of their lives. Wisdom is not given to babes.

Never lay aside your manners when you take off your fine clothes.

Never be rudely boisterous at home or elsewhere.

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Don't snub a boy because his home is plain and unpretending. Abraham Lincoln's early home was a log cabin.

Don't snub a boy because of the ignorance of his parents. Shakespeare, the world's poet, was the son of a man who was unable to write his own name.

Don't snub a boy because he chooses an humble trade. The author of "Pilgrim's Progress" was a tinker.

Don't snub a boy because of his physical disability. Milton was blind.

Don't snub a boy because of his dullness in lessons. Hogarth, the celebrated painter and engraver, was a stupid boy at his books.

Don't snub anyone; not alone because some day they may outstrip you in the race of life, but because it is neither kind, nor right, nor Christian.—Great Thoughts.

YESTERDAY.

Yesterday's words were bitter or flippant. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's moments were trifled away. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's thoughts had too much of self. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's victories made you haughty and proud. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's failures made you gloomy and fretful. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's prayers were aimless and faithless. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's burdens were carried impatiently. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's charity was narrow and cramped. Try again to-day.

Yesterday's temptations were met in weakness. Try again to-day.—Epworth Herald.

Said a suburban minister the other day to some friends who had been visiting him: "I suppose that ours was the only family in this whole place that had prayers this morning." The village where this minister resides is one of considerable size, with four churches, including a colored chapel. He was probably right in his surmise. What is the trouble with Christians in this respect? Is it the early train to the city that has banished morning prayers? If so, it has never yet, even in extreme cases, had that effect upon breakfast. But is not food for the soul as needful as that for the body? And to pray well is to work well.—New York Observer.

Hygiene.

HOW MUCH TO SLEEP.

Some one says of sleep: "Six hours for a man, seven for a woman, and eight for a fool," but there never was a more misleading statement. The amount of sleep one needs depends on the amount of mental work he does while awake. Men whose brains are never busy can get along with five or six hours' sleep a day, even though their hands are always employed during the waking hours; but the mental worker must have more, or go crazy. To attempt to imitate Napoleon, who, it is said, could get along with four or five hours' sleep, will drive any ordinary man into an insane asylum before the end of a year. At any rate, those who quote Napoleon so glibly fail to inform us that he died when a little past fifty. A prominent nerve specialist of Philadelphia said recently, "It is not overwork that kills, but under-sleep."

A scientific writer says that night is the time which nature utilizes for the growth of plants and animals; children grow more rapidly during the night. In the daytime the system is kept busy disposing of the wastes consequent on activity, but while asleep the system is free to extend its operations beyond the mere replacing of worn-out particles; hence the rapid growth.—Exchange.

POROUS CLOTHING.

It is absolutely essential to health that the emanations from the skin pass easily through the clothing. This "transpiration" may be interfered with by an excess of clothing, or by clothing of a very close texture. All who wear india-rubber coats know how uncomfortable they are after they have been on a short time. Ordinarily, proper clothing will not prevent transpiration, but an excess will interfere with it; and where too much clothing is worn it soon becomes foul, because the outside air can not freely mingle with the gases from the body, and dilute them. Some wear the thickest and heaviest undervests that they can buy, and such people are very generally the victims of frequent colds. They would be much safer in exposure were they to wear two light undervests instead of one very thick and heavy.—Sanitarian.

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At rest, and by thine own Father kept.

Not dead! Ah, no; but gone before
To live in that blest land
Where sin and sorrow comes no more;
Near to the Master whom she served,
With steadfast patience still,
With loving faith that never swerved,
Anxious to do His will.

With earthly eyes no more we'll see thee;
But, dear friend, thy memory lives;
And through its influence we are nearer thee,
This precious boon our Lord doth give,
And when our service here is over,
And on God's mercy we must wait,
We'll meet again to part, no, never,
Amid the angels at the gate.

Mrs. H. B. DAVIS, of Meridian, Miss. (formerly Miss Henrietta Bryan Hatch), entered the haven of rest July 15, 1899 at 10:15 o'clock. Her remains were interred in Columbus, Miss., July 16. She was the daughter of Col. Edmond and Mrs. Alice Hatch. Aged sixty-nine; born in New Berne, N. C. When seven years old she, with her parents, moved to Macon, Miss.; afterwards united in marriage to Mr. Durant H. Staves, and lived in Columbus, Miss.; from there to Meridian, Miss. For several years she had been an invalid; was only confined to her bed for a week when the summons came, "Come up higher." This good Methodist made religion the prime object of her life. Every thought was of God, constantly endeavoring to keep hers and her family's hearts pure.

Dear bereaved ones, only look to Jesus in this trying hour. She has only gone on before you to dwell with him whom she worshiped all her life. In joy or sorrow, wealth or adversity, it was ever the same. "God knows best," that dear mother would often say; also, "Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, believing, ye shall receive." Comforting portions of Scripture for her children and grandchildren to dwell on. She was an honor to you; treasure her name and memory as an invaluable inheritence, and may her Christian mantle fall upon her ever-faithful daughter, son-in-law, and precious grandchildren; then, when all of their life's battles have been conquered, each one can meet in that bright, ennobled clime where the pure and the good are its only inhabitants. Accept in your lacerated hearts God's abiding grace—your sure and only strength in these surging hours. While the shadows are now deep over your pathway, your mother has

'Passed out of the shadow
into eternal day, and
Why do we call it dying?
'Tis only sweetly passing away."

A FRIEND.

Aberdeen, Miss.

THOMAS—WM. HARVEY THOMAS was born in Williamson county, Tenn., May 1, 1819, and passed from this life at his residence in Delhi, May 28, 1899, being, at the time of his demise, fourscore years and twenty-seven days old. When a boy his parents moved to Alabama with him, where he remained till 1847. From thence he moved to Louisiana, where he spent the remainder of his life. In 1850 he was married to Miss Mary E. Hughes, which union lasted only seven years. On Feb. 5, 1863, he was united in holy wedlock to Miss Prudence Raney, which companionship lasted till his Father called him home. He was the father of nine children, four of which, with two grandchildren and one great-grandchild, survive him.

Bro. Thomas was converted in 1878, but not having access to the church of his choice, he never united with the visible church of God till two years ago, when he was received into the M. E. Church, South, by Rev. Jas. M. Martin. He lived a quiet, devoted life. He was not demonstrative, but in meekness and humility he served God. With an unshaken confidence in a Divine Providence and an unwavering faith in the atonement, he fell asleep without a struggle. A man with a determined will, yet resigned to the will of his Master; a firm resolution, yet fully consecrated to God, and a stable character, cleansed by the blood of Christ and sanctified to the service of God, has gone from us to the celestial city, where endless praise shall be his joy, and where sickness and sorrow, pain and death shall never enter.

His pastor, WM. HY. HATFIELD.

RHODES—MRS. EMMA EUGENIA RHODES was born near Shiloh, in Rankin county, Miss., on the seventeenth day of November, 1858. Some time in the seventies she united with the M. E. Church, South, at Shiloh. About nineteen years ago she moved her membership to Pelahatchie, where it remained until transferred to the church triumphant on the twenty-fourth of May, 1899. She was married to Mr. A. L. D. Rhodes, March 11 1880 and her life was made as happy as kindness and affection could make it.

Sister Rhodes was a quiet, gentle, modest, modest woman, whose true worth was known only to those most intimate with her. While her religious life was not as conspicuous as some make theirs, it indicated no absence of experience on her part. Her life was truly devoted to her husband and children, and for them she made home bright and cheerful; but that happy circle is broken, and her place is vacant. Oh, how sad are these who are left mourning for the loved one gone before! May God bind up the broken hearts and strengthen them for the duties and trials of life, and at last receive them up to glory!

HAL PASTOR.

Brandon News please copy

FULLER—MRS. KIZZIE FULLER aged sixty-six years, died at the home of A. S. Baker, her nephew, of Avoyelles parish, La., on Monday, July 24 1899.

Aunt Kizzie, as she was commonly called, has lived an earnest Christian life from her youth up. She joined the M. E. Church South, while young, and remained a consistent member of the same until her death, always willing and anxious to do all within her power for the advancement of God's cause and the uplifting of humanity.

Sister Fuller was an aunt of the Revs. J. L. P. and B. F. Sheppard, of the Louisiana Conference. She leaves a large connection in North Louisiana, to whom we extend our sympathy. We grieve not as those who have no hope, for her lamp was trimmed and burning, and there was oil in her vessel. In the silent churchyard at Oak Grove we laid her body to rest, where she awaits the judgment morning, while her spirit is basking in the sunlight of God's love. L. L. ROBERTS, P. C.

CISSNA—Again death has visited our little church at Patterson, La., and taken one of our oldest members, Sister LOUISA CISSNA, aged seventy-three years. She was born Aug. 31 1826 in Delaware, near Philadelphia, and died in Patterson, La., June 15 1899.

Sister Cissna joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1854. She was a faithful, consistent Christian. Her life was spent for others. She was useful in many ways. The church and the world is poorer that she is gone. No sacrifice was too great for her to make for the good of her children and family. She leaves two sons, one daughter, seventeen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren to mourn the loss of a faithful mother. God was her stronghold in every time of need. Her work is finished, and she has entered upon her reward: "Her children rise up and call her blessed."

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BAYLIS—GEORGE BAYLIS died at his home near Columbia, Miss., July 17, 1899, in his seventy-fifth year, after a long illness.

Thus is gone from us another of the "old citizens" whom men justly honor. In the community where he had lived forty-eight years there was none to say aught against him. His home was always open to the stranger, and it was his delight to entertain the preacher. He leaves a widow and a large family of children and grandchildren. May God's grace be sufficient for them in this their sad trial!

Bro. Bayls was a consistent member of the Methodist Church, and as he walked down into "the valley and shadow of death," he "feared no evil." His body is buried near the old home, but God is taking care of his soul. H. H. TREVILION.

HUNT—At 6:30 o'clock P. M., Thursday, July 6, 1899, Gone summoned from the home of F. W. and Minnie H. Hunt their infant son, JIMMIE HAYS HUNT.

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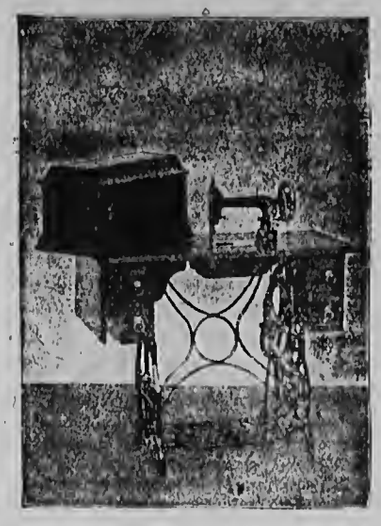

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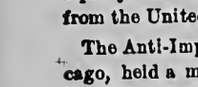

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The second trial of Dreyfus began at Rennes, Monday.

Charbon is still prevailing to a considerable extent in the lower coast parishes of Louisiana.

A German syndicate has secured a franchise to build a railroad from Seoul, Corea, to the west coast.

Admiral Dewey has arrived at Naples, where his stay, according to different stories, will be eight days or a month.

A London dispatch says Senator Jones, of Arkansas, is still ill, and will go to the Continent by advice of his physicians.

The Berlin papers declare their unbelief in the story that Dewey said America's next war would be with Germany.

Five bodies have been recovered on the Florida coast. Two steamers and forty-three other vessels were sunk in a storm.

Jiminez intends to land in San Domingo about the end of August with a party from Cuba and re-enforcements from the United States.

The Anti-Imperialist League, of Chicago, held a meeting, Aug. 5, at which Prof. McLaughlin made a strong speech against the McKinley war.

On the demand of the American minister, the Dominican Government has released Du Vivier, who will not be surrendered if he is to be made the victim of arbitrary or military methods.

"El Sud," one of the new boats of the Morgan Line to run between New Orleans and New York, arrived in Algiers on her maiden trip shortly after 10 o'clock Saturday night.

Information from Washington is to the effect that the Fall campaign in the Philippines will be practically in the hands of Lawton, Otis being retained in chief command, but having nothing to do with active operations.

The Executive Committee of the Jackson Democratic Association adopted a report of a special committee providing for the formation of a city campaign committee, which will conduct the campaign henceforth.

At the town of Carrahelle, Fla., which was badly wrecked by a hurricane a few days ago, only nine houses are left to mark the site of a once prosperous town. Two hundred families are homeless. McIntyre, Fla., was wiped out. At Lanark the hotel was blown into the Gulf.

The scheme of Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, respecting frontier defense, has been approved by the imperial government. It provides for the withdrawal of the regulars from many frontier garrisons and substitution of tribal militia, which will result in large economy.

The rainy season has just begun in earnest in the Philippines and the offensive operations of the American forces against the insurgents are about ended. The next campaign can hardly begin sooner than November. The American army during the rainy season can hardly be expected to do more than hold what it has gained and prepare for the next campaign.

There has recently been a lull in the movements of those European powers credited with intentions inimical to the integrity of the Chinese Empire. All of them have attained footholds on the Chinese coast, and have established, to their own satisfaction at least, certain spheres of influence in which each expects to operate untrammeled in the event of actual dismemberment of the Chinese Empire.

The supreme court martial, before which Generals Toral and Pareja have been on trial, charged with surrendering Santiago de Cuba to the United States forces without having exhausted all means of defense, has acquitted both officers on the ground that they acted upon the orders of their superiors, and only surrendered when it was impossible to do otherwise.

Germany is disposed to look askance at everything this country does in the way of military preparation. The latest indication of this disposition is the comment being made in the German press upon the large additions being made to the American navy. The Germans seem to think that this increase is aimed at Germany, and will be a menace to German interests in the Far East. As a proper offset, it is urged that there should be material increases made in the German fleet.

If any doubt existed in the public mind of Mr. Elihu Root's determination to abandon the long-practiced policy of dallying with the Philippine rebellion instead of crushing it, the order for the immediate recruiting of an insular force of 40,000 men must have instantly dispelled it. It is evident that Mr. Root has already taken an intelligent and forceful grasp of the situation, although but a few days in office. He already seems to know the needs of this country in the East, and proposes to raise and equip such a military force as will make our authority in the Philippines supreme.

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Ada and Winfield	Aug. 12, 13
Rapides Camp Meeting	12-19
Spring Creek, at Fellowship	26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept 2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek, at ———	11 A. M., 8 P. M. 21
Alexandria station	24, 25

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pine Grove, at Camp Ground	Aug. 19
East Feliciana, at Camp Ground	10
St Helena, at Camp Ground	19
Slaughter, at Slaughter	26, 27
Clinton	Sept. 3, 4
Wilson, at Pine Grove	9, 10
St. Francisville, at Morning Star	16, 17
Jackson	24, 25

R. W. TOOKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lafayette	Aug. 12, 13
Opelousas	19, 20
Lake Arthur	26, 27
Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point	9, 10
Plaquemine Brusle, at Bayne	16, 17
Grand Cheniere, at Leesburg	23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vinton	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Rayne Memorial	Aug. 13
Dayades Street	20
Donaldsonville	27
Carrollton Avenue	Sept. 3
White Castle	10
Carondelet Street	11 A. M. 17
Burgundy Street	7:45 P. M. 17
Covington	24

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lanesville, at Andrew Chapel	Aug. 10
Minden station	12, 13
Haynesville	15, 16
Homer, at Homer	17
Arcadia, at Arcadia	19, 20
Gansville	26, 27
Valley, at Blocker	Sept. 2, 3
Bienville	9, 10

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST. THIRD ROUND.

North Bossier, at Walker's Chapel	Aug. 5
Florien, at Peterahurg	5, 6
Zwolle, at Zwolle	12, 13
Pelican, at Williams' Chapel	16
Mansfield	23
Pleasant Hill, at Rocky Mount	26, 27
Coushatta, at Glen Marlin	Sept. 2, 3
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope	9, 10
Wesley, at Davis Springs	16 17
Red River, at Knox Point	23, 24

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Floyd, at Oak Grove	Aug. 5, 6
Bonita, at Bon Idee	20, 21
Tallulah, at Tallulah	Sept. 2, 3
Waterproof, at Wesley	9, 10
Providence, at Providence	12, 13
Gilbert, at Holly Grove	16 17
Winnsboro, at Bœuff Prairie	19, 20
Girard, at Union	23, 24
Delhi, at Delhi	28, 29
Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge	30, 31
Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct. 7, 8
Monroe	11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth station	Sept. 2, 3
Booneville station	9, 10
Inka circuit	Fri. 15
Inka station	16, 17
Booneville circuit	Thurs. 21
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs. 28
Bine Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 30
Ripley circuit	Tues. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 12
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Starkville circuit	Aug. 12, 13
Sturges	10, 20
Columbus circuit	26, 27
Columbus station	Sept. 2, 3
Lagrange	9, 10
Winstonville	16, 17

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

East Holly Springs cir., at Mt Hope	Aug. 19
Holly Springs circuit, at Marvin	23
Byhalia circuit, at Fountain Head	26
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Marshall Institute	Sept. 2

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Durant station	Aug. 12, 13
Poplar Creek, at Prospect	18
Tomnolen, at Tomnolen	19, 20
Rural Hill, at Rural Hill	25
Chester, at South Union	26, 27
Salem circuit	Sept. 2, 3
Belzona	9, 10
Louisville	16, 17

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

GRENADA DIST. THIRD ROUND.

Banner, at Blount's Well	Thurs. Aug. 10
Paris, at Hunter's Chapel	12, 13
Chapel Hill, at Bethesda	19, 20
Slate Springs	26, 27

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SARDIS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Courtland	Aug. 12, 13
Pleasant	Wed. 19
Eureka	26, 27
Tyro	Sept. 2, 3
Longtown	T C. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Coahoma	Aug. 12, 13
Hollywood	19, 20
Dnbbs	23
McLeod's	26, 27
Deeson	29
Gunnison	Sept. 2, 3
Bolivar	6
Rosedale	9, 10
Lehrton	13

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tremont circuit	Aug. 12, 13
Fulton circuit	14, 15
Buena Vista circuit	19, 20
Shannon circuit	21, 22
Okolona circuit	23, 24

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Aberdeen, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Winona circuit, at Salem	Aug. 12, 13
Black Hawk, at Sweet Water	19, 20
McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sunny Side	26, 27
Dnhiln and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept. 2, 3
West, at ———	9, 10

W. S SHIPMAN, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Middleton, at Marvinas	Aug. 12, 13
Wayne, at Graham's School-house	Wed. 10
Waynesboro, at State Line	19, 20
Winchester, at Pleasant Grove	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M. 20, 21
Parhute, at Adams	26 27
Enterprise, at Mayerhoff	27, 28
Meridian South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed. 30
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon. Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at Soule Chapel	9, 10
Binnsville, at Binnsville	16, 17

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lumberton and Poplarville, at Lumberton	Aug. 12, 13
Columbia, at Thompson's Chapel	17
Williamsburg, at Pleasant Grove	18
East Covington, at Hebron	19, 20
St John's, at Mississippi City	26, 27
Leakeville, at Avera	Sept. 2, 3
Hattiesburg	10, 11
Whittington, at Palmer Camp Ground	16, 17

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Summit and Topisaw, at Camp Ground	Aug. 19-16
Crystal Springs	19
Hazlehurst	26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lenoir's	9, 10
Brookhaven	13
Mt Carmel, at Be hel	16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues. 19
Tylertown, at ———	23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge	7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wallman	14, 15

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Carthage, at Liberty	Thurs. Aug. 10
Walnut Grove, at Scotland	Sat. and Sun 10, 20
Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun 26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ———	Sat. and Sun Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and Sun. 9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville	Sat. and Sun 16, 17
Decatur, at Centerville	Sat. Sun. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun. 7, 8
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun. 14, 15

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JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Madison, at Pearl River	Aug. 12-15
Brandon	19, 20
Steen's Creek, at Richland	26, 27
Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 3
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	10, 17
Tranquil, at Lo. Grove	P. M. 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ———	Oct. 1, 2

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NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND

Woodville	Aug 12, 13
Percy's Creek	12, 13
Kingston	19, 20
Providence	20, 27
Natchez Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez- Wesley Chapel	2, 3
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	16, 17
McNair	23, 24

W. L. C. HENNIGOTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Bolton at Raymond	Aug 5, 6
Edwards, at Rives' Chapel	12, 13
Rocky Springs, at Hickory Ridge	19, 20
South Warren, at Red Bone	26, 27
Port Gibson	Sept. 2, 3
Warren, at Oak Ridge	9, 10
Anguilla, at Sunflower Chapel	16, 17
Flora, at Brownsville	23, 24
Hermanville, at Bartonton	30, Oct 1
Utica, at Bear Creek	7, 8
Satartia, at Dover	14, 15

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CAMP MEETINGS.

As was announced in a previous number of the ADVOCATE, the Denham Springs Camp Meeting was postponed because of prevailing "charbon." The time set for holding same is Aug. 25-Sept. 3, including fourth Sunday in August and first Sunday in September. Let all the brethren take notice and come to this meeting. We promise you a glorious time Come to Baton Rouge, and you will be met with conveyance
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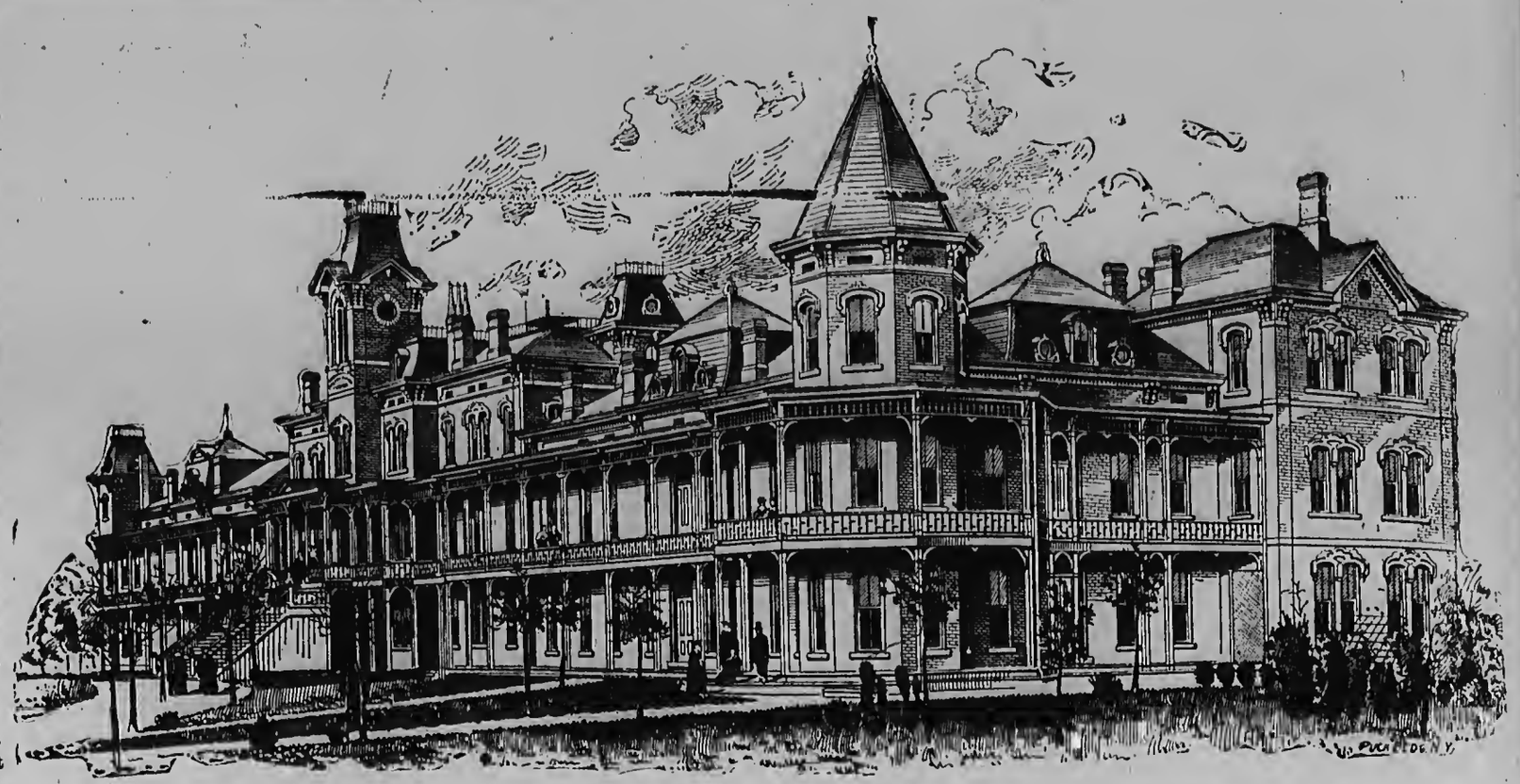

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WILKENSON—JOGERS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in McComb City, Miss., July 2, 1899, by Rev J W. Tinnin, Mr. T. B. Wilkenson to Miss Nora Jogers.

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DEPARTED.

BY EDWIN ARNOLD.

Loving friends! be wise, and dry
Straightway every weeping eye;
What ye lift upon the bier
Is not worth a wistful tear.
'Tis an empty seashell, one
Out of which the pearl is gone;
The shell is broken, it lies here;
The pearl, the all, the soul, is there.

And the man whom you call "dead"
In unspoken bliss instead
Lives, and loves you; lost, 'tis true,
To the light which shines for you;
But in light ye can not see
Of unfulfilled felicity,
And enlarging paradise,
Lives the life that never dies.

—Exchange.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The annual session of the Shreveport District Conference for 1899 met in the town of Coushatta, La., on Thursday, July 29, with the presiding elder, Rev. Jno. T. Sawyer, D. D., in the chair. While keeping the reins well in hand, the brethren were allowed many liberties in debate and otherwise, so that all stiffness was avoided, and everyone, from the least to the greatest, felt fully at home. Sixteen out of the nineteen preachers of the district were present, and seventeen out of sixty-eight laymen (and thirty-five alternates) answered to roll-call. The reports of the preachers showed a considerable amount of parsonage and church repairs to have been made, and more is soon to be done. Several new churches have been organized, two of which are on the Florien work, which also leads the district in the matter of new members, it reporting forty-two to date. The total number of new members reported on the district was about two hundred. It is gratifying to state that nearly every preacher reported that the Young People's Hymnal and our own literature were in use in his Sunday-schools. Quite a number of prayer and class meetings are in operation, but there was shown to be a great scarcity of Epworth Leagues and Woman's Missionary Societies in the district. Children's Day has been observed in many places, and some good collections were reported. There has been special activity in raising the missionary collections this year, and some of the brethren reported as much as eighty per cent. of all assessments in hand in cash or good subscriptions. Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard reported that he had about $100 in sight on the Twentieth Century Educational Fund.

On Friday night an Educational Mass Meeting was held, and addresses were made by Dr. W. T. Balling, Prof. T. S. Sligh, Dr. Inman W. Cooper, and Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard. The good work of our colleges and their needs were laid before the audience, and the Twentieth Century Educational Movement discussed in detail, much to the edification of all present. A collection amounting to about $100 was taken.

The Conference licensed E. L. Carroll to preach, and renewed the licenses of L. L. Brewer, R. T. Wright, J. M. Posey, I. S. Few, and Wm. Hebert.

A very profitable Sunday-school and Epworth League meeting was held on Thursday afternoon. The first feature under the guidance of Rev. G. G. Evans, and the latter looked after by P. O. Lowrey. Both subjects were well discussed, and much valuable information given in regard to plans of organization and methods of work.

Friday afternoon a missionary anniversary was held. Miss Lizzie Beeson, of Keatchie, representing the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Mrs. Hutchins, of Shreveport, the Woman's Home Mission Society, were present, and addressed the Conference in regard to the work of their societies. Dr. W. T. Balling delivered a very masterly address on missions, which was well received by all who heard it. Rev. R. P. Howell spoke on the great and growing necessity of work among the French of the State. Rev. P. O. Lowrey spoke on the need of home mission work in the district, and offered a resolution to the effect that a committee be appointed to raise funds and employ a missionary for the district. Rev. P. O. Lowrey, S. B. McCutchen, Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, J. B. Atkins and H. P. Dance were appointed on the committee. Dr. Sawyer also made a stirring speech on this great subject.

The following lay delegates were elected to the Annual Conference: Col. A. C. Mitchell, W. G. Wadley, S. B. McCutchen and L. T. Anders; alternates: E. L. Cargill and E. E. Hammett.

The Committee on Resolutions did its full duty, and the Conference pledged itself to all kinds of reforms "and things," many of the brethren not knowing for what they voted. This was specially true of a resolution on the use of tobacco smuggled in, in one on the liquor question.

On Saturday afternoon, at about time for adjournment, the Committee on Resolutions made its last report, which has already appeared in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, and it brought on a very sharp, lengthy and, at times, passionate debate. The report was on "the Publishing House matter," and was finally passed by a vote of 13 to 7. It could be clearly seen that the report drew its inspiration and backing from those little two-by-four papers whose only object in living seems to be, vulture-like, to get their beaks into something rotten; that are ever at war with well-established church institutions and officers of the church in high places. This was the one blot on an otherwise very pleasant meeting.

The next session of the Conference will be held at Zwolle.

The host of the Conference was Rev. P. M. Brown, appointed by Bishop Morrison to Coushatta, and lately elected to the presidency of Johnston Collegiate Institute. He is a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost, and well furnished for the work of the pastorate, or that to which he has been lately called. He has very much endeared himself to the people of Coushatta, and it is with much reluctance that they give him up. He was mindful of the needs of the brethren, and as he goes from us it is our heart's prayer that the richest blessings of God may rest upon him, his family, and his work.

The sessions of the Conference were well attended by the townspeople, and the indications were that much good was accomplished.

The preaching was of the usual high order on such occasions. It was said several of the brethren were preaching for Bro. Brown's place. Be that as it may, one who preached, and whose sermon received very favorable comment, is now pastor there. A good man and a good appointment have met.

WM. G. EVANS, Sec.

THE FOREST DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The District Conference of Forest district, Mississippi Conference, was held at Hickory, July 29-31; Rev. T. L. Mellen, presiding elder, in the chair. Paul D. Hardin was elected secretary, and Duncan S. Harmon assistant. All of the pastors except three were present, and remained until the close of the session. Nine local preachers and a very good delegation of laymen were in attendance. A program of rare interest had been prepared by the presiding elder, which was rendered to the delight of all.

Saturday, the first day, was devoted to education. Our church schools were well represented. Prof. R. S. Ricketts told us of the successful session through which Millsaps College passed, and of the encouraging outlook for the future. Presidents Chambers and Beeson gave encouraging reports of the work and condition of the honored institutions over which they preside. Prof. Oscar H. Wingfield was confirmed as principal of Forest District High School, located at Montrose, and this worthy school was commended to the consideration and patronage of the district. The pastors' reports showed that considerable interest is being taken in the cause of education, and that faithful effort is being made to induce our people to patronize our own schools. Bros. M. L. White, John R. Jones and W. M. Stevens favored us with excellent papers on different phases of the educational subject. We were disappointed in not having Dr. Murrah to preach for us, but Bros. Mellen and Chambers fully met the demands of the occasion. These brethren put special emphasis on the importance of the great Twentieth Century Movement, and urged the preachers to press this worthy claim upon the people.

On Saturday night Rev. M. L. Burton, manager of the Mississippi Methodist Orphans' Home, presented the claims of this worthy institution, which should lie so near the heart of every Methodist in the State. He gave a good account of his work, and as we listened to the eloquent words of this man of God as he pled so earnestly for these unfortunate ones whom Christ has committed to our trust, our hearts condemned us for having done so little in the past, and we resolved to do better in the future. A collection was taken for the orphanage, and about ninety dollars was raised.

Sunday was Missionary Day. Addresses were made to the Sunday-school by W. M. Sullivan and W. P. Donnell. At 11 o'clock Bro. Mellen preached one of his masterly missionary sermons. Replete with information and zeal, it carried new inspiration to all our hearts. In the afternoon Bro. Mellen led a missionary love-feast, which was indeed "a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." This was followed by a sermon by P. D. Hardin.

One of the chief features of Missionary Day was the presence of Rev. W. P. Donnell, preacher in charge of our mission to the Choctaw Indians. He was accompanied by a half-dozen, or more, of these Choctaws as trophies of the cross, illustrating what Jesus is doing for them through us. If any were tempted to doubt that the hand of God is in this work, to look into the faces of "these brethren in red," hear them sing, pray, and tell their experience, was enough to convince the most skeptical. Bro. Donnell gave a good report of his work, and all agree that he is "the right man in the right place."

Bro. D. G. W. Ellis, of Meridian, preached Sunday night; R. S. Gale preached at the Baptist Church, Sunday, at 11 A. M., and J. N. Tucker at the M. E. Church at 8 P. M.

Monday was set apart for Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues. Good papers were read by D. S. Harmon, Ira B. Robertson, and D. Scarborough, and J. H. Foreman preached at 11 o'clock.

The following were licensed to preach the gospel: Dennis Eugene Vickers, Walter Daniel Wallace, John Robert Jones, and Simpson Jefferson Tubby (Choctaw).

The following were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial: John R. Jones, J. Madison Carley, Wm. P. Donnell, and Jas. E. Williams.

Cyrus H. Ellis, local elder, was recommended for readmission into the traveling connection.

Jas. Johnson (Choctaw) was recommended for deacon's orders.

The license of twelve local preachers were renewed.

W. M. Thornton, Geo. B. Harper, D. S. Harmon and Rev. J. R. Jones were elected delegates to the Annual Conference.

Reports of Committees on the General State of the Church showed the district to be in a fairly good condition spiritually, financially, and otherwise. Preachers all seemed hopeful, and full of faith and zeal. Resolutions were adopted: (1) Sympathy for our superannuates living within the district, but not permitted to be present; (2) Protesting against the seating of Polygamist Roberts, of Utah, as a member of the National Congress; (3) Disapproving our local preachers staying away from the District Conference to look after political and other secular interests.

The next District Conference goes to Newton.

Hickory entertained us royally. J. G. Galloway is a model Conference host. Much praise is also due to that princely layman, George B. Harper, and others.

The customary resolutions of thanks were voted, which was a very poor expression of our appreciation of the Christian hospitality of these good people.

At 5 o'clock P. M. the Conference closed with a delightful communion service conducted by Rev. D. P. Bradford, of East End, Meridian.

PAUL D. HARDIN, Sec.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Meridian District Conference was held at Shubuta, July 25-30, 1899. Opening sermon preached Tuesday night, July 25, at 8 o'clock, by Rev. D. P. Bradford, of East End, Meridian. Conference was called to order Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, with Dr. C. G. Andrews, presiding elder, in the chair, who conducted the introductory service, reading the second chapter of Second Timothy, and making a very earnest talk, hoping for a very spiritual Conference. W. D. Hawkins was elected secretary. Conference hours were fixed at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., to adjourn at will.

The following preachers were present: Revs. C. M. Crossley, D. P. Bradford, J. M. Weems, L. F. Alford, C. D. Cecil, R. L. Phillips, G. S. Harmon, H. M. Ellis, D. C. Farmer, F. B. Ormond, J. T. Nicholson, W. J. Ferguson, R. H. Barr, J. T. Leggett, A. T. Bell, H. Mellard, R. E. Rutledge, and W. G. Backus; absent, Rev. J. C. Ellis.

Committees were appointed by the chair on State of Church, Missions, Sunday-schools, Epworth Leagues, Education, Finance, and Quarterly Conference Records.

Rev. J. W. Chambers, president of Whitworth College; Rev. M. L. Burton, superintendent of Orphans' Home of Water Valley; Miss Sallie Smylie, recording secretary of Mississippi Conference, and Mrs. Ira Phillips, district secretary of Meridian district, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, were introduced to the Conference, and each made an earnest talk representing the work in their hands.

There were written reports from all the pastoral charges.

D. W. Heidleberg, J. T. Leggett and S. B. Watts were appointed Committee on District Parsonage.

The following papers were read on Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues: "The Model Sunday-school," by Rev. G. S. Harmon, of Lauderdale; "How and When Can We Best Teach Our Doctrines to the Young People?" by Rev. D. P. Bradford, East End, Meridian; "The Epworth League—Its Mission," by Rev. A. T. Bell, of Shubuta; "The Best Method of Organizing and Conducting an Epworth League," by W. D. Hawkins, of Meridian.

The above papers were discussed by Revs. J. M. Weems, D. P. Bradford, H. M. Ellis, D. C. Farmer, F. B. Ormond, R. L. Phillips, and Mr. W. D. Hawkins.

"The Education Rally" was conducted by Dr. C. G. Andrews, who delivered a very fine address on "Christian Education," followed by Dr. J. M. Weems, who handled the same subject in a very impressive way. Some enthusiasm aroused.

Thursday, at 3 P. M., Educational Convention, with following excellent papers were read: "The Beneficial Features of the Twentieth Century Educational Movement" was written by Rev. H. G. Hawkins, of Madison. He being absent, it was read by T. A. Ledyard, of Shubuta. "History of Education in Methodism," by Rev. J. T. Leggett, of Enterprise; "Our Church Schools—The Reason for Their Existence," by Rev. H. M. Ellis, of West End, Meridian.

The above papers were discussed by Revs. J. W. Chambers, F. B. Ormond, J. T. Nicholson, and Judge T. P. Bell and A. Trotter.

The love-feast Friday morning, conducted by Rev. D. P. Bradford, of East End, was indeed a feast of love to those who attended. Rev. J. T. Nicholson, of Waynesboro, delivered an address, his subject being, "He That Is against Foreign Missions Is against Christianity."

The missionary sermon was preached at 11 o'clock, Friday, by Dr. J. M. Weems, his text being, "Thy Kingdom Come." (Matt. vi, 10.)

Upon favorable report from the committee as to his examination, Joseph Earl Trotter was granted license to preach.

The committees made their reports, and after some amendments were all adopted.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: T. P. Bell, S. H. Floyd, L. P. Brown, S. B. Watts; alternates: D. C. Farmer, D. W. Heidleberg.

The following local preachers' licenses were renewed: Allen S. Cameron, W. W. Holmes, A. Trotter, J. T. Griffith, and J. R. Zachry.

D. W. Heidleberg, S. J. Taylor, J. A. Lewis, S. H. Floyd, and T. P. Bell were appointed as a committee to build a district parsonage at Meridian, and also to be trustees for same.

A resolution of thanks was tendered the good people of Shubuta for their kindness, and also to the M. and O. Railway for courtesies extended.

Conference adjourned to meet in Waynesboro a year hence.

We had preaching morning and evening during the entire session; preaching done by the brethren named below: Revs. D. P. Bradford, C. M. Crossley, H. M. Ellis, W. J. Ferguson, J. M. Weems, H. Mellard, F. B. Ormond, J. T. Leggett.

W. D. HAWKINS, Sec.

NORTH LOUISIANA NOTES.

We are having plenty of hot weather and hard work up here in the hills. The farmers say that it is unusually hot and dry for their work, and the preachers generally report theirs as dry, but cold. There have been some local showers, both of rain and grace, however. Homer, Minden, Arcadia, and some other points, have had "times of refreshing," but there are many souls and acres of land still parched and dry. Let us all join in the hymn and prayer:

"Savior, visit thy plantation;
Grant us, Lord, a gracious rain."

Elijahs ought to be in demand about here just now.

The District Conferences have come and gone, but there is nothing new under the sun. It is evident that these meetings, which have in the past been so signally blessed in the work of the church, are losing their interest and power with the people. The bill of fare will have to be changed, or served in a different way, or flavored with more divine grace, or—something. The patient is certainly getting worse. Who will volunteer as doctor?

Hot as the weather has been, we still hear of oratory on the subject of the War claim occasionally. The agitation dies hard, but, praise the Lord! it is dying.

The ecclesiastical bushwhacker is still at large, with the usual stock of sensation and slang. He gives the church, the preachers, and things generally, a drubbing where he goes, but the echoes die away, the dust settles, and reveals the fact that the flag of the "regulars" is still there, with every promise of staying for some time yet.

The State Chautauqua has just closed its session near this place. The attendance was very good—better in the Teachers' Summer School work than ever before—and we had some good platform attractions. "Bob" Taylor's lecture on "Love, Laughter, and Song," made a fine impression. He is a remarkable word-painter and a fine orator. He preaches a gospel of good cheer. One felt more like loving, laughing and singing after hearing him; and surely this is the great need of this old, silent, sober, and selfish world. The management allowed innovations in the form of dancing and card-playing this season, to the surprise and disappointment of many. The public, generally, disapproves of these things, but at the Chautauqua they are as incongruous as they would be at a camp meeting. Anyone who is acquainted with the Chautauqua movement knows that it is essentially religious in its moral tone, while both card-playing and dancing have been tried and convicted before the bar of enlightened public conscience as dangerous dissipations, almost inseparably connected with immorality. We commend "Bob" Taylor's definition of dancing, "The delirium tremens of love." It is to be hoped that there will be nothing of the kind in the future; but unless the public are assured that such will be the case, many can no longer conscientiously support the Chautauqua. Our young people can not afford to run the gauntlet of such temptations for the instruction they would receive.

Plans for the coming Educational Rally at Shreveport are already in the air, and we are looking forward to that important event with large expectation and earnest prayer. Surely Louisiana will not be found wanting, when weighed in the balance, for her share of the Twentieth Century Fund. Let every man who can get there come, and then go home to work his row for all there is in it.

A. J. NOTESTINE.

Ruston, La., Aug. 3, 1899.

HIGH-WATER MARK

IS $37.50 HIGHER THIS WEEK THAN LAST!

"Gilderoy" writes from Ripley, "We are trying here for the thank-offering; have some, though so far small, success." Small favors thankfully received, etc.

Rev. J. H. Bass observed Twentieth Century Education Day at Cherry Hill, and secured fourteen dollars. "Will have Education Day at Webb in September."

Rev. E. S. Lewis observed the day at Brooksville, and reports thirty-three and 50-100 dollars given by twenty-five persons. "I will appoint a committee to follow up the work."

Success will result from such efforts. "Faith takes form and wings from such" reports as these! One from the highest point in the State, one from the prairies in the east, and one from the Delta on the west. The leaven is working. There are others in the three sections named and elsewhere who should report. Why not a report from your charge, brother? Let every pastor help now!

What are the presiding elders doing?

Rev. J. W. Dorman, P. E., writes, "The Greenville district must pay that sum in full." He is laying plans to accomplish it. All preachers in Mississippi will soon receive a personal letter on this subject. Will they heed it? J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Aug. 14, 1899.

Love of evil produces hatred of good and hatred of those who are good; love of good produces hatred of evil, but love and pity for those who are evil. There is no hatred of sinners in the gospel.—Rev. W. S. Casemore.

SEND ME.

Not mine to mount le courts where seraphs sing
Or glad archangels soar on outstretched wing;
Not mine in union with celestial choirs
To sound heaven's trump or strike the gentler wires;
Not mine to stand enrolled at crysta' gates,
Where Michael thunders or where Uriel waits.

But lesser worlds a Father's kindness know,
He may me some simpler service here below—
To weep with those who weep their joys to share,
Their pain to solace or their burdens bear;
Some widow in her agony to meet
Some exile in his new found home to greet;
To serve some child of Thine, and so serve Thee.
Le here am I; to such a work send me

—Southern Advocate.

Communications.

"O LORD, REVIVE THY WORK."

(Hab. iii. 2.)

This prayer came from the heart of a holy prophet who was burdened on account of the iniquity of the land in which he lived. He became so earnest in his prayer, and got so close to the Lord, and had such confidence that his prayer would be heard, that he trembled at the majesty of God. He waited by faith "upon the tower" until the answer came: "God came from Teman, and the Holy One from Mount Paran. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise." God will hear prayer like this in our present time of need as a church. Upon this point, first, of all other considerations, our hope of a genuine revival depends. We suggest the following as a solution of the problem as to how to bring about a revival of pure religion throughout our great church:

1. A general recognition of our need of a revival. God never gives a spiritual blessing, as a rule, until an unmistakable need of the blessing is fully realized and sought on the part of the recipient. This condition has been met by many of our best preachers. They see, as the prophet did, that we need a general revival above everything else, and many of our people everywhere are very much concerned about this all-important matter, and are longing for something to come along that will bring about a change in the spiritual state of the church; yet there are church members, not a few, and some preachers, too, who seem to not fully recognize our one thing needful. The first proper step is for those who are wise in the true sense to thunder down the pure gospel, and awaken the consciences of the less concerned on this subject. God is good, but too wise to pour out his spiritual blessings upon the unconcerned and rebellious. Christians everywhere must become burdened for souls, and with an anxiety for the power of God, before a general revival comes to the church.

2. Confession, and forsaking all sin. Confession of wrong is not only right and manly, but it is one of God's unchangeable conditions upon which he proposes to pardon the guilty; and no confession is real or acceptable to God until the sin confessed has been forsaken. God has not forgotten his Word, that 'the way of transgressors is hard," and that "the backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways." The ministers of God will have to get above the low plane of firing into their own ranks at one another, and turn all guns on the enemy of souls, before the church can ever be restored to its old-time power, and enjoy a general revival of Holy-Ghost religion. The wane of power in our church began at the birth of the modern strife among her ministers. I remember well, not many years ago, when local preachers were fired at for not doing anything; now, in some instances, they are fired at for doing something. I have been determined for some time to obey God and keep the law of the church, love my neighbor as myself, and march on in the name of Jesus to success. My neighbor is the one who does me a favor in time of need, and not the one who passes by on the other side. As long as the ministers of God are at war between themselves, what else can be expected of the church but a continual drifting away from the current of spirituality? A preacher must himself be led of the Spirit before he can lead the people. The Holy Spirit is easy offended. And for this reason strife among ministers tends to drive the Spirit from the church.

3. To whom shall we look for a revival? Our help must come directly from God, through Jesus Christ, according to the promises: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." (Ps. cxxi, 1, 2) The great God of the universe, omnipotent in power and great in mercy, still hears the prayers of his people. To whom hath the strong arm of the Lord been revealed in all the past? To the men of prayer. To Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and to all of the holy prophets who daily sought his help by prayer. In answer to prayer, during the first days of the Christian church, God sent an angel by night, who "smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly," and he led him out of the prison dungeon through the iron gate, and into the street, and delivered him safely to those who were "gathered together praying." Also, in answer to the midnight prayer of Paul and Silas, there came "a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and all the doors were opened," and a sleeping jailer was brought to his trembling feet, and he fell down before them, and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" The same midnight praying on the part of the people and preachers would produce similar results to-day in the way of freeing souls from the fetters of sin, and bringing power to the church. In early Methodism the men of power, and the men who made the world feel the force of the truth they preached until sinners were heard pleading for salvation, were men who had power with God by prayer. This is the only sure way to have a successful revival, and behold the burning coals as they shall go forth at our Master's feet, and in this revival all of the ministers that are loyal to God and the church, regardless of any other name, shall have a share of the work to do, from the Bishops down to the most unlearned exhorter in the backwoods. No one class can monopolize all of the blessings of a revival that comes from God. God says, "All shall know me, from the least to the greatest." "Big I" and "little you" has been the source of great evil in the church of God.

4. What is a revival? It is a return to life; to recover life and vigor from a state of spiritual morbidness and drowsiness; a restoration from a backslidden condition. Nothing short of the Holy Ghost can accomplish this work. This writer accepted nothing short of a work wrought by the Holy Ghost as conversion. Nor has he ever taught any other doctrine as sufficient to revive the church or save a penitent sinner. A preacher without the Holy Spirit, and a good and continued supply of it, is not competent to teach it to others, it matters not what other qualifications he may have. His success as a preacher lies in this. And without this witnessing power a conversion or a revival is not worthy the name. A genuine work of grace from God creates all due respect for church government and love for the brethren. St. James says, "The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy." It is enough to make an angel weep to behold the empty altars in many protracted meetings in our present age of the church. Why are not our altars crowded with crying penitents, as in former days? Sometimes they are, but they are exceptions to the rule. Where is the "mourner's bench," over which our fathers and mothers wept and prayed until they found Christ, and arose from their knees shouting? Sometimes I go to assist pastors in revivals, and find no preparations made for penitents, as was once the custom in all of our churches. I have asked, "Where is the mourner's bench?" I brush the tears from my eyes as I write this question. It is my purpose to preach the old-time gospel, as long as God lets me live, on such subjects as heaven and hell, sin and salvation. I shall do this with all loyalty to the church of my choice, and with a burning desire to save souls; and the man who opposes my course, God will attend to him. I could say other things, but time will suffice.

I have lately assisted Rev. J. H. Bass in a meeting at Webb, a little town in the Delta, within the bounds of the Winona district. Bro. John has done a fine work. He has built a parsonage and a new church, and has received quite a number into the church. "Honor to whom honor." He is a faithful pastor. "O Lord, revive thy work." W. D. Bass.

Corinth, Miss., July 4, 1899.

PERSONAGES—NO. 1.

We have all, no doubt, met with persons at different times in our lives who so impressed us that we never could forget them. I met with ministers in early life who, by their fiery eloquence or piety, or the two combined, spoke to me in thunder tones while living, and notwithstanding they have long since passed away from earth, they are speaking to me yet. My mind loves to run back and linger around them, and, in so doing, I feel refreshed and better equipped for the conflict of life.

Nathaniel H. Lee, of the Louisville Conference, was one of the first Methodist preachers that this writer ever saw. He was presiding elder in Western Kentucky in the fifties, and my parents resided within his district. He was very attractive in appearance; was about six feet and two inches in height, as straight as an arrow, clear, florid complexion, light hair, large blue or gray eyes, which were as keen and alert as an eagle's. His voice was strong, perfectly clear and musical, and under such perfect control that he never seemed to tire. I heard him lecture one cold November night in 1856 for three hours against the Baptist enterprise to translate the Bible and change "baptize" to "immerse." The church was 40x60 feet, and very much crowded; yet no one left the house, neither did anyone seem to tire, and that one lecture killed the translation enterprise in that town too dead to ever move again. In an adjoining charge I attended a Quarterly Conference, and Dr. Lee preached on Saturday, at 11 o'clock, from the words, "The Lord is my portion." He surely minimized the world and magnified the Lord that day. As he proceeded with his theme his eyes dilated, his voice was tender with pathos, and the holy unction rested upon him until he seemed transfigured before his auditors. It was good to be there. Christians rejoiced and sinners wept. After service I was walking behind him with a gentleman, to whom I remarked, "Dr. Lee is a tall man." "Yes," said the gentleman, "he is tall in more ways than one. He is a giant in intellect, a grand orator, and his faith takes hold upon God." In after years he was thrown from a buggy and permanently crippled. He traveled and preached, however, until the last, often riding in a side saddle. Grand man! His life was one of toil and self-denial. He never rested until he rested in his grave. In his last illness he was for a short time under a cloud. He said his "heart was fixed, trusting in the Lord;" yet there was not that rapture for which he prayed. His little ten-year-old daughter left her papa's bed with a heavy heart and with her eyes blinded with tears, and in a distant room began to sing,

"Take the name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe," etc.

It was heard by Dr. Lee, and the first line thrilled him with ecstacy, and he said Jesus was with him, and praised him with his last breath.

HOUSTON ARMSTRONG.

WHY?

MR. EDITOR: Will Bro. George H. Lipscomb tell us why, in his long article concerning the life and work of Rev. Harry Parker Gibbs, he failed to make any mention at all of his profession of the experience of entire sanctification? This experience Bro. Gibbs would not have liked ignored by any writer of his life or work. Why should Bro. Lipscomb fail to give this whitest, purest lily, or all, a place in his memorial wreath?

Yours for all of Jesus,

MARY MCGEE HALL.

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REPORT OF ABERDEEN DISTRICT SECRETARY.

(Read before Aberdeen District Meeting, W. F. M. Society, assembled in Tupelo, Miss., June 28, 1899.)

My heart is overflowing with love to God for his wonderful goodness in giving Aberdeen district such a victory in her great desire to extend the glorious kingdom of our precious Savior in the earth. God be praised for the joy allowed to come into our hearts for the faithful work done by the twenty-three societies in this district. Many prayers have been offered and answered gloriously that God's presence would be manifest in our work done, and through his name the victory came, even amid discouragements many. All honor and glory to his holy name!

Aberdeen district is the banner district, and has the banner juvenile society. Do you wonder that we rejoice? What does this mean? Souls, souls to be won for Christ by the large amount of money cast into the treasury, and a glorious record on high. Ah, sisters; this is the grandest of all work—saving precious souls for whom Christ died. Let's press to even greater victory another year, and a still larger blessing receive.

In Aberdeen district there are 23 societies, adult and juvenile; 15 adult societies, with a membership of 240; 8 juvenile societies, with a membership of 177; total number of members in district, 416; number of honorary members, 51, making a grand total of 467. One new society organized by Mrs. J. M. Davis, of Okolona; total number new members added, 71. We have also 1 honorary life member, 18 life members (4 of these new the last year), 102 subscribers to W. F. M. Advocate, 104 subscribers to Little Worker, 1 day school, 4 Bible women, and 4 scholarships supported (2 of these new). Will now mention the societies engaged in special work. Aberdeen Auxiliary supports a day school, and also made Mrs. S. I. Dalton a life member. A new school was pledged this afternoon by Shannon Auxiliary, and we hope to hear in a few days Verona Auxiliary has decided to pledge one, as they have given us encouragement to believe they will do so. Those supporting Bible women are Tupelo, Okolona, M. L. Paine Memorial, and Mrs. Pegues, of Tupelo. Those supporting scholarships are Fannie Houghton Memorial, Mary E. Thames Society, Aberdeen; Mary E. Shell Society, Okolona, and Aberdeen district name to-day the Morgan Shell Scholarship. M. L. Paine Memorial made one new life member—Mrs. Jack Gathings; Fannie Houghton made two new life members—Dr. J. C. Gathings and Willie Houghton. The 'Mary E. Thames" Society, of Aberdeen, named their scholarship for two, whom but to know is to love with ardent devotion and admiration—Rev. and Mrs. Amos Kendall—and it is known as the "Kendall" Scholarship, recently located in the "Mary Lambuth" school, Soochow, China. The "Mary E. Shell" Society, of Okolona, named their scholarship for Mr. and Mrs. Zack Harper, and is known as the "Harper Scholarship," and also recently located in Chihuahua, Mexico.

May God look tenderly upon these precious young girls being educated for Christ, and from their influence may scores be converted from heathen darkness into the marvelous light and liberty of the gospel!

Towards the district scholarship Mrs. P. W. Shell, Houston, gave $5; Mary E. Shell Workers, of Houston, $1; Houston Juveniles, $2; Verona Auxiliary, 90 cents; Tupelo Juveniles, $2 93. I haven't received a statement of the other amounts sent Conference treasurer; therefore, can not report. Am glad to say this scholarship is also located in Mary Lambuth School, Soochow, China, of which school glowing reports were received in February number of our W. F. M. Advocate.

Sisters, you have done a grand and glorious work, and may God bless you abundantly!

MRS. JAS. D. SHELL.

This District Conference of the W. F. M. Society was well attended. The meeting was especially pleasant and helpful, as we met at the same time with District Conference of the preachers, and decided to do so every year, if possible. The enthusiasm of the district secretary was catching, and there was unanimous feeling of more activity in every department of work, manifested in new work undertaken. The presence of preachers was a great help to the women.

One little diversion from the business was a "parliamentary drill," which rested and refreshed us, and helped us on to more orderly work. Let the women everywhere learn to do things "decently and in order." We believe the signs indicate more willingness to follow in "His steps."

S. FANNIE CLARK, Rec. Sec.

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THE MANY-SIDEDNESS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

BY MRS. J. W. BRISTER, NASHVILLE, TENN.

It is about that field of missionary work which we have been pleased to term the Home Mission Department that this paper will deal. And the discussion will be confined especially to the societies organized by the women of the church in this department.

The first suggestion that came to the writer in the preparation of this article was to note the many-sidedness of the work, the varied features of the auxiliary, and to show how they appealed differently to different members.

This very conception of the work is one that commends it, and there is no woman of our church who, if she could be induced to investigate this broad and fertile field of labor, would not discover some spot adapted to her abilities and needs. It is not for me to say which feature of the work is most interesting; none of us are authorized to belittle one aspect and magnify another. It is true that all features do not appeal alike to everyone; one may have a peculiar charm and fascination for us, while another has as great a charm and as abiding an interest for our friend. Herein lies the beauty, the attractiveness of the work, and gives it its hold on so many women.

Any work of the Master's, any institution of his that is so broad and presents so many phases that touch human nature, is apt to partake of the divine nature, and to leave upon those who take part in it the same impression as contact with him. Indeed, the only way we can commune with God and feel the sweet influence of his presence is by doing his work and obeying his will.

In the varied features of the auxiliary's programme there is work for us all to do. Have we money? Here it can be used to good purpose and lasting benefit. Have we time? In this work it can be utilized and be as valuable as the moments of a millionaire. Have we willing feet and hands? On errands of mercy they can go and carry substantial blessings to hundreds less fortunate than we. Have we consecrated heads and hearts? In the Master's name they can be used, telling the glad tidings and appealing to those in sin to seek Christ, the Savior of men. Whatever our talents may be, how few and insignificant, there is a place in the work of our societies where they can be used to good and lasting advantage.

As has been pointed out before, when one is seeking her work there is a wide range from which the choice may be made. Does one delight to visit the "shut-in," those who are not permitted to walk through God's beautiful world and enjoy its pleasures? As a member of the society, this work can be found. Do the faithful sentinels on the outposts, the heroic men and women who have gone to sparsely settled regions of the land to preach the gospel, appeal to you? They are the objects of the special care of the women's societies, and in the society you would find the work you would rejoice to do. Do you feel for the unfortunate women who have fallen out of happy homes, the outcasts of society, and would lend a hand to rescue them from their awful doom? Then the Home Mission work is what you want to do. In short, wherever there is a heart that loves the Savior, an unselfish one that would benefit her kind, there is one who is needed in our auxiliaries, and there duty calls her to go.

Such were the views held by the writer; and to verify them it was determined to visit members of the local auxiliary and secure testimony from certain of them. The question was asked, "What special feature of the work appeals to you, and why?" The following lines will be an attempt to briefly express the responses:

One lady said: "I like especially to visit the unfortunate ones who, for various causes, are shut in to their oftentimes dreary homes. It not only carries sunshine to them, but it has been a special means of grace to me. I have seen souls reached on these occasions as the Word of God was read and some simple prayer offered. The very gates of heaven have been opened, and floodtides of joy have swept over us as we communed with our Father above." And she added: "There are so many all about us who are afflicted, and are so glad to have us come. In these homes one is always sure of a welcome."

(To be continued.)

The Christian Life.

WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

Christ did not come to cramp anyone's manhood. He came to broaden it. He did not come to destroy our manhood; he came to fulfill it. A thorough-going Christian is a man with a stronger reason, kinder heart, firmer will, and richer imagination than his fellows—one who has attained to his height in Christ. A Bigot, or a prig, or a weakling is a half-developed Christian—one not yet arrived at full age.

What ought a Christian to read? Every book which feeds the intellect. Where ought he to go? Every place where the moral atmosphere is pure and bracing. What ought he to do? Everything that will make character. Religion is not negative, a giving up this or that, but positive, a getting and a possessing. If a man will be content with nothing but the best thought, best work, best friends, best environment, he need not trouble about avoiding the worst. The good drives out the bad. There are two ways of lighting a dark room: one is to attack the darkness with candles; the other is to open the shutters and let in the light. When light comes darkness goes. There are two ways of forming character: one is to conquer our sins; the other is to cultivate the opposite virtues. The latter plan is best because it is surest—the virtue replaces the sin.

Christianity is not a drill; it is life, full, free, radiant, and rejoicing. What a young man should do is not to vex himself about his imperfections, but to fix his mind on the bright image of Perfection; not to weary his soul with rules, but to live with Christ as one liveth with a friend. There is one way to complete manhood, and that is, fellowship with Jesus Christ.—Ian Maclaren, in Ladies' Home Journal.

REVIVAL.

Is personal soul-winning becoming a lost art? Are we mistaken in thinking that there is less of it than formerly? Do the forces and customs of the present day favor the habit of manifesting an earnest interest in the spiritual welfare of others, particularly the unsaved? That they do not, will doubtless be granted. But does that fact afford sufficient reason for its so general neglect? This will not be claimed; wherever duty is clear it should be diligently done. Can there be a question as to the duty of very frequently magnifying the worth of our salvation, and recommending it to the serious attention of those we meet?

Our words in praise of Christ are too few. A thousand trivial events are commemorated in speech, while we are silent about eternal things. We have derived inestimable help from the church of Jesus, but we seldom urge upon others the obligation or privilege of its fellowship. This ought not so to be. A religion not worth mentioning is a very poor kind. Selfishness and indifference to the everlasting good of others is an easily besetting sin of nearly all. There are few whose conscience does not convict them of remissness in pleading with friends and neighbors concerning God's claims. A revival at this point would seem to be in order. It would result in such a reformation as would double our congregations.—Zion's Herald.

There is nothing in all the divine revelation equal to the life of Christ in influence upon us. It is of absorbing interest for man; it brings home to us the love and mercy of God for a fallen race; it fully and clearly presents to our understanding God's plans and purposes for us. So there is in the life of the humblest Christian something of infinitely greater value as a demonstration of the truth of Christianity than the oldest or the newest creed, or even the sublime gospel of St. John.—Independent.

BRO. TINNIN'S INACCURACIES.

I am very sorry that Bro. Tinnin's note to the ADVOCATE, which appeared in the issue of Aug. 10, compels me to call attention to his inaccuracies. His article makes it appear that his only offense was the employment of evangelists, when he was explicitly made to understand that his intermeddling with the Summit circuit, his mismanagement, altogether inexcusable, of the Whitestown church-building, and the neglect of his work especially at Fernwood, were included in the complaint that I was compelled to make. He certainly knows that I did not mean that he must move until his wife, temporarily ill, should recover. He insists that Pleasant Grove circuit would not support him, and, therefore, he was "compelled to resign." Rev. M. A. Thurman, with an invalid wife and two small children, was sent to the circuit at the last Conference, and went; and Bro Tinnin surely knows that if there was any good reason for his not going to Pleasant Grove circuit, he could have gone to the Conference with that as an excuse, and no blame would have been charged against him there. Was that, as he states it, his real reason for leaving our church? I have proof from himself that he has been contemplating such a step for a time, beginning months before I became his presiding elder.

Bro. Tinnin says that the last year he served Adams circuit, it paid $1,690; but the Annual Conference Minutes show that only $858 were paid on the collections. What went with the other $832? He says that Providence, on his last year there, paid $1,900. The Minutes show that only $596 30 were paid on the collections, and that for foreign missions only $20 was paid on assessment of $81, and similar deficits in other claims. What was done with the $1,330.70? He says that Whitestown mission paid last year $2,400. He reports nothing to the Annual Conference, and to the Quarterly Conference he reports only $473 95. What has become of the $1,926 05?

I only wish to correct Bro. Tinnin's inaccuracies. There are other statements concerning this affair that I am ready to make, if it should become necessary. I do not make them now, because I trust that, for his sake, I will not be forced to do so.

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REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT CONFERENCE, SHUBUTA, JULY 25 30

Your committee fully realizes the importance of a church paper in the homes of our people, believing that its weekly visitations is a benefaction and an important factor in the home training of the family; and we deplore the fact that so few of our people are receiving this weekly blessing to their spiritual lives, and yet we are forced to the confession that the fault is not wholly theirs, nor is ours as pastors.

Our people demand—and we, as pastors, endorse this demand—that our church papers come into our homes breathing the Spirit of the Master, and not that of the belligerency and heat of personal conflict. We deprecate the supplanting of our church papers by others that are not in sympathy with our polity, but whose pages of ridiculous cartoons and reading matter reflect upon the purity of the church, and especially upon the doctrine which claims to be advocated.

How to correct these mistakes is a matter that calls for great discretion and prayerful consideration. There should be no divisions in our Zion. Our ranks should always present a solid front to the common enemy of souls.

Be it therefore resolved, That, we, as pastors and laymen of the Meridian district, will try to persuade our people that the obligation in church membership binds them to support our church papers, these being among the institutions of the church.

T. P. BELL,
Chairman.

SOME BOOKS I HAVE READ RECENTLY.

I have been reading Fletcher's Checks recently. And no better writer in his chosen field has been produced in the last one hundred years. It would be well for each Methodist pastor to spend some time with one of the devontest authors of any age. Though controversial, his spirit is admirable; eloquent, he is yet strong and logical; Arminian, he is not extreme in his defense of free will; Evangelical, he defends the law, because it is the law of love—love fulfilling the law; defending Christian perfection, he is not a sinless perfectionist, but he certainly holds and defends a higher course of living than many, who antagonize, and many, who advocate this much misunderstood experience, have claimed the blessing, and defended the doctrine of perfect love. Let each of us study the truth, for "the truth shall make us free." Read John Fletcher's works. They are a good tonic for religious dyspepsia.

I have also read the "Life of Wm. Carey." The cobbler, who was sent out by the Baptists of England to found their mission in India, more than one hundred years ago, elicited my love from the first page of his biography to the last. The title of his sermon—"Expect great things from God; do great things for God"—thrilled my soul. His marvelous energy; wonderful linguistic ability; heroic faith; spiritual power; and glorious legacy to the church among the Hindoos—the Word in their own language—kindled higher aspirations in my poor soul.

A good book to follow this was the "Life of Livingstone." The story of his six years without a white face to smile upon him, is crushing to one whose self denial has not taken on a form deep enough for that. God help us to learn anew the lessons of self denial at the feet of these of whom the world was not worthy! No grander picture have men ever seen than the dead missionary upon his knees as his faithful servants found him.

"From Darkness to Dawn," by Canon Farrar, is a beautiful and sympathetic tale of the persecutions under Nero. I shall never forget his picture of the Emperor's mother and the quiet surrender of the martyrs on that terrible day when so many were burned in pitch! They went up "thro' great tribulations."

Thomas Nelson Page's "Red Rock" is a pleasing and just piece of fiction. His picture of the carpet bagger in the person of Leech is true to the life. His discrimination between man and man as to character is apt and clear, showing his broad charity. Maj. Welch certainly represented the true chivalry of the North, and Dr. Cary the Christian gentleman of the South. The most despisable character is the overseer, who defrauded his landlord's family out of their holdings. He deserves all the contempt which is poured upon him in these sparkling pages. The incident of the Ku Klux raid is touched up in a martial way; the courts of reconstruction times get due justice—a quality generally absent in those days that tried men's souls.

Andrew Murray's: "The Ministry of Intercession" is the best work on prayer this scribe has ever read. Chapter by chapter this work is full of golden nuggets of truth. At the head of each chapter appropriate passages of Scripture set the pace for the deeply spiritual thoughts which follow. Learn how to pray and what to pray for from this apostle of prayer!

As an accompaniment: "George Muller, The Apostle of Faith," will stimulate our trust in the living Father, who hears and answers prayer. I read this book with self examination and, I trust, with profit.

Browning's Poems have not been forgotten; Kipling's "Captains Courageous;" W. M. Taylor's; "Parables of Our Savior," Liddon's "Sermons of the Old Testament," Bank's "Paul and His Friends;" Dr. Stalker's "Life of Christ," and "Life of St. Paul;" Fisher's "History of the Christian Church," and Abbott's "Life of Napoleon," Dumas' "The Three Guardsmen," and a book on "Intellectual Philosophy" have come in for a share of my Summer reading.

Besides these works and the church papers and the magazines, I have made a close study of the gospel of Matthew, and have read much in God's Word.

Before I close it would give me pleasure for a clear, satisfactory answer to this question, "What are the standards of doctrine for our church?" in the next issue of the ADVOCATE.

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FROM THE WORK.

Rev. C. C. Griffin, P. C., Hiram, Miss., Aug. 4, 1899: "Our quarterly meeting convened July 29 and 30. Dr. Hunnicutt, in the chair, presided with usual ease. We continued for three days at this place (Macedon) our protracted meeting, with very gratifying results. The Lord was with us in great power. Dr. Hunnicutt left us Sunday evening, and the preacher in charge had to do all of the preaching. Results: 23 accessions, and more to follow. The membership was greatly worked and brought closer together. To God be all the glory. Pray for us."

Rev. Wm. G. Evans, P. C., Red River circuit: "The work here has progressed very favorably so far this year, although the protracted meetings planned did not turn out as we had hoped they would. The meetings at Knox Point and Ash Point had to be postponed. Rev. Jno. Foster came in on time, in company with the presiding elder, Dr. J. T. Sawyer, on June 20. The presiding elder had right of way, and began the meeting with two powerful, soul-searching sermons; held his Quarterly Conference, and then left. Bro. Foster stayed with us for eight days, preaching twice a day to the delight of all who heard him. While the results of this meeting were not large in the number of people added to the church, I can but feel that our people were made better by listening to the great truths of God's Word told simply and faithfully. We have made quite extensive repairs on the parsonage, having closed in an open hall with very fine artistic effect, papered three rooms, put new foundations under the house, repaired two fireplaces, putting new firebrick backs in and concrete hearths. We have also furnished complete one room with modern furniture, china, etc., and bought new crockery for the dining-room, and driven a 75-foot well, and yet we have not finished. We have paint to repaint the inside wood-work and all new outside work; will paper the hall and one other room, and last, but by no means least, we have promised some beautiful and soul-lifting pictures, handsomely framed, for the walls. We have lately had the family of Rev. H. H. Ahrens, of New Orleans, to visit us, and after the close of the International Epworth League Meeting, at Indianapolis, he came up and spent a week with us. He is not only enthusiastic as a Leaguer, but grows eloquent when talking about the convention, and San Francisco as a place for the next meeting. He preached two excellent sermons, and treated us to some delightful music while here. May God richly bless him and his family! This work is in good shape, and may be relied upon to report, 'Everything in full, Bishop,' at the next Conference."

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1899.

CORRUPTION IN HIGH PLACES.

It is chargod that a multi-millionaire, W. A. Clarke, United States Senator-elect from Montana, procnred his election by bribery, and the charge seems to be sustained by unimpeachable testimony. Fifty votes in the Legislature are said to have been bought at ten thousand dollars each. The evidence is so strong that legal proceedings have been instituted in the Supreme Court of the State for the disbarment of an attorney, J. B. Welcome, who acted as the disbnrser of this enormous corruption fund. Moroover, the facts in the case will be laid before the Senate at its next session by a committee of the Montana Legislature. What will be the outcome? Will he be exoinded, or will unscrupulous partisanism trinmph over virtne and patriotism? These are questions which arise in the breast of every good oitizen. If this were a solitary instance, it would be had enough. But, as our readers know, similar charges have been made against several other United States Senators within the past year or two, and that, too, with a show of truth. We have fallen upon evil times, if money has become the open sesame to high official position. We are no pessimist. On the contrary, we are optimistic by nature, and this temperamental inheritance is strengthened by our faith in Christ. Yet, we can not close our eyes to the fact that our own heaven-favored land shows a tendency to walk in the pathway that led to the destruction of many of the great nations of antiquity. Mammon-worship is the rock on which many a proud ship of State has been wrecked. O for a revival of that old-fashioned Christianity that makes men scrupulously honest in everything—true to every trust.

INTELLECTUAL CULTURE BOTH A DUTY AND A PLEASURE.

After all that is said about "the press of business," most men have leisure enough for necessary recreation and a considerable slice of every day left for intellectual improvement, if they will to have it so. Moreover, it must not be forgotten that recreation and instruction go hand in hand; in other words, that reading is itself a recreation. No man makes a more egregious mistake than does he who supposes that reading is a drudgery, and all literary pursuits a pleasureless task. This is the case only with him who is a novice at the business. The man who has formed a reading habit finds in that habit his greatest pleasure. Through the medium of books he holds communion with the great and the good of all ages, and hears them speak in their best moods and their loftiest strains. They commend to him their noblest thoughts and their highest aspirations. In such companionship he finds a pleasure infinitely superior to those of the voluptuary. As high as heaven is above earth, so high are the pleasures of intellect above those of sense.

And is it not our duty to cultivate these higher powers of our nature? Do we not degrade ourselves when we spend the few precious hours that God allots us here in pleasures akin to those which the brutes enjoy, while we allow our higher powers—those which ally us to angels and to God—to lie dormant and uncultivated?

NEW BOOKS.

HEAVEN; OR, THAT BETTER COUNTRY By Jonathan Weaver, D D., Bishop of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. 12 mo 240 pages Cloth. Price, $1. 1899. Dayton, Ohio: United Brethren Publishing House.

This book was evidently written by a devout student of the Bible, and withal a man of ripe Christian experience. Using as a basis the statements, symbols and figures given in the Word of God respecting the abode and state of the blest, the author enlarges upon them, and makes the glories and the surpassing delights of "the better country" so real as to enkindle in the soul of the child of God a deeper longing for "eternal glory." The author appeals also to the book of human experience, and shows how, in all ages and in every country, man has entertained an ardent expectation of a home beyond the grave, where sorrows never come, and where joy is eternal.

Having asked in the opening chapter the question, "Is there a better country?" he demonstrates that there is nothing in the doctrine of a future life that contradicts either reason or nature. It is Revelation alone, however, that speaks with certainty concerning immortality and eternal rewards. Corroborative of its glorious affirmations, as the author points out, are the dying testimonies of countless thousands who, as they have passed over the dark river, have exclaimed, "I see the pearly portals of heaven opened, and the angels coming to bear me home to God."

Following are some of the inspiring themes discussed: "Heaven—Progress and Employment;" "Society and Recognition in Heaven," "Rest of Heaven," "Sources of Happiness," "Heaven as a Home." One chapter is devoted to a consideration of the various theories of heaven that have prevailed among men. The author believes that immediately after death the soul of the believer enters heaven. "To be with Christ," he says, "is to be in heaven; and to be in heaven is to be with Christ." He is thoroughly orthodox in his views regarding the future and eternal punishment of the wicked. This is a book eminently calculated to cheer the heart, strengthen faith, and inspire a brighter hope. It is full of instruction and tender comfort, and will bring light and peace to many a troubled soul. As is remarked in the preface, "This volume is for the common people as well as for ministers and others of extensive research, and will prove a joy to many a pilgrim." The style is clear and forceful.

HAMPTON AND HIS CAVALRY. By Edward L. Wells, of South Carolina.

We have received from the publishers, the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company, of Richmond, Va., this magnificent biographical volume containing 444 pages, beautifully illustrated.

Among the heroes of the war between the North and South, there is none more loved than General Wade Hampton, and none more worthy of the homage of the Southern people. The gifted author having conceived the desire to place before the country a true history of General Hampton, sought the use of his valuable records, which was cheerfully given. Since this biography was written, nearly all these records and the valuable library have been destroyed by fire, which makes this history doubly valuable from a historical standpoint. The author wrote this book with the unalterable purpose of giving the profits to General Hampton, and now that the devastations of fire have left him homeless, the profits will go into the fund being raised to rebuild his home. No Arabian fairy-story is more intensely interesting. As one reads, he can almost hear the "old rebel yell" and see in memory the stars and bars borne on to victory as in '64. The blood courses more rapidly through the veins as the vivid descriptions of the mad gallop, the charge and the shock of battle are described by this gifted son of South Carolina.

The book is sold only by subscription, and we trust every lover of true and loyal manhood will help in this way to rebuild the home of him who has given his all for the South, that as he walks down the sunset side of life he may realize his sacrifices were not unappreciated.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The August number of the Critic contains a drama entitled "Repentance," by Mrs. Cragie; an "appreciation" of the late Augustin Daly, by A. I. DuP. Coleman, and an editorial sketch of "Seumas Mac Manus" by Regina Armstrong. Marion Harland contributes a paper on "Charlotte Bronte and Two of Her Friends."

In The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine "The Problem of South Africa" is a timely and a thoughtful article on an important subject The paper is well written, and the writer shows an intimate acquaintance with his theme. The illustrations are from photographs of scenes in Capetown and Johannesburg, besides excellent portraits of Cecil Rhodes and General Kitchener. "The Illustrated History of Methodism" has for the subject of its sixth chapter, "Field-Preaching in the British Isles."

McClure's Magazine, for August, has an illustrated article on "The Cape to Cairo Railway," by W. T. Stead, whose acquaintance with Cecil Rhodes and other promoters of the enterprise has yielded him much new and valuable information regarding it. Miss Tarbell contributes a new account of Lincoln's assassination and death, embracing interesting unpublished reminiscences from men who were with Lincoln at different moments during the last twelve hours of his life. These are short stories comprising a humorous story of Irish life, a thrilling true story of the United States Secret Service, a pathetic and tender love story.

FROM DR. MURRAH.

I am at home again after an absence of six weeks. In response to kind inquiries of friends, I am glad to say that my wife's health has greatly improved.

I find our college affairs in fine shape. The prospects now indicate a large attendance of students next session.

Before going off I found it necessary to cancel many engagements I had made in the interest of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Movement. From this time it will give me great pleasure to aid our pastors in any way I can.

While in the Northwest I was interested to note with what zeal our Northern brethren were pressing this movement. They are using the secular press with telling effect. It is not unusual to see several columns in the great metropolitan dailies devoted to this cause. Active, wide awake pastors are in this way helping news-hunting reporters, and reporters are helping pastors. You hear the subject discussed on the trains and in the hotels as well as in the churches. It will not do for us to be less enthusiastic in the South. Our needs are greater.

W. B. MURRAH.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 13, 1899.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

President Beeson has just returned from an extended concert tour of six weeks with Prof. Conrad, having visited many of the important towns in Mississippi and Louisiana. He also gave concerts at most of the Summer Normals, and at the Chautauquas of both States, thus reaching the teachers and many of the leading people of both States. Wherever he has gone he has been enthusiastically received, if we may judge by the glowing press notices that were voluntarily given, and the many high personal tributes paid. Prof. Beeson tells us that the E. M. F. College is very much in favor wherever he goes, and is growing rapidly in influence and popularity. He has just completed arrangements for more room to accommodate the large increase in attendance. The college has the brightest prospects for next session it has ever had in its history. This is not a surprise when we consider the continual improvements being made in faculty, in buildings, in furniture, and in equipments and course of study. This institution means much, not only to Meridian, but to this section of the South, and we are glad our people are supporting it so liberally and working for it so enthusiastically. Let us encourage President Beeson more than ever in his noble work.—Meridian News.

FROM BRO. SHEPPARD.

It was my privilege to attend the Delhi District Conference, held at Rayville, and talk of the Twentieth Century Thank-offering, and also lay before that body the claims of our own Centenary and Mansfield Colleges. The brethren treated me royally, and the Conference, by resolution, promised to present the Twentieth Century Claim at once to their various charges and collect as much as possible for immediate application.

I spent the week following the District Conference within the bounds of Bro. Whatley and Barr's circuit, preaching to small congregations and taking collections, which amounted in every instance in cash and good subscription to more than one dollar for every Methodist present.

I find our people in hearty sympathy with this great educational movement of Methodism when and wherever it is presented to them in a sensible and straightforward way. Much depends on the presiding elders and pastors of the various charges in the way of educating the people, so that we may have intelligent and appreciative enthusiasm in our work.

Monday, the seventh, I turned my steps homeward with a scorching fever which held on for twenty four hours after I reached Mansfield. I am now improving and hope to be able to begin work soon.

Wife has been at the bedside of Mrs. Woodard, our daughter, who has been dangerously ill for ten days past. She is thought to be better this morning.

J. L. P. SHEPPARD.

Mansfield, La., Aug. 14, 1899.

THE CASE OF DR. SCHELL.

The Rev. E. A. Schell, Secretary of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church, is the subject of a good deal of criticism among the newspapers north of Mason and Dixon's line. The following statement of the facts in the case we clip from last week's issue of Zion's Herald:

"In the Fall of 1896, or early in the Spring of 1897, Secretary E. A. Schell entered into a private contract with E. O. Excell, of Chicago, by which Schell was to receive one fourth the royalty from Excell in return for his influence in delivering to him the editorship of a certain singing-book to be published by the Western Book Concern, and also the same royalty for such other books as he might thus deliver. As the result of this secret compact Secretary Schell received the first year from Excell $1,069 30, and at the same time he was receiving a salary of $4 500 annually from the Book Concern for his work as secretary and official editor of League publications. When Schell was charged with having a private contract as above, he at first denied, but finally acknowledged the fact. He further admitted that such an agreement was wrong; that if he were exposed, he would be ruined, and asked for permission to resign his office. The local committee gave their consent to this request. But Secretary Schell did not carry out his own propositions as to resigning, and now seeks vindication for his actions in a re-election."

AN EXPERIMENT.

The opening of three free employment offices in Chicago, in accordance with the provisions of a law enacted by the last Legislature, signalizes an experiment in State paternalism, the results of which will be watched with much curiosity all over the country. Under the law the State undertakes to find places for the unemployed through the agency of public offices, where those seeking employment may register their applications, together with specifications regarding the character of work they are qualified to perform, and where employers of labor may also file information regarding vacancies and the kind of help they want. The entire expense of maintaining these agencies is borne by the State.—Exchange.

MOODY'S WAY.

Those responsible for the conduct of religious meetings at places of Summer resort where the general public assemble may learn wisdom from the breadth and generous consideration shown by Mr. Moody in the management of the Christian conventions which he superintends at Northfield. To an immense audience at the convention of Christian Workers last week, in giving notice of a tennis tournament which had been arranged, he said he was desirous that people should come to Northfield for their Summer outing and recreation, and that he wished all to be at liberty to attend meetings or not, as suited the individual tastes. He expressed himself as pleased to see the young people enjoy themselves.—Zion's Herald.

SAVE THE FISH, NEVER MIND THE HUMANS.

Although distillers are allowed to poison human beings, still they are not allowed to poison fish in the rivers; hence an action of the riparian owners on the river Spey against the proprietor of a distillery near Elgin has again been decided in favor of the plaintiffs. The object of the action was to have the distiller interdicted from turning the refuse of his distillery into the river, thereby polluting the water and destroying the fish. The Court of Session (first division) has now confirmed the decision of the Lord Ordinary. There is consternation among the distillers of the North of Scotland, for other actions are sure to follow.—Scotch paper.

BRO. JONATHAN GIVES A GOOD ACCOUNT OF HIMSELF.

A prominent feature of the present day is the inroad which is being made by the United States into the industrial and commercial power of Great Britain. In Europe, Asia and Africa, American goods are taking the place of the English makes, and American manufacturers are supplanting their English competitors in obtaining contracts. Most astounding of all is the extent to which American goods are finding a market in England itself. English pride is sorely assailed, and great anxiety is being felt among our cousins across the water.—Pittsburg Advocate.

A DESCENT FROM THE SUBLIME.

A minister, not a hundred miles away, was recently preaching an earnest discourse on the significance of little things. Soaring high on the wings of eloquence, he brought down the house with the following climax: "The hand which made the mighty heavens made a grain of sand, which made the snow-capped mountains made a drop of water, which made you made the grass of the field, which made me made a daisy."—Midland Methodist.

LITERARY LIFE.

Under the above title, W. C. Everett, business manager of the Dallas Branch of our Publishing House, has started a sixteen-page monthly, which is to be devoted exclusively to literary topics. It will contain skillfully prepared notices of the leading publications of our House. The price is only fifty cents a year. We wish our brother abundant success in his new enterprise.

OUR LEAGUE SECRETARY.

Dr. DuBose is making a splendid record as our leader. His dignified bearing, eloquent tongue and gifted pen make him an all-round officer, especially fitted for his dual position of Secretary-editor.—Central Methodist.

NOTES.

Rev. R. H. Wynn is attending the Bluff Creek Camp Meeting.

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We regret to learn that Dr. Josephus Anderson, editor of the Florida Advocate, is seriously ill.

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Our venerable brother, M. C. Manley, is quite a sufferer from rheumatism, as he has been for some time past.

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The postoffice address of Rev. J. A. Parker is Alexandria, La. Let those who wish to contribute to the special fund he is raising take note.

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By the time this week's issue reaches our readers, the Interstate League Conference will be in progress. We are sure those who attend will be pleased and edified.

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Bro. Morse's meeting at Adams' Camp Ground resulted in ten accessions and some fifteen or twenty conversions. The preaching was done by Rev. V. D. Skipper, who dispensed the Word twice a day for eight days.

Bishop Galloway's clock struck twelve at the New York Chautauqua as well as at Indianapolis. One of our Northern exchanges speaks of his Chautauqua sermon as the best that has been delivered there for years.

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Rev. W. L. Anderson writes: "Another meeting closed on Chester charge since my last; my fourth meeting to date. Rev. D. W. Babb did us efficient service. Fifteen added to our church. This makes fifty-seven to date; more to follow. A $500 church going up at Mt. Nebo. This will complete as good a set of country churches as can be found in the country anywhere."

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Rev. W. M. Williams writes: "We have just closed a good meeting at Old Crystal Spring. Bro. G. A. Gnice was with us. He is fine help. We had the best meeting we have had at that church in several years. Many were blessed. Seven new family altars were erected. Many got closer to God than ever before. Four additions on profession of faith, with, I think, others soon to follow."

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Dr. I. W. Cooper writes: "I had the pleasure to dedicate the beautiful church at Boyce, La., last Sabbath. The church is a credit to the pastor and people. The following gentlemen, W. J. Crocker, B. C. Dean, J. E. Grissom, J. W. Miller, G. T. Neal, M. F. Weaks, J. T. Sandige, composed the Building Committee. All honor to Rev. A. W. Turner, the pastor, and the Building Committee."

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The friends of East Mississippi Female College will be pleased to learn that its patronage promises to be larger at the next session than ever before. President Beeson has recently purchased four lots adjoining the college, one of which has a building on it, which will give room for additional boarding patronage. The erection of new buildings of spacious dimensions is contemplated at an early day.

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The following note from Rev. H. P. Lewis will be read with painful interest throughout the Mississippi Conference. Let fervent prayer be made that this faithful itinerant may be speedily restored to health. "My brother, Rev. W. B. Lewis, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, in Yazoo City, is quite sick; has been for ten days. I have been with him most of the time since Thursday last. We are much concerned about his condition. Pray for us."

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From a private letter from Rev. T. J. Norsworthy, dated Camden, Miss., Aug. 12, we quote as follows: "Father and his family are with us on a visit. Here we are where twenty-one years ago we visited you and your dear family. Little did I think then that I would occupy this parsonage home as pastor of this people. Can't you come to see us? Your friends and admirers in this county are legion." [We treasure the memory of those dear people. Kind indeed they were to us and ours. May Heaven's richest blessings, temporal and spiritual, rest upon them!]

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Writing from Durant, under date of Aug. 13, Rev. G. W. Bachman says: "Rev. W. M. McIntosh is holding a tent meeting here. He preached to large and interested congregations yesterday morning and night. Interest in the meeting is good, and great results are hoped for. Rev. J. S. Oakley has not been able to meet his appointments since his District Conference. At the solicitation of his brethren he will spend a few weeks quietly at home in hope of sufficiently recuperating for effective service on the fourth round. To this end let prayer be made throughout the Conference."

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It becomes necessary for us to repeat what we have frequently said before, viz., that our columns are not open to a discussion of the second-blessing question. Twice we have thrown open our columns to this discussion. Each time the controversy ran on and on until our readers called for a rest. Each time we closed with a number of manuscripts unpublished, much to the disappointment of their authors. It is our deliberate judgment that no good came of the controversy. Hence, much as we would like to accommodate our friends, we must decline to publish articles on either side of the question.

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MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The Loagnes of East End and West End, Meridian, seem to be doiog better this year than in the years just preceding. The two other pastoral charges in Meridian, Central and South Side, have long established reputations. The Central Leagne has done specially good work in its Charity and Help Department.

Some of the pastors are giving the young people the work of raising the Twentieth Century Fund. The present writer, who is a pastor, has some willing and competent helpers among his Leaguers. A week ago he asked one of these to collect some subscriptions that had been made to this educational fund; as a result $41 ont of $42 is now in cash.

Young man, give your best days, which are those of bnoyant youth, to the service of your Master: do not spend the best portion of your life in the service of Satan, leaving only the burnt-out wick of it for the Lord, telling him to take that.

Young lady, consecrate your womanhood, with its beauty and grace. The Lord can make of your life a more glorious thing than you can make of it by yourself.

The League at Madisonville, in the country, eight miles from Canton, has been in operation only four months. During that time the Leaguers there have put in the church a nice, much-needed chair for the use of the Sunday-school superintendent and League president, a large blackboard cloth, mounted on rollers, a large Atlas of Bible Lands, and an increased supply of hymn books. In addition, they have their charter handsomely framed, and they paid one-third of their pastor's expenses to the State League Conference, two other Leagues on the charge paying the other two-thirds.

W. D. Hawkins, of South Side, Meridian, one of the most faithful and untiring Epworth Leaguers in Mississippi, served as secretary of the Meridian District Conference, which convened at Shubuta in the latter part of July, Dr. C. G. Andrews, P. E., presiding. The fourth Annual Meridian District League Conference will be held in the early Fall.

TO THE EPWORTH LEAGUERS OF MISSISSIPPI.

At the last State Conference of Epworth Leagues, held in June at West Point, I, though absent, was made president of the State Conference for the current year. I appreciate more deeply than I can express this mark of confidence. With God's help I shall strive very earnestly to make this the most successful year of our history as a State Conference. Shall I not have the hearty co-operation of every Leaguer in the State?

We have a Constitution which provides that a secretary in each presiding elder's district shall be appointed by the president upon recommendation of the Leaguers of the district. Some weeks ago I published in the ADVOCATE a call for recommendations. But few have come in. The exigencies of the work require that these secretaries be appointed without further delay. In making these appointments I have had in view the necessity of securing persons who could and would go into destitute parts of the district and organize new Leagues. I mean by destitute parts those charges or churches where there are no Leagues. The one chief business of the district secretary—at least for the current year—is to organize new Leagues. If any of these here named can not do this work at all, I hope he will notify the president at once; and please recommend some one who can.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Aberdeen, Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, Verona, Miss. Brookhaven, Rev. J. M. Morse, Wesson, Miss. Columbus, Rev. J. A. Bowen, Columbus, Miss. Corinth, Rev. J. H. Shnmaker, Iuka, Miss. Durant, Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, Enpora, Miss. Forest, Miss Willie Wilkins, Lake, Miss. Greenville, Rev. T. H Dorsey, Cleveland, Miss. Grenada, Miss Lula Hawkins, Water Valley, Miss. Holly Springs, Rev. A. W. Langley, Abbeville, Miss. Jackson, Mr. R L Bennett, Yazoo City, Miss. Meridian, Dr. H. F. Tatnm, Meridian, Miss. Natchez, Mr. W. H. Mallery, Jr., Natchez, Miss. Sardis, Rev. J. H. Smith, Wall Hill, Miss. Seashore, Mr. W. B. Jones, Hattiesburg, Miss. Vicksburg, Rev. H. W Van Hook, Rolling Fork, Miss. Winona, Rev. H. T. Cunningham, Carrollton, Miss.

ORGANIZATION.

This is the watchword for the year. At the last sessions of the two Annual Conferences only 129 Leagnes were reported. There are in the State 263 pastoral charges and about 1,000 churches. More than one-half of these charges are without Leagues, and but little more than one-tenth of the churches have them. There ought to be 800 Leagues organized in Mississippi during the current year, which ends with the next State Conference.

HOW IT MAY BE DONE.

The Discipline says, "Let Epworth Leagues be organized in our congregations." This is one of the regulations of our church. In Par. 122 the Discipline declares that it is the duty of every preacher in charge "To see that all the ordinances and regulations of the church be duly observed;" and Par. 113 declares it the duty of the presiding elder "To take care that every part of the Discipline be enforced in his district." Now, if every presiding elder and pastor in the State will do his duty fully, at least 800 Epworth Leagnes will come into existence in Mississippi during the current year. Let the district secretaries kindly, but persistently, press the matter upon the presiding elders and pastors, and let them co-operate with these men of God who have been placed in authority. Let each secretary enter at once into correspondence with his presiding elder on the subject, and persist until there is a League in every church in the district. Let him correspond also with every pastor whose charge is without a League, and continue to urge and co-operate until every church has its League. Where Senior Leagues can not be organized, a Junior will flourish. Where ten children can be found a good Junior League may be maintained.

STUDY METHODS!

Many Leagnes have been organized, but have soon passed away, because nobody knew how to run a League. Let every district secretary secure a lot of Dr. DuBose's handbooks, and put one into the hands of every pastor and new League president, and urge them to study methods of League work. In addition, it would be well to get and study "How to Make the Wheel Go," by Byron E. Helman, and "Junior League Methods and Programs," by Mrs. Annie E. Smiley. The first—i. e., the handbook—will cost you nothing; the last will cost 25 cents; the other about the same.

DISTRICT LEAGUE CONFERENCES

Should be held in every district. Let the secretary provide for one at the most convenient time and place. Let a carefully-arranged and interesting program be published in advance. Let every pastor be gotten to attend, if possible. The State president will gladly attend and assist in any District Conference, provided his traveling expenses are paid, and the Conference be held mid-week. Being a presiding elder, he can not spare a Sunday from his district work.

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To be said of everyone,
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Between this world of ours
And the paradise it might become
With all pathways strewn with flowers!

How surely a little reflection
Will show us as plain as the day,
The mistakes we made when we hastily
Allowed our tongue full sway.
When the day is done and we think it o'er—
Ah me! that it should be true—
There are few of us who can honestly say
There is nothing we would undo.

Too often the faults we clearly see
In others are faults of our own—
And those who dwell in houses of glass
Should be wary in casting a stone.
So, have charity, much charity,
The loveliest virtue of all,
And look well to the men ber unruly,
For it's prone to slip and fall.

—Exchange.

BE WHAT YOU WISH TO SEEM.

That is rather a strange title, you think, but still it bears looking into. Sometimes we exhibit ugly little traits of character at home, and are very careful outside to have our manners polished and correct. We answer our parents disrespectfully, and manifest an unkind spirit toward our brothers and sisters. A stranger hearing us might even imagine there was lack of love in the heart, when it is not really so. The habit has probably grown upon us unawares, we are off our guard, and in one's own family love generally excuses such omissions.

But are they excusable? Not at all. On the contrary, it is a deplorable habit, and one carefully to be guarded against. "Get out of my way," a young girl said recently. "Oh, excuse me," she added a moment later, upon seeing her mistake, "I thought it was sister Sue." And this was uttered without the slightest tinge of blush upon the cheek. Be what you wish to seem to the world. I am sure no one wishes to go through life accounted surly and disagreeable. Yet the world is apt to take you at your true worth, and if there is lack of manners at home, where the most tender courtesy should be manifested, it will be known, and you will be judged accordingly. But why should we wish to slight or neglect those whom we love best? Take the precious mother, for instance; she should be treated with the most tender solicitude, and our choicest words should greet her ear. When I hear a boy speak discourteously to his mother, I feel like hiding my head with shame. Ah, the precious mother, whose love so closely resembles God's that it has been likened unto it. Most of us know and appreciate her worth.

There have been those who have successfully worn a mask for a long time, but by and by it loosens and exposes to view the true face. This work-a-day world in which we live has sharp eyes, and it can pierce right through any ordinary mask. And why should we wish to wear one at any time, since to be is always so much better than to seem?

Be what you wish to seem. Keep the best that is in you for the home where the loved ones dwell, but remember there is a duty we owe the world at large, and adhere to the rule that everyone we meet comes in for a measure of our courtesy.—Intelligencer.

LINCOLN AND THE DYING SOLDIER BOY.

One day in May, 1863, while the great war was raging between the North and the South, President Lincoln paid a visit to one of the military hospitals, says an exchange. He had spoken many cheering words of sympathy to the wounded as he proceeded through the various wards, and now he was at the bedside of a Vermont boy of about sixteen years of age, who lay there mortally wounded.

Taking the dying boy's thin, white hands in his own, the President said, in a tender tone:

"Well, my poor boy, what can I do for you?"

The young fellow looked up into the President's kindly face, and asked:

"Won't you write to my mother for me?"

"That I will," answered Mr. Lincoln; and calling for a pen, ink and paper, he seated himself by the side of the bed, and wrote from the boy's dictation. It was a long letter, but the President betrayed no sign of weariness. When it was finished, he rose, saying:

"I will post this as soon as I get back to my office. Now, is there anything else I can do for you?"

The boy looked up appealingly to the President.

"Won't you stay with me?" he asked. "I do want to hold on to your hand."

Mr. Lincoln at once perceived the lad's meaning. The appeal was too strong for him to resist; so he sat down by his side, and took hold of his hand. For two hours the President sat there patiently as though he had been the boy's father.

When the end came he bent over and folded the thin hands over his breast. As he did so he burst into tears, and when, soon afterward, he left the hospital, they were still streaming down his cheeks.—North Carolina Advocate.

A GREAT TEACHER'S METHOD.

In his life of Arnold of Rugby, Dean Stanley speaks thus of his system of teaching:

"His whole method was founded on the principle of awakening the intellect of each individual boy. Hence it was his practice to teach by questioning. As a general rule, he never gave information, except as a kind of reward for an answer, and often withheld it altogether, or checked himself in the very act of uttering it, from a sense that those whom he was addressing had not sufficient interest or sympathy to entitle them to receive it. His explanations were as short as possible—enough to dispose of the difficulty, and no more; and his questions were of a kind to call the attention of the boys to the real point of every subject, and to disclose to them the exact boundaries of what they knew or did not know. With regard to younger boys, he said: 'It is a great mistake to think that they can understand all they learn; for God has ordered that, in youth, the memory should act vigorously, independent of the understanding—whereas a man can not usually recollect a thing unless he understands it.' But, in proportion to their advance in school, he tried to cultivate in them a habit not only of collecting facts, but of understanding the principles underlying their facts. 'You come here,' he said, 'not to read, but to learn how to read.'"—Success.

Many a child goes astray, not because there is a want of prayer or virtue at home, but simply because home lacks sunshine. A child needs smiles as much as flowers need sunbeams. Children look little beyond the present moment. If a thing pleases, they are apt to seek it; if it displeases, they are to avoid it. If home is the place where faces are sour and words harsh, and fault-finding is ever in the ascendant, they will spend as many hours as possible elsewhere.—Rev. Sidney Smith.

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This gospel of happiness is one which everyone should lay to heart. Set out with the invincible determination that you will bear burdens, and not impose them. Whether the sun shines or the rain falls, show a glad face to your neighbor. If you must fall in life's battle, you can at least fall with a smile on your face.—Wellspring.

The universe must ever wear the colors of the beholder.

At every round of the ladder, it is possible to set before oneself human dignity and moral grandeur as one's aim.

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THE GOLDEN RULE OF EXERCISE.

Physical exercise has been so much insisted upon recently in considering the best development of men and women that both theory and practice have been pushed to dangerous extremes. A sound mind in a sound body is the thing most desired, and the hasty conclusion seems to have been reached by a great many people that if physical exercise is good, the more of it the better. An immense injury is being done by over-violent and too long-continued application to the pleasant and stimulating activities known as athletic training

Our remarks need not be confined in their application to those who go into what is called "professional training," but may be taken to heart by all who ride the wheel, play golf, excel in rowing, fencing, boxing, or go enthusiastically into any other sport or pastime involving great physical exertion. It is particularly to the interest of persons following a sedentary avocation to understand just when and how physical exercise should be taken in order to get its best benefits without the risk of injury to the great centers of energy. Nerve force and muscular power are so intimately connected that to interfere with one must certainly hinder the other. Almost every sedentary occupation, and especially where the mind is hard worked, makes a great draining of nerve force; and yet we see persons turn from long and exhausting brain labor to the most violent physical exercise without any intervening rest. No greater mistake could be made. Physical exertion is but an additional draught upon the resources of the nerves.

The young woman who has applied her mind intensely to shorthand and typewriting for many consecutive hours is no sooner released from duty than, perhaps, she mounts her bicycle and goes for a long, hard spin, hoping thereby to fortify her body and limbs, strengthen her lungs and heart, keep her system in robust working order. The young man who is an accountant, or lawyer's clerk, or official copyist, or laborious student, thinks it his duty to go directly from his work to the gymnasium or to the tennis court for what he fondly imagines will "build up" his muscular system and counteract the exhaustion caused by the intense mental application of business hours. This is burning the candle at both ends, and instead of receiving real benefit from exercise, the misguided victim of ignorance almost certainly sustains great injury to the vital centers. Two draughts are made upon the treasury of strength instead of one; it is like borrowing money at ruinous interest to pay a debt.

The first thing to know on this subject of exercise is, that rest must follow work. If you are mentally fatigued, you may be sure that you are also physically fatigued; twenty minutes of sleep are worth more to you at such a time than two hours of the bicycle or the gymnasium. Take the sleep first; then you are ready for action, and may go heartily out for a spin. Your nerve-centers have been readjusted and recharged by the great restorer, sleep; you are in trim for getting the very greatest pleasure and benefit from reasonable physical activities. Take this, then, as the golden rule of exercise: Never go directly from hard physical exertion to hard mental labor, and never go immediately from exhausting mental exercise to great physical activity. Let rest, and, if possible, sleep, intervene.

No physiologist doubts that change from one sort of exercise to another, and the alternation of physical and mental occupations, can be of greatest recreative benefit when properly regulated. Bodily exertion in the open air is conducive to health and long longevity, so is mental activity; but reckless rushing from exhaustion in one to additional exhaustion in the other can not fail to injure the physique and shorten the life of the person who does it. —Saturday Evening Post.

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As a patriot, he was true, serving through the Civil War.

He was an honored member of the Masonic fraternity, and was also a Knight Templar.

He was married to Miss Ella A. Moore, daughter of the late Col. O. J. Moore, Jan. 8, 1862.

His religious life began when he was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1884, under the ministry of Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D. It was under the influence of no undue excitement, no fitful fever, but after a careful examination of the truths of our holy religion, and the obligations he assumed in taking upon himself the vows of the church.

As is said in the beautiful ritual of the Masons, "we do not claim for our departed brother perfection"—for we recognize the fact that the best of us, and the most sagacious, are liable to make honest mistakes—but we do claim for him purity of motive and honesty of purpose. He was a man of deep convictions, based on well-matured premises, and the conclusions following were generally correct, whether in temporal or in spiritual matters.

He was logical and methodical, not boastful and demonstrative, but unobtrusive and quiet, hiding from the public gaze whatever his warm heart prompted him to do for humanity. The good Father crowned with success his efforts in securing a goodly portion of this world's goods. This he used as not abusing it. His heart was not glued to these things so as to blind his spiritual eyes to his duty to his church and his race. For some time it has been his great desire to see a commodious and beautiful edifice erected to the worship of the God he honored. Pursuant to this great desire, the magnificent structure in our midst stands as a monument of his liberality, and also of his love for God and for the community in which he lived. He contributed to its erection $4,000—nearly half of the entire cost of "Moore Memorial Church," as it is called in memory of Col. Moore, whom we might style the father of Methodism in Winona. But for the goodness of his heart, loyalty to his church, and his princely liberality, this temple of God would not be here.

As a matter of course, his religious life was quiet and even; yet we have seen him, with his now broken hearted companion, approach the altar of the church repeatedly, and give his hand to the minister, promising deeper consecration to God, while his sparkling eye gave evidence of the joy of his heart.

His home life was simply beautiful. So far as our knowledge goes, we have never known a happier home, made so by the uniform kindness and sweet companionship of the one now left lonely in that once happy home, refusing to be comforted because the heart that throbbed so lovingly and tenderly toward her is forever still.

And now, may the God of all comfort console our sorrowing sister! May she come to the Word of his grace as her one hope, and look forward to some sweet day when the union, now broken by the merciless tyrant, shall be renewed in the better land! J. B. STONE.

OBITUARIES.

LEECH—ELMA, eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Leech, was born at Sturgis, Miss., July 27, 1881, and died at their home in Minter City, July 7, 1899.

This brief space of time marked by these two dates gives to the world a young life of eighteen Summers. It was a life that was bright, cheery, joyous, hopeful, and full of unrealized powers and noble anticipations. Like some rare flower that, even in blooming, dies, her buoyant young life passed suddenly under the wintering frost of death into the great beyond.

In infancy she was dedicated to God in holy baptism by Dr. T. C. Wier. On Dec. 14, 1893, she was received into the M. E. Church, South, by the writer.

Elma was a good, sweet girl, and loved good people, and took delight in offices of kindness and helpfulness. She especially loved to take part or do anything in church service to make it more attractive or helpful. Her last service in the Master's name was to collect money and put a good library in the Sunday-school at Minter City. She was an honest, sincere, truthful, noble-hearted girl, who despised cant and hypocrisy. She was so thoughtful of and kind to her mother; she died so triumphantly. She said to them at her bedside: "Do not weep for me;" "Papa, it is all right;" "I will meet you all in the sweet by-and-by."

What a beautiful closing to a bright young life! She is now in the full fruition of immortal life. Good-by, Elma, "till we meet again."

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KING—JAMES H. KING was born in Pike county, Miss., April 26, 1819; moved to Tangipahoa parish, near Amite City, La., in 1856; was married to Miss Eviline Dean in 1839, by whom were born to him eight children, two passing away in infancy. In 1874 he moved to Pine Grove, La., and in September, 1893, he lost his first wife, who had been a faithful companion, leaving him with six children. On Oct. 12, 1877, he was again happily married, to Miss Mary A. Tabor, by whom was born to him one son.

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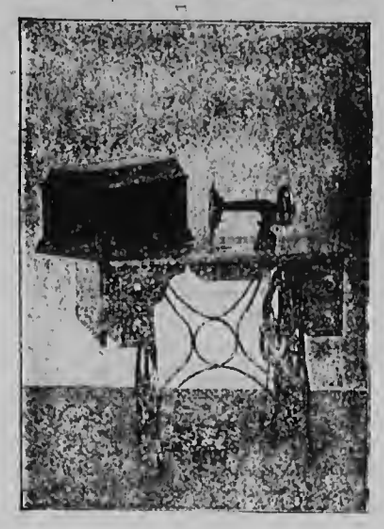

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It is reported that McKinley will retire from politics, and not accept a renomination.

M. Labori, of Dreyfus' counsel, was shot in the back by men in ambush at Rennes on Sunday.

Russian students who create disorders hereafter will be at once drafted into the army.

The administration has decided to make another call for volunteers to reinforce Otis.

The Sewerage, Drainage and Water bill has passed the Louisiana Senate by an unanimous vote.

The number killed in the storm on the Island of Porto Rico is put at 1000. More than 100,000 are homeless.

The rival factions in Samoa renewed hostilities soon after the commissioners left, the Kings taking no part.

E. W. Huntington, a veteran lawyer of New Orleans, seventy years of age, died of heart failure last week.

Major Rockefeller, who disappeared soon after reaching the Philippines, is a prisoner in the hands of the natives.

The Government is to issue an appeal to the people of the United States for aid for the hurricane sufferers in Porto Rico.

Leading members of the Transvaal Raad are opposed to war, and hold Kruger responsible for the present crisis.

Paul Deroulede and sixteen others have been arrested at Paris, charged with conspiring to overthrow the Government.

The Attorney-General of Nebraska has begun suit to enjoin the Standard Oil Company from doing business in that State.

Representatives of various labor organizations had a meeting to inaugurate a movement for the establishment of a Trades Council in New Orleans.

Gen. Otis, it has been decided, will remain in supreme command at Manila, unless he chooses to retire, in which case Lawton will succeed.

Prominent men, both in civil and military life in Hayti, are taking the field for Jiminez, under the belief that Gomez is behind the movement.

Great Britain has completed arrangements to send 12,000 troops from India to South Africa in the event of war. The transports are all ready for them.

The American troops occupied San Mateo, ten miles from Manila, on Sunday, killed twenty-three Filipinos, and losing three killed and thirteen wounded.

The governor of Texas has sent rangers to Hidalgo county to protect six Mexican prisoners, who, it is charged, are being brutally maltreated by the sheriff.

The Filipinos have abandoned Angeles, the objective of MacArthur's advance. The Americans had a hard march through mud knee deep, but met little resistance.

The British Government is soon to build a battleship of a new class, which will be unique in naval architecture, and is expected to revolutionize the construction of war vessels.

In a letter to the Army of Northern Virginia, Gen. Geo. Moorman, Adjutant General and Chief of Staff of Gen. John B. Gordon, U. C. V., announced that he will soon resign his position, which he has held since the organization of the veterans.

There was great excitement here when the news came from Baton Rouge that the sewerage and drainage bill was in danger, owing to the absence of city members of the House. Mr. Farrar and Acting Mayor Britlin took steps to notify the members, who left for the capital.

There is a project on foot to raise colonial troops in our new possessions. The experiment is being tried on a small scale in Porto Rico; with what success is not known. It is now proposed to organize several regiments of militia or auxiliaries in Cuba as part of the provisional force authorized by Congress, and there is no doubt that the same thing will be eventually tried in the Philippines.

The War Department took prompt measures for the relief of the hurricane sufferers in Porto Rico. When the press dispatches and General Davis' advices made known the extent of the disaster steps were immediately taken to send supplies, and the transport "McPherson" was ordered put in readiness to sail from New York. She will carry rations and other necessaries. Secretary of War Root has sent an appeal to mayors of all cities of more than 150,000 population.

According to the reports from the War Department, the ten new regiments of infantry to be added to the army, under the provisions of the act passed by the last session of Congress, are making good progress. Already several of the regiments are up to their full strength, and, altogether, close to 11,000 men have been recruited, and as the full strength of the regiments will aggregate 13,000 men, it will be seen that the enlistments will be completed by the end of the week.

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Publisher

MARRIAGES

JONES—MILLER.—At the residence of Hon. L. A. Miller, the bride's father, on Aug. 3, 1899, at 8 P. M., by Rev. H. L. Hughes, Mr. Zack Jones, of Calcasieu parish, to Miss Hulda Miller, of Dry Creek, La.

SUMRALL PURSER. At the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. Frank Purser, at Gallman, Miss., June 21, 1899, by Rev. W. M. Williams, Mr. Wm. O. Sumrall to Miss Pearl Purser.

LITTLE PURSER. At the residence of Mr. Thomas Welch, at Gallman, Miss., Aug. 13, 1899, by Rev. W. M. Williams, Mr. Henry Little to Miss Rosa Purser.

CAMP MEETINGS.

The Wilson Springs Camp Meeting, four miles north of Moss Point, will begin Sept. 21, and embrace the fourth Sunday. The preachers of the Seashore district are cordially invited to attend. Former pastors are especially invited. These coming will please notify me by postal card, and arrangements will be made to meet them at Moss Point. W. J. DAWSON, P. C.
Escatawpa, Miss.

Camp meeting at South Union begins Friday, Aug. 25. All former pastors, and pastors in Durant district, cordially invited. Come, Mr. Editor, and let's give the ADVOCATE a boom.
W. L. ANDERSON, Pastor.
Chester, Miss., Aug. 11, 1899.

Camp Meeting Calendar.

	Begins.
Frost Bridge Holiness	Aug 19
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LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The other day I dropped in at a quarterly meeting at one of our country churches on one of our circuits. There was a fine congregation, and they had a splendid dinner on the ground. The presiding elder gave us a strong, clear, sound sermon on the "sinfulness of sin, and the lack of consciousness of sin." It was a timely and appropriate utterance. The truth and power of God were in the sermon.

After dinner and an hour of social conversation the Quarterly Conference was called to order. The pastor's reports were good, and full of hope and encouragement. He seemed to have been doing faithful and efficient work. The stewards made their report. There were seven churches and about four hundred members in this charge. They paid the pastor thirty-four dollars and eighty-five cents, and the presiding elder five dollars and fifty cents. This was the sum total for three months' work. The pastor and the presiding elder were both men of families. The pastor got eleven dollars and a fraction per month, and the presiding elder less than two dollars. This is short living for two men with good, large families. This was the pastor's only income. The presiding elder drew from other charges. Some paid him more and some, perhaps, less. Doubt was expressed about paying the pastor up in full, and yet the assessment is less than one dollar per member. This happened in a good country, where the crops are fine and the living good. The people sell cotton, corn, melons, butter, chickens, eggs and cattle.

The presiding elder pressed home on the stewards the great importance of paying in full an assessment already too small. He dwelt on the feeling that would exist and the criticisms that would be made if the preacher did not pay his accounts in full at the end of the year. If the charge fails to pay the preacher, and for this reason the preacher fails to pay his bills, I wonder where the blame will fall when preacher and people stand before the bar of God at the last day? God will do right about it, and we may depend on that. Some one says, "But the preacher ought not to go in debt." That is true; but how he can live and support his family on less than twelve dollars per month without going in debt is a question to be pondered.

The presiding elder has been in the ministry twenty-two years, and eleven years of that time he was not paid up in full. The pastor has been an itinerant preacher twenty-nine years, and never was paid in full. A visiting brother present has been a preacher and pastor forty years, and has been paid in full only four years of that time. These three preachers will say they have faith in the honor, honesty and integrity of the church. Great is their faith.

If Bro. Smith, one of the stewards, had traded with a merchant twenty-two years, and had failed to pay him up in full eleven years of that time, the merchant would begin to grow shaky about letting Smith have any more goods. If Bro. Jones had failed to pay in full for twenty-nine years, I suppose his credit would not be good. If Bro. Allen had paid up in full only four years in forty, the merchant would be apt to ask for security of some kind. Is not the church as much in honor bound to pay the preacher in full as Bros. Smith, Jones and Allen are to pay the merchant in full? The Word of God says, speaking of preachers, "The workman is worthy of his meat." He may not get it, but he is worthy of it, and these debts will have to be settled at the secretary's table in the Quarterly Conference, or at the bar of God in the day of judgment. If the preacher is pure, true, and faithful, any failure to pay him in full will be a wrong done to Christ the Lord.

There is a shameful lack of business sense and tact in managing the money affairs of the church. This is the main source of all our trouble in supporting the ministry. We do not plan wisely, nor act promptly and vigorously, in the business affairs of the church. Our methods—if we could call such slip-shod ways methods—are poorly devised and poorly executed. The loss and, largely, the shame fall on the preacher. This is true here, but it will not be when we stand before God.

If the stewards would try, would take chickens, corn and eggs where they can not get money, this charge could pay every dollar of its assessment, and more, too. This would be some trouble, but it would be an eye-opener to the people about what they are able to do and how to do it. It would develop character, encourage honor and honesty, and greatly promote piety. The pastor is popular, a good preacher, and all the people look upon him as a deeply pious man.

GILDEROY.

Aug. 15, 1899.

TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS OF THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DEAR BROTHERS: The Conference Board of Education greet you in the field. We are laborers together in the great cause of education. It is gratifying to us—and, no doubt, to all your brethren—that you have given marked attention to the Twentieth Century Fund in the administration of your office. The care you have taken to have this fund presented at your District Conferences, and to emphasize the cause of Christian education, will surely bear fruit in furthering the important work. We all know that the preacher in charge holds the key to final success in this enterprise, and upon him rests the work of reaching the people in detail; yet, as leader, the presiding elder has his place in the forefront of the moving columns. He harmonizes and unifies the forces in his district. His wise counsel and solid judgment, and buoyant, aggressive spirit, will settle divers questions of purpose, of policy, of method, of time and place, and will stir preachers and people to high motives and energies of action. We can scarcely overestimate the value of the presiding elder in this, as well as in every other part of Methodist itinerant labor. Sad indeed would be the day for us if his place amongst us were to be minified, or set aside, or used as a sinecure, or held as less than essential in our economy.

You will agree with us that the time is at hand when the subscription lists in the hands of the preachers should be pressed on the attention of the people. Education Day may be used effectively to this end. The multiplicity of duties and cares on the preacher will sometimes discourage his efforts in this new field, and check his zeal for a twentieth century thank-offering for education. The sympathetic presiding elder will find his opportunity in such cases, and lead his brother and the people to victory.

Southern Methodism can not afford to indulge discouragement or hesitation on this subject, and for two reasons. First: The other leading Methodisms on both sides of the Atlantic have asked their people for three or four times as much per member as our church has, and they are advancing with sure step towards a full collection. The dawn of the twentieth century will find them with their offering on the altar. Shall not the North Mississippi Conference greet that morning with her forty-five thousand dollars? Second: Our schools are more needy of essential funds. Vanderbilt University should have four times the endowment now in hand. Her resources are much short of the needs of her great work, which we should not allow to be embarrassed by lack of funds.

If we turn our eyes on our colleges, the need grows painful, if not distressing. Taking the twelve best out of the forty-eight reported, it is questionable whether more than half of them are ready to be accepted as colleges by our General Board of Education. The other half will have to wait and grow, especially in endowment. The thirty-six others will likely be put in the rank and service of the academy or training-school. Our people, so accustomed to call almost any church school a college, especially if it is for girls and young ladies, will be surprised to find that only two, possibly one, of the female schools can fill the conditions of a true college—if for no other reason, for lack of endowment. It is easy to see, then, so far as the Twentieth Century Fund is concerned, that our true policy is, not to create more schools, especially colleges, but out of those we have to help such as the church most needs in her service. This is not a destructive process, but one of building. It strengthens and insures the whole by endowing and securing the centers. The true classification of our schools, and the regulation of their correlated work under the act of the General Conference, will be an increasing advantage perpetually unfolding itself as we go on in the great work. You will agree with us that all our movements must be kept in harmony with the directions of the General Board. Thus shall we work together.

It can scarcely be out of place to refer here to those schools which we hold in possession and under our own care for support and development in the work of Christian education.

We need not go over the history of struggles and losses which preceded the providential coming of Millsaps College. It suffices that the day of relief came, and that a live, well-organized school, having all the parts and powers of a true college, sprang at a bound into competent service for the higher education of our sons. But if the organization and instruction in this young college are yielding us scholastic results which fulfill and enlarge our hopes, they should none the less call out our purposes and energies to make the endowment and all other parts of equipment equal to the largest demand. Let us cultivate for this worthy college—the results of whose labor are enriching our own fields—a loyal, enthusiastic devotion, shown by works as well as faith.

The Conference Board wishes that you could be pointed to a school in Grenada equally as well endowed and otherwise appointed as a college for our daughters. We hail with sincere satisfaction the action of our General Conference under which the requirements for college classes and degrees in schools for young women shall be equivalent to those for young men. This itself is a great move forward. We must respond to it. Our purpose must be equal to our duty. Let us realize that our work in the field of education is now as much connectional as that of missions or of the Sunday-school. We should give our best study to this great matter, and press with patient energy in this co-operative of higher Christian education. We need not expect our college for young women to spring up full formed in a day. That means large endowment and college organization, but we must keep eyes and hands steadily on that object. We have the solid foundation already laid in Grenada College. The good work done there for these years past under the supervision of the North Mississippi Conference will be continued under the presidency of the Rev. W. M. McIntosh, A. B. (Emory, Ga.). With a competent faculty to aid him, and in full sympathy with the aim of our Conference, he is putting his whole energy into the work. You will realize, as this Board does, the importance of co-operation with him. This is our one Conference school which we own in fee simple—a property worth $30,000. The buildings are specially substantial, among the best in the State, and now in good, fresh repair, ready for use. The record of this school for health during the last ten or twelve years will challenge comparison with any, even in the mountains. The location is in an excellent community, and one of the best sections of the State. Let us urge our whole Conference to concentrate here, and build and grow wisely and well to the end.

W. T. J. SULLIVAN,
For the Board.

IS THERE ROOM FOR ALL?

Some years ago, when the presidents of our various colleges for girls found themselves about to clash in their claims for patronage, impelled by a Christly unselfishness, they were accustomed to say, "Oh, there is room enough for us all." The people have heard this amiable fiction until they have come to believe it, groundless as it is. The college people themselves have found that it is a fiction, a very unfortunate fiction, that needs to be dismissed. There is no reason to hug the charitable delusion any longer, for it has no foundation in fact, and it can but be hurtful to take the false for the true.

Let us face a few facts and figures. There lie before me catalogues, the latest issues, of all four of the colleges for girls in the Mississippi Conference. From these I learn that the enrollments of all four, for the year just closed, in the literary departments aggregate 553 pupils. This includes all the kindergartners, primaries, "preps," and collegiates, even the little boys received into the lower grades.

Now, suppose that everyone of these 553 pupils attended college for the full ten months, and paid in cash $50 for tuition, the gross tuition receipts for the four colleges would have been $27,650. There were employed as teachers in literary work merely for these 553 pupils, 22 men and women.

Now, suppose that every cent of this money had been paid out to these teachers, reserving none of it for incidental or other expenses; divided equally, they would have received each $1,256.81. Teachers of the first class are receiving from $3,000 to $6,000 per year, and when large colleges with ample endowments are paying such salaries, we can not expect to get and hold them for $1,200. We may get one once in a while who happens to be out of a chair, and will take our pittance rather than be idle; but we can not hold him at that salary, for if he is really first class, some endowed institution will soon offer him more, and take him from us. I have known a country public school teacher in California to get $1,250 a year for her work.

Did these 22 literary teachers in our four colleges for girls in the Mississippi Conference get $1,256.81 each? Did any one of them get it? It is a fact that many of these 553 pupils, being preachers' daughters, are charged no tuition, and many others were taken on cut rates, paying $15 and $20 per year. Many attended only a small part of the year, and many more were in the lower classes, where they were only charged $20 or $30 per year. It would be extravagant to suppose that all the money collected in all four of our girls' colleges for literary tuition during the year just closed would aggregate one-half of $27,650. Then, did the 22 teachers get $628.40 each for their year's work? From my knowledge of the business I venture the guess that not one of them received as much as $800, while the majority of them get less than $400 each, and some of them not over $200. No college can keep its chairs filled with competent teachers at these rates. It is utterly impossible to do it, and every business man who looks into the matter knows it.

The foregoing calculations have had no reference to the specials, ornamentals, etc., such as music on the piano, violin, guitar, mandolin, and picolo; vocal music, painting of various kinds, elocution and physical culture, stenography and typewriting, sewing and embroidery. There were last year in the four colleges taking these branches 650 pupils—counting one pupil sometimes two, three, four and five times. The highest rates charged by any of these colleges for any of these branches is $70 per year, and the lowest is $10. Very few pay $70. A fair average would be $40. Now, if everyone of the 650 paid as much as $40, as an average—i. e., if all attended for ten months, and there was no rate-cutting and no failure to pay bills—the whole amount received by the four colleges was $26,000. There were engaged in teaching these branches 25 men and women. Now, if there were no pianos to be bought last year, and none to be tuned or repaired, and no other expenses, so that this $26,000 could have been distributed among these 25 teachers equally, each would have received $1,040. But there was rate-cutting, and pianos had to be tuned and repaired, and possibly new ones to be bought; and there were other expenses, and nothing near $26,000 was paid to these 25 teachers. I doubt if anyone of them got $1,000. Most of them, I am quite sure, got each less than one-half of that amount. Anyone can see that if the ornamental departments of our girls' colleges can pay their own expenses, it is absolutely all they can do. They are not making any money to be carried over into the literary departments to help run them. Let us concede, for argument's sake, that 25 teachers are needed to teach 650 pupils in these ornamental and other special branches, and let us concede, however violent the concession, that these departments can and do pay their own expenses; yet we see, beyond all question, that the literary work, the teaching of English and mathematics, Latin, Greek, and the sciences, is very, very poorly provided for in our four colleges for girls. This must be so. It is so.

If everyone of the 553 pupils who were in the literary departments of our four girls' colleges last year was a full-pledged collegiate, six well-equipped professors could teach them all far better than the 22 half-paid teachers did it. No one can doubt this. If $12,000 could be collected as tuition fees from these 553 pupils—I dismiss the idea of $27,650—each teacher could be paid $2,000. While this would not give a first-class college, it would be infinitely better than anything we now have. Have we room for four colleges for girls in the Mississippi Conference? The catalogues of these colleges answer most unequivocally, No! Is there a single objection to concentration that can stand the light of reason? Nobody has offered a single argument against the concentration idea. Then let us heed the demand of common sense, and the behest of "the powers that be" in our church, and let us take steps at once looking to the concentration of our colleges for girls! If not, why not?

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON.

P. S.—It is rumored in some sections that I am to take a professorship in Whitworth College. The rumor is entirely erroneous. I may deliver between my quarterly meetings a few lectures to the girls, as I once did in East Mississippi Female College; but these will be entirely gratis. I am in no sense an employee or officer in Whitworth; do not desire to be; never expect to be. I am not even a trustee of the college. I am contented where I am, and will be until the Bishop orders me elsewhere. H. WALTER F.

DELHI DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Delhi District Conference was held at Rayville, La., July 27-30. All the preachers of the district, save Rev. I. L. Bronson, were present. The lay delegation, though small in number, took a lively interest in the proceedings of the Conference. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. D. Harper, occupied the chair, and evinced those administrative qualities which are sure to inspire brotherly love and to deepen everyone's interest in the cause of Christ. Rev. Wm. Schuhle was elected secretary.

The first day was devoted to a Missionary Institute. The several speakers had imbibed the spirit of the central theme of Christianity, and handled their various topics accordingly. It is hoped that missionary consolences in this district will multiply, together with the spread of missionary intelligence. Dr. J. L. Pierce, in his sermon on Sunday, dealt with this subject in a masterly way.

The disciplinary questions were diligently put, and the reports showed that "a longer ladder yet remains to scale." The spiritual status of the district calls for deep humiliation, faith, prayer, and earnest pastoral work, together with the definite and Spirit-charged preaching of the Word. The Sunday-schools, in the main, are doing good work. Epworth Leagues are few, but their work is spiritually uplifting. Church-houses and parsonages, in general, are in good condition. The new church at Monroe is expected to be ready for occupancy in time for our Annual Conference session in December.

The American Bible Society was not forgotten, but, as yet, it has not been substantially remembered.

It goes without saying that the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE deserves a welcome to every Methodist home.

Mrs. Mary E. Carr, district secretary of the W. H. M. S., read an interesting paper on the work she so efficiently represents. There are several auxiliary societies, both adult and juvenile, in the district that are doing fine work. As usual, Mer Rouge had an excellent report. All honor to them who so faithfully carry on the Savior's work.

Dr. I. W. Cooper, president of Centenary, made a soul-stirring appeal in favor of Christian education. Happy the young men who catch his inspiration of lofty ideals! His is a call to earnest work. "For not on downy plumes, nor under shade of canopy reposing, fame is won."

Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard was with us, and represented Mansfield Female College; also the Twentieth Century Educational Fund. He is the man to make success, being full of faith, fire, and facts.

Rev. Robt. W. Vaughn was a welcome visitor from Arcadia district. Both he and our courteous Conference host, Rev. W. H. Hatfield, contemplate attending Centenary.

Rev. H. O. White read an interesting paper on: "Are We Reaching the Masses? If Not, Why Not?" The paper is to be published in the ADVOCATE (New Orleans).

The religious services throughout the Conference were inspiring. The preaching was of a high order. The following dispensed the Word, viz.: Drs. J. L. Pierce, I. W. Cooper, Revs. H. O. White, T. S. Randle, J. L. P. Sheppard, and A. S. J. Neill.

A resolution commending officers for faithfully enforcing prohibition laws in Richland, Franklin, and other parishes, was passed by a unanimous vote.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference, viz.: J. B. Reiley, W. J. Daniel, C. E. Robinett, E. W. Anderson; alternates: R. E. Kiper and Richard Arant.

Rayville entertained the Conference with true Southern hospitality.

The Conference meets next year at Oak Ridge. WM SCHUHLE, Sec.

Bastrop, La.

PITY! PRAY! SEEK!

Pity the wandering—oh, the bitter strife,
The shame, the fear, the anguish of their life!

Pray for the wandering—Jesus prays for thee
If e'er thou should'st weary grow, where wouldst thou be?

Seek out the wandering, love them, succor lend,
And thus resemble Christ, the wanderer's Friend.

Exchange.

Correspondence.

SAM JONES CAMP MEETING

I may be, and hope I am, mistaken in supposing that the measure of success, spiritual, attained by the ten days' services, amounts to but little. It may be, however, that "the last great day" will demonstrate that some good was accomplished; that some wanderer from the "Father's" house came to himself, arose and went home to be forgiven and blest with the consciousness of pardon and peace. That there was some excellent preaching done, and also some earnest, unselfish work for the salvation of sinners, there can be no doubt, as the names of those who filled the pulpit from time to time, during the week, will fully prove. The opening sermon, Friday night, the twenty-first, was, as is usual and proper, preached by our beloved and faithful friend and brother, Jno. A. B. Jones, and, like all his pulpit deliverances, was of the very best.

Sunday, thirty-first, the pulpit was occupied by Prof. Hannicutt, of Atlanta, at 11 A M The sermon was an excellent one, as all his sermons are, and there was an immense throng of people.

Monday brought "Cyclone" Clifford, who in zeal, earnestness, consecration and ability, is away up near the head. I have seldom seen more earnest effort and intense solicitude for the salvation of the lost than Bro. Clifford manifested in each service conducted by him, and it is the unbiased conviction of this writer that had he taken charge of the meeting earlier and retained control until its close, more good would have resulted. The same remark applies to other preachers on the ground, notably Bro. Frank Keen and Dr. Cooper, possibly others. The idea I wish to convey is, that in such meetings as are these it is best that one or, at the most, two preachers should do the preaching and the altar work. I did not think so until this meeting, but my observation there convinces me that "too many preachers spoil the broth" just as badly as would a multiplicity of cooks. I am sorry it is true, but there is no doubt about its being so. The same impression seemed to take hold of the Association, as is shown by its action at the annual meeting after the close of the camp meeting, in instructing its Executive Committee to secure the attendance of one or two preachers for the next meeting that could draw and hold the people during the week, the idea being embodied in the report of the Executive Committee and also the suggestion named above, which was made the order of the Association. The committee also suggested the names of Joe Jones and Mr. Crittenden, and that suggestion was also endorsed. How the new departure will result God knows, and he is about the only one that can look down the corridors of time and see the end from the beginning. At all events, I am disposed to give my beloved brethren who are partial to evangelists and their methods the largest measure of latitude possible, believing, as I do, that they are actuated by an earnest desire for the advancement of the kingdom of grace and the glory of God. Aside from the fact that in a multitude of preachers there is not ordinarily, and where each has a short inning in the pulpit, much likelihood of a "Pentecost," the proposed plan will eliminate the disturbing element of cranks who can not be taught the fact that a camp meeting is not the place for the discussion of a plurality or a pancity of blessings; nor will it be likely to result in one of these people getting into the pulpit and throwing a firebrand of discord among the people. Along these lines it is proper to quote the reply of the Master to the Pharisees: "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." "They that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick."

Dr. Cooper preached some most excellent sermons and labored hard in the vineyard of the Lord. He is a most elegant gentleman, an earnest Christian and lovable man. May God bless him in all things! Among others, our young and talented brother, Frank Keen, did excellent service, both in the pulpit and the choir. The same meed of commendation applies to Bros. M. M. Black, Jab. Jones, et al. Bro. R. D. Norsworthy was with us a part of the time, but was too unwell to take an active part. There were other ministers on the grounds, from time to time, some of whom preached once or twice and then left for their different fields of work. The singing was good, as it must always be when Keen, Black, Cassels, the Misses Longmire, Cassels, Webb, et als., compose the choir; but there seemed to be a pall of unrest, coldness and lack of spirit in most of the services, to my mind, that too surely indicated a lack of that fraternity and community of interest that should always obtain among the people of God, and without which it is vain to expect his presence or blessing. God knows what was the matter, and I think I do, too; but if I were to give my opinion here, you would not publish it; hence I will only venture the remark that God is as intolerant of Achans in the camp of his people to-day as he was when the original Achan got into trouble about some silver, gold, and raiment. There has been no change in his code of morals, nor will there be.

There were but one or two conversions, and a like number joined the church. This looks like small returns from a ten days' meeting, but if but one of these finally gains heaven as a result of the meeting, the compensation will be ample, grand, glorious, and inspiring. The weather was hot and dry, but the grounds were comparatively cool, and the water delicious and health-giving.

The annual meeting was harmonious, and the affairs of the Association are in excellent shape. An effort will be made to improve the hotel accommodations and along other lines next year. Praying for the "peace of Jerusalem" and the future success of the Association in advancing the cause and kingdom of our God, and with personal regards, I beg to remain, Yours truly,

REX.

SARDIS DISTRICT.

We are now far advanced upon the third round on Sardis district. The district averages well in almost every particular. It is served by a corps of good preachers, who stay by their charges and look carefully after the interests of the work. I have been surprised at the excellency of the sermons of many of our traveling preachers. But one has not far to go, nor is it difficult to find a reason. As a training-school for the making of a preacher, our itinerant system is one of the very best. If a young man has been soundly converted, called to preach and admitted into the "traveling connection," and will be studious, industrious, and consecrated, it will be an exceptional case if he does not make an acceptable preacher.

Our pastors are planning, or have already entered upon, the campaign of their Summer and Fall meetings, and the revival fires already begin to burn. The great and felt need of our churches is a genuine revival of "the old-time religion." It is not merely the holding of protracted meetings in a perfunctory way that we need, but meetings resulting in a mighty quickening of the church, deep conviction, thorough conversion, and ingathering of members.

Sardis district can boast of a goodly number of veteran preachers. We do not call them venerable men, but men who carry "an element of youth" through their one, two, or more, score years of itinerant service. "Silver threads" appear "among the gold," or other color. They are assuming Solomon's "crown of glory," but are still alert and active. Like Job's war-horse, whose neck is clothed with thunder, who paweth in the valley, who snuffeth the battle afar, they are ready and eager for the fray.

Rev. J. D. Newsom is renewing his youth on Longtown circuit. He looks plethoric and strong, and rejoices to be reckoned again on the effective roll. He finds some folk-lore and some phases of Methodism that constitute a revelation even to a veteran, as reported in a recent article, or two, from his pen. He has four churches and four Sunday-schools. Three of these schools he reported at our last quarterly meeting to be in a very prosperous condition. His brethren, at the last Annual Conference, had the pleasure of hearing his semi-centennial sermon.

Rev. Amos Kendall holds forth the Word of Life at Sardis, where he preached more than twenty-five years ago, when Sardis was on a circuit that paid the preacher eleven hundred dollars. While yet a youth he began his ministry in England, and will preach his semi-centennial sermon at the next Annual Conference. No one ever calls Amos Kendall a dry preacher. He is one of the best-equipped and readiest preachers in the Conference. Almost any college would have done itself credit to have conferred the doctorate upon him long ago. He is in favor with his people.

Rev. J. D. Cameron, D. D., is pastor at Coldwater and Hernando. He is a well-rounded man, a systematic worker, and an able minister of the gospel, a veteran of more than two-score of years; yet his bow abides in strength. His collections ordered by the Conference are all provided for and paid up in part.

Batesville and Wesley is served by Rev. T. Cameron. Several years ago he closed a four-years' pastorate on this charge, and came back to meet the congratulations of his old parishioners. More than three decades ago he was licensed to preach. Has a burning of notes and manuscripts occasionally, and rarely keeps a sermon over ten years old. He rejoices in a new parsonage, built since Conference—one of the best in the district. He averages well with his brother, J. D., in appearance and avoirdupois, and it is still an open question among their brethren, which is the better preacher, "Tom or Jim?" "Par nobile fratrum."

Rev. John R D. King, after two very successful years on Cockrum circuit, was transferred to Courtland charge, where he is now in the midst of earnest work. Revival echoes come from his work. At Courtland there have been conversions and accessions. At Pope station he had a very successful meeting, resulting in quite a number of conversions. Bro. King has of late labored under serious hindrance on account of his wife's critical illness. Her life, he writes me, hangs but on a thread. We commend him and his sick companion to the sympathy and prayers of the brethren.

Rev. W. J. Burt serves Tyro circuit now the third year. Six churches and six hundred members! He has greatly improved his parsonage, and gotten it free from debt. Bro. Burt is thoughtful and painstaking in the preparation of his sermons. He has planned well for his Summer meetings, already reports conversions, and we are looking for still greater things. Burt has good "staying qualities"—such qualities as should be cultivated by both the preacher and his charge.

But, lest I crowd the ADVOCATE and weary the reader, I close for the present, with a promise to complete my report of Sardis district later on.

T. C. WIER.

Communications.

ARE WE REACHING THE MASSES? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

BY "CLERICUS."

The first question may be answered by the monosyllable "no." With all our church machinery we fail to reach the masses. Why not? is not so easily answered, for there are so many reasons. One, and, perhaps, one of the principal reasons, is, that the pastor has acknowledged his inability to do the work of a preacher, and the church and the world accept it as a fact. Such an acknowledgment is truly sad, and brings a reproach upon the church, and even accuses God of calling wrong men to the work of the ministry. It may be asked, When was this acknowledgment made? When he called a specialist—not a brother pastor—to conduct a meeting; one who is noted, more or less, as doing that special and all-important part of the work of a preacher of the gospel of the Son of God; one who claims a special call to that particular part of the work. This pastor ignores his brother pastor as well as himself, saying by that, "I can't successfully call sinners to repentance; neither can any of these men of God in the regular pastorate," thereby teaching this dangerous untruth, that there are some men called of God to call sinners to repentance who are not qualified by the baptism of the Holy Ghost, reflecting upon God; furthermore saying: "Here is a man that God has called to save sinners, to whom God has given special adaptation over and above his brethren for this work; one who, not by preaching a pure, unmixed gospel, but by peculiar manipulations, and genuflections of voice and of person, certain unusual and queer contortions of the body or face, mixed with very ungentlemanly and, therefore, unchristian manners, as well as words; who has so studied the science of sensation, and mastered and applied it, that he has become the chosen medium through whom God proposes to save sinners, God having concluded that the old style of saving sinners has served its mission, and now introduces this new man of action, noise and slang to take the place of the old pastor, with his antiquated ways and means." This new man is heard to say this old pastor, with his antiquated ways, "is a soul murderer," and that the church is recklessly led to destruction by this old plan, and its old pastor and his ways. This new man is using every means in his power to overthrow the church, teaching disloyalty to the church while he remains in its pales; and when he can no longer remain in the church, denounces it and all its officials, and everyone who would abide by its laws, in unmeasured terms of abuse.

But there are other reasons, one of which is, that so many young men, in their misguided zeal, have become imitators of these self-same specialists, and, following in their footsteps, have gone forth among the people with slang for gospel, until the church has lost confidence in its ministry to a great extent, and in the efficiency of the pastor, so that, when he speaks of holding a meeting, the first question is, "What specialist are you going to have?" having lost faith in a man professing to be called of God to call sinners to repentance, who thus acknowledges his inefficiency. The church has gone back into sinful indulgences, and many into open infidelity. As a result of all this, the masses hesitate to accept Christianity as a truth, and are indifferent to its calls and claims.

Another reason, perhaps, is that we attempt to reach the masses by doubtful means, such as announcing some very sensational subject or theme for our sermons, such as, "The Sinns of Chicago," etc; or, it may be, lifting up ourself before the congregation instead of lifting up Him who said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me;" or, it may be, that we delegate to the few who compose the choir, and very frequently persons who have no knowledge of Christ's saving power, and sometimes persons that are vile in heart and life, the solemn, holy and delightful service of song and praise, thus shutting off from this part of the service of the sanctuary much the larger portion of those that do attend the services of the house of God. It may be that this part of the service is only to tickle the ear by the rendering of some difficult piece of music, or the singing of some unintelligible song by some very cultivated voice of softness, or otherwise in a "so low" that is often a misnomer—it is so high.

Perhaps in the preparation of our sermons we have called in the helps so abundantly afforded by many Publishing Houses, and have not invoked the presence and power of the Holy Ghost to aid us; so, when we go before the people, we go without that preparation of heart and mind that is so very necessary for success. Or, it may be, we make our sermons of such sour or harsh material that it is so unpalatable that one or two attempts on the part of the people to digest satisfies them of the futility of the attempt; or, it may be, that our sermons are so prosy and uninteresting the people get worn out, and go away, not to return for fear of a repetition. We ought to study to show ourselves approved unto God; workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth, and not giving it in such large and indigestible quantities.

These are a few reasons why we do not reach the masses.

THE LEAVEN IS SPREADING!

Notwithstanding all that has been said and done and written, some continue to ask: "What must I do?" "How must I do it?" I submit the following answer:

"Sardis, Miss., Aug. 15, 1899.

"J. R. Bingham—

"MY DEAR BROTHER: I will now report what we have done in the interest of the Twentieth Century Education Movement. Early in the year our presiding elder, Dr. T. C. Wier, preached an excellent sermon on Christian Education, setting before the people what they would be expected to do this year and next for educational purposes. I then distributed all the literature I could get hold of among the Methodists of the town. I then supplied the members of the choir with copies of the programme, so they could practice the music for the proper observance of the day. I then copied the names of the church members into the book prepared for that purpose. When the day arrived programmes were scattered all through the congregation, and the programme was strictly observed, even to preaching on the text given in the programme. [Good!—J. R. B.] I then held up the roll-book containing the names of church members, and told them I was ready to receive responses. I think Sardis will pay every cent this year and next. I believe this, and am doing what I can in this direction. I am with you and the church in this matter with all my heart. I do not intend to leave a stone unturned calculated to lead to the accomplishment. Truly,

"AMOS KENDALL."

How complete the answer, and how inspiring the hopefulness of this young-old veteran of more than half a century in the itinerant ranks! Let the young men of the Conference look to their laurels!

Here is answer number two:

"Starkville, Miss., Aug. 14, 1899.

"DEAR BRO. BINGHAM: Starkville circuit hopes to do her part with the Twentieth Century Fund. Have presented the cause at two churches. First one, under unfavorable circumstances, subscribed thirteen dollars. Many more will subscribe from that church. At the second church a membership of twenty-six subscribed thirty-one and 25-100 dollars. Some were absent who, I think, will subscribe. They are glad to do so. We have three churches yet to hear from, and we think the circuit will pay one dollar per member. The Lord is blessing us as a church, and a thank-offering is due. I believe the church recognizes this as a privilege more than a duty.

"Your brother in Christ,

"S. A. BROWN."

This, from a young preacher less than five years in the Conference, will make the old men to rejoice that the cause to which they have devoted so many toilsome years will be committed to such faithful young men. The most cheering feature of these two reports is not the work already done, splendid as that is, but the declared purpose to persevere till complete victory is won, and the hopeful spirit which breathes in every line.

Carrollton reports one more name added to the "paid list," and three dollars cash added to the fund.

Let the reports increase in number and amount from week to week.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Aug. 19, 1899.

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W. F. M. S., LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

Believing that frequent reports from the auxiliaries will arouse a wider interest in the missionary column which the ADVOCATE has so kindly placed at our disposal, I cordially invite the members of the W. F. M. S to send me by postal card any and every item of intelligent interest within their societies, and then watch the column for reports.

In this issue are given extracts from a letter written by Miss Atkinson to Mrs. Foster, State corresponding secretary, hearing good news of our very own Bible woman in Soochow. It is encouraging to know that our seed-sowing in far-away China is bearing rich fruit.

"I think I have not written of the change in your Bible woman, Mrs. Sung, who, with her husband, was living with us in our Chinese house in West Soochow. We hadn't a better nor more capable woman in the whole mission than Mrs. Sung, and it troubled us to have to give her up in that capacity; but her husband was removed to another centre and each given a day school.

"Miss Ng has taken the place as Bible woman made vacant by Mrs. Sung's removal, and you have lost nothing by the change. I found Miss Ng in an obscure day school in Shanghai about eleven years ago. She became a Christian while in that school, and afterward I took her out and educated her in McTyeire School. Her mother was converted soon after, and became our Bible woman also (after her husband's death). Miss Ng is with her mother, and a little brother is with them also, studying in the Anglo-Chinese School. We are hoping to take Miss Ng's sister with us when we open the new girl's school, and then four of the family will be together.

"Miss Ng speaks and writes English very nicely, considering her opportunities. She is a lovely young woman about twenty-four years of age—a real lady in manner and feeling. Above all, she is one of the most spiritual women I have ever known, our own race not excepted. She is unselfish to a fault (if that be possible), and has no desire for worldly gain. She was offered a position as teacher in the new school for girls in Shanghai, opened by the native officials, where no Christianity is taught, her salary to be three times what we were giving her; but without one word of advice from us, she refused it for her position with us. She wants to educate her sister, and to do this she and her sister say they are willing to wear the clothes they have now for two or three years. Miss Ng dresses very neatly, but plainly.

"Last year, at Conference, the Bishop separated our work on that side of the city into a separate station, giving us a native and foreign pastor both. We have met with phenomenal success. Mr. Nance, in whom you are especially interested, was appointed our foreign pastor, and he has been so kind to us, so interested in the work. We have no preacher whose religious views I appreciate more than I do his, and we have so enjoyed him and Mrs. Nance; but, alas! Bishop Wilson has changed Mr. Nance and his school to Shanghai. We are all broken up about it. They have sent us Mr. Cline, but we don't know him yet.

"Miss Williams lives with me, and we are more than a mile away from any of our kind. We regret that, but so far as work is concerned, we feel that no one is better situated. It is most encouraging work, but we are at a disadvantage, because we are so crowded and our rooms not comfortable.

"Everything has stopped three weeks (in February) for the Chinese New Year's holidays. We will resume work at the beginning of the Chinese New Year full of hope for these people, whom we are so gladly serving, and coming to love more and more, because they are his, and have a right with us to the inheritance.

"I will send you a photo of our Chinese women workers soon. The card has five on it. The one standing in the center is Mrs. Sung, and to the right of her you will see Miss Ng, wearing glasses.

"I should think several of your society members might enjoy a correspondence with Miss Ng, and I am sure it would do her good. Letters directed to 'Miss Ng Yoeh-wo,' Soochow, in my care, will reach her.

"Very sincerely,

"VIRGINIA M. ATKINSON,
"Soochow."

Will not some of the members of the societies write to Miss Ng, and thereby give her the encouragement and pleasure of knowing that she is held in prayerful remembrance by her sisters on this side of the globe?

MRS. T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

As aged palm trees bear the heaviest cinsters, so lives which are planted in and nourished from God know no term of their fruitfulness, and are full of sap and verdant when lives that have shut themselves off from him are like an old stump, gaunt and dry, fit only for firewood.—Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

It is a great thing to die a Christian death; it is a greater thing to live a Christian life.—Exchange.

IN MEMORIAM.

Elizabeth Cornelia Grace, the daughter of Perry Humphry Hanna and Mary Ann Hanna, was born in East Carroll parish, March 18, 1853, and departed this life at Plaquemine Brûlee, Acadia parish, June 7, 1899. After the death of her father her widowed mother, with her family, moved from East Carroll to West Carroll parish, and settled near Floyd. It was here she first gave her young womanhood to Christ and united with the M. E. Church, South. Here she became more active in the church than ever before, which resolution she faithfully kept.

In 1877 she was married to R. C. Grace, a member of the Louisiana Conference. It was Sister Grace's ambition to promote the happiness and ministerial usefulness of her husband, and she succeeded admirably. Having no issue, she was at liberty to travel with him, which she did extensively, and in this way was a great comfort as well as a great help in his pastoral labors. She sought her husband's approbation in all things, and, finding it, her happiness was perfect. The disturbance of a connubial bliss and domestic union so full and delectations is one of the providences of the Most High.

The closing up of such a life could not be otherwise than glorious beyond description. For some days before her departure her religious frame of mind was attended by great enlargement and augmentation. In conversation with a friend she said: "I have recently thought so much of heaven. It is constantly before me. In whatever direction I turn its visions break upon my gaze, and its glories fill my soul with rapturous awe." If her life was beautifully consistent, her death was a glorious triumph over the king of terrors. When informed by her grief-stricken husband of her speedy dissolution, the intelligence was received by her with heroic calmness and serenity. Looking into the face of her husband, who was watching by her bedside eager to catch every word that fell from her dying lips, she said, "Jesus has come for me and I must go." Her husband replied, "Dear, I don't want you to leave me." She answered: "Yes, but Jesus has come, and says I must go. It will not be long before you will follow me. Do your work, and then come home. I will meet you at the gate." She then sang with a strong voice,

"'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take him at his word."

Then in a few moments her blood-washed spirit on wings of light swept upward through ether's trackless waste to the city of gold, which, on reaching, she entered the pearly portals, and by kindred dear welcomed to the throne and companionship of the blest.

Weep not, my Brother Grace; your loss is her eternal gain. Soon, if faithful, you will join her in realms of fadeless glory, never to part, never to suffer more.

M. C. MANLY.

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"The Gospel of Giving" having had a sufficient sale to justify a reduction in price, we will hereafter send it postpaid to any address at the following prices: Ten copies, ten cents; twenty-five copies, fifteen cents; fifty copies, twenty-five cents; one hundred copies, forty cents; two hundred copies, seventy-five cents.

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REV. W. C. BLACK.

NOTICE.

To the Executive Committee of Church Extension of Louisiana—

DEAR BRETHREN: There are pigeonholed in the desk of some member of your committee two applications for aid to the State and Parent Boards of the Woman's H. M. Society from the Melville and Big Cane charge. One of them asks for a loan, and was sent to the president for his approval, and that of the Executive Committee, he—the president—promising to sign himself and send it to the several members of his committee for approval. Several weeks and more have elapsed, and I can not hear from them, and we are in a hurry and needing the money to complete our parsonage here at Melville. I would write to the several members of this committee, but do not know just who they are. So, through the kindness of the editor, I take this opportunity to trace these applications.

Dear brethren, one of you has them; please sign and send through the whole committee and return to me, and I will forward to Mrs. Lyons, who will get it before the Parent Board and Central Committee as soon as possible, so the one for loan may be considered, and if our case proves worthy, we may secure the loan right away, because our case is so urgent.

Brethren, let us not cause an enterprise of this kind to suffer because of thoughtlessness. Fraternally,

J. W. LEE.

Melville, La., Aug. 14, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

PROVIDENCE CAMP MEETING.

The Providence Camp Meeting began at 8 P. M., July 27, and closed Aug. 1, at 3 P. M. The attendance on Sunday was as large as usual, but not so large during the week, owing to sickness and also as the farmers were not through work. The meeting was good and made a good impression for the next meeting. We suppose the tents will be full next year. There were twenty-five applicants for church membership, all of whom were children. We had good preaching. The preachers present were Dr. Featherston, A. B. Nicholson, R. Selby, V. V. Boone, J. M. Morse, H. A. Gatlin, J. D. Ellis, L. F. Alford and Early Gray. Miss Grace Loper, of Wesson, was organist and she promptly and efficiently did her part, even without the least criticism from anyone.

There was a camp here in ante-bellum days, but between what dates I do not know. It was rebuilt and revived twenty-six years ago next October.

C. MCDONALD.

OXFORD CAMP MEETING.

The Oxford Camp Meeting has just closed. It was one of the greatest meetings in the history of that old camp ground. About twenty-eight souls were converted and a great number reclaimed. Many Christians were made to rejoice as never before from a consciousness of the presence of the Lord. Many—both young and old—entered into a covenant to have family worship in the home. Indeed, it was a meeting of the old-time power. I have attended many revival meetings, but never saw better order. Even the people who were not religious looked and acted as if they were there to worship. The congregation at this encampment is made up from Oxford station and the Abbeville circuit. Besides the two pastors—Rev. R. M. Standifer and the writer—we had Dr. S. A. Steel, and Bro. J. C. Park, of Water Valley. It is useless for us to say anything of Dr. Steel as a preacher. Surely he has but few equals in the pulpit. His preaching and earnest appeals on this occasion will be long remembered. Surely Bro. Park's coming was of the Lord. He proved himself the man for the place. He came to the first service and remained on the ground to the last. He has the combined gift of preaching strong sermons and in a sensible way pressing them to results. The camp meeting preacher of the North Mississippi Conference!

A. W. LANGLEY.

HELP NEEDED.

As I was leaving Hammond, La., some of the brethren there asked me to write something to the ADVOCATE with reference to the condition of Southern Methodism in that town. On invitation of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Montgomery, I spent six days there recently. Our church has a small membership of good people in Hammond, but no church-house. They are struggling against opposition of almost every description. In the town there are about seven different denominations without harmony enough to even attend each other's revival efforts. During the few days I was there we could scarcely get any attendance—only our own little Southern Methodist crowd, and a few of the M. E. Church people. The majority of Hammond's population are from the Northern States. The pastor got twelve more members during our recent revival efforts, some of whom came to us from the M. E. Church, and are good people. We were glad to get them. Our people have a nice lot there and a little cash collected, but they are not financially able to build without help.

Now would be a good time for some open-hearted people to put some of the Lord's money into a church-house at Hammond. When our people get a house of their own there it will result in the establishment of a good membership. Bro. Montgomery is a consecrated and promising young man, with the cause of God at heart. I predict for him a bright future.

We had good times and additions while with that congenial and lovable pastor, Bro. N. J. Roberts, at Franklinton, La.

Am at home now for a few days' rest. I have had more invitations for the Summer and part of the Fall than I could accept. However, I could make a few more engagements with pastors needing help in October and November.

The ADVOCATE is growing in interest among the people where I go.

W. D. BASS.

Corinth, Miss., Aug. 12, 1899.

Rev. T. J. Norsworthy, Camden, Miss., Aug. 12, 1899: "Our meeting at Thomastown has closed, and a wonderful one it was. Never before had we seen such manifestations of divine power as were seen during this meeting. About thirty-five professed conversion, and many were reclaimed from a backslidden state, while the whole church was wonderfully revived. Much of the old-time shouting was indulged. The work was not confined to the tent in which the meeting was conducted, but in the homes quite a number were converted. One brother, who had left a distant city for a visit in the country, was caught in the tide and swept into the 'haven of rest.' The last words spoken to me by him as he, with shining face, bade us good-bye were, 'God works in mysterious ways his wonders to perform,' and so he does. A striking illustration of the depth of conviction prevalent is found in this: After service one night, while sitting in our room in conversation with our host, a young man who had manifested no interest in the meeting whatever, but who had made it the occasion of mirth, came into the room, and, falling upon our neck, requested us to pray. There he found peace with God. There was joy in that home that night. When we say we had no ministerial assistance we mean that we had none in the pulpit. We had with us, however, Rev. Claud M. Simpson, a licentiate, who rendered valuable and highly appreciated service for Christ. His choir numbered about one hundred. Bro. Eugene Terry, father of our fellow-itinerant, W. A. Terry, was with us, praying and working in the Spirit, much to our advantage. We also had with us Bro. Bennie Odum, of the Protestant Methodist Church, who was a benediction to us; and last, but not least, comes that old father in Israel, S. D. Terry, who has preached the blessed gospel for over fifty years, who, though too feeble to preach, was a great blessing to us. His very presence, to say nothing of his bright testimonies to the power and sweetness of the gospel, was an inspiration to this young preacher. We shall always account it a blessing to have been associated with this man of God. 'Father' Terry says this was one of the most wonderful meetings he ever witnessed. Congregations ranged in number from six to eight hundred. We are pushing the work. Camden circuit is moving up, and will not be behind at Conference. We seemed in good subscriptions the amount of the assessments made by district stewards against this appointment. More anon."

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DISREGARD FOR LAW.

One of the most appalling characteristics of present-day civilization is the widely prevalent and constantly increasing disregard for law. We do not now refer to that most horrid form of lawlessness—lynching. On that subject we have already spoken, time and again, with no uncertain sound.

Lawlessness abounds in many forms. Strikes are usually attended with most flagrant lawlessness. Of course, a strike in itself is not lawless. Any man, or any set of men, have a right to quit work. But when strikers band themselves together and use violence to prevent others from doing the work which they refuse to do, they place themselves in the same category with lynchers. Then, too, the wholesale boycotting of everybody that patronizes the person or corporation against whom the strike is directed is a most heinous offense against good citizenship.

Of this form of lawlessness the South has had comparatively little. It would be exceedingly unwise, however, for the people of the South on this account to draw conclusions that are favorable to self-complacency. The only reason why there are fewer strikes in the South than in other sections is that there are fewer large cities. Large cities are natural hot beds for this particular form of mobocracy. Should the roll of Time's chariot wheels ever bring about in the South such aggregations of population in urban centres as are to be found in other sections, strikes, with their awful concomitants and sequences, will be no less prevalent here than elsewhere.

Even now the South has little reason to felicitate herself, or assume a holier-than-thou attitude towards other sections. Who needs to be told that in many localities in the South certain laws are simply "dead letters on the statute books?" We refer more particularly to anti-gambling laws and laws for the suppression and regulation of the liquor traffic. In many localities there is not enough good citizenship to bring about an attempt at the enforcement of these laws. In others the attempt is made, but proves an ignominious failure.

Sometimes the failure is due to the fact that public officials are in sympathy with the law-breakers. An official who is himself addicted to gaming is not likely to lose much sleep in devising plans for the arrest of his partners in crime; and one who makes illicit purchases of alcoholic beverages is not apt to overexert himself in an effort to place the illicit vender in the clutches of the law. Oftimes men are elected to office for the reason that they are in sympathy with these forms of lawlessness—a proof that "the children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light."

Another great obstacle to the enforcement of law is the difficulty of procuring evidence. Legions of men will commit perjury rather than testify against those who have sold them drink, or who have been their co-participants in gaming.

Corruption in the jury box is another stupendous obstacle. Venal men often seek a juror's seat for the revenue there is in it in the shape of bribes. Others render a verdict contrary to evidence on account of a fellow-feeling for the culprit at the bar. They are unwilling to condemn those who are their partners in transgression. Good men unwittingly play into the hands of law-breakers by shirking jury duty.

Crimes against suffrage are widely prevalent. For reasons that are apparent, there has been in this section in the last few years a diminution of the grosser crimes of this sort—ballot-box stuffing, false registration, fraudulent returns, etc. But new forms of this type of lawlessness have come into existence.

The primary election—a modern contrivance devised in the interest of good citizenship—has become in many instances an instrument for the corruption of the ballot. Men who are disqualified, and can not vote at the regular election, are not only allowed, but actually invited by those at the head of affairs to vote in the primaries. Since, under present conditions, a nomination by the primaries is in most of the Southern States equivalent to an election, this puts in the hands of those who have no legal ballot the power to defeat the will of the majority of the legal voters. In one county it was shown recently that more than eight hundred names on the registration books represented men who are disqualified. Yet these men, who are not citizens, actually voted in the primaries in palpable violation of the law. And this is not by any means a solitary instance.

It may seem a little less criminal thus to change the result of an election by the illegal manipulation of a primary than by the time-dishonored method of ballot-box stuffing, but is not the difference seeming rather than real? In the eyes of patriotism and righteousness, what difference does it make whether you kill a man's vote by stealing his ballot and depositing another in its stead, or by putting on top of it that of a man who has no more right to vote than "a heathen Chinee?" "Twelve of one and a dozen of the other," is the only ethical answer. It does not take half an eye to see that under such a regime the balance of power is placed within the grasp of the vilest elements of society, the corrupt tools of the whisky ring or any other vampire that feasts and fattens upon the blood of the body politic.

The use of whisky at the polls for the purpose of influencing voters is another crime that is said to be widely prevalent, with no visible effort for its extermination.

We would be untrue to our convictions of duty if we did not lift our voice in vigorous protest against these as well as other forms of lawlessness. We plead for a higher standard of citizenship. We urge all who possess the sacred right of suffrage to rise in the might of a noble manhood and do their utmost to put an end to these iniquities. Failure to do so is fraught with peril. It is the natural tendency of lawlessness to increase both in volume and in flagrancy. As sure as fate these forms of lawlessness, if not checked, will prove in the not-distant future a veritable Pandora's box of political ills.

A NEW BOOK.

STUDIES OF BIBLE TRUTHS. By J. C. Keener, D. D., one of the Bishops of the M. E Church, South. Nashville, Tenn.: Publishing House of the M. E Church, South. Barbee & Smith, Agents. 1899. Price, $1.

This work is a fine specimen of the bookmaker's art. Paper, typography and binding are all that could be desired. The work is dedicated to the supernannuated preachers of Southern Methodism. It is divided into five chapters under the following headings: 1. The Creative Glory in Its Two Distinct Realms—the Natural, the Moral; 2. Job, a Prince of the East, and His Inspired Epic; 3. The Apocalypse of Jesus Christ; 4. The First Resurrection; 5. The Ascent of Our Lord. These are high themes, and they are fittingly treated. The reader will find here the results of extensive reading and strong, independent thinking through the long years of the author's ministerial life. That the diction is stately and sublime need hardly be said, the author's name being a sufficient guarantee on that point. The author's large circle of friends will be delighted to possess themselves of this latest production of his brain and heart. It will live as an expression of our beloved senior Bishop's mature thought long after he shall have translated to a higher sphere. It has already been adopted as one of the books of our Epworth League reading course.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. H.

In Ainslee's Magazine, for August, there are several newsy and well-considered articles, of which may be mentioned: "The Evolution of the Signal Corps," by Gen. A. W. Greeley; "Millionaire Socialists," by Arthur Henry; "Commerce and Politics," by W. P. Corwine.

In the Century, for August, "The Present Situation in Cuba" is graphically stated in a brief article by Major-Gen. Leonard Wood. Jacob Riis writes of "Feast-Days in Little Italy." In "The River of Tea," Miss E. R Scidmore writes of the Yang-tze-kiang, and especially of the city of Hankow. "Old, unhappy, far-off days, and battles long ago," are the theme of Prof. Wheeler's "Alexander in India," with its graphic account of the great and decisive victory that marked the conqueror's crossing of the river Hydaspes.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

[We invite special attention to the following.—EDITOR.]

The session for 1899-1900 will begin Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 10 o'clock A. M. Prominent speakers will be on hand to deliver addresses. All new students should reach Jackson, Tuesday, Sept. 5, or Wednesday morning, the sixth. Those coming by Vicksburg on the Memphis Express—first train—will stop at Ethel, where hacks will be furnished for one passenger and trunk for 75 cents. Those coming on the Vicksburg Express will purchase tickets to McManus. Students from the south coming on the Vicksburg Express will stop at McManus. Those on the Memphis Express—last train—will stop at Ethel.

It is important that new students come on the dates named above, that they may be examined and classed at once.

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CHAS. W. CRISLER.

Jackson, La., Aug. 19, 1899.

"A RARE TREAT."

First Street Church, Macon, Ga., will soon have the pleasure of a visit from Dr. J. B. Fearn and wife, of Changshu'h, China. At the beginning of this year this church petitioned the Board of Missions to be assigned a missionary in China, whose support they would assume. Dr. Fearn was the man, and the church has every month made contributions for his support.

The Wednesday night after the first Sunday in every month a missionary prayer meeting has been held, and especial prayer has been made for Dr. Fearn and his work. At this meeting many phases of missionary work have been discussed. Well-prepared map-talks have been given, making real the different countries discussed.

The support of an individual missionary has been an inspiration to the church, and has quickened the interest in missions at large.—Wesleyan Advocate.

RIVAL FEVER GERMS.

A commission of officers of the United States Marine Hospital Service, delegated to investigate the alleged yellow fever germs discovered respectively by Prof. Sanarelli, of Bologna, Italy, and by Surgeon-General of the United States Army Sternburg, has concluded its examinations. The commission has reported that the Sternburg germ is not a yellow fever microbe, but that Sanarelli has discovered the genuine article. Another conclusion reached by the commission is that this microbe is introduced into the human body by inhalation into the lungs. The commission expresses the belief that a serum can be made with which to combat the infection. Sanarelli's microbe is named "bacillus icteroides," while that of General Sternburg is called "bacillus X."

A NOBLE EXAMPLE.

Rev. Dr. Goucher, of the M. E. Church, has for fifteen years supported more than 100 primary village schools in India, at an aggregate cost of more than $100,000. The schools have been the means of educating pastors, presiding elders, teachers, local preachers and day-school teachers, through whose influence, as estimated, 27,000 converts have been added to the church.—Central Methodist.

DECREASE OF PENSIONS.

The fact that no less than sixty-three pension attorneys have been disbarred and ten more suspended is one of the pleasing features of the report of the Commissioner of Pensions for the year ending June 30, 1899. There are now 1,163 of these pension attorneys under ban. Although 40 991 names were added to the pension rolls during the year, there were 43,186 dropped, so that the list shows a reduction of 2,195; but there are still 991 519 remaining. The short war with Spain has caused 16 986 soldiers and sailors to apply for a pension, but only 295 were allowed up to the close of the fiscal year. The expenditures amounted to $138 253 922 91 This leaves a balance of nearly $2 000 000 returned to the treasury. These facts show why the present commissioner has excited the ire of the pension attorneys, and explain their efforts for his removal. Members of Congress are too often afraid to speak of pension abuses, but they should feel at liberty to commend the good work of Commissioner Evans.—Exchange.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Dr. Young J. Allen says that he knows of nothing more encouraging, more interesting, suggestive or inspiring than the new impetus given to female education in China by the recent establishment of a Chinese girls' school at Shanghai by the Chinese ladies themselves. "I believe in woman's work," he writes to the Woman's Missionary Advocate, "have always believed in it, and now that my recent visit home has more fully taught me the place of woman in our civilization, I am the more fully convinced that this beginning of the enfranchisement of woman in China is at the same time the beginning of China's regeneration, and that there is, after all, a grand and glorious future for the sons and daughters of China redeemed."—Richmond Advocate.

AMERICA AT THE PEACE CONGRESS.

This country is justly proud of the work done by our delegates in the Peace Congress. These picked men, when brought into close relation and contact with the picked representatives of twenty-six nations, did not suffer at all in the comparison. They were recognized as unselfish, dignified, discerning and accomplished diplomats, worthy of the land they represented, and of the body in which they served. They took, as a whole, a leading part in the work done, while Mr. Andrew D. White, the chairman, and Mr. Holls, the secretary, especially distinguished themselves. The demeanor and ability of these delegates have made a fresh revelation of our reserve forces to the world.—Central Advocate.

THE ZIONISTS.

No very great amount of attention is being paid by the religious world to the Zionist movement among the Jews; yet a large number of Hebrews, some of whom are men of wealth and influence among their people, are interested in it. This movement is one which looks to a general migration of Jews to Palestine as a fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy. The Zionists are a romantic feature of modern religious life.—Central Methodist.

A TEMPERANCE LECTURE.

"I figured out years ago," said a prosperous farmer, "that with very moderate drinking, I'd drink an acre of good land every year. So I quit." Here is a temperance lecture done up in a small parcel convenient for handling.—Western Advocate.

[This is an under-statement of the case. We know many men who drink several acres a year.—EDITOR.]

New Zealand Methodists propose to enroll themselves in groups of fifty, with a captain at the head of each group, who will undertake to communicate with each one of the fifty in behalf of the Twentieth Century Fund and report to the superintendent. For those who do not feel able to give one pound, and yet wish to contribute and have their names inscribed on the Twentieth Century Historic Roll, "guinea cards" will be provided, ruled with spaces for twelve names and twenty-one months.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

A FIFTH WHEEL.

This writer has long been of the opinion that if the District Conference gives proper attention, as required by the Discipline, to the Sunday-school and Epworth League work, then the Sunday-school and Epworth League District Conference is not a necessity, and should be abolished by the next General Conference. The truth is, that the preachers can not afford either the time or expense of two District Conferences every year, and to attempt to hold them together means confusion worse confounded, and distinction without difference.—Richmond Advocate.

SAN FRANCISCO PRIMARIES.

The new charter of San Francisco was very generally commented upon last year. It embodies several modern theories of government, which are theoretically a great improvement. The primaries are held under the direction of the municipal election commissioners, and all the parties intending to make nominations must do it at the same time. The first test of the new law, last week, is said to have put the bosses to rout, and to have thrown the machine into a paroxysm of wrath and disappointment.—Exchange.

It is said that there are in the Southern Methodist Church forty eight colleges and universities, valued at approximately $3,700,000, with an income of $583,000; an attendance of 7,517 students. There are also nineteen separate academies—estimated value, $561,850—with an annual income of about $66,500, with an enrollment of nearly 2,500 students.—Midland Methodist.

NOTES.

The postoffice address of Rev. R. B Downer has been changed from Ellisville to Barlow, Miss.

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The Wesleyan Advocate announces the prospective removal of Bishop Candler's residence from Oxford to Atlanta.

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We expected a write-up of the Interstate Epworth League Conference for this issue, but it has not been received.

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Rev. J. E. Denson dispensed the Word at Louisiana Avenue last Sunday night, his own pulpit being filled by Dr. Keener.

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On account of impaired health, Rev. G. P. White, of the Louisiana Conference, is sojourning at Cooper's Wells, Miss.

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Rev. J. J. Ransom, of the Tennessee Conference, has been elected to the chair of Spanish in Ward's Seminary, Nashville.

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Prof. J. T. Littleton, of Emory and Henry College, has been elected to the chair of Modern Languages in Southern University, at Greensboro, Ala.

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Madison Church, Madison circuit, has paid $41 cash to the Twentieth Century Fund. As this church has a small membership, it seems to be in the lead. Next!

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Rev. G. M. Hull, of the Mississippi Conference, is sorely bereaved in the death of his son, Clarence. Our brother and his family have our sympathies and prayers.

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We regret to have missed a call recently from Rev. B. F. White, of the Louisiana Conference, who passed through the city en route to the Interstate League Conference.

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Rev. W. L Blackwell writes: 'Our work is progressing nicely. We are having some fine meetings on Vancleave circuit. Finances are well up. We expect to pay all, or very near all:"

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We are pleased to learn through Rev. T. B. Holloman that Bro. W. B. Lewis is convalescent. He hopes in a few days to be able to leave home for a short time to facilitate recuperation.

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Bishop Galloway spent several days of last week in revival work in a camp meeting at Watseka, Ill. He will attend a meeting of the Board of Education at Nashville on the twenty-third.

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G. W. Clayton, of Denver, Col., recently deceased, bequeathed more than a million of dollars for the establishment of a university. His will gives explicit instruction concerning the administration of the fund.

Rev. J. W. Campbell, of the Mississippi Conference, writes that his charge, Americus, is making progress along spiritual lines. He hopes for a considerable ingathering before the close of the year.

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We are indebted to our friend, Mrs. Clara H. Cope, for a copy of the Thirteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Home Mission Society, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a pamphlet of 136 pages giving full information concerning the status and operations of the society.

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The British Wesleyan Methodists have already raised three and a half millions of dollars for the Twentieth Century Fund, and the good work will go on for more than a year to come. The Southern Methodist Church has a much larger membership. Will we raise as large a thank-offering?

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Sister Sibley, wife of Rev. R A. Sibley, Jr., of the Mississippi Conference, died on the sixteenth at their parsonage home at Meadville after a brief illness. She was buried on the seventeenth, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. T. Abney. May the grace of God sustain our brother in his deep affliction!

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A note from Rev. L. D. Worsham brings the sad intelligence of the death of Sister King, wife of Rev. J. R D. King, of the North Mississippi Conference, which occurred at Courtland, Miss., on the morning of the eighteenth. She was buried at Batesville. Our warmest sympathies go out to our brother in his sore bereavement.

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Rev. Waldo W. Moore, of the Mississippi Conference, has accepted the presidency of Fairview Institute, Binnsville, Miss. Bro. Moore was the founder of this institution and remained at its head several years. His place as preacher in charge at Percy's Creek will be filled by Rev. J. S. Rutledge, of Lapine, La.—a recent pupil of Centenary College.

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Rev. H. C. Morehead, presiding elder of Grenada district, writes: "We are having some good meetings in the district. The Oxford Camp Meeting was a splendid success. At least forty souls were converted, besides much other good being done. Bros. Young, Savage and Rook are possibly having the best success in their meetings. Bros. Dye and Savage have both been on the sick list, but we are glad to state they are now improving."

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Speaking of the recent session of the British Wesleyan Conference, Zion's Herald says: "A great sensation was produced by the presentation before the Conference, and also on the platform of St. James' Hall, Sunday afternoon, of eighteen French ex-priests who have, with many others, recently come out of the Church of Rome and are living witnesses to the power of the gospel. The movement is one of the most remarkable and promising of modern times."

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Under date of the eighteenth, Rev. J. M. Wyatt, presiding elder of the Aberdeen district, writes: "Our district promises to measure up fairly well. Preachers are faithfully at work, some of them being blessed with gracious revivals in their charges. Bro. W. O. Sadler has been at the point of death at his father's home in Corinth. We devoutly hope the crisis is past, and that he may be spared of the Lord to do many years of faithful service in his vineyard. Rev. J. T. Lewis, a recent graduate of Millsaps College, will take his place on Shannon circuit."

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Under date of Aug. 17, Rev. J. M. Martin writes: "Our camp meeting, which began on the fifth of this month, closed on the fourteenth instant. It was rather a hard pull, but the meeting was a success. Five persons were received into the church, and four children were baptized. We had some bright conversions. The preaching was done by Presiding Elder Harper, Rev. H. C. White, of Lake Providence, and Rev. A. S. J. Neill, preacher in charge of Winnsboro circuit. The brethren preached with great power and they delighted my people and their pastor. Our collections ordered by the Annual Conference were covered by cash and subscription at this (Oak Grove) appointment."

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

If you would like something rinh and rare, rnad Bishop Fitzgerald's address on page 9 of Nashville Advocate, under date of Aug. 10.

A recent report shnws the following membership for Epworth Leagues: M. E. Church, 1,750,000, M. E. Church, Snuth, 300,000; Methodist Church of Canada, 81,935

The fact seems to be assured that a Conference nf Sonthern Leagners will be held some time next year.

Dr. DuBose is anxious to resch the twenty-thnusand mark for the Epworth Era hy Jan. 1, 1900. Let all the Leaguers help.

The Texas Avenne (Shreveport) League has a cheering nnte in the Era, of Ang. 10. We know those Leagners. They are a loyal band. Send us a few lines fnr the League Department in this ADVOCATE, Miss Alice.

"Odette," writing from the "high hills of Holston," nommends the "Holston plan" for the Leagnes. The League president, Rev. T. C. Shuler, is successfully working the plan in those parts.

The Bnrgnndy Street (New Orleans) League is fortunate in having for secretary an expert stenographer. The prnceedings of each meeting are thus preserved verbatim.

We have a lengthy commnnication from the Arcadia district (Louisiana Conference), which we hope to publish in our next issue. We would ask the Leagues, however, to be guided as mnch as possible by the sentence, "Mnltum in parvo."

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

Do yon know the number of your chapter?

"Bob" Taylor defines dancing, "The delirinm tremens of love."

It was proposed at the recent Christian Endeavor Convention in Detroit that $1 000,000 be raised for the establishment of a religious paper, to be issued six days in every week. For the Christian youth of America to greet the new centnry with such an organ wonld be glorious. May the enterprise take practicable shape!

It would seem practicable that our Publishing House Agents have The Methodist Review, The Nashville Christian Advocate, The Epworth Era and The Children's Visitor put regularly upon sale in all the respectable news-stands of our Southern cities.

If the district secretaries appointed by State League President Featherstun will carry out his directions, our Mississippi regiment of the Epworth League army will advance to the front. It is said that Philip could give commands just as well as Alexander, but Alexander would see to it that his commands were obeyed. Let it be so in this case.

If the League has helped you in your "striving to enter in at the strait gate," the associate editor would be pleased that you write him your experience therein.

How to get rid of the open saloon, and also of the secret hidden saloon, is a question well worthy the consideration and discussion of our American young people. And in the South the problem of the two races proves itself still a live one, calling for solution. The coming generation of Southern youth can not study this too well.

Early in August the council of the League of West End, Meridian, appointed a committee to collect the $1.25 missionary assessment for the West End Church. We will join with Pastor Ellis in giving praise to those Leaguers, if they succeed in the undertaking.

The Epworth Era will be sent from now until Jan. 1, 1900, for 25 cents. This is to separate addresses, and taken in any quantity from one to a hundred.

MISS M'NEMAR.

The members nf the Mississippi Conference have all known and rejoiced in the acceptation by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missinns of the young woman the Confernnce has been preparing for missinnary work, and of her appnintment to Mexinn.

Tuesday, August 8, on the eve of her departnre for this field, at the home of Mrs. S E. Smylie, Meridian, an informal reception was given Miss McNemar, that frinnds and those bonnd hy ties of love and sympathy fnr the nanse to which she has given her all, might come and pay a last tribute of interest, lnve, and God speed.

During the evening she spnke to thnse assembled in her own sweet, simple words nf her wnrk and the glad hnpes it holds fnr her. The beautiful cnnsecration hymn:

"I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord,
Over mountain or hill or plain;
I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord,
I'll be what you want me to be,"

cnnld never have been mnre appropriate than at such a time as this.

Toward the close a surprise awaited Miss McNemar—the happy forethought of ever-thnnghtful friends. Her appreciation of the exquisite gold watch presented her by the Conference society was readily expressed, and almost child-like in its gennine sincerity. Utility was combined with expressions of love in the selection of these parting gifts, for, as an individnal remembrance, Miss Smylie, her much-beloved friend, gave her a chaste and elegant silver cnp.

Not only did all foreign missionary workers evince their interest and appreciation of this, their charge and representative, by their presence on this evening, but the Epworth League, in a body, and many others, came to say, not the snrrowful "fare well," but, "Fare thee ever well in thy labnr for the Lord."

Miss Leila McNemar is not the first, nor the second, nor even the third missionary from onr Mississippi Cnnference who has gone to her foreign work from the home of Mrs. Smylie. The first two missionaries ever sent from this Conference, Dr. and Mrs. Lambuth, were married and went out from her home to foreign work.

Miss Elizabeth Hnghes started to her mission in China from this hospitable home, where church and foreign mission work has always had support and sympathy.

Miss McNamar, who had been for the month past with relatives, came with her sister to spend the last week before going ont with Miss Smylie, and from there, on the evening spoken of, left for her work in Saltillo, Mexico. X X

TO PREACHERS.

If any preacher wishes to supply his flock with Bibles, let him write to the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE. We can give A 1 terms.

P. S.

The following postscript to Dr. Featherstnn's article on another page was received too late for insertion in its proper place:

P. S.—Later investigation reveals the fact that some of the money raised on Providence circuit and Whitestown mission was for "nhurches and parsonages," but this by no means accounts for still quite a large sum. What went with it?

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WM. H. LAPRADE.

FROM DR. BOSWELL.

MR EDITOR: Please allow me to say that I have been associated with the sainted Brn. Gibbs in private; have been with him at District and Annnal Cnnferences, and have heard him relate his experience in love feast, bnt never nnce did I hear him claim the experience nf entire sanctification. A pnblic nlaim was not necessary. Everybody that came in contact with Bro. Gibbs knew that he was a hnly man. There was no reasnn why Bro. Lipsnmb shonld have made a nlaim for him that he did nnt make publicly for himself.

JOHN W. BOSWELL.

Aug. 18, 1899.

NOTICE.

Let the brethren who nxpect to attend the Edncational Rally at Shreveport take heed to the request to send ns their names, that we may provide homes for them.

It is to be hoped that many will avail themselves of this occasion, and we will be glad to hear from you, and entertain you, if you will let us know of your coming.

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Shreveport, La., Aug. 19, 1899.

The programs for Missionary Rally Day are now ready. Sunday-school snperintendents shonld order at once, that the nhildren may be thoronghly drilled. Mnnh practice is necessary if the program is to be snccessfully carried out. Missionary Rally Day shonld be observed on or before the third Sunday in October, and we trnst no Sunday-school will fail to observe it. The programs will be furnished at seventy-five cents per hnndred, postpaid, or fifty cents per hundred by express. They will be sent free of nharge to Sunday-schools not able to purchase them. Send all orders to Walter R Lambuth, Nashville, Tenn.

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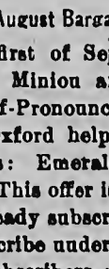

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Sin is always near.
Mine's a better country,
Where there is no sin;
Where the tones of sorrow
Never enter in.

But a little pilgrim
Must have garments clean,
If he'd wear the white robes
And with Christ be seen.
Jesus, cleanse and save me,
Teach me to obey;
Holy Spirit, guide me
On my heavenly way.

—Exchange.

KEEPING ONE'S SELF "UP TO DATE."

"Well, for my part, I don't think it pays for a busy housewife like myself to make such desperate efforts to keep up with the times," said a bright young girl-wife recently when I expostulated with her for dropping all her studies, and seemingly her interest in outside matters, to concentrate every thought on her new home. "What's the use of trying to keep up with my studies and reading," she continued, "unless I can have time enough to make it amount to something?"

"But it does pay, at any time and always, provided one has not allowed herself to lose her capacity for study," replied an earnest woman, who knew just what she was talking about; "and the way not to lose it is to keep up an effort in this direction, however limited it may be. Stop studying for even a little while, and study becomes hard and irksome; but by spending even a few minutes each day at some special branch of study, or reading of special interest, the mind may be kept in a receptive condition."

Don't "let go" the idea of daily study, however limited it may be; for however burdened with cares the housewife may be now, the years are sure to bring you leisure, when your boys and girls are grown up, and are able to relieve you, or no longer need your care. And in old age you may have more leisure than you want, unless you are able to busy your mind with matters of interest and intelligence.

We are beginning to learn that every age needs occupation, from babyhood to senility. The old man or woman needs it as much as the youth; and it is the duty of everyone to so conduct his life that his old age may be a sermon of happiness and cheerful interest to himself and of pleasure to others.—Christian Observer.

TURNING-POINTS IN LIFE.

Every now and then, in history, or in the history and science, we find some striking instance of turning-points in life. On such ground we see how a scandal about a bracelet, or the prohibition of a banquet, wrought a revolution, and precipitated a dynasty. Look at literary or scientific biography. Think of Crabbe's timorously calling on Burke and inducing him to look at his poetry. I have no doubt but Burke was very busy. But with lightning glance he looked over the lines and satisfied himself that real genius was there. When Crabbe left the statesman he was a made man. Burke, ever generous and enlightened, had made up his mind to take care of him. Or look at Faraday. He was only a poor book-seller's poor boy, working hard and honestly, but disliking his employment, and inspired with a pure thirst for knowledge. He had managed somehow or other to hear the great chemist, Humphry Davy, at the Royal Institution; and with trembling solicitude he sends him a fair copy of the notes which he has made of his lectures. The result is that Michael Faraday receives an appointment at the Royal Institution, and lays the foundation of his splendid and beneficent career. Looking back to the past, that was a great moment in the life of Columbus when, resting on a sultry day beneath the fierce Spanish sun, he asked for a drink of cold water at a convent door. The prior entered into conversation with him, and struck by his appearance, and afterwards by the magnificent simplicity of his ideas, gave him the introductions he so sorely needed; and thus Columbus gave to Castile and Aragon a new world.—Great Thoughts.

THEY ARE CHILDREN.

Don't expect too much of them; it has taken you forty years, it may be, to make you what you are, with all your lessons of experience, and I will dare say you are a faulty being at best. Above all, don't expect judgment in a child, or patience under trial. Sympathize in their mistakes and troubles; don't ridicule them. Remember not to measure a child's trial by your standard. "As one whom his mother comforteth," says the inspired writer; and beautifully does he convey to us the deep, faithful love which ought to be found in every woman's heart, the unfailing sympathy with all her children's griefs.

Let the memories of their childhood be as bright as you can make them. Grant them every innocent pleasure in your power. It has often roused our indignation to see how carelessly their little plans were thwarted by older persons, when a very little trouble on their part would have given the child pleasure, the memory of which would last a lifetime.

Lastly, don't think a child hopeless because it betrays some very bad habits. We have known children who seem to have been born thieves and liars, so early did they display these most undesirable traits of character; yet we have lived to see them become noble men and women, and ornaments to society. We must confess they had wise, affectionate parents. Whatever else you may be compelled by your circumstances in life to deny your child, give it what it most values—plenty of love.—The Christian Commonwealth.

THE TRAIN BOY.

He had done several little errands for the gentlemen in the Pullman car, and as the man got off he slipped a dollar into his hand.

"I like your looks, Jimmy," he said, kindly. "Now remember that you can make yourself what ever you wish. I don't mean by that that you may become a Vanderbilt, if you desire, or the President of the United States, but I do mean that you can be something better yet—a Christian man. Don't forget that."

It was ten years later before the two met again. Then Jimmy had just been made conductor on an important road, and in one of the passengers he recognized his old-time friend. The gentleman had changed but little in the ten years just passed, but it was hard to persuade him that the fine-looking young conductor was the ragged train-boy of whom he still retained a faint remembrance.

"But I certainly am he," Jimmy asserted, energetically, "and I've always wanted to tell you how much your words and your kindness did for me. I'd been getting into low company and growing sort o' wild and reckless, but your words just haunted me, and I got to wondering if that kind of thing paid. I concluded that I'd rather grow up a Christian man, as you said, than a drunken loafer, so I just stopped short and commenced over in dead earnest."

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"A LITTLE HARDER."

Those of us who are inclined to give up to discouragement when things go wrong, might learn a helpful lesson from a young woman who had left home because her father was a drunkard. When she became a Christian, however, she announced her intention of returning, and doing what she could to reclaim him.

"But what will you do when he finds fault with all your efforts to please him?" some one asked her.

"Try a little harder," she answered, with a soft light in her eyes.

"Yes, but when he is unreasonable and unkind, you will be tempted to lose your temper, and answer him angrily. What will you do then?"

"Pray a little harder," came the answer with a fearless ring in the words.

The discourager had one more arrow in his quiver. "Suppose he should strike you, as he did before. What could you do but leave him again?"

"Love him a little harder," said the young Christian steadily.

It is pleasant to add that her splendid faith conquered. Through love and prayer and patient effort her father was not only reclaimed from his besetting sin, but proved Christ's power to save to the uttermost all that come unto him.—Selected.

LEMONADE OR WINE.

A young man, in company with several other gentlemen, called upon a young lady. Her father was present to assist in entertaining his guests, and offered wine, but the young lady asked:

"Did you call upon me or upon papa?"

Gallantry, if nothing else, compelled them to answer: "We called on you."

"Then you will please not drink wine. I have lemonade for my visitors."

The father urged his guests to drink, and they were undecided. The young lady added:

"Remember, if you called on me, then you drink lemonade; but if upon papa, why, in that case I have nothing to say."

The wine glasses were set down with their contents untasted. After leaving the house, one of the party exclaimed:

"That was the most effectual temperance lecture I ever heard!"—St. Louis Advocate.

So in fulfilling the duty of happiness we must learn to adapt ourselves to the conditions surrounding us, to keep sweet in temper and warm in heart, whatever blasts may blow without. If all the energy wasted in fretting at what can not be helped were applied to things that can be helped, there would soon be left few things that can not be helped. It is only by doing the possible things that we find that nothing is impossible. To do well the thing worth doing, nearest at hand, is the surest way of being happy.

Young man, attend to the voice of one who has possessed a certain degree of fame and who will shortly appear before his Maker. Read the Bible every day of your life.—Dr. Samuel Johnson.

Hygiene.

FRUIT AS A MEDICINE.

While the general reader has been told many times of the advantages and desirability of a fruit diet, it may be that the traits and characteristics of the several fruits have not been as fully explained, in a concise form, as could be desired. Here are some useful suggestions, taken from a special article on the subject: Fresh ripe fruits are excellent for purifying the blood and toning up the system. As specific remedies, oranges are aperient. Sour oranges are highly recommended for rheumatism. Watermelon for epilepsy and for yellow fever. Cranberries for erysipelas are used externally as well as internally. Lemons for feverish thirst in sickness, for biliousness, low fevers, rheumatism, colds, coughs, liver complaint, etc. Blackberries as a tonic; useful in all forms of diarrhœa. Tomatoes are a powerful aperient for the liver, a sovereign remedy for dyspepsia and for indigestion. They are invaluable in all conditions of the system in which the use of calomel is indicated. Figs are aperient and wholesome. They are said to be valuable as a food for those suffering from cancer; they are used externally as well as internally.

Apples are useful in nervous dyspepsia; they are nutritious, medicinal and vitalizing; they aid digestion, clear the voice, correct the acidity of the stomach; are valuable in rheumatism, insomnia and liver troubles. An apple contains as much nutriment as a potato in a pleasanter and more wholesome form. Grapes dilute thick blood, send the circulation to the surface, remove obstructions from liver and lungs, dissolve and dislodge gravel and calculi, and bring the stomach and bowels to a healthy condition. Onions are almost the best nervine known. No medicine is so useful in cases of nervous prostration, and there is nothing that will so quickly relieve and tone up a worn-out system. Onions are useful in all cases of coughs, colds and influenza, in consumption, insomnia, hydrophobia, scurvy, gravel and kindred liver complaints. Eaten every other day, they soon have a clearing and whitening effect on the complexion.—Christian Work.

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The subject of this notice had no superior and few equals in our State. As we approach the sanctity of this beautiful life we linger over it, that it is too great to be written by us. The least we can do is to call attention to one who was a success in every relation of life.

Sister Featherston made full proof of all her rare talents by consecrating them to the glory of God and the good of humanity. But few were ever so richly endowed. She was born and brought up in a family of great force and strength. Brought to Christ and joined the Methodist Church at eight years old, she was ever loyal to her church and its institutions. She loved her home and all that home meant to her. Fully capable, she was always ready and willing to do her part in any legitimate sphere of society. She was so strong that she adapted herself to all circumstances, and thus, in a powerful, and yet gentle, manner impressed her personality upon others. She put forth all her zeal and brain power in studying the best methods for accomplishing the most good in the Home Mission work. This department of our church will continue to prosper from the efforts of this good woman. She exhibited the Christ-life in her entire unselfishness in everything. Her thought was for others, nor did she count her life dear unto herself when others were in danger.

Last Fall, when she heard that her only son, Dr. J. W. Eckford, of Starkville was visiting some yellow fever patients at A. and M. College, she went at once to see if she could be of assistance to him.

She abounded in charity. Her unswerving adherence to right principle, and her patient, self-sacrificing labor for others, made her a successful leader wherever the church called her to work.

As the last days of a Christian reveal some of the most beautiful traits of character, Sister Featherston, a day or two before she died, requested her Sunday-school class of large boys to come to her bedside. She gave to each one a short message of love and parting advice that they will ever remember. We are not surprised that, by request of her good husband, this class acted as her pall-bearers at her funeral. Her delicate appreciation of Christ-like simplicity was brought out by her request that her funeral be held in the Sunday-school room of her church, and that no other service be held except the reading of the burial service.

Mrs. Fannie Lucas Featherston, wife of Dr. J. S. Featherston, of Macon, Miss., was born Sept. 7, 1845. She was translated to her glorious reward March 9, 1899. Her noble Christian husband and son have lost their best friend; her relatives a dear loved one, whose place no one can fill. Her church and the North Mississippi Conference have sustained a great loss. While we are bereaved, we rejoice in the hope that we will meet in heaven.

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Columbus, Miss.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER.

MRS. JANE S. GIBBS, second daughter of Col. John Lawson Irwin and Martha Elizabeth Mitchel, was born in Jefferson county, Miss., March 13, 1824; married at Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 3, 1845, to Edward Fitzgerald Gibbs, son of John Gibbs, and died at Grenada, Miss., Feb. 21, 1899.

Reared in the country, and of strong religious parentage, she early gave evidence of those decided virtues which gave to her more than usual attractive person the added charm of a pure Christian character. From childhood her heart beat in loving sympathy for the distressed, with a hand ever open to aid the unfortunate. Early left a widow by the yellow fever scourge of 1855, which not only took from her side a noble Christian husband and true man, but a second daughter and namesake, leaving three daughters and one son with which to battle against the world. No hand was ever more tender, no heart more loving, or will more active, as when giving "even a cup of cold water in His dear name" to the wounded and dying sons of our Southland during the terrible days and scenes of the siege at Vicksburg, when the halls of the Vick homestead ran red with the blood of martyrs sacrificed upon the altar of their country. Amid such experiences as these, and during subsequent seasons of epidemic, were developed those qualities of heart and life so rare to find in man or woman. Pursuing the even tenor of her way, with an unwavering trust in her heavenly Father, she encountered great obstacles such as would have daunted and baffled one of less faith, and successfully met each issue as it came, realizing to all things the hand divine. Never was a more precious legacy bequeathed to children and grandchildren than comes through the character of this dear mother, whose life was one of continued sacrifice of self—the greatest victory allotted man to achieve.

Buried in the cemetery at Vicksburg by the side of the one love of her life, and surrounded by dear ones gone before, rests all that is mortal, while the simple epitaph on the stone above her head, "She hath done what she could," speaks in thunder tones the great "sine qua non" of human life. The spirit went straight to the blessed God who gave it, there to await the coming of the dear children and children's children left behind, who rise up and call her blessed, each of whom are pledged and on their way to meet her in that land of rest beyond the river, where no sorrow is known, where families never break up, where the Christian's warfare is ended, and a sweet fruition of all his hopes are realized in the presence of the Lord of life and glory.

TUCKER—My father, H. L. TUCKER, was born near Sparta, Tenn., Oct. 14, 1815, and died Friday evening, July 28 1899; was in his eighty-fourth year. He came to Jefferson county, Miss., in 1838; was then a school teacher. Some of the old men of this county went to school to him. He was also Sunday-school superintendent of old Bethel Church for many years; also steward of the same church. He joined the M. E. Church in 1844; married Mary Torrey in 1811, to whom two children were born—Margaret Tucker and Benjamin Winans, who died when only an infant five months old. He was a careful student of the Bible, and told Bro. Rayner that he had read the Bible through forty times. His hymn book and Bible were his constant companions, and the way his Bible was marked is a valuable relic to his child, who is left. His death shows to those who witnessed it that a man who has lived a temperate life in love and worship of God passes away as peaceful as a little babe going to sleep. He gave his books to the Methodist parsonage and Presbyterian manse. Told Bro. Rayner the text he wanted for his funeral was I. Tim. vi, 7 and 8. Surely he has fought a good fight, and was ready to meet his Lord.

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COOPER—Mrs. E. J. COOPER was born Jan. 8, 1825, in Jefferson county, Miss., and died in Madison county, Miss., March 15, 1899. In early life Sister Cooper was converted and became a member of the M. E. Church, South, in whose communion she ever consistently lived.

Sister Cooper was ready when the summons came. No doubts or fears beclouded her spiritual horizon, but all seemed bright. The world is poorer today as she is gone; heaven is richer. Patience and resignation characterized her life, but especially the latter days therefor; willing to live, ready to die. Like Paul, she was willing to remain here and battle on, but preferred to be with Christ. She has passed over the river, and now sweetly rests "under the shade of the tree." Of this there is no doubt. We expect to see Sister Cooper again. T. J. NORSWORTHY.

Camden, Miss.

LENO—BLACKWELL LENO, aged twenty-three years, died at the home of his father, Rev. Drosin Leno, of Avoyelles parish, La., July 24 1899, after an illness of about five months.

Bro. Leno was a member of the M. E. Church, South, and lived a Christian life, and notwithstanding the painful afflictions of his last days, he was submissive to the will of God, and expressed a willingness to go. His intention was to apply for license to preach, had he gotten well, but God knows best.

Bro. Leno leaves a wife and one child, and a host of relatives and friends, to mourn the loss. We can not understand why God would take one so young and promising, but the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

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FLEMING—Sister VINIE FLEMING (nee Whitehead) was born Feb. 9, 1837 and died July 25 1899, at her home near Springs, Miss., aged sixty-two years five months and sixteen days. She was married to Bro. J. H. Fleming, Sept. 10 1863; was the mother of eight children—five boys and three girls. One boy and one girl have gone on before. She united with the Methodist Church when a little girl. Her aged and devoted husband is a loyal citizen, and a true and faithful soldier in the church. May God comfort him and his bereaved ones in their sad affliction, and may they meet the wife and mother where partings are not known! J. C. ELLIS, P. C.

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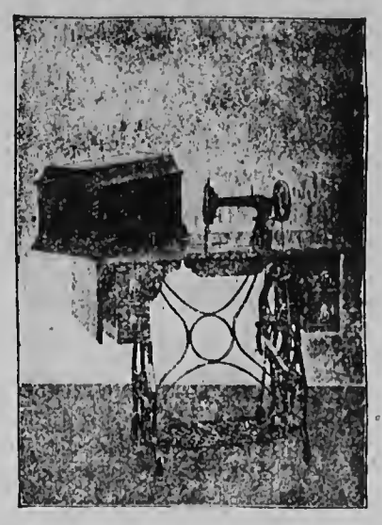

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Furnished Free with every machine are the following named accessories: One Foot Hemmer, One Screw Driver, One Wrench, One Oil Can and Oil, One Guage Screw, One Extra Check Spring, One Package of Needles, Five Bobbins and One Instruction Book.

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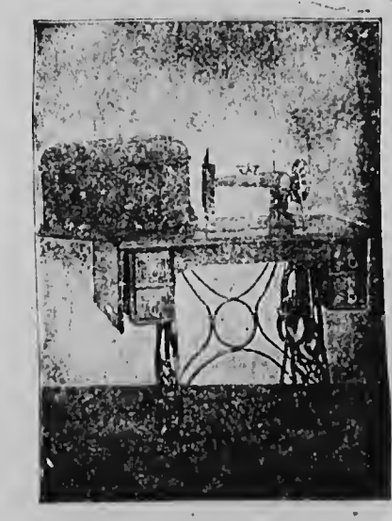

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No. 5—Drop leaf table, Bent cover, case of three drawers at each end and center drawer, making a seven-drawer machine. Dealer's price, $33. Our price, $18.50.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Indications are that the Dreyfus trial will last three weeks longer.

Three large warehouses were burned in Vicksburg on Saturday, inflicting a loss of $150,000.

The British Colonial Office denies that an ultimatum has been sent to President Krueger.

A fire at Victor, Col., destroyed the business portion of the town, entailing a loss of $2,000,000.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Frederick Walker has sailed to take command of the British troops in South Africa.

A revolutionary party that entered San Domingo from Hayti has been dispersed without fighting.

Major Jouaust, head of the Dreyfus court-martial, has been hissed by the audience for his display of partiality.

Admiral Dewey is reported to have said the Filipinos are capable of self-government, and it should be given them.

Major Russell B. Harrison, Inspector General U. S. A., son of the ex-President, is critically ill of yellow fever at Santiago.

Admiral Howison says a war in South Africa can have only one result—the absorption by England of the South African Republic.

There is strong feeling in Spain against the American Government not "removing the obstacles to the release of Spanish prisoners."

Signor Marconi is to come to the United States. He is hopeful of being able to send wireless messages to England from this country.

Col. Schneider, the Austrian military attache, has started for Paris to prosecute for forgery those implicated in forging the Schneider letter used in the Dreyfus case.

Col. Panizzardi, the Italian with whom it is charged Dreyfus had treasonous dealings, has offered to go to Rennes and testify. He says he never heard of Dreyfus until his arrest.

It is announced that the bubonic plague was brought to Oporto, Portugal, by a steamer loaded with rice from India, and that forty-six cases altogether have been reported.

The Americans had two skirmishes with the Filipinos on Sunday. North of Angeles a heavy force of natives were driven from their position, and on the Island of Negros nineteen natives were killed. At Angeles the Americans lost two lieutenants.

The police attempted to suppress an Anarchist meeting in Paris and a serious riot resulted. The mob attacked the Church of St. Joseph, the interior of which they wrecked, destroying many valuable paintings and smashing statues of Christ and the Virgin.

A great national movement has been started for the observance of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of George Washington, on Dec. 14. The Sons of the Revolution and other similar organizations have the matter in hand, and are arranging details of the plan.

The special session of the Louisiana General Assembly, called to pass the water, sewerage and drainage bill and the constitutional amendment on the same subject for the city of New Orleans, and to pass laws enabling other municipalities in the State to issue bonds for public works, has adjourned sine die, after accomplishing its labors in twelve days.

The city of Toronto, Ontario, having spent $2,400,000 in the erection of a new municipal building, the Mayor and the Board of Control have become involved in a controversy as to whether $400 or $2000 shall be spent on a formal opening thereof. The Mayor holds that $400 is an insignificant sum, and should not go on record as the measure of the city's liberality.

Among the contributions for the Porto Rico storm sufferers received at the War Department were from President McKinley, $250; Vice-President Hobart, $250; Secretary Root, $250; William Barbour, New York, $250; August Belmont, New York, $500. A note has been received from the Merchants' Association of New York saying that $10,000 has been collected for Porto Rico.

The report of President Rich, of the Mormon Society, shows that 490 elders are laboring in the Southern field, and that during last week these walked 9260 miles, visited 3500 families and held 950 meetings. The report says in the Georgia Conference sixty-seven elders are at work, and during the week they walked 909 miles and visited 169 families. They were refused entertainment thirty-seven times.

The Transvaal Government, it is reported, has handed its reply to the British agent at Pretoria, to be forwarded to Sir Alfred Milner, British high commissioner for South Africa, and governor of Cape Colony. Conflicting accounts are given as to its contents, and it is possible that the report is premature, and that the reply will be delayed owing to the trouble with Portugal about the transportation of ammunition consigned to the Transvaal, now in Delagoa Bay.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Sprigg Creek, at Fellowship	Aug. 26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept. 2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C.	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek, at ——, 11 A. M., 8 P. M.	21
Alexandria station	24, 25

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Slaughter, at Slaughter	Aug. 26, 27
Clinton	Sept. 3, 4
Wilson, at Plus Grove	9, 10
St. Francisville, at Morning Star	16, 17
Jackson	24, 25

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lake Arthur	Aug. 20, 27
Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point	9, 10
Plaquemine Brule, at Rayne	16, 17
Grand Cheniere, at Leesburg	23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vinton	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Donaldsonville	Aug. 27
Carrollton Avenue	Sept. 3
White Castle	10
Carondelet Street, 11 A. M.	17
Burgundy Street, 7:45 P. M.	17
Covington	24

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Gansville	Aug. 26, 27
Valley, at Blocker	Sept. 2, 3
Blenville	9, 10

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tallulah, at Tallulah	Sept 2, 3
Waterproof, at Wesley	9, 10
Providence, at Providence	12, 13
Gilbert, at Holly Grove	16, 17
Winnsboro, at Bluff Prairie	19, 20
Girard, at Union	23, 24
Delhi, at Delhi	28, 29
Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge	30, 31
Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct. 7, 8
Monroe	11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pleasant Hill, at Rocky Mount	Aug 26, 27
Coushatta, at Glen Martin	Sept. 2, 3
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope	9, 10
Wesley, at Davis Springs	16, 17
Mansfield	20
Red River, at Knox Point	23, 24

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

GRENADA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Water Valley—Wood Street	Sept 2, 3
Water Valley—North Main Street	3, 4
Coffeeville, at Antioch	16, 17
Grenada circuit, at Sparta	23, 24
Grenada station	Oct 1, 2
Oxford station	7, 8
Charleston, at Bethel	14, 15
Tocopola, at Salem	21, 22
Water Valley cir., at Pine Flat	28, 29
Minter City, at Strathmore	Nov. 4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Tues.. 7
Paris, at Spring Hill	11, 12
Banner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed.. 15
Slate Springs, at ——	Thurs.. 18
Ellzey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring	25, 26

The local preachers should be present at their respective quarterly meetings with written reports of their labors during the year on the passage of their characters, as the law directs. Let no one fail.

The trustees of church property should also present elaborate written reports in answer to Ques. 27, Sec. 4, Par. 66 of Discipline. This is important.

H. O. MORRHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Kosciusko station	Sept. 10, 11
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	16, 17
Sallis, at Spring Grove	23, 24
Ebenezer, at Liberty Chapel	30, Oct. 1
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	7, 8
Tomnolen	13
Cumberland, at Long Branch	14, 15
Eupora and Maben, at Eupora	15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	21, 22
Plokens, at Plokens	26
Salem	28, 29
Belzona	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Aberdeen station	Aug. 27
Tupelo	Sept. 2, 3
Okolona	10, 11
Prairie	9, 10
Verona and Nettleton	16, 17
Aberdeen circuit	23, 24
Nettleton circuit	30, Oct. 1
Amory and Smithville	1, 2
Houston and Wesley	7, 8
Quincy circuit	14, 15
Montpelier	21, 22
Buena Vista	28, 29
Fulton	Nov. 4, 5
Tremont	11, 12
Shannon	18, 19
Okolona circuit	25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth station	Sept. 2, 3
Booneville station	9, 10
Iuka circuit	Fri.. 15
Inka station	10, 17
Boonsville circuit	Thurs.. 21
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs.. 28
Blue Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues.. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed.. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 12
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Columbus circuit	Aug. 26, 27
Columbus station	Sept. 2, 3
Lagrange	9, 10
Winstonville	16, 17

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Ilyhalia circuit, at Fountain Head	Aug 26
Mt. Pleasant circ., at Marshall Institute	Sept. 2

I. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tyro	Aug. 26, 27
Lougtown	Sept. 2, 3

T. C. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

McLeod's	Aug. 26, 27
Deeson	29
Gonulson	Sept. 2, 3
Bolivar	6
Rosedale	9, 10
Lebrton	13

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sunny Side	Aug. 26, 27
Duhlin and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept. 2, 3
West, at ——	9, 10

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pachuta, at Adams	Aug. 26, 27
Enterprise, at Mayerhoff	27, 28
Meridian—South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed.. 30
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon.. Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at Soule Chapel	9, 10
Binnsville, at Binnsville	16, 17

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun Aug. 26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Sat. and Sun Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville	Sat. and Sun 16, 17
Decatur, at Centerville	Sat., Sun.. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun.. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs.. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun.. 7, 8
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun.. 14, 15

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

St John's, at Mississippi City	Aug. 26, 27
Leaksville, at Avera	Sept. 2, 3
Hattiesburg	10, 11
Whittington, at Palmer Camp Ground	16, 17

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Hazlehurst	Aug. 26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lenoir's	9, 10
Brookhaven	13
Mt. Carmel, at Bethel	16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 19
Tylertown, at ——	23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge	7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wellman	14, 15

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Steen's Creek, at Richland	Aug. 26, 27
Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 3
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	16, 17
Tranquil, at Lo. Grove	P. M.. 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ——	Oct. 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Providence	Aug. 26, 27
Natchez—Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez—Wesley Chapel	2, 3
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	16, 17
McNair	23, 24

W. L. O. HUNNIOUTT, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

South Warren, at Red Bone	Aug 26, 27
Port Gibson	Sept. 2, 3
Warren, at Oak Ridge	9, 10
Anguilla, at Sunflower Chapel	16, 17
Flora, at Brownsville	23, 24
Hermanville, at Burtonton	30, Oct. 1
Utica, at Bear Creek	7, 8
Satartia, at Dover	14, 15

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GRIMES-BRADLEY.—At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. D. H. Donnon, in Floyd, La., Aug. 9, 1899, by Rev. Jas. M. Martin, Mr. Allen Grimes, of Vicksburg, Miss., and Miss Katie E. Bradley.

CAROTHUS-HEDRICK.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. A. Hedrick, Floyd, La., Aug. 16, 1899, by Rev. Jas. M. Martin, Mr. E. Stuart Carothus, of West Point, Miss., and Miss Mattie R. Hedrick.

GARROTT—PARKS.—At the Warfield Hotel, Aug. 16, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Graves, Mr. T. C. Garrott to Miss Jeonie Lee Parks, both of Minter City, Miss.

CAMP MEETINGS.

New Prospect Camp Meeting, twenty miles from Ocean Springs, Jackson county, Miss., will begin Oct. 19, to continue five or six days.

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Camp Meeting Calendar.

	Begins
Denham Springs	Aug. 25
South Union	Aug. 25
Palmer	Sept 14
Wilson Springs	Sept. 21

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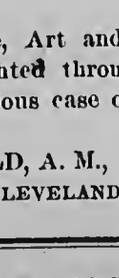

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I want to give good measure running over;
And into angry hearts I want to pour
The answer soft that turneth wrath away—
I'm sure I shall not pass again this way.

I want to give to others hope and faith;
I want to do all that the Master saith;
I want to live aright from day to day—
I'm sure I shall not pass again this way.

—Selected

Correspondence.

THE NATCHEZ DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Natchez District Conference convened in the Methodist Church at Woodville, Miss., Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 9; Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt, presiding elder, in the chair. Bro. John F. Cassels was elected secretary, with this scribe as his assistant. The attendance on the part of both preachers and laymen was unusually small, six of the fourteen pastors in the district being absent. We feel sure, however, that none of the brethren were absent from choice, there being, no doubt, some providential hindrance in each case. Bro. H. D. Howell, who, for ten days preceding the District Conference, had been helping in a meeting at Centerville, fully expected to be present, but, on account of sickness, had to return home the day Conference met. Bro. Geo. M. Hull was prevented from coming by the death of his little son, Clarence, which sad event occurred on Sunday, the sixth instant.

Notwithstanding the small attendance, it was the most enjoyable District Conference we ever participated in. Bishop Galloway, who was under promise to be with us, arrived on Thursday, and by his presence and words of counsel added immeasurably to the interest and profit of the occasion. What a power he is in the church, and what a tireless worker!

By request the Bishop delivered an address Friday night on the "Twentieth Century Educational Movement," and by the charm of his eloquence, the force of his logic, the grandeur of his thought, and the earnestness of his delivery, he carried his audience to the highest pitch of enthusiasm. Every pastor and laymen present caught new inspiration as regards the grandeur and importance of this recent undertaking of Methodism. The address was followed by a collection for the "Twentieth Century Fund," which we were told amounted to over $200.

When the report on temperance was up for discussion Bishop Galloway expressed it as his conviction that Mississippi has the best prohibitory legislation of any State in the Union, and that she is decidedly in the lead in the matter of practical temperance.

The reports from the various works were encouraging, in the main, and indicated progress both in spiritual life and in finance. Successful revivals have been held at several points. The best reports were from the Washington, Harriston, Fayette and Woodville charges, where substantial gains are being made.

On Friday morning a Sunday-school Conference was held. Bro. Adrian Trimble, of Natchez, the first speaker, entertained us with an account of a visit in May to Mr. Wanamaker's Sunday-school in Philadelphia, which is said to be the largest and best-conducted Sunday-school in the world. After several other talks Capt. Geo. T. McGehee, superintendent of the Woodville Sunday-school, read a paper on the "Qualifications of Sunday-school Teachers and Superintendents," which was so excellent in character that the brethren requested it for publication in the ADVOCATE.

The report of the Committee on Temperance, signed by Rev. B. S. Rayner, chairman, embodied a resolution pledging the members of the Conference to renewed and more diligent effort in temperance work, and also contained a clause condemning as a shame and a disgrace the use of intoxicating liquors in political campaigns.

The following anent our church publications was also unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That we specially commend the Nashville and NEW ORLEANS Christian Advocates in their able editorial management as amply meeting the needs of our people.

"Resolved, That these should have place in all our homes."

License to preach was granted to Bro. W. S. Higginbotham, of the Meadville circuit.

The licenses of the following local preachers were renewed, namely: C. A Hastings, Hiram Day, R M. Cassels, J. M. Griffin, and J. E. Gray. Bro. Gray was also recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial.

The following laymen were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: J. F. Cassels, T. R. White, H. B. McGehee, and T. M. Carter. Reserves: Col. J. H. Jones and J. D. Ireland.

The next District Conference will be held at Harriston.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. B. S. Rayner, whose theme was "Heaven." It was an able and eloquent discourse, and produced a deep impression. Earnest and edifying sermons were also delivered by Revs. R. F. Witt, M. H. Moore, and J. T. Abney.

As we have one of the best and most faithful presiding elders in the Conference, it is not to be wondered at that our district is moving forward.

The venerable superannuate, Rev. T. W. Brown, who, though he carries the weight of numerous years, is still young in spirit and buoyant in faith, was present, and participated in the discussions. In answer to an inquiry from Bishop Galloway as to whether, in his opinion, the spirituality of the church was better forty or fifty years ago than now, Bro. Brown said he was convinced that piety now is fully as general, genuine and exalted as was the case during the early days of his ministry. Bishop Galloway then took occasion to stress the importance of preaching to the unsaved, and declared that if we are losing ground, it is due largely to neglect in this direction. He also urged the brethren to be hopeful, and to avoid censoriousness.

Rev. J. W. Crisler, the pastor at Woodville, is greatly beloved by his people, and is doing a fine work.

We were delightfully entertained while at Conference in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Argo, to whom we owe many thanks for their kindness and courtesies.

We were glad to see several young laymen in evidence, prominent among them being Bros. T. M. Carter, of Harriston, and Thos. J. Reed and Adrian Trimble, of Natchez.

The Conference adjourned at 6 P. M. on Friday, and nearly all the delegates left for home the following morning. M M. BLACK.

Gloster, Miss., Aug. 18, 1899.

SARDIS DISTRICT—NO. 2.

Local politics have been lively within the bounds of Sardis district for several months past. The Methodist Church has been greatly in evidence during the campaign, furnishing many of the candidates for office. As a result, the primary elections show that the public draws largely upon us for men to fill the county offices. The district will honor the draft by putting a number of excellent Methodist men into the high places—in the legislative councils, sheriffs' offices, and other county positions. To secure votes, the candidates had to go round seeking for them. They were much on the go, making a vigorous canvass—a house-to-house and a handshake-to-hand-shake canvass. So should our itinerant preachers be—much on the go, making a house-to-house canvass, seeking to win souls. We can not over-estimate the value of pastoral visiting as an aid to success in our work. Reading books, reading the papers, preaching great sermons, is all very well; but the preacher who does not visit the people in their homes, shake hands with them, and get well acquainted with them, can not stand in with them at the "primaries." They will vote for some other man; will ask for a change of pastors at the next Conference. "O, if he was just as good out of the pulpit as he is in it." So a steward expressed himself, speaking of his pastor, a very fine preacher, but a poor "mixer" with his people.

Orwood mission is supplied by Rev. J. A. Good, a local preacher. Orwood, a small inland village, was extensively advertised in the yellow-fever reports of last year, being one of the stricken localities. Bro. Good has held two successful meetings, resulting in about twenty conversions and additions to the church. He is a good mixer, and is in favor with his people. They want him back next year. This work is susceptible of development, and gives promise of growth under the earnest labors of its pastor.

Rev. W. D. Burroughs is pastor for the second year on Pleasant Hill circuit, and occupies a neat parsonage at Pleasant Hill. He had some trouble on account of the visitation of Mormon missionaries last year, but managed the affair in such manner that a like trouble will not occur again soon. This work has good material within its bounds, and should become one of our best country charges.

Nesbit, courageously served by Rev. C. P. Moss, is a circuit of possibilities. A brother said, three years ago, the circuit was able to pay nine hundred dollars. Oh, if our people could only be brought to see and feel their strength, Zion would arise and shine!

Rev. Dr. H. T. Gaines is working out his second year as pastor at Senatobia. Bro. Gaines was educated for the foreign mission work, but, failing to get off as he desired, he puts his earnestness and zeal into his home work, and his people feel the impress of his labors.

Rev. W. W. Mitchell, appointed to Como station at the last Conference, belongs to a family of the prophets. His father was a member of the North Mississippi Conference, and he is the youngest of four brothers who have been members of the Conference, while his nephew, James Mitchell, is supplying the pulpit at West Point. Bro. Mitchell has enlarged and greatly improved the pastor's home. His people are prompt in meeting their financial obligations. They are well nigh or quite up to date on preachers' salaries, and have paid their missionary assessments in full.

Rev. Ben P. Jaco, on Pleasant Grove circuit, is not far from his native heath. He is an exception to the saying, "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country," for he has the hearts of his people. A good report will be expected of him at the Annual Conference.

Rev. L. D. Worsham is pastor of Eureka circuit—a work of four appointments. If he is not in clover, his parsonage is in a five-acre lot, overgrown with Bermuda grass, interspersed with fruit trees, pecan trees, and scuppernong vines. Nearly three decades ago, while quite a young man, Worsham was a good preacher, and his people brag on his preaching now, and some of them "give him things." He had a great revival at Eureka last year, resulting in more than twoscore of conversions and about as many additions to the church; and quite recently, at the same place, he closed another meeting of great power—a meeting that waked the echoes of the "old-time religion." The people shouted at the church, shouted on the way home, and shouted in their homes.

Rev. W. D. McCullough has charge of Cockrum circuit—a compact work of four churches and over six hundred members. They are an appreciative and loyal people. They think they have a good preacher, and are not alone in this opinion. Bro. McCullough had a good meeting recently at Palestine. Souls were converted and added to the church, and believers enjoyed a season of spiritual refreshing.

Rev. G H. Jacobs is filling out his fourth year on Arkabutla circuit. Of the "old guard," the preachers who were in the district when this "beloved" took charge, Jacobs alone remains. Faithful and true, he holds on his way uncomplaining, a good preacher and a good pastor. He grows upon his people as he approaches the limit of his pastoral term.

Wall Hill rejoices under the labors of Rev. J. H. Smith. He is serving this circuit now for the third year. Smith has demonstrated clearly that "success succeeds" in Epworth League work. He finds a well-organized Epworth League a great help to the pastor. His Leaguers will pray whenever called upon. Through them he worked the Twentieth Century program at Wall Hill, and secured more than fifty dollars on the fund. Under his earnest efforts the old log church at Grub Hill is to be torn down, and a new frame building is to be ready for occupancy by the first of September.

Rev. C. N. Terry, a superannuate of the Conference, lives at Neshit station. He served Sardis district as presiding elder four successive years, made a good record, and left many friends throughout the district. He still preaches with acceptability and power. The brethren would do well to secure his services in their protracted meetings.

Rev. J. W. Bates, another superannuate, resides near Batesville. He was a unique character in the days of his strength. Methodist preacher, railroad conductor, and claims adjuster, original, humorous, fearless and strong, he did much good, and has hosts of friends throughout the country.

Some one reading this account of Sardis district will be ready to exclaim, "Why, all your men in the district are good preachers." Just so. Dr. W. A McCarty, in the Alabama Advocate, says, "Methodist preachers out-preach all others of the same intelligence."

A preacher on an adjacent circuit was once permitted to fill the pulpit of one of our stations during a revival meeting. The town people, surprised and delighted, plied the 'beloved" with questions: "Where did you find him?" "Have you any more like him?" "Yes, plenty of them," replied he. "The woods are full of them."

Not only in Sardis district, but throughout the Conference; not only in the towns, but in the country charges, we have plenty of good preachers. "The woods are full of them." T. C. WIER.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

Since our last we have met all appointments, two of which were protracted, and the elder held for further service, making the third protracted meeting which he has helped in up to date, with promises for two others yet outstanding. During the past three weeks four days have been spent in the district parsonage, twenty sermons preached, five Quarterly Conferences held, and a fuller understanding of what the apostle meant when he spoke of the "care of the churches." A fifth wheel it may be, but one which keeps the individual, if not the machine, constantly turning. I am more and more convinced that my father, who thought it much pay and little work, would change his mind after a short trial.

During the round we have been met by good congregations at nearly every point, and in most places the finances have been good for the third.

Though the weather has been hot, calling for two collars per day and handkerchiefs in extra supply, we have enjoyed our stay with the brethren. The oppressive nights have put sleep at a premium, and more than once we have been made to appreciate the value of the mosquito bar—"verbum sap sat." I wondered if the Shunamite had one for Elisha in that little room on the wall.

At Vaughan's we found the young itinerants doing well. That preacher's daughter fills well her place as a preacher's wife, and I incline with those on the work to say that Golden planned wisely.

Committee appointed, arrangements made and announcements out for a grand circuit rally in the interest of the Twentieth Century Fund on the sixth of September, at Ellison's Chapel.

From this point we dropped down to Pearl River, on the Madison circuit. Here we found the circuit Sunday-school Institute in session, and two more pleasant and profitable days we do not remember ever to have spent. Bro. Hawkins has a genius for planning and getting people to work, four good Sunday-schools and four wide-awake Leagues (one of each at each church) demonstrating that they can be as successfully worked in the country as in the towns.

Pearl River Church is the home of the Lambuth family, and here we saw the tomb of Rev. Roht. Lambuth. During the recent meeting a move was begun to erect a monument in honor of Rev. J. W. Lambuth on the open court in front of the church. The interest manifested assures me in saying it will succeed beyond a doubt. Such a memorial is becoming to him whose name is world-wide as a representative of that band of whom the world was not worthy.

In Yazoo City the brethren have an eye to comfort, and so rocks furnished with fans are attached to every seat—a warning to the pulpit these August days. In one family we found four boys named John (not Baptist), Wesley, Luther, and Sam Jones. We baptized the baby boy, and to him was given Wm. Jenning Bryan. Did the brother fall from grace? In another we found Chas. Galloway and Jim Weems.

Riding along, we overtook a colored brother, and this was the conversation: "Well, uncle, that's a fine mare and colt." "Yes, boss; I jis married the 'oman what own dis mare, and she's rich, she is. She's got a plantation." Candid, unpretentious old child of nature.

Opening our satchel on return from one meeting, we found wrapped in an envelope ten dollars—"an expression of appreciation of extra work done by the elder." Who says there are none to cheer us in our work? Thank you, brethren.

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

Communications.

GRENADA COLLEGE FOR YOUNG LADIES.

Parents and guardians who have girls to educate, and think of sending them to college this Fall, are investigating the merits of the different schools bidding for their patronage. Reasonably, they desire to place them where they can derive most good at least expense.

Grenada College for Young Ladies bids for your patronage, and offers advantages unsurpassed by any of our schools. As an institution of our church, this school has a claim upon the Methodists of North Mississippi that no other school has, and under the able administration of Rev. W. M. McIntosh, A. B., deserves the support of all our people. The college is located at Grenada, Miss., in a refined and Christian community. The health record of the school compares favorably with those in the mountains. The building is supplied with a splendid system of electric lights, sewerage, and waterworks. Hot and cold water are on every floor. Nothing is lacking to insure convenience and comfort to the inmates.

The trustees, through the president, have expended $500 this Summer in repairing, refitting and refurnishing the building. Painters, plasterers and carpenters have renovated it from basement to observatory. The floors are covered with new matting, new mattresses supplied, and the building renewed generally. With a choice collection of books in the library, new models in the art-rooms, and new instruments in the music-rooms, the equipment is good.

The faculty will compare favorably with that of any of our schools. At the head of each department there is a competent and experienced instructor. These are assisted by graduates who have taken the regular course, and, in addition thereto, have taken special courses of instruction that fit them admirably for their special departments. They come to us with the vigor and energy of young life, fresh from the classic halls of some of the best institutions of learning, and, directed and complemented by those ripe in scholarship and experience, form a combination capable of the best results.

The prospect for the session of 1899-1900 is very encouraging. Let the Methodists rally to the support of their college, and make it better each year. H. C. MOREHEAD.

Grenada, Miss., Aug. 23, 1899.

TO ALL THE PREACHERS IN MISSISSIPPI.

Will you heed my letter of this date, and report the result of your effort?

To Those Who Have Been Expecting Some Great Connectional Magnate to Visit Your Charge and Raise Its Quota of the Million and a Half Dollars:

Wait no longer. The twentieth century evangelist is not coming to do your work, for two reasons: First, he is not coming for lack of time and opportunity. Second, he is not coming because he ought not to come. Reliance for success in this movement is upon the pastors, and from the very beginning this fact has been given prominence and emphasis. If you do not perform it, the work will fail. Rest assured of that.

I wish to emphasize again the encouraging nature of the reports received, and to thank those who sent them. If all will do as well as these, we will raise twenty thousand dollars this year, which will be splendid vantage-ground on which to enter the new year, and will be the guarantee of complete success before the close of the century. The only discouraging feature, if any, is the distressingly large number of preachers who have made no report. I raise this question, How is the preacher who does nothing this year ever going to catch up with the procession? Look out, brother, or you will be left. What is done must be done before the first of November.

Tell it not in Mississippi, publish it not in the papers of Methodism, that any Methodist preacher in this year of grace failed to do his level best in this crisis in our educational work.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Aug. 21, 1899.

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in the law, love warns; in the cross, it redeems. Both are the true mirror of him who thus defines his own character—God is love.—Thomas Guthrie.

Communications.

THE LEAGUE AS JUNIOR PASTOR.

The word "pastor" comes from the Latin "posco," to feed, and in the sense in which we use it here means to feed flocks. The flock which the church was sent to is all people in all places at all times. This is not a flock of sheep, goats, or geese, but a flock of intelligent, rational beings, capable of a choice, and responsible for that choice. The pastor is the same order of beings as the flock, with no special powers and privileges; no Saint Peter to bind or loose, to bless or curse. It is true the church does ordain certain men for certain functions, but this does not bring them into any relation to God that is not enjoyed by the humblest man in the church. The ordained man is chosen from among men. The spirit which makes possible a priest, a Pope, a Joseph Smith, or a Brigham Young, is anti-Christ, or worse. The pastor is not a custodian of consciences, nor a livery-man to carry souls over Jordan. Human nature is very much prone to so endow the priestly robe—a disposition no less marked in the nineteenth-century devotee of Rome than in the ancient Egyptian bull worshiper.

Modern Protestantism has another idea of a pastor which is as silly as the other is pitiable. He must perform occasionally before his flock; this is commonly called preaching. His sermon must be of the jelly-fish order—without bones—otherwise some things which appear on our rolls as sheep, but on God's roll as wolves in sheep's clothing, will break over his ecclesiastical fence and seek more congenial company. This thing will not eat when fed, and if kept from starving, it will be in spite of all its efforts to the contrary.

We are faced to-day with the sad spectacle of a church wasting all its energy on itself. The pastor and the few faithful members are kept busy in keeping the remainder from wholly forgetting their obligation and their God. After the duties of the pulpit are over the remainder of his time must be given to visiting and admonishing, not the world, but the church. That a pastor should be required to spend his time in visiting church members, to the neglect of non-church members, is ridiculous. But such is often the case, and still we hear that the church is backslidden; and no wonder. The mission of the church is to the world—not to itself. Some people believe if they can keep the financial barometer of a church normal, that their obligations are met, and the conversion of a soul is a matter of minor importance. There is another class who look on the church as the tree of life, under which they may fall and breathe out their life sweetly there, while some little preacher feeds them on bon-bons and fans their pallid cheeks.

The true picture of the church is found in the heart. At every beat the bright blood, freighted with new life, is forced through the veins into every fiber and tissue of our being, giving vitality and power. So the church stands, not the blood itself, but the conveyor of the blood into a weakened and decaying moral body, driving out impurities and imparting new life. The heart that fails to send forth its blood is drowned by its own action; and such has been the history of the church in all ages.

Another picture of the church is found in a well-disciplined army. In this there are officers of different rank—the general, the colonel, the captain, the lieutenant—each discharging the duty of his rank, but one is over all who plans and directs. So in the church. The pastor should be the field-general, and every officer in the church a member of his staff. No discreet pastor will make an attack without consulting his staff. He should secure, if possible, their co-operation. We have seen the pastor who never lets the officials know when he would hold a Church Conference. If a church was to be covered, he would collect the money. If the Sunday-school needed a revival, he would take this from the superintendent's shoulders. The officer was not called into use, and he soon felt that he had a compliment without a duty. Hence the picture of the church in the wagon and the preacher in the shafts trying to climb a hill, and couldn't. I do not censure the people for getting in the wagon as much as I censure the little pastor for getting in the shafts. If he could not hitch up and direct the membership, he ought to step down and out, and let a better teamster come in.

Again: We have seen the pastor who had one good yoke-fellow that would allow himself hitched to anything the church undertook. He is made steward, trustee, Sunday-school superintendent, class leader, Epworth League president, church secretary, put on all committees, and elected a delegate to all the Conferences, while many others, as competent, that could and should be trained, have been allowed to go free, and jump in the devil's pasture, if they chose. When this overworked ox is taken out of the team, either by death or removal, and a spike team is hitched, a run-away is a natural result.

But let us consider the true pastor—the true overseer of a spiritual community. He is a man who brings out of his treasury things both new and old, and spreads them before his people when they go to public worship. He gives them wine and oil well beaten out in study, experience, and the revelations of the spirit. He arranges his congregation into the Sunday-school, the Epworth League, the missionary society, and puts these under officers that act under his direction. These officers should feel much responsibility, and have all the latitude they want, so long as they do right.

GEO. H. THOMPSON.

(To be continued.)

A LOST ART.

An art has been defined as the external manifestation of the idea. A lost art is the same thing unexpressed to the eye.

The fine art of disciplining unruly members has in many instances lost face and form among the churches. It is now a memory. One good soul told me, after we had sat heavily on a case for slander, she had been in the Methodist Church forty years; yet it was her first acquaintance with the judicial procedure of a trial, to her knowledge.

Bishop McTyeire said: "The objects of discipline are to rebuke offenders, to remove scandals and vindicate the character of the church, to clear the innocent, to reclaim the erring, to promote purity and peace in the membership, and the spiritual welfare of the members themselves. When properly administered, it frequently proves an effectual means of grace."

Would not these "objects of discipline" do a church more good than a nervous breakdown miscalled "a revival?" A revival of what? No one can find out after six weeks.

A "pasture" with the front gate never shut, all sorts of herbivorous creatures wandering in and out, will soon spoil the grass. Better nail up the front gate awhile, after driving out the scrub-stock, which brings us neither milk nor meat for our grass. A healthy vine needs a pruning-knife. Trimming up not only brings forth more fruit, but it greatly improves the appearance of the vine, because the unsightly, diseased parts are removed thereby, and are only fit for fire. Why, then, has this judicial process fallen into innocuous desuetude?

One shining reason—David must number Israel. It is better to put our trust in statistics, and our strength in running down the dodging dollar and the nimble nickel. We have not time to tarry with a slow-moving church trial. By juggling with the quick and the dead a certain divine makes a creditable showing, because a net increase is rather to be desired above all net decreases; therefore, by making statistics turn a somersault, his report lands on the winning side. The passion for mathematics burns brightest in the addition and multiplication tables.

An honest revision of the roll reflects too gravely upon our predecessors' reports to Conference. The extirpation of the dead, the withdrawn, the quitters, the removals, the unwept, unhonored and unsung, is as painful as grave digging. To come up to Conference bringing the sheaves of a big net decrease by an honest uncovering of the truth as it is in statistics, is a Cain-like sacrificial offering.

Another barrier is a sad declension of spiritual life. A committee who keeps all the General Rules is hard to find. If you begin the work of expulsion for violation of these rules, the whole church will be "led like lambs to the slaughter." It is a process like the way of the wicked—no man can tell the end thereof. Some congregations have struck bottom; they can not go any lower, spiritually. Church trials would stir up more angry devils than seven preachers could cast out by prayer and fasting. They would raise more dust than the new broom could sweep clean.

The red-tapism of ecclesiastical law is so complex and circuitous it would take a Philadelphia lawyer to evade the charge of mal-administration. Certain small churches are hopelessly cut off from trying to purify the church according to the Discipline. The necessary committee can not be secured when the accused has the right of peremptory challenge of two on said committee. If the accused adheres to the right of unlimited challenge for cause, who can try him? The Discipline of 1882, ¶ 120, reads, "Nevertheless the preacher may, at his discretion, bring the case before the whole church for trial." They cut this out of editions of the Discipline since then. Take a circuit of small churches, where laymen of sound doctrine and practice are few and far between. It may cost a preacher $30 or $40 to carry out the disciplinary provisions. Everything is against the preacher or laymen who would bring a culprit to trial. Everything is in favor of the accused. They were so jealous of conferring power on an unwise preacher, they have made them all powerless puppets and manikins before a God-defying church, who hold down the truth in unrighteousness.

The supreme obstacle in the way of the "objects of discipline" is a lack of grit. The layman or preacher has not the courage to bring the offender up with a short turn. The man who believes it requires no moral heroism to beard these church lions in their dens, let him try it once. To convert yourself into an auxiliary cruiser itinerating after one of the devil's first-class battleships "Major This" or "Judge That," run up alongside and, in the name of God and the Methodist Church, demand that he run up the flag of repentance and surrender, is no small task. As a courage-developer, equivalent to a trip into Santiago harbor with Hobson, try it only once; thereby discover the strength and stability of thy backbone. Selah!

HARRY W. RICKEY.

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY"—NO. 2.

In further consideration of paying the pastor's assessment in full, it was stated that they did not expect to pay it, and did not intend to try to pay it when they made it. It seemed to me that this was a terrific statement to be made on the floor of a Quarterly Conference. If the stewards did not expect to pay it, and did not intend to try to pay it, why did they make it? If the work of the stewards is a deception on the face of it, how is the preacher or the people to have confidence in the honor, honesty or fairness of the stewards? If the assessment is made just for show, by what law of the church, on what passage of God's Word, or on what principle of Christianity is it done?

It developed that this Board of Stewards thought the Board of District Stewards had apportioned too large a share of the presiding elder's salary to this charge. They made a bogus assessment for their pastor in order to cut down the pay of the presiding elder. This looks to me like a swindle on the face of it. It would be a stupid man or a bad man that would approve it. An isolated case, or two, of this kind would be too exceptional to claim time for discussion or room in a paper. What was done on this circuit by this Board of Stewards is done in too many charges and by too many Boards of Stewards. If this thing obtains and becomes common, then rottenness and moral dishonesty will be at the core of our Methodism. The pastor who would knowingly consent to a financial fraud of this kind needs to repent and do his first works.

"But," says one, "we had no representative at the district stewards' meeting." Why not? "Our man did not go." Does that justify a Board of Stewards in practicing a fraud to defeat the action of those who did go? We have a law, a rule, a method of doing things, and we ought to abide by it. Any other course is lawless, anarchical, and subversive of the fundamental principles of our Methodism.

Suppose some charge should think the presiding elder had not been assessed enough, and some one should propose to lower the assessment of the pastor in order to increase the pay of the presiding elder? I suppose the average Board of Stewards would resent this as a dishonest outrage, and yet it is just as fair this way as the other. This is a sharp practice, alike dishonoring to God and the church of Christ.

The presiding elder is an integral part of our economy, and just as essential to the church, as we have it, as the pastor; and a Board of Stewards is as much in honor bound to deal fairly and honestly with him as with the pastor or anyone else. We need not do evil to the presiding elder that good may come to the pastor; need not rob Peter to pay Paul.

When a Board of Stewards sets an example of this kind before the people of a charge, it is no wonder if they adopt all sorts of schemes, and are given to sharp practices, to keep from paying the pastor and all other church obligations. If it were wit and wisdom in the stewards, it is wit and wisdom in them. Moral contagion is as dangerous and deadly as contagion of any other kind. I have known a few charges in my time that openly refused to abide by the action of the district stewards in the matter of apportionments. In all such matters they assumed to be a law unto themselves. They ran rough-shod over the law of the church.

"It is the duty of stewards to make estimates of expenses and provision for the support of the ministry." There is no law authorizing them to make an assessment to circumvent the payment of the presiding elder's claim. Whenever and wherever this is done it is done without law, contrary to law, and in utter disregard of the principles of common honesty.

It strikes me that if the members of the church were to join together in a solemn resolution to pay up in full all just claims, the proper conditions for a glorious revival would obtain in every charge. It is difficult to see how we are to have any great revival of permanent benefit, so long as we are so negligent and so low in matters of common honesty. In some instances some people are greatly rejoiced over a great ingathering of souls, and mainly because they will help to divide the financial burdens. I have yet to see a steward or a church that voluntarily proposed to increase the assessments after a great ingathering of souls and a large increase of financial strength. The pastor tends the flock, but gets none of the increase in milk. Instead of growing stronger, financially, the individual members grow weaker and smaller in their payments. The increase is prostituted to base purposes. Instead of making it a blessing, it really becomes a curse.

These are some of the reflections stirred in a Quarterly Conference. I have seen many like this one.

GILDEROY.

Aug. 21, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

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THE MANY-SIDEDNESS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

BY MRS. J. W. BRISTER, NASHVILLE, TENN.

(Continued.)

Such an experience is worth infinitely more than it cost. Here is work for good women to do. More are needed for it than have ever yet responded. May many more be inspired to engage in this pleasant work, and thus carry sunshine and joy into thousands of darkened rooms and saddened hearts that have never yet been reached!

I visited another lady of our auxiliary and asked her what feature of our work, what tenet of our society, she liked best. She was ready with her answer immediately: "I like that resolution of ours," she said, "which inculcates systematic giving. I like it because it is consistent with God's law. And such a beautiful promise is conditioned upon our following it. Read Malachi iii, 10, and you will understand why I believe in this feature of our work, and why I am glad it seeks to impress this lesson upon our members. Tithing," she added, "promotes our spiritual welfare, and I have faith enough to believe that it aids us materially as well."

Our society, I may interject just here, not only gives work for the women of the church, but it inculcates valuable lessons, and is teaching thousands of noble women to consecrate not only time and talent, but a reasonable portion of their substance to God and humanity.

But this is not all. Another member was interested in quite a different feature. She said, in answer to my inquiry, that no department of the great work interested her so much as that which we speak of as Supplies. "I think," she said, "it is such a noble work, and the objects of our assistance are so deserving that I take the greatest delight in it. I can feel for the heroic men who represent us on the frontiers, and I feel even more strongly for the noble women who help them endure the hardships of such a life, that through their efforts and their sacrifices the old, old story may be proclaimed to the men around them. The delight of packing the boxes!" she said. "If every woman of our church could only be present on one such occasion, they would always take an interest thereafter. As each useful article is placed in the box, and we breathe a prayer that it may prove a blessing, we anticipate their joy and thankfulness in receiving. In this work I have realized, as in nothing else, that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.' If anything were needed to complete the happiness of such a work, it comes when we meet in our monthly meetings, and read a grateful letter from a far-off brother and sister whom we have helped."

Every woman who knows anything of the work can appreciate the delight this sister feels in such work as this. We all have felt that way, and none of us would be willing to part with the peace and happiness that come to us from the part we have taken in preparing boxes or barrels, no matter how humble it may have been.

There was another sister of our auxiliary who, for a long time, has been engaged in the Rescue Work, and that department especially appealed to her. "Why do I believe in this work?" she repeated. "Because our Savior did it; because fallen women most need help and receive the least. Shut out from churches and schools, from contact with the good, from all that uplifts, their destiny seems fixed. Somebody ought to look after them, and when one is rescued, I feel indeed as if a soul has been snatched from the burning. God does not abandon them, although society does. They have souls, and our Savior died for them. And we are rescuing them. The homes that have been established, the institutions that have been opened for them, have not been in vain, for many a one has been saved from a life of shame and transformed into a useful member of society. Yes, indeed, I feel I ought to do this work," she said, "and I am thankful that my efforts sometimes meet with success."

(To be continued.)

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Those actively engaged in foreign mission work—those who feel that they are guided by the Holy Spirit, and are really about their "Father's business"—are often grieved that so many are indifferent to a work so grand, so glorious. Yet sometimes we meet with lives so holy, so bright, so blest in this labor for the Master, that we think their radiance should shine out to encourage others.

Such a character was Mrs. Mahaly Sands, a member of the M. E. Church, South, for fifty years; now one of that celestial throng who sing the "song of Moses and the Lamb."

In 1892 our now-sainted sister, Nannie Fant, came to organize a Foreign Missionary Society at Pine Mountain Church. The name of Mrs. Sands was among the first enrolled, and just a few weeks before her death we heard her tell how Sister Fant reasoned in persuading her to join. She said: "Sister Sands, do you ever sell poultry?" "Yes!" "Do you sell eggs?" "Yes!" "Well, had you thought that one dozen eggs would pay your dues for a month, and in making this slight effort, you might be instrumental in saving some heathen soul?"

Very soon Mrs. Sands' health failed, and I do not think she was ever able to attend more than two meetings; still for eight years she was faithful, never failing to send her dues with some message, assuring us of her prayers.

Sisters, think of this. Eighty-six years old, eight years an invalid, almost blind, so unable to read for herself, and no one to read missionary literature to her, yet faithful to the end. No loving touch, no tender voice to cheer and comfort her through those long days, for she had no near relatives, and was attended only by a faithful colored servant.

One day spent in her company I remember as one of the happiest of my life, and feel thankful for the object-lesson in faith and trust that her life furnished me that day. I read to her the fourteenth chapter of St. John. She said: "Yes, I know in my Father's house are many mansions, and I shall rejoice when he calls me home; but he may have a use for me here yet, so I will not murmur."

Oh, that we all could realize that the Master needs each one of us in his vineyard!

Just two weeks before she was called home she requested the society to meet in her home, that she might be with us once more. That was a sweet, a holy service, and I feel that Jesus was with us. When we bade the dear old lady good-by she said, "I would not take fifty dollars for this meeting."

In her will she did not forget the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society that she loved so well, but left it a bequest of $100—more than one-tenth of her whole estate.

"Sweetest lives are those to duty wed
Whose deeds, both great and small
Are close-knit strands of an unbroken thread,
Where love ennobles all.
The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells;
The Book of Life the shining record tells."

(MRS.) A. F. FURR.

Holly Springs, Miss.

The following is the report of our treasurer for the first quarter, ending June, 1899: Received for all purposes from Winona district, $67.82; Aberdeen district, $71.72; Sardis district, $54.34; Columbus district, $170.08; Corinth district, $32.91; Grenada district, $68.50; Greenville district, $65.20; Holly Springs district, $36.40; Durant district, $61.83; total, $628.80.

MRS. CLARA C. FANT,
Tr. W. F. M. S. N. Miss. Conf.

The chapter is finished, the book is closed, and the story of a useful life is ended; a life beautiful in its genial, happy nature; rich in its benevolent kindness to others, noble in its generous designs to do good. The life on earth is ended, and Capt. J. T. Lay has been translated to a glorious, endless life.

Whereas, It has pleased our divine Father to remove him from our midst; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the Winona Auxiliary of the W. F. M. Society, recognize in Capt. Lay's removal the mysterious hand of a wise and gracious Father, and that we bow in meek submission to this dispensation that sorely grieves our hearts.

Resolved, That in Capt. Lay's death our missionary society and the missionary world have lost a faithful, stalwart friend, whose generous gifts have done much for the poor heathen.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved wife our deepest and sincerest sympathy, and recommend her to the tender, loving Father, who hath said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Resolved, That the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE be requested to publish these resolutions, and that a copy be sent the bereaved wife; also to Isabel Medina and Marta Gartia, two Mexican girls whom Capt. Lay was educating for missionary work.

Resolved, That because of the great gap in our ranks, we strive to be more valiant soldiers, endeavoring to do worthy service while we may, ever remembering that the days are numbered wherein we are permitted to work for the Master.

MRS. J. B. STONE,
MRS. WALTER TROTTER,
MISS MARY SWEATMAN,
MISS ELLA GRIDER,
Committee.

Winona, Miss., Aug. 7, 1899.

In all discussions as to the right way of preaching the gospel, in this or any age, it should be understood that the thing to be always aimed at is vitalizing men with the new-making nature of Christ, without which there can be no salvation, and very seldom any reformation.—Exchange.

AMONG THE PINES OF RAPIDES.

En route to the Rapides Camp Ground, I fell in with Rev. A. W. Turner, our pastor at Boyce, and was shown through our beautiful new church, which was recently dedicated by Dr. Cooper. The movement was begun in March in the face of great difficulties. Failure was freely prophesied on all sides, but the indefatigable pastor, with a band of faithful workers, pushed on until success crowned their labors. The church has a seating capacity of about two hundred, and is tastefully finished and furnished throughout. It is an ornament to the town. The total cost was about $1,300. Was the new Bible, given by a railroad conductor, and the new clock, given by some other friends, intended as a gentle hint that some new and timely sermons were desired?

The Rapides Camp Ground, situated on the banks of a crystal stream and among the graceful pines, is indeed a delightful place. Its social features are unsurpassed. Better living and better behavior I never saw.

When we remember that nearly everybody in that section belongs to some church, no great results in the way of additions can be expected, and yet there were a few, while the membership was edified generally. The preaching was done by Drs. Parker, Sawyer and McVoy, and Bros. Haney, Roberts (W. J. and Luther), Kelly, Turner, and this writer. The sermons were all, perhaps, good enough, but were almost, without exception, too long. In these days of the bountifulness of preaching it takes a good deal of grace to stand four sermons a day, ranging in length from forty-five to seventy-five minutes.

Those who attended the early prayer meeting were required to sit more than five hours a day on hard, uncomfortable seats. The set of camp-meeting preachers who will cut their sermons down to thirty minutes will receive the grateful thanks of a suffering audience.

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FROM THE WORK.

Rev. C. C. Griffin, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "Another grand victory for Christ at Hopewell. Results: 14 additions, quite a number of reclamations and conversions, and a great many family altars erected. The preaching was done by Rev. Milton Farrall."

Rev. W. J. Porter, Ennice, La., Aug. 17, 1899: "Closed a good meeting at Long Point, La. (Opelousas district), at twelve o'clock last night. The Holy Ghost was with us from first to last in great power; so much so that the people flocked to hear the gospel, and were convicted, converted and sanctified. It was glorious to behold a Campbellite preacher shouting around the altar with Methodist and Baptist. The meeting was held under the Lake Arthur Holiness tent. Services were conducted by Rev. R. M. Blocker and Willie Nye, and Bro. Cheney, of Lake Arthur; Rev. J. G. Sloane, of Grand Chenier, and Bro. Vail, of New Orleans. We also had a number of sanctified workers from Bro. Blocker's charge. There were about forty conversions, twenty sanctifications, and fifteen additions, with more to follow. Praise the Lord."

Rev. J. N. Tucker, Aug. 22, 1899: "We have recently closed a protracted meeting both at Raleigh and Cedar Grove, assisted by Bro. W. O. Newman, of Meridian, Miss., a professional singer, earnest and forceful preacher, though unlicensed. Visible results: At Raleigh—1 baptized, 2 received by profession of faith, 1 entirely sanctified, and quite a number convinced of its truth. At Cedar Grove—1 accession by profession of faith, quite a number reclaimed from backsliding, 1 entire sanctification, and quite a number seeking the blessing. Others were convinced of its truth, but said (being Baptists) that they could not profess entire sanctification, because they did not want to be turned out of the church. This meeting was remarkable for its effect on the outward life of the people. One man was so troubled about his former conduct that he insisted that he be tried for immorality in the midst of the meeting, to which he pleaded guilty and made reparation, as far as possible. Another stated to me privately he had some seventeen years ago received about $5 by mistake in another man's making change, which he was determined to refund with interest, amounting now to about $17, and quite a number have quit the use of tobacco, including one whole family of five or six. Brethren who need some one to help them in protracted meetings will do well to secure the service of Bro. Newman. God is using him to call sinners to repentance and believers to holiness. His knowledge of the Holy Scriptures is far beyond many of us who are ordained ministers in our church."

E. A. Vail, Prudhomme City, La., Aug. 18, 1899: "There was a glorious tent meeting recently at Long Point, La. Rev. R. M. Blocker conducted the services, and did the most of the preaching. We had with us also Rev. J. G. Sloane, a young preacher, who did some of the preaching. Among the leading workers were Bro. W. H. Nye, of Lake Arthur, and Bro. A. W. Cheney and his little daughter, Hattie. They both did a great work around the altar and with their cornets. Miss Maud Taddy and Mrs. J. H. Nordyke did good service at the organ. The Lord was with us from beginning to end, and many souls found the Lord in the pardoning of their sins. Many were converted, or sanctified, or reclaimed—probably 40 or 50—and 15 taken into the church. The congregations were large, so much so the tent would not hold them. The people had to take their chairs from their wagons and sit outside the tent. Our last service we closed at midnight. After the close of the meeting the writer and Bro. W. J. Porter, who is in charge of this circuit, went in a buggy to Prudhomme that same night—a distance of 17 miles. We reached Prudhomme at 4:15 A. M., and will begin a series of services Saturday night, Aug. 19. The invitation of Bro. Porter to spend a while with him gave me a coveted opportunity to get out into the country. Since I have been laboring with this godly brother I have been greatly helped both in body and spirit. There has been a great deal of improvement made on the church property at Prudhomme City since I was here. There has been a new parsonage built, with a barn and a chicken-house, and the grounds have been nicely fenced in, and the church has been arched and ceiled up inside. Bro. Porter, with the assistance of a few of the brethren, are now putting in the window sashes. After that is done we will have a nice church at Prudhomme. All that will be needed now is a coat or two of paint on the church and parsonage. The church will seat 250 to 300 people, and the parsonage has 6 good-sized rooms in it, and is well furnished. My home address is 127 Dauphine street, New Orleans, La."

Rev. C. F. Emory, P. C., Edwards, Miss., Aug. 18, 1899: "Recently we held a protracted meeting at Learned. Rev. G. A. Guice did the preaching in his usual earnest and forceful style. Notwithstanding daily rains, the attendance was good, and the church was greatly revived. Our third Quarterly Conference was held at Rives' Chapel, Aug. 12, and the meeting protracted four days. The preaching was done by Dr E. H. Mounger and the pastor. Many people were in attendance, some from a considerable distance. The results of these two meetings at Learned and at Rives' were several conversions and accessions. The contractor has just completed work on the new church at Edwards, and it will be opened to the public for the first time on the first Sunday in September. It is a very handsome structure, and would do credit to a much larger place. A more extended description will be given later."

PONCHATOULA, LA.

We are getting on very well on the Ponchatoula charge. The people, generally, manifest a greater love for each other than they did last year.

These good people are taking good care of their preacher. They have not allowed their pastor to buy anything on credit. They furnish him the money to pay cash for such things as he needs. Two-thirds of the preacher's salary have been paid, and some of the other assessments.

We have had three revival meetings. The first was at Ponchatoula the first of the Spring. The church was revived, and there were four accessions. The next was at Springfield, which began July 29, and run to Aug. 3. The first two days, Saturday and Sunday, was held my third Quarterly Conference; Bro. Tucker, P. E., in the chair. He preached us four soul-stirring sermons, and Bro. H. W. May, of Amito City, and also Bro. J. M. Alford, of Live Oak charge, came to me Monday, and both of them did us great work. This church was greatly revived, two adults added to the church, and three children baptized.

Next was held at Hammond, beginning on Wednesday night before the first Sunday in this month. W. D. Bass, of Corinth, Miss., helped me at Hammond, and we had a glorious meeting. Bro. Bass is a Holy-Ghost preacher; just the kind to dig up sinners. I never had a preacher to do better work for me than Bro. Bass did. He preached seven days at Hammond, and the results were twelve additions to the church and two children baptized. The whole church was revived, and he left us fifty per cent. better off than he found us. I can recommend him to any brother to hold a good meeting, and to do faithful and good work. The reason why we did not do more at Hammond is, because there is more denominational strife in the several churches of Hammond than in any other place I ever saw or heard of. Every church seems to do all they can to pull down every other church, and in this way they greatly interfered with my meeting. If the people had turned out to hear Bro. Bass, I think we would have had at least fifty conversions, and equally as many added to the church, and every other church would have been helped greatly.

We have at Hammond a very fine prospect for a good church in the near future. There is plenty of material there to build a very large church. We now have thirty-eight members at Hammond, and have purchased a lot for the building of a church-house, and have some money in hand for this purpose. Others have promised to help us. We need a church-building badly. We are now holding our services in a store-house, and have to pay four dollars per month for it. So we want to build as early as possible.

I have been in very poor health this year. I am now suffering from the sixth attack of malaria this year. I have not been well a whole month in succession. I have been hindered in my studies and pastoral work, but hope that I will be able to hold out here until I shall have finished this year's work, and to make a good report at Conference. I want the brethren to pray for me, and my family, and my charge.

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"THE SOCIETY OF THE ONE."

One of the most noted characteristics of this age is the growth of societies and gnilds, which are being resorted to for the accomplishment of almost every conceivable undertaking Never before, perhaps, in the history of the world has the tendency to organized effort been so pronounced. In overy department of endeavor, whether secnlar or religious, men are relying in no small degree npon the agency of sociotios and orders for the execution of commercial, philanthropic, and other schemes. The people of this age seem to havo learned thoronghly the lesson that "in nnion there is strength."

While organized effort is accomplishing many wonderfnl things, and is rendering possible in many instances what wonld otherwise be impossible, one nnfortnnate tendenoy resulting from emphasis placed upon societies and nnions is the weakening, and in some cases the destrnction, of individnalism. Indications are not wanting that too much is ofttimes expected of committees and society machinery, while too little is expected of the rank and file of the separate individuals who compose the order or society. In this day of "the adoration of committees" we are fast coming to believe that ecarcely anything shonld be attempted withont the agency of a society of some kind, and confidence in the powers of the individnal to accomplish great and nsefnl things is, we fear, growing sadly less. Machinery is a good thing, but if operated merely for its own sake, it is bnt a miserable failnre. In cooperative effort there is not infrequently too mnch shifting of responsibility. In church affairs and in benevolent work the temptation to which the average disciple succumbs is to leave the visitation of the sick and the administering of charity entirely to the pastor or to some committee, and so the spiritnal benefit that wonld result from personal work for Christ is lost almost altogether.

While we wonld not for a moment disparage the importance of organization, we believe firmly that greater effort than ever shonld be made towards enlisting in active service every man and woman in the church. Societies are of great valne in helping to bring about this mnch-to-be desired resnlt, bnt they can not do everything, and sometimes, as we have seen, afford others an excnse for not doing what they might. Bishop Goodsell, of the M. E. Church, not long since said that the need of the church of to-day is "more horse and less harness" All may not agree with him about the need of less harness, bnt none will deny that "more horse" would help wonderfully.

Whenever there is opportunity for service we shonld at once organize ourselves into a society of one "to do with our might what our hands find to do." There should be no lagging back or waiting to see if others are going to join us. We should not stop to ask whether the world is likely to honor us for our faithfulness and self-sacrifice, nor shonld we delay in doing our part because of its seeming insignificance. It may be that our contribution in time and toil for the world's uplifting will outshine and outlive the endeavors of many who rank above us in this world's affairs. The little lad mentioned in gospel story as having but five loaves and two small fishes freely gave them up for the benefit of the hungry multitude, and in the hands of Christ they became sufficient for the needs of that vast throng. Thus did Jesus put honor upon the offering of a lad who, though unmentioned by name, yet will be gratefully remembered through all time. Martin Luther did not wait until he had organized a large band of followers before he began to declaim against the gross corruption and suppression of Romanism, but, single-handed and alone at first, he stood out for the truth of the Bible, and God took care of both him and his work. It was one man, John Howard, who reformed the shamefully vicious prison systems of Europe. The discovery of America was the reward of the faith and perseverance of one man above all others. To the work and influence of Dorothea L. Dix, more than any other person, was due the creation of the British Lunacy Commission, which has so wonderfully ameliorated the condition of the insane in England, and led to far-reaching reforms in other countries.

It is not what you could do if others would help, but what you are doing yourself that counts in the world's conflicts and in the upbuilding of God's kingdom. Let us, then, not "despise the day of small things," nor falter in duty because we are not backed by the enthusiasm of numbers. "If the Lord be for us, who can be against us?" It is nothing with the Lord to save by the many or by few.

THE INTERSTATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

On the twenty-third we had the honor of filling a place on the programme of the Interstate Epworth League Conference at the Seashore Camp Ground. A good audience gave respectful attention to what we had to say. Greatly to our regret, we could not remain to take in the exercises of the following day. Those who were privileged to attend from the beginning speak in high praise of the exercises throughout. The biblical lectures of Prof. Thomas Carter are most highly commended by those competent to judge. Bros. Cobb and Atkinson and Miss Butler also filled their places admirably. Dr. DuBose is reported as measuring up to his usual high standard. Although the attendance this year was not large, a good beginning has been made. We confidently expect a large attendance next year. The plan of work meets our hearty approbation. We extend congratulations to the originators of the movement, especially to Bros. G. D. Parker and A. S. Daniels, to whose untiring efforts the success of the enterprise is largely due. We are glad to present a report from the pen of Bro. Parker. During our brief stay we enjoyed the generous hospitalities of Sister S. E Smylie, of Meridian.

Interstate Epworth League Conference.

The Interstate Epworth League Conference was opened on Tuesday eve, Aug. 15, in the tabernacle on Seashore Camp Grounds, Miss., the use of which was kindly granted by the trustees of the Seashore Camp Grounds, by Dr. H. M. DuBose, General Secretary of Epworth League. He preached a magnificent sermon from Luke iv, 18, 19—full of practical thought for the earnest band of workers gathered by the sea. It is a source of gratitude that the head of the Epworth League of our church opened the Conference, touching the key-note of the meeting—that is, out pouring of the Spirit for service. Dr. DuBose remained until Thursday, lecturing on Wednesday morning and night. His talks were helpful and spiritual.

Prof. Thos. Carter had charge of the Biblical Department, and taught a course in the history of the early church, founded on the Acts of the Apostles. This was one of the most interesting features of the Conference. A large number joined this class, and expressed themselves as being helped by the instructions of this gifted teacher of the Word.

The Missionary Institute was presided over by P. L Cobb, of Nashville, assisted by C. D. Atkinson, missionary campaigner. Miss Vic Thompson, of Mississippi; Miss Julia Butler, of Nashville, and others. Practical methods were discussed, model missionary meetings held, missionary books reviewed, etc. A very fine collection of curios from mission fields was on exhibition in Wesley Hall, which proved a valuable addition to the interest of the Institute. Missionary books, periodicals and tracts were on sale.

The open Conference, held each morning from eleven to twelve, discussed the following subjects: State Work, Devotional Department, Junior Work, Literary Department, and Interstate Relations. These practical discussions were informal and helpful.

Perhaps the most spiritual meeting of the day was that known as the decision meeting, held each evening at twilight out on the beach, beneath the wide-spreading oaks. "As the sun went down and the stars came out" the Leaguers gathered by the sea to meet their Lord, as the disciples had often done by the Sea of Galilee, and as in the olden days He met with them there and blessed them.

The evening hour was used in holding gospel services, listening to addresses, lectures, etc. Dr. H. M. DuBose, Dr. W. H. LaPrade and Dr. W. C. Black each delivered popular addresses on subjects pertinent to League work. Revs. J. D. Ellis, B. F. White, J. W. Chambers and P. L. Cobb preached powerful sermons. Revs. R. H. Wynn, Wm. Cox, S. S. Keener, E. N. Evans, D. L. Mitchel, and Jno. F. Foster rendered valuable assistance. Henry Ahrens led the singing until sickness prevented. Miss Nettie Sutcliff was the faithful organist, never having missed a service.

Mrs. M. Butler, of the Woman's Missionary Advocate, was the guest of the Conference.

There were 120 delegates, representing 23 Leagues, in attendance, and 20 ministers and workers present.

The afternoons of each day were given to recreation. Sailing, riding, tennis, etc., was engaged in by the delegates and visitors.

Permanent organization was effected, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year. Geo. D. Parker, president; — Meek, secretary; Miss Margaret Bancroft, treasurer. These officers constitute the Executive Committee. A Board of Control will be appointed from the three States—Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana—who, with the Executive Committee, will arrange a program for the next Conference.

Much of the success of the Conference is due to the indefatigable efforts and executive ability of Mr. A. Sidney Daniels.

LEAGUER.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Messrs. Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn., and Dallas, Texas, will publish, about the middle of September, "An Autumn Lane and Other Poems," a new volume by Will T. Hale, the Southern poet whose verse has been familiar to the public for a number of years. It is said that the book will contain the poet's best work, some of which appears for the first time.

The Cosmopolitan Magazine, for September, opens with a profusely illustrated article entitled, "The 'America's Cup," by John R. Spears. "A Life" is the title of a very interesting short story by Maarten Maartens. Vance Thompson contributes a beautifully illustrated article on "The Roof Gardens of New York." "The Study of Fiction," by Brander Matthews, is a masterly article which will be read with interest.

The initial number of "Everybody's Magazine," published by the North American Co., 74 E. Ninth Street, New York, comes to our table with a number of attractive short stories and numerous illustrations. James Metcalfe, M. A., contributes an article entitled, "The Heads of Our Colleges" Judging from the interesting features of this new literary venture, it bids fair to become one of the leading ten-cent magazines.

We have just received from the Advance Publishing Co., of 215 Madison street, Chicago, a copy of Charles M Sheldon's new book, "John King's Question Class." The book is notable, first, because giving another of Mr. Sheldon's striking and purposeful stories; and, second, because woven into the story are the author's own answers to the multitude of questions which have arisen in the discussion over his former books. Every Sheldon reader will, therefore, wish to read this story. The price of the book in cloth is 75 cents; paper, 25 cents.

The September issue of The Ladies' Home Journal is an unusually attractive number. On the first page is given a series of pictures of "The Wayside Inn of Sudbury Town," made famous by Longfellow Barton Cheyney contributes an instructive article on "The Young Man and the Professions," telling young men how to take up the study of law, medicine, architecture, etc. Charles T. Brodhead has an illustrated article on "The East-Side Girl of New York," and Patti Lyle Collins tells "Why Six Million Letters Go Astray Every Year." Caroline B. Le Row tells "What It Means to Be a Teacher." Frances E. Louigan tells "How Some Girls Have Earned Money" in many unusual, but practical ways.

CURIOUS PHENOMENA OF DISEASE.

In certain tanneries hides imported direct from China are being used, and six cases of a fatal disease common in Asiatic countries, but unusual here, have occurred in tanneries near Ashland, Wis. The technical name of the malady is anthrax; in Europe and Asia it is known as "wool sorters' disease," and is most common among men handling cattle. It is caused by a microscopic germ, and, once entered, pervades the whole system. This germ was one of the first to be positively identified in the recent career of bacteriology. —Northwestern Advocate.

"SOME CHURCH PROBLEMS OF TO-DAY."

The above caption is that of two articles from the pen of Dr. D. C. Kelley in the Nashville Advocate—one of July 27 and one of Aug. 10. To this writer these articles are worthy of a place in every paper in the communion and to be read by every member of our great church.

Our purpose in this is more to call attention to the subject discussed than to discuss it ourself. Indeed, the matter is presented more forcibly than I could hope to do with my limited experience as compared with the Doctor's. My appreciation of these communications may grow out of the fact that for a long time I have been in hearty sympathy with the ideas presented.

What the Doctor says about the "distressingly inadequate support" of our preachers sent to many of the country appointments we all fully accept. What he says about buying books; education, self-respect, we heartily endorse. Often as we have heard our pastors reporting on the Conference floor their meagre salaries have we been impressed with the question, What have these men done to keep the wolf from the door, to say nothing about the question of education. How can a man's self respect be maintained on such figures, and what can be the self-appreciation of a people who will receive the service of a faithful minister for twelve months and pay so little? As I have said, the object of this is more to call the attention of those whose duty it is to correct than to enlarge.

In many instances the people have settled down on the conclusion that no more is expected of them; in some cases it is possible that they are unable to do more. Whatever be the cause, for obvious reasons they ought to be corrected. I assume that no preacher should feel satisfied with a salary less than five hundred dollars, and that no congregation or circuit can think of itself as it should and pay less. This is small pay for the service and time of such a man as a faithful minister of the gospel is expected to be.

"The laborer is worthy of his hire," says the Master, and as compared with the amount of work and wages therefor, no men are more worthy than the average Methodist preacher. The late Mr. Ingersol said, a few years ago, that no men do as much on as little pay as the ministers of the Methodist Church. Coming from this source, the statement carries double force. As to my own Conference, I have before me the Minutes of our last session, and I find that out of our one hundred and twenty pastors only forty-three received five hundred dollars and over; fifty-three received not over four hundred dollars, and of these thirty-one received three hundred or less. With no time for other work and everything to buy, these figures are entirely too low.

Now, where is the remedy? Manifestly in only one of two ways: Either more liberality on the part of the people or larger works. (Some of the works referred to have not paid more than three hundred dollars for five years, and that in exceptional cases.) The latter solution would result in more riding, more preaching, more visiting and more work generally on the part of the pastor, and perhaps more exposure; but, as for myself, I would prefer all this with more salary, more self-respect, more money for education, and more comforts in the home. To consolidate a few circuits in the Mississippi Conference I am certain would be better both for pastors and people.

T. B. HOLLOMAN.

Jackson, Aug. 22.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Texas Advocate, of last week, has an editorial favoring the proposed Southern Epworth League Conference, from which we quote as follows:

"We were specially notified by Dr. Berry, in the Epworth Herald, that there would be no color-line at Indianapolis, and that whites and blacks would mix to their hearts' content. This was published for the benefit of the Southern delegates, and it was carried out to the letter. In a recent number of the Herald, Dr. Berry gloats over the success of his plan. Listen to him: 'The more than eight hundred delegates of African descent were received with marked cordiality, and treated with the utmost kindness throughout. Everyone of these delegates sat where he pleased at every session, and there was absolutely no attempt at drawing the color-line.'

"Now, we have no objection to treating these colored delegates with kindness and cordiality and respect, but why does Dr. Berry stress the fact that there was no attempt to draw the color-line? Simply to show Southern delegates that, despite their training and preconceived ideas touching this question, they nevertheless got the thing forced down their throats at Indianapolis. And they did get it ad nauseam, for there was not only no color-line under the pavilion, but there was none at the hotels The negroes and the whites were herded together in these hostelries as though they were all of one race and one complexion. If Northern people want this sort of thing, we have no objection—it is a matter of taste—but Southern people are not yet educated up to that standard. And we do not want to belong to a school in the form of an Epworth League Conference whose specific business it is to impart that sort of tuition. The thing has gone far enough, and it is time to call a halt.

"But over and beyond the 'color line' question there are other features in the proceedings of the International Conference not in keeping with Southern ideas and usages. For instance: At Indianapolis, Bishop Fowler delivered his lecture on Abraham Lincoln, which would have been all right at a literary or historical association, but out of place in a great religious convocation where there were people from all sections. There are things in that production, growing out of Bishop Fowler's peculiar environments, not at all pleasant to Southern ears. Then Bishop McCabe, whom we love and respect, was induced to trot out his old lecture, musty with the mildew of thirty-odd years, on the 'Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison.' It was prepared just after the close of the war for Northern ears, and he has never delivered it to an audience of Southern people. There are things in that lecture very grating to the ears of people from Dixie. Then, too, some of the speakers—one in particular—went into the merits of slavery, and discussed the emancipation act with warmth and vigor, and said a number of things not calculated to call up pleasant memories. That is a bygone issue, and has no place in a great fraternity gathering."

(We heartily endorse Dr. Rankin's position).

NOTES.

Rev. J. C. Mimms, of the North Mississippi Conference, has been ill, but is now recuperating among the mountains of Tennessee.

Bro. G. Robinson, Gumwood, Miss., has been a subscriber to the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE ever since the first issue in 1850.

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N. B.—All communications concerning the Epworth League should be sent to the one or the other of the editors of the League Department.

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Rev. W. M. Sullivan, of Vossburg charge, Mississippi Conference, has received about sixty persons into membership in the church during the year.

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We are glad to learn that Rev. W. O. Sadler is convalescent. He is now able to sit up. It will probably be some time, however, before he will be able to resume work.

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Rev. A. J. Notestine, of the Louisiana Conference, stationed at Ruston, is taking a needed vacation. His pulpit will be filled in his absence by Bros. Wright and Carson.

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Dr. Wm. Butler, the founder of Methodist missions in India and in Mexico, died, on the eighteenth, at Old Orchard, Maine, in his eighty-second year. He was truly a prince in Israel.

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Bro. J. L M. Hancock, Ruston, La., writes: "Your paper is growing in interest all the time. It ought to be in the homes of all our people. I never fail to speak a good word for it whenever an opportunity offers. May God bless you in your work!"

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Rev. C. D. Atkinson preached at Carrollton Avenue Church last Sabbath. During the present week he will visit Alexandria, Mansfield and Shreveport in the interest of the cause of missions. From Shreveport he will go to Texas, where he has a number of engagements.

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Notwithstanding the hindrances occasioned by protracted illness in his family, Rev. J. R D. King, of the North Mississippi Conference, has had quite a successful year in his charge at Courtland. He has had more than fifty accessions, and more than a hundred conversions and reclamations.

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At the Mississippi Democratic State Convention, held at Jackson last week, Judge A. H. Longino was nominated for governor by acclamation. He is a man of fine native abilities, and has had several years of experience in statecraft. He is also a clean, pure, upright man. He is admirably equipped for the high and honorable position. The nomination is equivalent to an election.

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Under date of Aug. 24, Rev. W. L Anderson writes: "Rev. W. A. Dollar, of the North Mississippi Conference, went home the twenty-third at 7 P. M. He died quietly, triumphantly, of slow fever, at his home three miles northwest of Ackerman, Miss. A more extended notice later. He was assistant preacher on Chester charge." A good man has gone from his toils on earth to his reward on high.

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From a private letter from Rev. J. A Bowen, written Aug. 24, we quote as follows: "The Lord continues to bless us here. Good revival in East Columbus last week in July that resulted in several conversions and seven accessions to the church. We now have three Sunday-schools. From the East Columbus meeting Revs. Eugene Johnson and J. A. Leech did most of the preaching. Prof. T. H. Lipscomb rendered me much valuable help."

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Rev. G. W. Bachman, Columbus, Miss., Aug. 26, writes: "A good meeting this week at Flint Hill, Columbus circuit. About 20 professions, conversion—mostly church members, 5 accessions on profession of faith. The pastor, Rev. Eugene Johnson, was aided by Revs. R. A. Burroughs, P. E; A. P. Leech, and this scribe. Good work was done for the Sunday-school cause and in the distribution of religious literature. The district parsonage at Starkville has been sold, and steps are already being taken for a new one, to be located either in Columbus or West Point. The tent meeting in Durant closed the twenty-second instant, with 20 accessions to the church. Rev. J. M. Massey is yet unable to resume his work. I spend to-morrow here, and go Monday to Tabernacle Camp Meeting in Alabama."

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

To the Epworth Leaguers of the Arcadia District.

As third vice-president of the Epworth League of this district, I desire to offer a few suggestions to such chapters as have done but little or nothing in the work of the Literary Department.

We recognize the fact that in many places so little desire for good literature exists that it is next to impossible to carry on successfully the work designed for the Literary Department. And yet this very fact—stubborn as it is—constitutes the chief reason why strenuous and untiring efforts should be made to change this state of things. Christ was a great teacher, Christianity is educative, and unless this opportunity offered by the Literary Department to develop our young people along this line is seized upon and improved, one of the most useful and highly significant functions of the League will be lost. The only capital with which the mass of humanity is endowed is time; and many, many refuse to invest this until it is too late to realize much profit therefrom. That individual, institution, or organization that can and will cause the youth of Christendom properly to employ their time during the age of the "teens" will have erected in the hearts of coming generations a monument more beautiful than marble, more lasting than granite.

If wisely administered, I believe the Literary Department of the Epworth League can be made an important factor in this great work. Believing there are some presidents of local chapters as well as third vice-presidents of some who have these same convictions, but for lack of more definite direction have as yet done nothing in this department, I offer the following suggestions:

In the first place, all the officers of every chapter, and especially the third vice-president, should have a familiar knowledge of The Epworth League Handbook which may be had free by applying to the Publishing House at Nashville. In this is found much interesting knowledge of the history and development of the League movement, while its "Practical Suggestions" are exceedingly helpful in carrying on the work of the Literary Department.

In the next place, I would most heartily recommend that there be a club of at least ten subscribers to the Epworth Era in every chapter. No wide-awake, thoroughly enthusiastic Leaguer can afford to miss this sweet morsel of Christian literature. Young people can be interested in this paper if the matter is tactfully presented; and that third vice-president who has ten members that are reading the Epworth Era may reasonably expect soon to be able to take up and successfully carry on other lines of literary work. This bright, high-toned sheet whettens the appetite for literature that is lofty, inspiring, and elevating.

Never allow any exercise or service to drag, but cause a spirit of earnestness, enthusiasm, and Christian cheerfulness to pervade every exercise. To your League Literary Social publicly invite all members of the League and such others as by their coming approve of its work and promise to contribute by their good conduct what they can to the pleasure and profit of the occasion. Begin your social early, have a committee to receive all guests, see that they all participate in the conversation, and share the refreshments. Break up easily, not later than eleven—better ten o'clock.

Earnestly hoping every League in the Arcadia district that is not doing satisfactory work in the Literary Department will at least give these suggestions some consideration and a trial, and that some one else will soon offer something better, I am,

"All for Christ,"

O. B. STAPLES.

Lacock, La.

Lack of space prevents us publishing the suggestive programs sent by Bro. Staples—Editor E. L. D.]

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The associate editor's brother, Rev. Ira T. Hawkins, who is a member of the North Alabama Conference, comes about once a year to assist in one or two revivals in Mississippi. It is his custom to hold on Sunday afternoon during such protracted meeting a special service for the children, inviting all between one and a hundred years old, the biggest man in town to sit on the back seat, the smallest children to the front. It is generally the best service of the meeting, impressive to young and old. This year his help was given at Madison Station, and at Union, on the Vaughan's circuit.

Annie Estelle Boothe, of North Mississippi, in the Epworth Era writes: "I placed popularity above piety in the qualification of a Junior League superintendent intentionally, for a man or woman may be as meek as our worthy president here, as patient as Job, as pious as 'the pious Æneas' of Trojan song and story, as faithful as the 'faithful Achates,' and have no influence whatever with the children. They must be people who love the children and whom the children love. They are wise, these little ones."

On Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 14 and 15, the Madison Circuit Sunday-school Institute was held at Pearl River Church. Among other features, boys and girls of the four Sunday-schools under sixteen years of age stood a written examination on the "Life of Joseph." The premium for the best set of answers was awarded to Walter Galloway, J. Harvel Ray being second.

NOTICE.

To the Preachers of the Durant District, North Mississippi Conference—

By the first week in September you will receive all the League requisites necessary for organizing one or more Leagues on your charge. Brother, give the League an honest trial and you will find it the very thing your young people need. If you can not start out with an ideal League, begin the best you can. The young people are anxious to do something.

Suppose you ask for a penny a week from each member in your charge for foreign missions. This is a small amount, but larger than the average member contributes. You can collect "back taxes"—beginning with last December.

Call on your district secretary for any information you need. Write to me, and perhaps I can visit your charge and help you. Wherever you find it hard to organize there is where the League is needed most.

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FROM REV. J. W. TINNIN.

MR EDITOR: Please allow me the privilege of replying to Bro. Featherstun's article in the last ADVOCATE. He says that I was not moved from the Whitestown circuit wholly on account of refusing to promise him that I would not employ evangelists, but also for intermeddling with the Summit charge, and neglect of work, especially at Fernwood. If the above charges are true, he should have not only relieved me of the circuit, but also arraigned me for trial. I will give you the facts in the case, and you can form your own conclusion.

In the early part of January thirty members of Adams circuit, for a cause satisfactory to themselves, withdrew from the church. Soon after their withdrawal they petitioned the presiding elder to allow me to reinstate them, and organize a church in their community (the nearest church to them was six miles). He gave them to understand that he would grant their request, but afterward changed his mind, and appointed a junior preacher on the Summit circuit, and authorized him to take charge of those people. They wrote him that they were not pleased with his plan, and as they were not members of the church, they were under no obligation to accept it, and would not.

Some time after this correspondence between those people and the presiding elder, three families—nine in number—came to Whitestown and rejoined the church. I notified the presiding elder, and he wrote me that he was glad I received them. I took it for granted that he wanted me to get the others in the church also; so I visited the neighborhood, preached in a school-house, and received eighteen more. In a few days after this I received a written notice from the preacher in charge in Summit circuit not to visit or preach in the bounds of his circuit. The presiding elder wrote me to the same effect. I wrote them that I did not intend to violate any law, and would respect the protest as far as it was in harmony with the law; would not preach any more in the bounds of said circuit, but would continue to visit those people as long as they remained members of my church; or language to that effect. The Summit preacher did not have a member in the bounds of the community in which I visited.

From the above, would you consider me guilty of the charge of intermeddling with the Summit circuit?

As to the charge of neglect at Fernwood, I wish to say, the year before I took charge of this church they paid the preacher $20. They were assessed for me the first year $50, and paid $92. This year they were assessed $150, and up to the second Quarterly Conference paid $79. We secured a lot for a church and parsonage, and raised about $700 cash for our new church. During the two years several professed conversion, and the membership increased about 50 per cent. Does this sound like neglecting my work at Fernwood? I take none of the glory to myself; it is the Lord's; bless his holy name!

He also charges me with mismanagement of Whitestown church-building. The facts in the case are as follows: In our second Quarterly Conference the presiding elder asked me if I had secured a deed to this church. I replied that I had not. He asked me to secure it at once. I told him that the property was not yet paid for, and that my people were not prepared to pay balance due; therefore, I was not willing to ask for the deed. He asked me if I objected to his getting the deed. I told him that I did not. He tried to get it, but failed.

As to his disputing my report from Adams and Providence, fortunately it is not a matter of veracity between us, but of record.

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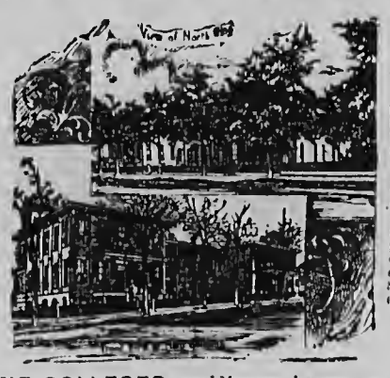

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With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand,
He has wandered into an unknown land,

And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be, since he lingers there.

And you O you, who the wildest yearn
For the old-time step and the glad return—

Think of him faring on, as dear
In the love of There as the love of Here;

And loyal still, as he gave the blows
Of his warrior-strength to his country's foes—

Mild and gentle, as he was brave—
When the sweetest love of his life he gave

To simple things:—where the violets grew
Blue as the eyes they were likened to,

The touches of his hands have strayed
As reverently as his lips have prayed;

When the little brown thrush that harshly chirred
Was dear to him as the mocking bird;

And he pitied as much as a man in pain
A writhing honey-bee wet with rain.

Think of him still as the same, I say:
He is not dead—he is just away!

—Exchange.

THE CHARM OF GOOD MANNERS.

Did you ever think, my dear young friend, what a positive charm there is about a person who is truly polite?

I do not mean the false and formal politeness of fops who put on airs, and selfish people who use flattery for purposes of their own, but the genuine politeness which can only spring from a kind heart and a pure mind.

There is a poor old man who saws wood and does odd jobs on our street, who, in spite of his rags and poverty, is universally liked and respected. It is really fine to see the grace with which he will touch his old hat to every lady he meets, and many a rich man might take a lesson from him in points of courtesy.

The washerwoman's little boy who often comes to our house on errands is another favorite with everybody. How quickly he doffs his little cap when he enters the door, and he is so polite in his speech to everyone! Poor Mrs. Murphy works hard to take care of those six little children, and when she finds time to teach Patsy such manners I can not imagine, but the boy has picked them up somehow and well deserves his mother's title for him, "Patsy, my jewel."

And there's Miss Ann Hawkins, the elderly person who goes about in families doing mending and plain sewing. She is "mortal homely," as the saying is, has not one good feature about her face, but for all that we like to have her in the family and never think of the looks at all. She always seems to know just what is best to say and what to leave unsaid, and somehow contrives to make everyone feel happy and comfortable.

So there it is. We all want to keep popular, to be liked by people, and we can all do it, no matter how poor we are, how plain, nor how hard we work. The whole secret is in a nutshell—be kind and polite to everyone, wishing them well.

Here is a good definition to remember: "True politeness consists in making everybody about you happy."—Child's Paper.

A BOY WHO WORKED UP.

One day, many years ago, a bright boy found employment in a photograph gallery in Nashville, Tenn. His wages were small, but he took good care of them, and in course of time he had saved up a snug little sum of money. One day a friend, less thrifty than he, came to him with a long face, and asked for a loan of money, offering a book as security. Although the other knew there was little probability of his ever being repaid, he could not refuse the request.

"Here is the money; keep your book, and repay me when you can."

The grateful lad went away in such haste that he left the book behind. The kind youth examined the volume with curiosity. It was a work on astronomy by Dick, and it so fascinated him that he sat up all night studying it. He had never read anything which so filled him with delight. He determined to learn all that he could about the wonders of the heavens. He began thenceforth to read everything he could obtain relating to astronomy.

The next step was to buy a small spy-glass, and, night after night, he spent most of the hours on the roof of his house, studying the stars. He secured, second-hand, the tube of a large spy-glass, into which he fitted an eye-piece, and sent to Philadelphia for an object glass. By-and-by he obtained a five-inch glass, which, as you know, is an instrument of considerable size.

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BE FAIR WITH YOUR COMPETITORS.

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There is no reason why a man should try to undermine his competitor by belittling his excellencies and magnifying his faults. Do not let generous rivalry degenerate into treacherous warfare and petty selfishness, and take the place of a broad manhood.

Learn to show a spirit of generosity and large-heartedness toward your rivals, and treat everybody with fairness. You will find this policy will pay you in the end, besides leaving you a larger, fuller, and nobler man.

Do not spend your time crying down your neighbor, but build up yourself. Let the superiority of your goods and methods of business advance you. The world always looks with contempt upon a man who attempts to build himself up by pulling others down, or to climb up on the misfortunes of others. The world admires justice and fair-dealing; and any attempt to take advantage of another will inevitably react upon yourself, and make you a smaller and meaner man.

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Don't conclude that you have never had any opportunities in life.

Don't believe that everyone else in the world is happier than you.

Don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friends.

Don't get in the habit of vulgarizing life by making light of the sentiment of it.—Uplook.

Every day of meeting sorrow superbly makes the life more grand. Every tear that falls from one's own eyes gives a deeper tenderness of look, of touch, of word, that shall soothe another's woe. Sorrow is not given to us alone that we may mourn. It is given us that, having felt, suffered, wept, we may be able to understand, love, bless. —Anna Robertson Brown.

It may be true, according to the old saw, that the world owes every man a living; but it is also true that every healthy man owes the world to make his own living. No man's industry has a right to be taxed for the folly or idleness of another.—Recorder.

Hygiene.

THE CIGARETTE EVIL.

The examination of young men for the military service of the country has called attention again, and in a most emphatic form, to the evils of cigarette-smoking. The examining surgeons have spoken in no uncertain terms. First, it is said that the percentage of rejections on the ground of physical disqualification is much larger than during the Civil War. This is followed by the statement that this change is due to the curse of cigarette-smoking, ninety per cent. of the victims of which are rejected. Think of it—only ten per cent. of the young men addicted to this habit have hearts sufficiently sound to pass an examination for military service! Leaving this class out, the percentage of sound young men is higher now than during the late war.

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TUCKER—HOUSTON LOVE TUCKER was born near Sparta, White county, Tenn., Oct. 14, 1815. He died in Fayette, Miss., July 28, 1899.

In the year of 1839 or '40 he moved to Jefferson county, Miss. For a number of years he was successfully engaged in school teaching.

In 1845 he joined the Methodist Church at old Bethel. For many years he was an efficient Sunday-school superintendent, and through a long period of years a faithful steward of the church.

In 1854 he was married to Miss Mary Torrey, daughter of Daniel Torrey. To them were born two children: Benjamin Winans, who died in infancy, and Margaret Elizabeth, now Mrs. McClore, of Fayette, Miss.

As a church member through a period of fifty-four years, Bro. Tucker's character was unblemished; moral, exemplary, devotional, faithful—yes, of deep piety—sound in doctrine, well posted in affairs of Church and State. He had read his Bible through about forty times. His Teachers' Bible is profusely marked from Genesis to Revelation, showing how carefully he read it. As a companion to the Bible, he clung to the old hymn book. This is also carefully marked throughout. These were his constant companions in his declining years and days. Nearly all of the books of his well-selected library he presented to our parsonage, reserving only his Bible and hymn book.

He requested the writer to preach his funeral from II. Tim. iv, 6-8. He approached death without fear; in fact, was anxious to go.

B. S. RAYNER.

Fayette, Miss.

LEWIS—SARAH, only daughter of I. E. and Kate Galloway Lewis, was born in Bolivar county, Miss., Dec. 15, 1893, and died of congestion in Tchula, Holmes county, Miss., July 1, 1899.

Five and a half years was this lovely flower—for such she always seemed in her delicate beauty—permitted to gladden and make sunshine in the home of her fond parents and little brothers; then, almost without warning, she was transplanted into the garden of God, to bloom in fadeless beauty, too pure an exotic for earth's barren soil.

Sarah, in many respects, was a wonderful child. I could say much of her, for I knew and loved her well; but I feel that I can pay no higher tribute to her than quote from a letter from her almost heart-broken mother. "She was always the most thoughtful and obedient child I ever saw. I could always depend on her doing what I told her, and I never had cause to doubt her word. She was a perfect little Christian."

What finer traits could one possess? Then look up, bereft and loving father and mother, for though her little body is sleeping beside her dear grandmother who loved her so well, she needs not her sweet lullaby, for she is safe in the arms of our blessed Father, who said, "Suffer the little ones to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." AUNT ELLEN.

CALLIHAN—Died at Springfield, La., on the thirtieth of July, 1899, LITTLETON MADISON CALLIHAN, in the seventy-third year of his age. He was buried in the family lot in the cemetery at Tangipahoa. His mother was a sister of Rev. Barnabas Pipkin, who was one of the pioneer preachers of this country, preaching for over forty years in this and adjoining States. His mother was a most excellent Christian woman, and perhaps it was by her prayers that he connected himself with the Methodist Church at Tangipahoa about thirty years ago, under the ministry of W. B. Hines. He served as steward for many years. He built and bore more than half the expense of two Methodist Churches in Tangipahoa. The first, which was burned, was built on a lot given to the church by the venerable grandmother of the late Maston Newsom (Mrs. Mixon). The Baptist Church now stands on that lot. The other church still stands on a lot given by Mr. Newsom, and was dedicated by Barnabas Pipkin as Newsom's Chapel.

The subject of this sketch was not demonstrative, and but little is known of his Christian life. He followed the rule of doing to others as he would have them do unto him. He was asked if he was ready to meet his Savior. He intimated that he was. He leaves a wife, who was married to him over forty years ago. He also leaves five sons and two daughters.

MOORE—Mrs. SIDNAY MOORE (nee Moore) was born in Calhoun county, Miss., May 21, 1861. Her parents died while she was quite young, and she, with two brothers and one sister, was placed in the orphans' home near Lauderdale, Miss. In 1873 she was converted and joined the Baptist Church. In 1875 she was taken into the home of Mr. Hall, a Baptist preacher, and remained with him until she was married to Mr. S. O. Moore, April 10, 1892. After her marriage she joined the M. E. Church, South, and remained a faithful member until her death, which took place on July 4, 1899.

As a neighbor, she was always ready to visit the sick and help those that were in distress. As a wife, she did everything she could to help her husband to succeed in business and prepare for the future world. As a mother, she watched over her children with the tenderest care, teaching them to be kind and gentle towards one another, and pointing them to the Lamb of God. As a Christian, she was always ready to attend to her duties to God, and did it in the most cheerful manner. She loved the church devotedly. She also loved the Sunday-school, and did all she could for it.

God grant that her loved ones may so live as to meet her where sorrow will never come.

B. W. LEWIS.

WHERRY—Mrs. N. M. WHERRY (nee Howell) was born in Georgia, Sept. 15, 1829; professed religion when about eighteen years old, and joined the Methodist Church. December 20, 1849, she was married to John A. Wherry in Noxubee county, Miss. Her husband being a Presbyterian, she joined that church. In 1867, with her husband and children, she moved to Holmes county, Miss. Her husband and two children preceded her to the home above. She died at the residence of her son, T. J. Wherry, July 28, 1899. She leaves a stepson, three sons, and fifteen grandchildren, besides one brother and numerous nieces and nephews, to mourn her loss. For more than fifty years she was a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, and lived and worked for the Master's cause. As daughter, sister, wife, mother and friend, she exemplified the example of our Savior, and went about doing good. May all her loved ones live so as to meet her in that home where sin, sorrow and parting are never known! Her brother,

F. A. HOWELL.

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CLARK—SARAH N. CLARK, wife of H. C. Clark, has gone to eternity; but from the facts that follow we rest in the conviction that she dwells with God, and we'll in the hope of meeting her in glory.

Cousin Sarah was born in August, 1868; joined the Methodist Church at about the age of twenty years; was married in March, 1892, and died on the twenty-sixth day of July, 1899. She was a woman of exceptional business ability, and of unflagging energy and industry. While economizing, she was liberal, and while candid and frank, she was kind. In the last months of her life she thought and talked much of God and her salvation. We shall never forget with what deep interest she talked with us about spiritual things; neither shall we forget her kindness to us the last time we saw her. She leaves a husband and one precious boy that we all remember as bright-eyed Clyde. May God comfort the loved ones, and use her death to draw us to Him! E. T. BRELAND.

LEECH—Whereas, It has pleased the all-wise Father to take from her family, our church and Sunday-school at Minter City, Miss., our young friend and sister, Miss ELMA LEECH; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, as a Sunday-school, we testify to her worth by more earnest devotion to duty, thereby imitating her example in faithfulness.

Resolved, That our Sunday-school, which she so dearly loved and faithfully served, has lost one whose place will be hard to fill; but we bow in submission to Him who "doeth all things well."

Resolved, That we extend our warmest sympathy to the bereaved family, and pray God may sustain them, and give them grace in this, their great sorrow.

MRS. J. E. LUPER, for Com.

BALDWIN—Whereas, It pleased God, in his divine providence, to call from our midst on Aug. 9, 1899, our co-laborer, Mrs. ETTA BALDWIN, to her eternal rest and reward; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church of Biloxi realize we have lost one of our truest and most valuable members.

Resolved, That we cherish the memory of her who followed so faithfully the "footsteps of Jesus," that though her last years on earth were marked by great suffering, she bore it with such Christian fortitude that her daily life was a testimony for him.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy and condolence.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A case of bubonic plague has appeared in the prison of Oporto.

The Thirty-first Volunteer Regiment has started for the Philippines.

The New York Sugar Refinery has cut its rates to meet that of the American Sugar Refinery.

Peace has been restored in Samoa and the provisional government is being carried on without a hitch.

The postoffice at Peck, Fla., where the postmaster was whipped by White Caps, has been discontinued.

Demetri Friendlandsr, a Chicago banker, has disappeared, and $40,000 to $100,000 has also disappeared.

There was a riot in Paris between Dreyfusites and anti-Dreyfusites, in which twelve people were badly hurt.

For the first six months of the current year the receipt from taxes in Cuba exceeded the expenditures by $1,180,021.

Laberi expects to continue on the offensive in the Dreyfus case until Col. Jonaust is tired out, and then have a free field.

No matter what the verdict is in the Dreyfus case, it is thought there will be serious riots, approaching revolution, in Paris.

Fifteen hundred people took advantage of the cheap excursions to Chicago and left over the various railroads on Saturday morning.

The whole of San Domingo is fast becoming a unit in favor of a change of government, and the victory of the revolution is assured.

The battleship "Kearsarge" will have her trial trip between Sept. 5 and 15. She will be the first ship embodying the superimposed turret idea.

It is said that Russia has craftily crept into the Alaska boundary dispute, with a view of preventing an Anglo-American understanding.

The Governors of twenty-one States will take part in the conference on trusts by the Civic Federation of Chicago, beginning Sept. 13.

Gen. Pacheco, the San Dominican insurgent, has defeated the government troops, killing 150 men and a general. The revolutionists lost only 13 killed.

A wealthy cattleman of New Mexico, who shot a woman for some unknown cause, was immediately riddled with bullets by cowboys who witnessed the deed.

Several Southerners are in the last list of army appointments. Mississippi gets one captain and three lieutenants and Alabama three captains and three lieutenants.

Cornelius Vanderbilt received in his last week's mail 1500 begging letters. The total amount asked was $500,000, and the least asked by any one person was $25.

Three more regiments of volunteers are to be raised for the Philippines, two of them negro probably. When the campaign begins anew Otis will have 70,000 men.

There were 5,920 suicides in this country last year. This is far beyond any reasonable proportion. The cause which contributes most to this crime is nervous exhaustion.

Two municipal governments in Luzon have collapsed through the treachery of the native mayors, who have been arrested.

St. Ann's Convent, near Sparkill, N. Y., has been destroyed by fire, and fifteen people, mostly children, were burned to death.

The militia has been sent to Darien, Ga., to preserve peace and prevent a race war. A deputy sheriff has been shot down by a negro, and the town is in a state of great excitement.

Fully 3,000 people attended the annual session of the Universal Peace Union at Mystic, Conn. Wm. Lloyd Garrison made a notable speech against the subjection of the Filipinos.

A conflict between British and Russian authority in Hankow has been narrowly averted, but may yet result in bloodshed. The trouble is over a tract of land claimed by a British subject.

General Weyler's political opponents are making it hot for him in Spain. The Spanish newspapers take delight in misquoting him on important subjects, and the minister of war, General Polavieja, employs detectives to watch him constantly.

At Clover, S. C., a cotton mill reported earning for the year ending July 30 of $36,940, which was 11 per cent. of the capital stock of the company. The necessary buildings for increasing the original capacity of the mill threefold will be ready this autumn.

Although but a few weeks have elapsed since the new rice season opened, a very large quantity of the cereal has already come to market, indicating not only that the crop is an early one, but a large one as well. The receipts to date amount to more than 120,000 sacks of rough, or more than double what had been received up to the same date last year.

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Hebron	7, 8
Crawford	14, 15
Brooksville	21, 22
Tibbee	Wed.. 25
Starkville circuit	28, 29
Starkville station	29, 30
Winstonville	Nov. 2
Shugnalak	4, 5
Columbus circuit	11, 12
Columbus station	12, 13
Cedar Bluff	18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs.. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

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Water Valley—North Main Street	3, 4
Coffeeville, at Antioch	16, 17
Grenada circuit, at Sparta	23, 24
Grenada station	Oct 1, 2
Oxford station	7, 8
Charleston, at Bethel	14, 15
Toccopola, at Salem	21, 22
Water Valley cir., at Pine Flat	28, 29
Minter City, at Strathmore	Nov. 4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Thurs.. 7
Paris, at Spring Hill	11, 12
Bonner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed.. 15
Slate Springs, at ——	Thurs.. 16
Ellzey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring	25, 26

The local preachers should be present at their respective quarterly meetings with written reports of their labors during the year on the passage of their character, as the law directs. Let no one fail

The trustees of church property should also present elaborate written reports in answer to Ques. 27, Sec. 4, Par. 86 of Discipline. This is important.

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Kosciusko station	Sept. 10, 11
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	10, 17
Sallis, at Spring Grove	23, 24
Ebenezer, at Liberty Chapel	30, Oct. 1
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	7, 8
Tomnolen	13
Cumberland, at Long Branch	14, 15
Kupora and Maben, at Kupora	15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens	20
Salem	28, 29
Belzona	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

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Aberdeen station	Aug. 27
Tupelo	Sept. 2, 3
Okolona	16, 11
Prairie	9, 10
Verona and Nettleton	16, 17
Aberdeen circuit	23, 24
Nettleton circuit	30, Oct. 1
Amory and Smithville	1, 2
Houston and Wesley	7, 8
Quincy circuit	14, 15
Montpelier	21, 22
Buena Vista	28, 29
Fulton	Nov. 4, 5
Tremont	11, 12
Shannon	18, 19
Okoloona circuit	25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth station	Sept. 2, 3
Booneville station	9, 10
Iuka circuit	Fri.. 15
Inka station	16, 17
Booneville circuit	Thurs.. 21
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs.. 28
Blue Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues.. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed.. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 13
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Byhalia circuit, at Fountain Head	Aug. 26
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Marshall Institute	Sept. 2

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tyro	Aug. 26, 27
Longtown	Sept. 2, 3

T. C. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

McLeod's	Aug. 26, 27
Doeson	29
Gunnison	Sept. 2, 3
Bolivar	6
Rosedale	9, 10
Lehrton	13

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

McNutt and Sunny Side, at Sunny Side	Aug. 26, 27
Duhlin and Webb, at Tutwiler	Sept. 2, 3
West, at ——	9, 10

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Spring Creek, at Fellowship	Aug. 26, 27
Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept. 2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C.	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek, at ——	11 A. M., 8 P. M.. 21
Alexandria station	24, 25

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Slaughter, at Slaughter	Aug. 26, 27
Clinton	Sept. 3, 4
Wilson, at Pine Grove	9, 10
St. Francisville, at Morning Star	16, 17
Jackson	24, 25

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Lake Arthur	Aug. 26, 27
Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point	9, 10
Plaquemine Brusle, at Rayne	16, 17
Grand Cheniere, at Leesburg	23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vinton	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Donaldsonville	Aug. 27
Carrollton Avenue	Sept. 3
White Castle	10
Carondelet Street	11 A. M.. 17
Burgundy Street	7:45 P. M.. 17
Covington	24

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Gansville	Aug. 26, 27
Valley, at Hooker	Sept. 2, 3
Bienville	9, 10

S. T. CREWS, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST. THIRD ROUND.

Pleasant Hill, at Rocky Mount	Aug 26, 27
Coushatta, at Glen Martin	Sept. 2, 3
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope	9, 10
Wesley, at Davis Springs	16, 17
Mansfield	20
Red River, at Knox Point	23, 24

JOHN T SAWYER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tallulah, at Tallulah	Sept 2, 3
Waterproof, at Wesley	9, 10
Providence, at Providence	12, 13
Gilbert, at Holly Grove	16, 17
Winnsboro, at Bouff Prairie	19, 20
Girard, at Union	23, 24
Delhi, at Delhi	26, 29
Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge	30, 31
Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct. 7, 8
Monroe	11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—THIRD ROUND

Pachuta, at Adams	Aug. 26, 27
Enterprise, at Mayerhoff	27, 28
Meridian South Side, at Poplar Springs	Wed.. 30
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon.. Sept. 3, 4
Daleville, at Sonic Chapel	9, 10
Binnsville, at Binnsville	16, 17

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Neshoba, at Philadelphia	Sat. and Sun Aug. 26, 27
Choctaw Mission, at ——	Sat. and Sun Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundorsville	Sat. and Sun 16, 17
Decatur, at Conterville	Sat., Sun.. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun.. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Hinitor	Thurs.. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun.. 7, 8
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun.. 14, 15

T L. MELLEN, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

St John's, at Mississippi City	Aug. 20, 27
Leaksville, at Avera	Sept. 2, 3
Hattiesburg	10, 11
Whitfington at Palmer Camp Ground	16, 17

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Hazlehurst	Aug. 26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lenoir's	9, 10
Brookhaven	13
Mt. Carmel, at Bethel	16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 19
Tylertown, at ——	23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge	7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wellman	14, 15

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

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Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 3
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	16, 17
Tranquil, at Lo. Grove	P. M.. 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ——	Oct. 1, 2

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Providence	Aug. 26, 27
Natchez—Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez—Wesley Chapel	2, 3
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	10, 17
McNair	23, 24

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

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Port Gibson	Sept. 2, 3
Warren, at Oak Ridge	9, 10
Anguilla, at Sunflower Chapel	16, 17
Flora, at Brownsville	23, 24
Hermanville, at Burtonton	30, Oct. 1
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THOMPSON—BRISTER.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Julia Brister, in Bogue Chitto, Miss., Aug 24, 1899, by Rev. J. A. Moore, Mr. F. H. Thompson, M. D., to Miss Gertrude Brister, both of Bogue Chitto, Miss

THOMSON—HOWARD.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr and Mrs. W. S. Howard, Hazlehurst, Miss., June 28, 1899, by Rev. T. H. Thomson, brother of the groom, of the South Georgia Conference, Ralph Thomson, M. D., to Miss Bessie Howard.

McPHERSON—HOWARD.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Howard, Hazlehurst, Miss., Aug. 23, 1899, by Rev. Robt Selby, Rev. H. C. McPherson, of the Southwest Missouri Conference, to Miss Annie Howard

CONN—STALLINGS.—At the residence of Mrs. Allie Cunningham, in Brooksville, Miss., Aug. 22, 1899, by Rev. E. S. Lewis, Mr. J. F. Conn and Miss Ida H. Stallings, both of this place.

Camp Meeting Calendar.

	Begins
Palmer	Sept 14
Wilson Springs	Sept. 21
Salem	Oct. 4
New Prospect	Oct. 19

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MISSIONARY BULLETINS FOR SECOND QUARTER.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

This summary has been delayed by the sickness of the Missionary Secretary since Aug. 1, and the non-arrival of any bulletin from the Natchez district in two years and eight months.

1. T. L Mellen, P. E, Forest district, reports: Trenton charge, D. C Lang Ford, P C.—$14 for foreign missions, $6 for domestic missions, and 4 copies of the Review of Missions taken. Morton charge, W. L. Linfield, P C. —$35 for foreign missions, $29 25 for domestic missions, 13 copies of Review. Hillsboro charge, T. J O'Neil, P. C—$3.25 for domestic missions, 5 copies of Review. Newton and Hickory, J G Galloway, P. C.—$33 for foreign missions, 10 copies of Review. Vossburg and Heidelberg, W. M Sullivan, P. C; J M Corley, assistant—$20 for foreign, $25 for domestic missions, 14 copies of Review. Shiloh, J. D Hardin, P. C.—$30 for foreign, $11 50 for domestic missions, 7 copies of Review. Lake, W. M. Stevens, P. C.—$10 for foreign, $5 for domestic missions, 17 copies of Review. Rose Hill, J. H. Foreman, P C.—$4.48 for foreign, $5 for domestic missions, 8 copies of Review. Chunky, B. W Lewis, P. C.—$2.50 for foreign missions, 8 copies of Review. Meshoba, P H. Howse, P. C—$8 for foreign, $8 for domestic missions 6 copies of Review. Montrose, I B. Robertson, P. C.—19 copies of Review. Totals: $156.98 for foreign and $88.40 for domestic missions; 139 copies of Review of Missions taken.

2 W. W. Simmons, P E. Seashore district, reports: Ellisville, N B Harkon, P. C—$8 50 for foreign missions by the Sunday-school Ocean Springs and Scranton, W. H. Lewis, P. C—$2.10 for foreign missions. Bay St. Louis, J. P. Drake, P. C.—$5 for foreign, $5 for domestic missions. East Covington, F. L. Crowell, P. C—$7 for foreign missions. Hattiesburg, B. F. Jones, P. C.—$140 for foreign and $60 for domestic missions. Columbia, H. B. Trevlilon, P. C.—$38 50 for foreign missions. Lumberville, H. B. Vandenberg, P. C. $1 50 for foreign missions. Totals: $72.60 for foreign, $65 for domestic missions. The mailing list shows 78 copies of Review of Missions taken in this district, though not all the preachers are subscribers.

3. C. G. Andrews, P. E., Meridian district, reports: South Side, W. G. Backus, P. C.—$5 for foreign missions, 10 Reviews. Vimville, C. M. Crossley, P. C.—$6.10 for foreign missions. East End, D. P. Bradford, P. C.—$72 for foreign missions, 14 copies of Review. Central, J. M. Weems, P. C.—$77.30 for foreign missions (of which $15.63 was raised by Sunday-school), 4 copies of Review. DeKalb, C. D. Cecil, P. C.—$5 for foreign, $2 for domestic missions, 1 copy of Review. Porter Tyler, R. L. Phillips, P. C.—$2.50 for foreign, $2.50 for domestic missions, 6 Reviews. Daleville, H. Mellard, P. C.—$1 for foreign missions, 6 Reviews. Wayne, D. C. Farmer, supply—50 cents for foreign missions. Winchester, F. B. Ormond, P. C.—$5 for foreign missions. Waynesboro, J. T. Nicholson, P. C.—$5 for foreign missions. Pachuta, W. J. Ferguson, P. C.—$14.80 for foreign missions. Enterprise, J. T. Leggett, P. C.—$20 for foreign missions, 1 Review. Binnsville, R. E. Rutledge, P. C.—$1.51 for foreign missions, 1 Review. West End, H. M. Ellis, P. C.—$25 for foreign missions, 2 Reviews. Totals: $237.71 for foreign missions, $9.50 for domestic missions, 43 Reviews, but mailing list shows 114 copies of Review of Missions taken in this district. Dr. Andrews' bulletin also shows 10 W. F. M. Societies. 1 Young W. F. M. Society, 3 Juvenile, 1 Young People's, 18 Sunday-school Missionary Societies, 5 W. H. M. Societies, 1 Young W. H. M. Society.

4. T. B. Holloman, P. E., Jackson district, reports: Benton, Geo. H. Thompson, P. C.—$13.75 for foreign missions, 20 Reviews. Brandon, B. F. Lewis, P. C.—$60 for foreign missions, 12 Reviews. Canton, J. W. McLaurin, P. C.—$3 for foreign missions, 5 Reviews [16 is correct number]. Capitol Street, R. J. Jones, P. C.—$36 for foreign missions, 4 Reviews. First Church R. W. Bailey, P. C.—$50 for foreign missions. Lake City, J. D. Crymes, P. C.—$11 for foreign missions, 5 Reviews. Vaughan's, J. J. Golden, P. C.—$14 for foreign missions, 8 Reviews. Yazoo City, W. B. Lewis, P. C.—$76 for foreign missions, 12 Reviews. Steen's Creek, R. Bradley, P. C.—$1 for foreign missions, 4 Reviews. Totals: $264.75 for foreign missions, 138 copies of Review, but the mailing list shows 187 copies of the Review of Missions taken in the Jackson district.

5 H. Walter Featherstun, P. E., Brookhaven district, reports: Caseyville, J. S. Parker, P C.—$10 for foreign missions, $3 for domestic missions. McComb City, I. L. Peebles, P. C.—$17.41 for foreign missions. Beauregard, H L. Gatlin, P. C.—$3.45 for foreign missions. Wesson, J. M. Morse, P C.—$19 25 for foreign missions. Bogue Chitto, J. A. Moore, P. C.—$5 for foreign missions. Adams, W. W. Morse, P. C.—$10 for foreign missions. Westville, L E Alford, P. C.—$3 for foreign missions. Providence, C. McDonald, P. C.—$17.35 for foreign missions, $5 for domestic missions Pleasant Grove, M A Thurman, P. C. —$5 for foreign missions. Totals: $90.46 for foreign missions, $18 for domestic missions, 6 copies of Review taken at Gallman, but mailing list shows 45 copies taken in the district, though not all the preachers are subscribers.

6. E. H Mounger, P. E., Vicksburg district, reports: Crawford Street, A. F. Watkins, P C.—$72 36 for foreign missions, $6.95 for domestic missions. South Vicksburg W W Cammack, P. C.—$4.70 for foreign missions, 1 Review Port Gibson, L. S. Jones, P. C—$100 for foreign missions, $20 for domestic missions. Hermanville, A D. Miller, P. C.—$12.50 for foreign missions, $10 for domestic missions. Warren, H. L. Norton, P C.—$40 for foreign missions, $13.75 for domestic missions. Edwards, C. F. Emery, P. C.—$50 for foreign missions, $15 for domestic missions, 1 Review. Bolton, L. Carley, P. C.—$5 for foreign missions, 6 Reviews. Satartia, C. C. Evans, P. C.—$6 for foreign missions, $5 for domestic missions, 1 Review. Rolling Fork, H. W Van Hook, P. C.—$10 for foreign missions, $7 for domestic missions May sville, W. T. Griffin, P. C.—$10 for foreign missions, $5 for domestic missions. Totals: $335.56 for foreign missions, $95.20 for domestic missions, 14 Reviews, but mailing list shows 50 copies of Review taken, though several pastors are not subscribers.

7 In the Natchez district there are 90 subscribers to the Review of Missions, as shown by mailing list in my possession. The presiding elder makes no report.

There are now 703 subscribers to the Review of Missions in the bounds of the Mississippi Conference—an increase of more than 600 since Sept. 1, 1898. The Review has over 20 000 names on its mailing list—the result of reducing the price from $1 to 50 cents for renewals, and 25 cents for new subscriptions.

T. L. MELLEN,
Miss'y Sec'y for Miss. Conf.

Forest, Miss., Aug. 25, 1899.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

MR. EDITOR: Many of your readers will be interested in a report from us as to the work with which we are entrusted. I had intended giving you a report earlier, but have been away from home most of the time for six weeks. We have completed a concert tour which we made with our director of music, assisted in some places by some of our students in music and elocution. We visited many towns in Mississippi and Louisiana, and gave concerts at the Chautauquas and most of the Summer Normals of both States. We were received with great enthusiasm wherever we went, and made many friends. Especially was this true wherever we met a cultured audience that could recognize fine talent when they meet with it. We thought that, since most of the college catalogues read about alike, it would be well to make a concert tour, and thus let the people see and hear for themselves what kind of talent we have, and it has proved to be an excellent plan. Of course, we could not display our talent except along the lines of music and elocution; yet, when the people know that we are getting the same character of talent in all departments, they can form some estimate of our advantages in the other branches.

We had the most prosperous and the most satisfactory session this year in the history of the college. We enrolled over 300 students, 201 being in the college proper, 130 boarders in the college, 178 in music, 34 in elocution, quite a number in art, dress-making, stenography, typewriting, book-keeping, etc We had only seven graduates, and all of these took only English diplomas. No degrees were conferred at all. It would take each one of these girls who took English diplomas from one to three years to take any degree here. Of course, this is due to the fact that we have raised the course of study so much within the last three years. We have raised it again since commencement. The curriculum in the catalogue is the one we had last year. We have to raise it by degrees in order not to discourage students who entered under the old course of study.

Our college is growing each year in numbers, in influence, and in usefulness. We are getting students from many of the Southern and Western States. Many things contribute to the growth of the college. The excellent health record, the pure water from the deep bored well, the excellent home comforts, the fine table fare, good fires in Winter, the careful oversight of the girls entrusted to us, the home-like surroundings of the college—all add to its attractiveness. The excellent talent we employ has much to do with our success. We are employing such as have studied in some higher institution and made special preparation for their work. But especially are pupils attracted to the college by the fine religious influence that somehow seems to surround them while here. The spiritual atmosphere of the college has been something wonderful. No person has long remained in the college without feeling the very presence of the Holy Spirit. Visitors who have been here for only a short while have remarked upon the spiritual influence they have felt within the college walls. Many girls have said they do not see how it is possible for a girl to remain here a session and not become a true child of God, and we had only about six who held out against the Spirit till the end of the session. We sent out some as fine religious workers and as high a type of Christian young womanhood as I have ever seen anywhere. I am told that they are of great help to their pastors. To God be all the praise! We claim no merit, no peculiar gifts, except what he gives. It is Christ working in the college when we give him the right of way. There is nothing compulsory about religion here. There is nothing fanatical, or extreme, or eccentric. There is simply a deep undercurrent of the Holy Spirit working in the hearts of the girls and teachers. This makes the ponderous machinery run smoothly. There was hardly a jar the whole session. There was scarcely a case of discipline during the entire year more than a few demerits. Love seemed to reign in the college, and it was truly a pleasure to live in this spiritual atmosphere. We are trying to give our girls the advantage of the highest in the intellectual, the physical, and the spiritual life. We leave it to our patrons and our girls to say how well we have succeeded. At any rate, we know that the Holy Spirit is present with us, and that he has set his seal upon the work.

Our prospects for next session are still brighter than for any past session. We have made arrangements for more room to accommodate the increased attendance. We open Sept 20. May our Father send us just the girls he would have us train for him! is our prayer.

J. W. BERSON.

ENCOURAGING.

Bishop Candler writes approvingly of what is being done in Mississippi. North Mississippi preachers must not disappoint him at Greenwood. He is expecting great things of us.

Rev. R. A. Burroughs, P. E, in writing of the success attending efforts made in one of his Quarterly Conferences where the people made a generous contribution beyond any per capita idea, says: "It did us good to see the people so willing to respond. This district must come to the front."

A like determination on the part of every presiding elder and preacher in charge in Mississippi will put us beyond the one-hundred-thousand-dollar line. Let none falter.

Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Madison, Miss., has remitted forty-one dollars to the treasurer, and says "it will be increased."

My recent circular letter has met with a most gratifying reception, and brought very encouraging responses. The first is from Nashville, Tenn. (For be it known, when I go after the Mississippi preachers, I do not neglect the connectional magnates who are so fortunate as to hold their membership in one of the Mississippi Conferences.)

Rev. Jno. W. Boswell, D. D, who is given to doing the right thing at the right time and in the right way, in giving expression to his hearty approval of our work, and of his desire and purpose to have a part in it, says he will contribute with the good people of Holly Springs station, where he holds his Quarterly Conference membership. This is eminently proper, and when Dr. Price adds to it the contributions of his family and flock, we will have a good report from that fine old town.

Rev. C. P. Moss, Nesbit; Rev. W. S. Lagrone, Water Valley; Rev. J. D. Cameron, D. D., Coldwater; Rev. E. F. Edgar, Barlow; Rev. J. P. Drake, Bay St. Louis (his second report)—all write, giving assurance of earnest, active, continuous work for the cause.

Revs. J. M. Wyatt, W. S. Shipman, J. W. Honnoll, T. L. Mellen, are pushing the work in their respective districts.

The preachers in the Forest district will devote October to the interest of this work.

Rev. G. W. Gordon, Ethel, sends an additional report of ten and 30-100 dollars, and "two other churches yet to hear from."

Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan reports thirty-seven and 25-100 dollars from Kosciusko, and says, "This is the beginning."

Rev. W M. Stevens reports forty-nine and 10-100 dollars from Lake.

Rev. T. W Dye, Grenada, reports more than two hundred dollars, and "more to follow."

Rev. M. L Burton, manager Mississippi Orphans' Home, writes there are between twenty-five and thirty orphans in the home who are members of the Methodist Church. They will each, by their own efforts, earn one dollar, and contribute it to the Twentieth Century Fund. And so we enter on the list, "Mississippi Methodist Orphans' Home, thirty dollars!" Who said the members of his charge were too poor to give to this cause?

J. R BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Sept. 1, 1899.

THE OLDEST FEMALE COLLEGE IN THE WORLD.

Among the beneficent agencies that have given to our Southland its splendid type of cultured womanhood none stands forth in greater prominence than the Wesleyan Female College at Macon, Ga This pioneer in the work of the higher education of women has, during its career of more than sixty years, sent forth such women as Miss Laura Haygood, Mrs. Young J. Allen, Mrs. Colquitt, and scores of others equally prominent and equally influential in molding the social and religious life of this and other lands. Never in its history has the college had better equipment, never a more pleasing outlook. It has a course of study equalled by only two other Southern female colleges, namely: the Randolph-Macon Woman's College and the Baltimore Woman's College, and it enjoys the eminent distinction of ranking with the fifteen best female colleges of America. It has a literary faculty whose successful work in their special departments furnishes an ample guarantee of their high scholarship and excellent character. Its special departments form an unusually attractive feature of its work. There are in all about twenty-five members of the faculty, but our space will not permit us to speak of them in detail, or of the healthy religious tone of the college.

According to the National Mortality Reports, Macon holds second place in healthfulness in the United States. The college building, which is the best and most commodious in the South, is located on the loftiest spot in the city and in the midst of the best residences. It is heated by steam and well lighted by city gas. Electric elevators convey the pupils from floor to floor. Abundance of the purest water, both hot and cold, is supplied on every floor; toilet and bathing arrangements are complete. During the past Summer every inch of plumbing in the building has undergone examination, and wherever needed repairs have been made. Its sanitary condition has been pronounced by experts to be perfect. The building is being entirely refurnished and recarpeted, and everything put in condition to contribute to the health and happiness of the pupils.

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BRO. TINNIN'S INACCURACIES AGAIN.

It pains me much to be compelled to correct the erroneous impressions that Bro. Tinnin's rejoinder might create, but the cause of truth demands it.

Bro. Tinnin recounts, with partial accuracy, the trouble at Butler's School-house, once on the Adams circuit, and now on the Summit work, but he fails to tell that he was the real cause of the disaffection there. Of this I have abundant proof.

He tells that I tried to get a deed to the church lot at Whitestown, and failed, but he does not tell that I failed because of the bargain he had made with the owner of the land upon which he had built the church. This gentleman gave me to understand that "they"—i. e., Bro. Tinnin and his helpers in the church enterprise—did not want a deed. Here was the mismanagement: He had gathered up money from the membership of our church in Whitestown and McComb City, and with it had built a church on land we do not own and can not own until he and a few men under his dominance consent, and they have not consented. Neither does he tell that he now proposes to carry with him into the Methodist Protestant Church the building built with money raised to build a M. E Church, South.

He tells of what he did at Fo[illegible]wood, but fails to say what we here know—that what he did is as nothing compared with what he might and ought to have done.

He insists that he did much on the Providence and Adams circuits, but it is very evident that the seeds of dissension sown on those circuits during his pastorates have resulted in a harvest of disorder and decadence, from which they have not yet recovered.

The presiding elder discovered that for some time Bro. Tinnin had been contemplating withdrawal from our church, and that he purposed carrying with him just as many members of our church as he could; and it was very evident that the longer he remained with us, the larger would be that following, and the more injury would he do to our church. This induced the presiding elder to bear no longer with the mismanagement and wrong-doing of the brother, but to remove him at once to a charge where he could do the least harm; hence he ordered him to Pleasant Grove circuit.

Nobody that I know of objects to Bro. Tinnin's going from our church. We have sweet peace in the Brookhaven district now. He was our only note of discord. Why can not he go without trying to make it appear that he was driven to do what he has been so long planning to do?

The whole correspondence on this matter—letters written by himself and others, and mine to him—are in my possession. I shall give them to the public if it becomes necessary.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

The Tri-State League Assembly.

The Seashore Camp Ground, on the coast of Mississippi, is an ideal place for a great League assembly. The beautiful outlook on Mississippi Sound, with the shipping of the Gulf islands in view, the unsurpassed surf bathing, the picturesque background of ancient live oaks and magnolias and the superior improvements planned and completed by the Camp Meeting Association through a series of years, make up an inventory of attractions which, when there is added the advantages of a delightful climate and cooling, invigorating sea winds, leaves little to be desired. It was a happy conception on the part of New Orleans Leaguers and others to call a Conference or assembly of the Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama Leaguers for this ideal spot during the days of August. The Tri State Conference opened on the fifteenth instant. We believe this is the beginning of a great and permanent movement in Southern Methodist Leaguedom. The plan and purpose of the meeting is a Chautauqua for the teaching and expounding of League ideas and methods and the founding of a permanent institute for the study of the Bible. We saw at once, when the place and the idea were brought together in our view, the large possibility of the scheme. Future seasons should see tens of thousands of our young Methodist lay people here for a month combining study and recreation, for we declare that as to temperature and general comfort we have found no place on the whole South Atlantic coast superior to it. To the great States of Texas, Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee it is most convenient, and these hold a large proportion of our League membership. The "Seashore" has the advantage of being well equipped with hotels, restaurants, and a line of most comfortable modern built cottages.—Epworth Era.

LITTLE THINGS.

BY HENRY VAN DYKE.

Only a little shrivelled seed—
It might be a flower or grass or weed;
Only a box of earth on the edge
Of a narrow, dusty window ledge;
Only a few scant Summer showers
Only a few clear, shining hours.
That was all. Yet God could make
Out of these, for a sick child's sake,
A blossom wonder as fair and sweet
As ever broke at an angel's feet.

Only a life of barren pain.
Wet with sorrowful tears for rain:
Warmed sometimes by a wandering gleam
Of joy that seemed but a happy dream.
A life as common and brown and bare
As the box of earth in the window there;
Yet it bore at last the precious bloom
Of a perfect soul in a narrow room—
Pure as the snowy leaves that fold
Over the flower's heart of gold.

—Exchange.

Communications.

THE LEAGUE AS JUNIOR PASTOR.

(Concluded.)

We want now to consider the Epworth League in its relation to the pastor. Its purpose is to aid in the church's work; not to aid in keeping the League alive, but to aid in saving souls, and doing good in other ways. It is to be, not a burden to the pastor, but a burden-bearer. No society in the church should increase pastoral burdens, but should be a more efficient way of bearing these burdens. We sometimes excuse ourselves from organizing and operating societies because we think we have all we can do. Suppose, when reinforcements reach Gen. Otis, he says, 'I can't take them; I have all that I can do," and, setting them aside, attempts to whip the Philippinos all by himself, is that not like the pastor who would ignore all these aids and try to do all the church's work by himself? No untrained army can be relied on. The church must train its members in Christian activity before it can battle successfully with the enemy. A sad mistake has been made by the church in waiting until the members are old to train them. In all walks of life youth is the training-period, and a reason why so many church members kick out when harnessed is a lack of early hitching.

The League fills this long-felt want. It is a training-school on the field of battle; a theological school in which all may matriculate. It trains to Bible study, it stimulates to private devotion, it encourages to service in the congregation, and prepares for leadership during life's training-period. Do not neglect the young people—the greater part of the church's capital.

DEVOTIONAL DEPARTMENT.

There should be purpose in all the work of this department. That the periodical meetings be held is not enough. Make them feel that they are an important part and parcel of the church's work.

At Benton the League members make our prayer-meeting crowds, and I gave them that hour for devotional meetings. The result is larger crowds, more people conducting the meetings and leading in public prayer, and Leaguers feeling that they are a part of the church. The pastor is not so much exhausted, and a part of the church has gotten out of the wagon and are now in the shafts. By giving purpose and aim to these meetings they can be turned to great profit in the conversion of sinners. Let call for penitents be made, and encourage the young people to kneel about the altar, and labor and pray with the convicted soul. Their faith will be strengthened, their zeal quickened, and their souls made to rejoice, and God will be honored. A religious service without aim should never be held.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITY AND HELP.

The prime purpose of this department is to look after the poor and needy in large congregations, and to be on watch for strangers coming in. This would be great help to anyone, and would take many cares and much labor from the pastor's heart and hand. It would unlock for many the secret of a happy life. But a large per cent. of Leaguers are in the country and small towns, where such work is not so imperative. Let the term "help" be very flexible—a servant of many gifts, a horse that will work anywhere.

We will assign to this department of our Leagues the collection of the Twentieth Century Educational Fund. The plan is for an Educational Rally Day, and the use of the programs sent out by the Board of Education—the exercises to be gotten up by members of the League. The pastor, or some one chosen by the League, will take a subscription for the fund, which subscription will be turned over to the second vice-president, to be collected under the direction of the business meeting of the League, which will also provide for a canvass to reach all members who have not subscribed. This department can be used in securing any collection ordered by the Annual Conference.

The second vice-president of one League has arranged to send out a card of the following form:

THE COMING REVIVAL.

BENTON CHURCH.

Geo. H. Thompson, Pastor.

1st. I will, from the start, attend, as far as practicable, and take some part.

2nd. I will endeavor to interest and secure the attendance of others.

3rd. I will commence to pray: (1) for myself, (2) for the pastor, (3) for the general interest of the meeting, (4) for one, or more, persons whom I am especially anxious to see converted.

This young lady undertook this without a request from anyone else, and had the cards printed at her own expense. This is Epworth League life.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

This department can be made to fill a want which nothing else can supply. Every League should have the reading course. The department is without form and void without it. Under the skill of an efficient chairman the course can be used as a text, with a great deal of parallel reading added. The average Methodist is as ignorant of Methodist literature as of the Koran. Let this department be made useful in stimulating this kind of reading, which can be done by using care in the arrangement of a literary program. A good plan is to provide a paper on some conspicuous figure in Methodist history. When possible, arrange for an occasional lecture on such themes. Where practicable, arrange for some visitor to lecture on Susanna Wesley, George Whitefield, Francis Asbury, Jesse Lee, or some other Methodist pioneer.

This department should be made useful in circulating literature, church periodicals, etc. Let one committee work for the Conference organ, another for the general organ, and another for missionary literature. Use this department in spreading missionary intelligence.

Give your League something worth doing, and make them feel that it must be done, and your League will run itself, and not run the pastor down to keep it running.

GEO. H. THOMPSON.

Correspondence.

LETTER FROM RUSTON, LA.

MR. EDITOR: The Louisiana Chautauqua can most certainly take her place among some of the older Chautauquas of some of her sister States. When Bishop Vincent originated the first one, even with the ken of his prophetic vision he could scarcely have foreseen the great things that have been accomplished in so many States in this, our day.

The one here at Ruston will soon be in her teens. I am told by those who have been able to judge that it is on the up-grade, and steadily advancing every year. This year the program was a very elaborate one, and promised many grand things to those who came for study, pleasure, or amusement, or only as "lookers on in Venice," to the last of which class this scribbler belongs. It was quite a novel sight to see the large tabernacle, nestled among the hills and beautiful trees, surrounded by a veritable hive of halls of cuit, science, philosophy, history, mechanics, art, kindergarten, and music, with its throngs of busy bees all bent on extracting and laying by all the honey that could possibly be stored up in the course of a month's sojourn in such an uplifting atmosphere.

The motto written on the large blackboard in Tulane Hall was quite unique and suggestive.

"Life without industry is a crime;
Industry without art, a brutality."

The ladies and gentlemen who have the management of the whole have enlarged the boundaries of their phylacteries this year in some respects, inasmuch as they allowed dancing and its concomitant evil in the shape of card-playing. It came, too, "in such a questionable shape," that even some of the church members were in a quandary, and seemed to think that in such an intellectual atmosphere the cranium might be in danger of cerebrum enlargement, unless there was a corresponding exercise of the heels.

Some of the former attendants thought the religious element was not up to what it had been in the observance of the Sabbath services. When there was no distinguished divine on the program there was no Sunday-school or services, unless it was a song service, and there seemed to be lacking any reverence of the day on account of there being no religious services.

Ex-Gov. "Bob" Taylor delighted over two thousand people on the twenty-eighth with his inimitable lecture on "Love, Laughter, and Song." It was the day that drew the crowd, and the crowd enjoyed "the feast of reason and flow of soul." He was full of his theme, and that seems to be the secret of his power over the audience.

After the closing of the Chautauqua, Miss Mary Stuart Cundiff, of Albany, Oregon, died at Ruston, at the home of Prof. Carson, whom she was visiting. She had been away from home studying at the Columbia School of Oratory at Chicago. She entertained the audience at the Chautauqua on several occasions. The last time she rendered Tennyson's poem, "Crossing the Bar," to the delight of all lovers of oratorical and elocutionary skill. Little, perhaps, did she or the audience think how soon the sweet young lady would herself be "crossing the bar." At the funeral at the Methodist Church, which was crowded, Sunday evening, Aug. 13, Bro. T. B. White, who spoke to the audience in praise of the young lady's fine character, requested Prof. Carson to recite "Crossing the Bar." He did so, and Mrs. Arnold, her friend, who is Bro. White's daughter, sat at the organ and sang, "Thy will be done," and "Nearer, my God, to thee." At the cemetery, just as the sun was going down behind the clouds, a magnificent scene loomed up in the west. A large crown-shaped cloud towered just above the cemetery, and it was edged with golden gleams that fairly dazzled the eyes of the beholders. To the right and left were long stretches of deep purple, crimson, silver and gray cloudlets, as if nature had sympathized with us, and in her grandeur tried to give us a glimpse of glory "beyond the clouds and beyond the tomb," into which the soul of Miss Mary Stuart Cundiff had entered—over there in the sun-bright clime. MRS. L. CRARY SADLER.

LETTER FROM ILLINOIS.

MR. EDITOR: One evening last May I bade adieu to the Crescent City for a Summer's vacation in a more northern latitude. The night wore away slowly. Sleep was sought, but was not found. But I dozed, and when I awoke it was with a shiver, occasioned by the wind blowing through a raised window. Self-comfort of a lady passenger prompted the raising of the window. Could she have known what I suffered from it for about ten days, she would not have raised it.

The State of Illinois is entered at Cairo, the largest town in the southern part of the State. It has fifteen thousand inhabitants, a large part of whom are negroes, if we may judge by the number of them who swarm the streets. The drummers and porters are met everywhere—about eating-houses, hotels, and railroad depots. They seem to have crowded the white man out of this avocation. Business seems to be as active for the Summer as almost anywhere else.

This is a great railroad centre, which adds much to the town's prosperity. In 1860 it had only three thousand inhabitants. In nothing has it grown more rapidly than drinking-saloons.

South Illinois is broken, rendering farming in many localities difficult. It is called Egypt, from its supposed fertility, but this is a misnomer, as many other localities in this and other States yield more abundantly the cereals adapted to the soil. The population is settled everywhere—on the hills, hill-sides, and in the valleys. Its denseness, however, does not over-burden the soil, as all seem to have plenty, if not great abundance. Few have attained much wealth.

South Illinois is a malarial region. Chills, fevers, and other diseases of a like character, visit the people during the months favorable for their propagation. The malarial district embraces nearly, if not quite all, that portion of the State bordering on the Ohio river.

Many churches have a foothold in the country places and in the towns. The M. E. Church seems to be stronger and more deeply infixed in the centres of the population than any others. The Baptist are next in number and strength. The others are neither numerous nor wealthy. I have not found a Southern Methodist organization yet, though I have not traveled over the State a great deal at this visit. The nearest one to me is at Cairo, twenty-eight miles away, and it has neither pastor nor house to worship in. For the ministrations of the Word I am dependent upon the Baptists, the Lutherans, and the Congregationalists. Whilst I attend their services and derive good from them, yet it is not like being among one's own people and enjoying their communion. The Lutherans in the town of Dongola, where I am stopping, often sing some of our good old Methodist hymns. And now and then some of our Sunday-school pieces found in "Living Songs," which we used at Moreau Street, with their touching melody, float out on the air. When I hear them my mind runs back to Dr. Adams and the Morean Sunday-school. The inspiration to my own soul lifts me above the darkness of this world, and brings me into the purer atmosphere of heavenly communion. There is not a saloon in the place. There is not a place where a drink of whisky can be bought, except for medicinal purposes. Social drinking, if carried on at all, must get its supply from other places. The town council were whisky men, but they dared not issue any license to saloon keepers. From the fact that there are no saloons here, the town has quietude from the midnight revelry, drunkenness, and altercations.

My enforced retirement from the regular pastorate has not been so monotonous and lonely as I anticipated. To one who has been an active pastor superannuation has a touch of sadness about it. There is an inspiration to the soul in preaching the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ; but when one's mouth is sealed from physical disability, much of that is lost. In his hours of rest and loneliness he will, of necessity, scrutinize very carefully his past life and labors, asking himself, "Did I do everything within my power?" and, "Was I actuated by the purest motives in all I said and did?" But these hours of enforced retirement offer opportunities daily for quiet reflection, and for the exercise of patience. Our light afflictions, which continue but for a moment, will work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. Thus far I have had much to make me hopeful and to encourage me. I thank God for the grace which he has given to sustain me up to this hour. Here I am with my sun going down in a clear sky, throwing a halo of light behind as it sinks beneath the horizon. J. F. SCURLOCK.

Dongola, Ill., Aug. 23, 1899.

BLUFF CREEK CAMP MEETING.

MR. EDITOR: The following account of the Bluff Creek Camp Meeting was furnished me by the president of the camp meeting association:

The eleventh annual camp meeting at the Bluff Creek Camp Ground opened on Friday, Aug. 11, at 8 P. M., with an excellent sermon by Rev. C. C. Miller, of Wilson, La., and closed on Sunday night, Aug. 20, with a very forcible sermon by Rev. P. M. Brown, of Greensburg, La.

The following ministers were present and took part in the services during the meeting: R. W. Tucker, Dr. I. W. Cooper, J. F. Wynn, F. N. Sweeney, C. C. Miller, J. I. Hoffpauir, H. W. Rickey, A. S. Lutz, J. M. Alford, P. M. Brown, and J. L. McManus.

The preaching was excellent from start to finish, and while the visible results were not what we would like to have seen, we believe much good was done. Christians were strengthened and built up, good resolutions were formed, and promises made to lead better lives.

This camp ground is situated in the southeastern part of East Feliciana parish. The tabernacle is located in a beautiful grove of sweet gum and oak. An inexhaustible well of pure water furnishes the multitude with refreshing drink. The camp ground association own ninety-four acres of land, and are yearly making improvement.

Owing to the excellent fare furnished, the hotel was crowded, taxing the proprietor to the utmost, but we believe all went away satisfied.

The attendance on the services was good, over 1,000 having registered at the gate. The order on the grounds, and behavior and attention under the tabernacle during preaching hours, was of the very best.

J. I. HOFFPAUIR.

Greensburg, La.

TOPISAW CAMP MEETING.

Topisaw Camp Meeting began Thursday, Aug. 10, at 8 P. M., and closed the following Thursday with the night service. The congregations were good, though not so large as last year. This is accounted for because of sickness and daily rains, which hindered the attendance from the surrounding country. The visible results of the meeting were not what we desired and had hoped for; yet we are sure that the future will reveal larger results in answer to the earnest and faithful preaching done. Seeds were sown that will surely bring forth a harvest of good.

The following preachers were present and rendered faithful service in the meeting, namely: Revs. H. Walter Featherstun, P. E; T. W. Adams, P. Howard, J. M. Morse, Robt. Selby, J. A. B. Jones, J. W. Sandell, M. A. Thurman, G. W. Roberts, and Bro. Hatch, of Summit.

Mrs. R. C. Howell, of McComb, presided at the organ, whose well-known skill in this capacity attests that the music was good. She was ably assisted by Miss Ida Felder, of Topisaw Church. Bro. Magee, of Tylertown, rendered valuable service with the cornet. We have adopted and will strictly adhere to our standard hymns, supplemented with the Young People's Hymnal.

The association is planning larger preparations for another year. The following officers were elected: President, M. R. McEwin; vice-president, B. S. Alford; secretary, J. H. Felder; treasurer, Robt. H. Felder.

V. V. BOONE, P. C.

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In the Woman's Missionary Advocate, for August, there is a significant statement from the treasurer of the W. B. F. M. which appeals to every woman who belongs to the society. We have pledged a support for our missionaries in foreign lands, and "the disbursements necessary for their support are largely in excess of the quarterly receipts." What shall we do to redeem our pledge? Our faithful workers are at the front—in our stead. Must they throw down their arms and yield the field to the powers of darkness, or will we come to their rescue? The alternative demands an answer.

I have a suggestion to make. If I were hungry and thirsty, and you were to give me food and drink, I would be worse than a heathen if I did not thank you. We are all hungry every day of our lives, and the God who sends the rain and sunshine feeds us. Can we do less than thank him? We do thank him by a verbal utterance, perhaps, when we think of it; but when we realize our dependence, and feel that every good and perfect gift comes from God, we want to honor him with something more than word-service. He has told us how our thanks may reach up to the very white throne and bring down a blessing from him. "Inasmuch as ye do it unto one of the least of these, . . . ye do it unto me."

Acknowledging our debt of gratitude for countless daily blessings, do our hearts not burn with a great desire to substantiate our thanks by a continual offering? Even the veriest mite contributed daily would multiply the loaves and fishes until "the millions" would be satisfied on the "bread of life."

I suggest that we establish the habit of saying "Thank you" to God by a daily offering in proportion to our gratitude and ability, and let us see if we can not thus solve this vexed problem of supporting our missionaries. When we have reached the utmost of our ability (be it large or small) our hearts will overflow in praise; but, ah! who of us ever has gotten, or ever will get to the feeling-point in our offerings?

Do not lay this suggestion aside as a thing too small for the attention of grown women. The "mite-boxes" are designed especially for the children, but the same principle embodied in the "thank-you box" is worthy the attention of the wisest and oldest of us. Daily giving, like a daily "grace," should be an obligation. Indeed, there is no other way appointed by which the soul realizes a continual shower of blessing. Emotion is well as far as it goes, but unless emotion expends itself in some good work, it crystallizes the mainspring of feeling, and eventually benumbs and hardens the heart.

"Thank you, dear Lord," with its accompanying deed of passing the blessing on to another, keeps the heart pure, fresh, and responsive to every breath of the Holy Spirit.

If every member of the adult societies in our Conference would give as a daily offering three cents—one for food, one for drink, and one for clothes (and it would be hard to give less)—the aggregate amount would support two missionaries. Let us hear from those who will adopt this beneficent plan, and thereby more than double our present yearly receipts.

MRS. T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

Home Mission Society.

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THE MANY-SIDEDNESS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

BY MRS. J. W. BRISTER, NASHVILLE, TENN.

(Concluded.)

Another member of our auxiliary praised the Settlement Work. She mentioned the old remark that if the mountain wouldn't come to Mahomet, Mahomet must go to the mountain, and added: "The Christian church certainly ought to be as wise as the Moslem prophet; and if the people will not come to the church, then the church ought to go to the people. I am so glad," she continued, "that our people are coming to realize this; that schools are being established in the very midst of poverty and ignorance; that mind and heart are being together taught that by personal contact with godmen those in sin are being elevated and ennobled, and their souls are being saved from sin. This is indeed a noble feature of our work and I shall rejoice to see it developed until thousands shall be saved."

If I had time and space, I could tell what other members said. I wish I could picture the delight in that young mother's heart as she spoke of the Baby Roll, and the happiness it gave her to add a name to the little ones whose names were already enrolled.

I wish I had time to tell of the consecrated woman, loyal to her church and thoughtful of the needmen who fill her pulpits, who told me that the parsonage work was nearest her heart; that preachers, all men, needed some one to prepare homes for them, because, being compelled by the nature of their work to move so often, they have not the opportunity to do it for themselves.

All were more or less interested in the local work, and felt not only a joy, but a pride in ministering to the needs of those who, in the name of humanity, had claims upon them. It proved to me as I went about in preparation of this paper, as it resulted the various members, that it was not mistaken in lauding the work because of its many-sidedness.

As set forth in the beginning of this article, this is what makes the society so useful, for its various departments, its noble principles touch human nature in many ways and somehow and somewhere make appeal to every woman who has a heart that loves her Savior and is capable of intelligently considering the work. All of it tends to develop the selfish and to develop the noble in womanly nature.

May the membership of the societies largely increase, and may the work of the womanhood of the church be of such a character as to merit the Master's plaudit, "Well done."

Our grand business is not to do what lies dimly at a distance, but do what lies clearly at hand.—Lyle.

FROM W. L. ANDERSON.

MR. EDITOR: Sonth Union Camp Meeting closed this morning. It was a great victory. Revs. J. S. Oakley, P. E.; L. M. Lipscomh, W. B. Murrah, and W. M. McIntosh assisted this pastor in dispensing the Word. We have not had greater conscionsness of the divine power in onr lives. Tnesday, at 11 A. M., was simply awe-inspiring. Many were convicted and converted. Twenty-three were added to onr church. Eighty-two up to date on this charge—seventy-five hy profession of faith and seven by certificate.

We missed some familiar faces from the camp ground, which occasioned much enquiry among the tent-holders. Among others our faithful Bro. Bachman, who has attended there regnlarly for some time. He has faithfully spent nearly two weeks already with us this year, preaching, singing, and selling good books; so he could not give us more of his valuable time. A more usefnl man doesn't beleng to onr Conference than Bro. Bachman. If yon want a revival to do lasting good, brother preacher, yon shonld have Bro. Bachman present to sow down the virgin soil, newly broken, with such good books and confirmatory sermons and exhortations as he is always ready and able to dispense. He helped ns at Antioch and Cook's S. H.

Another absent one was Rev. W. A. Dollar, lately bnried within a stone's throw of the pulpit-stand where he has often stood hefore a crowded arbor. Died just a week ago.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the Qnarterly Conference of Chester charge, which meets annually in connection with the camp meeting:

Whereas, In the providence of God the last days and labors of onr brother, Rev. W. A. Dollar, were spent among us, and his godly life on earth has come to an end here, and his last remains are deposited in onr Sonth Union Cemetery, and we have been privileged—many of us—to attend him in his last illness and death; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Qnarterly Conference of Chester charge, that in his death the church has lost one of her faithful and self denying ministers, the people a true and sympathizing pastor, and the community a loyal and faithful citizen.

Resolved, We hereby extend to the sorrowing family onr deepest sympathies in their sad bereavement, and, in view of South Union being his last resting-place, we cordially invite them to place their church membership here.

W. I. COOK,
H. A. POLLARD,
G. T. RUFF,
Committee.

Aug. 29, 1899.

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REV. W. C. BLACK.

INDIAN MISSION.

I wish to tell you what we poor Choctaws are doing. The Lord has been very good to us this year, and, oh! how thankful we are! I know I am a better man than I ever have been, and I give God the praise for it. It is my daily prayer that God may convert every Choctaw in Mississippi.

My preacher wants me to give my whole time to the work. I am ready to go at the bidding of the good old Methodist Church, which has done so much for me and my people. And I do say from the great deep of my heart, God bless this good old church! I am doing all I can to get my people to quit dancing and playing ball, and quit everything that is unclean; and my wife has quit using snuff, and she is ready to help me in anything that will advance the cause of Christ, and to get our people to live a Christian life. I will say for all the Choctaws, We all like our little preacher. We think he is doing a great deal of good among us.

Your Choctaw brother,

SIMPSON J. TUBBY.

Coles, Miss., Aug. 26, 1899.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. J. S. Sanders, Many, La., Aug. 28, 1899: "We have just closed a ten-days' camp meeting at New Hope, Many circuit, with at least 130 bright conversions, and 75 sanctified, and 30 accessions to the church. This is our first camp meeting, and God has put his seal upon it. We were assisted by R. M. Tucker, R. P. Howell, and W. W. Tucker, and A. R. Hodges, of Marshall, Texas. God has greatly blessed us this year. We have completed our new parsonage, and the finances are coming up well. We are planning for other meetings."

Rev. W. J. Porter, P. C, Prudhommo Charge, Opelousas district, Aug. 28, 1899: "We closed a good meeting in Prudhommo City at eleven o'clock last night. We were assisted by Bros. Penny, of Lake Arthur, La.; Vail, of New Orleans, and Sloane, of Grand Chenier. The latter was with us but two days. All did efficient work, aided by the Holy Ghost. With pleasure I add the name of Bro. Sligh, president of Mansfield Female College, who reached us in time to help bring souls to Christ, being present at the last four services, and conducting one of them. Results: About forty conversions, seven sanctifications, and six additions, with more to follow. Praise the Lord. Last, but not least, Bro. Sligh got the promise of three pupils."

Rev. R. P. Goar, P. C., Paris, Miss., Aug. 26, 1899: "We commenced our meetings at Spring Hill the third Sunday in July. There the Lord met us in great power. The church was greatly revived; two conversions and seven reclaimed. We then went to Liberty. There we had five conversions and twenty-three reclaimed. From there we went to Paris, and the Lord met us in power. Christians shouted aloud for joy, and many promised to lead better lives. Several converted and eight added to the church; some ten or twelve promised to have family prayer. We held at Sarepta the fifth Sunday in July. Two converted; church revived. At Hunter's Chapel we had several conversions, almost a general revival in the church, and about twenty reclaimed. Last at Mt. Liberty. I never have been in such a meeting. The Holy Ghost came in power, forty or fifty reclaimed, and at least twenty-five converted; twenty-four joined the church. Some most wonderful things happened in this meeting. Good women told of things they had prayed for six or seven months that came to pass in the meeting. Bro. Tucker, one of our best members, told of a dream that he saw before the meeting that really came to pass in the meeting. The preacher left for home with money in his pocket and glory in his soul. God be praised for it all."

Rev. W. R. Harvell, Bonita, La., Aug. 28, 1899: "We have just closed a glorious meeting on this charge at Bartholomew Church. We began Saturday night, Aug. 19, and continued until the following Friday. Bro. Harper dropped in and preached a strong sermon Sunday night; then Bro. Dan Barr came to our rescue and preached with great power, to the delight of all. It has never been our privilege to listen to a preacher who had more of the spirit of Christ. It is the general verdict of those that live in that community that this is the best meeting held there since 1879. Results: 11 children baptized, 8 accessions, everyone soundly converted, 20 conversions, several backsliders reclaimed, and the church gloriously revived. Truly this was a meeting baptized with the Holy Ghost."

Rev. Ira B. Robertson, P. C., Montrose, Miss., Aug. 25, 1899: "The Lord is doing great things for us at Montrose. We have just closed a protracted meeting here. Bro. J. H. Foreman, of Rose Hill, assisted me. He is an efficient helper. He has the spirit of the Divine Master. We had eleven accessions and a general spiritual uplifting, notwithstanding there was considerable political excitement and intense heat prevailing. Although we had to part with our former efficient principal of our high school, Prof. G. W. Burton, I think the trustees have shown much wisdom in electing Prof. O. H. Wingfield principal of the literary department, and Miss Josie Crisler, of the musical department. We expect our district high school to flourish the next session."

Rev. W. T. Griffin: "Mayersville circuit is a light work in many respects. Most delightful have been our near four years here, and some advance has been made in the Lord's kingdom in these ends. The membership is larger, and some are more religious; a few have been converted. There are not many here who are likely to join the church. Both churches have been put in good condition inside and out. One recarpeted, the other will be soon, and both refurnished. Congregations are good; three Sunday-schools; one prayer meeting well attended. W. F. and Juvenile Missionary Societies and Aid Societies doing good work. Collections coming up as usual. Our health was never better than during our stay here. Have had two good meetings this season, and have had time to evangelize some, and it has been delightful and profitable to me. The Lord hath done much for us."

Rev. R. L. Webb, Brooklyn, Miss., Aug. 25, 1899: "There was a storm in the little town of Brooklyn on the eighteenth; but, strange to say, it only struck the Methodist parsonage. About 4 o'clock P. M. two good sisters, each with a long list of names and a handsome purse, together amounting to $14 in clean cash, swept down upon us, making us the happy recipients of the same. That night there was a most joyful giving of thanks to God, who had put it into the hearts of those good people to do so much for us. And it was not on quarterage, either. We expect for this church and others to come up in full before the end of the year. We have a very neat and comfortable little parsonage, which has been built this year at Brooklyn, the most important place on the G. and S. I. R. R. We hope soon to begin our new church here. Occasionally we hear men cry out against the truth as I preach it, but I have determined that no soul shall perish over whom I have been placed as a watchman without he first hear the trumpet of warning."

WESLEY CIRCUIT, LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

We observed Children's Day at Wesley Church, Sunday, Aug. 13. The children and young ladies were assigned the subject of "Missions," selections being made principally from past programs issued by our Publishing House. Right well did the little tots perform their part, while the young ladies very creditably interested the audience with their readings and essays. All the members of the Sunday-school were present, and everyone on duty was well prepared to respond.

There were two addresses on education: one by Mr. B. C. Lee, the other by the pastor, Rev. Geo. D. Purcell. Both presented many facts worthy of careful and prayerful consideration by all our young people. The collection amounted to five dollars and fifty-five cents.

An attractive feature of the day was the bountiful baskets of wholesome viands spread in the cool shade of the beautiful grove surrounding the church. Notwithstanding the severe drouth from which our people are suffering, they generously brought forth the best contents of their larders in great profusion.

The afternoon was spent in a cordial, old-fashioned handshaking manner, with many soul-stirring songs by the young people. From child to grandfather all seemed to feel at liberty to use the opportunity for a closer fellowship with his neighbor.

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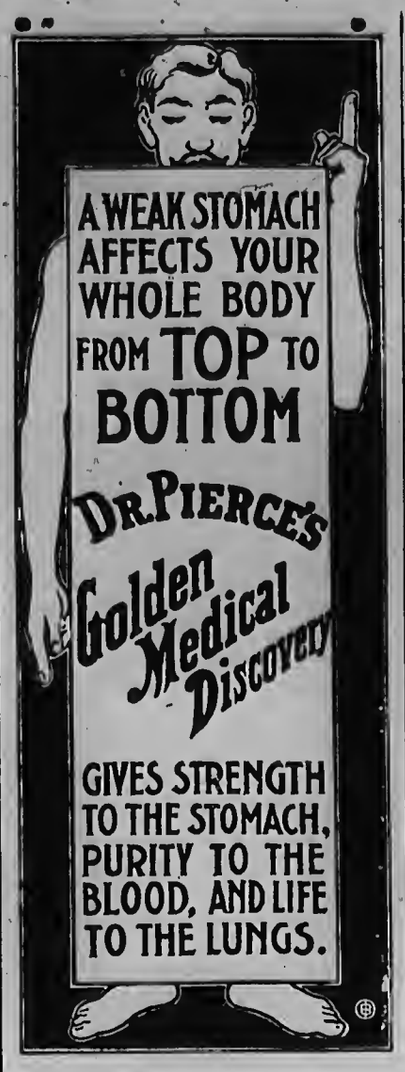
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THE BIBLE AND THE CRITICS.

It is scarcely an over-statement to say that the Bible has within recent years been the subject of closer examination and more thorough investigation than ever before in its history. Scholars of great reputation and ability have for some time been probing anew questions as to the date, authorship, and authenticity of the several books composing the Sacred Canon, particularly the Pentateuch, the prophecies of Isaiah and Daniel, and the Gospels, the conclusions in some instances being so radical as to occasion no little alarm among the orthodox and the conservative. In the search for proof of so-called advanced theories, many of which are so fine-spun as to appear ridiculous, portions of the Sacred Volume have been subjected to a microscopic analysis, as it were, and sometimes it has seemed that the aim of the higher critics was not so much to prove the truth of the Bible as to find therein difficulties and contradictions, and then magnify them, despite their trivial nature. One unfortunate result of this destructive criticism has been the lessening in certain quarters of reverence for the Word of God. Wherever this is the case, the obligatory nature of its teachings is sure to be felt less keenly.

We are far from believing that the Bible ought to be regarded with such a degree of awe as to forbid investigation as to its trustworthiness and genuineness. If it is a true book, it will stand the search-light of honest inquiry, and when tested fully and fairly, will be found to satisfy the demands of reason as well as of conscience. Nevertheless, it should never be forgotten that God is his own best interpreter, and that the study of his Word, whether critical or otherwise, without the enlightening aid of his Spirit, is like digging in a mine without the aid of a lamp or torch.

While we are by no means in sympathy with all the methods of the higher critics, many of whose theories and conclusions we reject in toto, their investigations have, on the whole, we think, been a benefit to the cause of religion. Not a little of the rubbish of tradition and superstition which had gathered about the Word of God has been cleared away, and the truth of God shines all the brighter in consequence. While some timid souls have imagined, as they heard from afar the din of controversy and saw the smoke of fiery criticism, that the very foundations of religion were giving away, their fears have not been realized. Faith has, in spite of the attacks of agnostic scholars and scientists, a firmer foundation than ever. Thus, though for a considerable time the storms of disputation have been raging about the mountain of God's truth, and thunderbolt after thunderbolt of criticism has fallen upon its lofty crest, the mists and darkness have now well-nigh disappeared, and in solitary grandeur the heaven-crowned peak of Revelation is seen towering unscathed above the wisdom and pride of man.

It is a most remarkable confirmation of the truth of the New Testament that among the two thousand and more ancient manuscripts containing different portions thereof, while hundreds of variations in the text of Scripture have been found, they do not affect in the slightest degree a single one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity. No complete copy of Homer, it is said, dates back further than the thirteenth century. The earliest extant manuscript of Herodotus, the most ancient of historians, is no older than the ninth century, while there is but one copy of Virgil that goes back to the fourth century. Yet, of the New Testament we have many translations which date back within two centuries of the sacred writers themselves, and, without doubt, these translations were made directly from the originals. Modern scholarship has made it clear that no other ancient book can be traced back so certainly and so nearly to the original manuscripts as the Word of God.

The following testimony from the late Prof Stearns, one of the recognized authorities among the Congregationalists, a man who was thoroughly orthodox in belief and deeply pious withal, is well worthy of consideration: "Much of the disquietude which is felt in our times respecting the work of biblical criticism arises from a tacit and unconfessed distrust in the Bible. And it will disappear when Christians come to see that the very methods which at first alarm them are leading to the complete and invincible proof of the truth and unfailing efficacy of the Sacred Book." As the editor of the Central Christian Advocate, well says: "Is it not a distinctive gain when a man like Dr. Alfred Plummer (Master of University College, Durham, England), after spending years in the study of the third gospel and the Book of Acts, and after applying to them all the canons of criticism and all the tests, literary, historical, linguistic, which the whole critical world affords, is able to say that his investigation justifies him in accepting the unswerving traditions of the first eight or nine centuries, that the writer of these two books is Luke, the beloved physician?" Speaking of other benefits of biblical investigation, the same editor says with truth: "The prophets have been lifted out of obscurity, their environment has been recovered out of the past; their training, mission, functions as political counsellors—all these have been studied afresh under the influence of modern spirit of inquiry and with the helps which no former age ever possessed for the explication of Scripture."

While some of the higher critics are undevout extremists, there is a large and increasing number of devout conservatives among them.

Christianity invites investigation. It is falsehood that fears its light. The Master says, "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me." As Dr. David Gregg remarks: "It is with religion as it is with other things in the world. Scientific theories have been shaken, but science remains and, unabashed, continues to utter its affirmations. Astronomical theories come and go, but the sun shines on. This and that theory of inspiration fails, but the inspired Book remains, and its pages enshrine the thoughts of God."

Even if it should be established that more than one writer had a hand in compiling and comparing the Pentateuch and several other parts of the Old Testament, this would by no means invalidate their trustworthiness. The truths stated are truths, by whomsoever written. It is hardly reasonable to suppose that Solomon originated all of the Proverbs, or that all of the Psalms are Davidic. There is great need in the study of the Bible that "we should make a distinction between what a book claims for itself and what others reading it claim for it by way of inference from what it says."

While, undoubtedly, the tendency of the "higher criticism" has been to undermine the faith of some who were not well grounded in the evidences of Christianity, the outcome will be the confirmation of faith and the more triumphant vindication of the claims of the Bible. The best summing up we have seen of the situation is the following timely and clarion-like utterance by President W. F. Warren, of Boston University, in the Methodist Review for May-June:

"After more than twenty-five years largely devoted to the study of the sacred books of all nations, the writer has reached three decidedly firm convictions. The first is, that if a nation's traditions are trustworthy with respect to anything, they are pre-eminently so with respect to its own sacred rites, and the laws under which those rites are perpetuated and safeguarded. In no other matters is a tribe or people so conservative as in these. As a consequence, the traditional view of the origin and age and purpose of any religious rite or code, particularly in a nation employing the art of writing, must be assumed to be the true one until the clear evidence of error can be produced. The second conviction referred to is that, granting the composite authorship of Genesis, or of the Book of Joshua, or of the Book of Isaiah, no critic's analysis at this date, if based solely on verbal or stylistic peculiarities, or on what that particular critic thinks the writer ought to have said, will ever satisfy all other critical analyzers, or attain such a recognition in the world of sober scholarship as to justify the historian in changing the date of the document by centuries, and in then employing it as authority for reconstructing the history of a nation in square contradiction of its own immemorial traditions. The third of the three convictions is that, whatever may have been the time order or the time-period in which the law and the prophets and the Ketubim slowly grew to the compass and form in which we find them in the present Hebrew canon, the right understanding of the total process and of the significance of the whole for the Christian church is likely to come less from the ingenious conjectural hypotheses of isolated closet philologists than from that ever growing insight of the living church into her own continuous life-processes which normally accompanies her own supernatural, her own theopneustic, life. Anchored in these firm convictions, we feel no anxiety whatsoever as to the outcome of the critical study of the Old Testament. We decline to be scared by anybody. And any church that will thoroughly anchor herself in these firm convictions may blandly dismiss the shuddering alarmist. We believe our own church is so anchored."

LIBERALITY.

The spirit of liberality is abroad in the land. Our exchanges teem with accounts of bequests and donations to religious and charitable institutions of every sort. It would take considerable space to chronicle these each week. A. F. Page, of Raleigh, N. C., recently gave $6 000 to the Methodist orphanage located in that city. G. W Mallory, of New Haven, Conn., has bequeathed his entire estate, valued at $60 000 to benevolent institutions. John Hillyard, of Brooklyn, N. Y., makes a similar disposition of his property after the death of his wife. His estate is worth $40,000. Of similar character is the will of C. J. Still, of Philadelphia, whose estate is worth $158 000 Bishop Newman's estate, worth $50,000, goes, at his wife's death, to Drew Theological Seminary. Charles A. Atchison, of Glasgow, Scotland, has donated $350 000 for the education of Bible women and religious teachers.

These are only a small fraction of the generous bequests and donations reported through the press last week.

A PRESENT-DAY PROBLEM.

There are 550 Mormon elders at work in the South, and their official reports show that they are making converts at a rapid rate. That something ought to be done to counteract the efforts of these emissaries of the Evil One will be generally admitted but precisely what steps should be taken, who knows? The church press can do nothing except in an indirect way, for the people among whom the Mormons are making their converts, as a rule, never see a church paper. The only way in which the church press can do anything is to call attention to the matter, and stir up our preachers and leading laymen.

Here is a problem, the solution of which will tax the wisdom and resources of the church. Let no one suppose that this Mormon propaganda will be short-lived. The Mormon elders are here to stay, and they display a zeal and industry worthy of a better cause.

Dr. J. C. C. Newton, our Japan missionary, will soon publish a book entitled, "The Country, Court and People of Japan."

THE SHREVEPORT RALLY.

The Educational Rally at Shreveport was held Aug. 30-31, Bishop Galloway presiding. The opening sermon by Dr. J. L. Pierce was strong and appropriate. There were three sessions each day. Bishop Galloway spoke each night, each address measuring up to his usual high standard. Dr. I. W. Cooper made a forceful presentation of the claims of Centenary and Mansfield.

The following brethren were heard from on one or more of the various topics discussed: W. H. La Prade, S. S. Keener, C. W. Carter, B. F. White, J. A. Parker, W. T. Bolling, R. W. Tucker, J. F. Foster, B. T. Crews, J. D. Harper, S J. Davies, C. D. Atkinson, J. M. Brown, S. H. Whatley. Other ministerial brethren present were J. T. Sawyer, A. D. McVoy, J. O Bennett, Thomas Carter, Robert Randle, W. G. Evans, C. P. Smith, C. F. Staples, A. W. Turner, H. W. Bowman, P. O Lowry, J. M. Martin, G. D. Parcell. Among the prominet laymen present were T. S Sligh and W. W. Nelson. Though less largely attended than many similar gatherings have been, the occasion was a success.

An enthusiasm in the cause of education was generated which will doubtless tell beneficently upon the Twentieth Century Thank-offering. A fuller report will appear next week from the pen of Dr. J. A. Parker. See notice from Bishop Galloway on this page.

Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund,

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The Rev. W. H LaPrade, D. D., is hereby appointed to take special charge of the canvass in the Louisiana Conference for the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund. Presiding elders and pastors are urgently requested to co-operate. Let us begin the work at once and push it with vigor.

CHAS. B. GALLOWAY,
Pres. Bd of Education, M. E. Church, South.
Aug. 31, 1899.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Scribner's, for September, opens with an account by Frederic Irland of what he calls "the finest canoeing country in the world." There is a story of life and adventure in the Arctic regions by Albert White Vorse. It is entitled "The Education of Praed" (illustrated by Henry McCarter), and tells how a Western college professor learned something of value from the Esquimaux.

The American Monthly Review of Reviews, for September, contains a remarkably attractive group of contributed articles. The war in the Philippines is summed up by John Barrett; the outcome of The Hague Conference is set forth by W. T. Stead; the subject of trusts is discussed by George E. Roberts and by Henry Macfarland; Hezakiah Butterworth writes of "The Future Value of the New England Farm," while Prof. L. H. Bailey answers affirmatively the question, "Does Farming Pay?" Sylvester Baxter tells of the progress made by the State of Massachusetts in her public library system, and Gilbert K Harroun describes the work of the Cuban Educational Association of the United States; a sketch of "The New Secretary of War" is contributed by Henry Macfarland.

NOTES.

Rev. A. S Lutz was present at the Preachers' Meeting on Monday morning.

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Bishop C. B. Galloway is booked for the opening address at Cornell College, Sept. 13.

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By request we will continue our reduced rates on Minion and Emerald Bibles until the first of October.

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We regret to learn through the Nashville Advocate that Dr. W. M. Baskerville, of Vanderbilt University, is seriously ill.

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The numerous friends of Rev. J. W. Chambers, president of Whitworth Female College, will be pleased to learn that his health is steadily improving. He writes that the outlook for the college is decidedly hopeful. The college will open Sept. 13.

The saints at the Seashore Camp Ground were edified last Sabbath by a sermon from Rev. E. N. Evans.

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Rev. J. F. Foster being absent from the city, his pulpit was occupied last Sabbath by Rev. G. D. Parker. Dr. Keener preached at Carrollton.

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Rev. J. E Green, of the Texas Conference, honored the ADVOCATE office with a call en route home from the Bethel Camp Meeting, near Woodville, Miss.

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Dr. S. A. Steel has been transferred by Bishop Candler from the North Mississippi Conference to the Virginia Conference. So says the Richmond Advocate.

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Rev. A. S. Lutz will enter Vanderbilt University at the opening of the session. His place as preacher in charge of Slaughter circuit will be supplied by Rev. E. L. Alford.

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Rev. T. J. Norsworthy writes, under date of August 29: "We are now engaged in a tent meeting in Camden, having begun last Sunday. Interest increases with each service."

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Prof. W. S. Fitzgerald, of Roswell, New Mexico, youngest son of Bishop Fitzgerald, was married, on the twenty-fourth, to Miss Rachel Thomas, of Nashville, Bishop Fitzgerald officiating.

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Mr J A. Woodville, president of the Board of Trustees of the Seashore Camp Meeting, has gone with his family to Honduras to spend some weeks, Honduras being the land of his nativity.

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On Sunday, Aug 26, while Dr. S. S Keener was dispensing the gospel in one of our city churches, burglars entered his residence and relieved him of his pocket-book containing $35 and a railroad ticket of considerable value.

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Carondelet Street Church some two months since started a Chinese Sunday-school, which now has an attendance of twenty or more Celestials, who take great interest in the exercises. The new venture promises to be a success.

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Rev. R T. Nolan writes: "We are in the midst of a glorious meeting at Shady Grove Church, Cumberland circuit. Bro D. M. Miller (L E.) is doing the preaching. He is a strong preacher. Souls are being converted, and the church greatly revived."

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Prof. Geo Lott Harrell, who has had charge of the Millsaps College Summer School, and who was adjunct professor of mathematics and history in Millsaps College during the session of 1898-9, has been elected professor of science in Whitworth College. Young and vigorous, this well-qualified teacher will add strength and efficiency to Whitworth's excellent faculty.

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Under date of Aug. 29, Rev. J. H. Penix writes: "That untiring servant of God, Rev. H. W. Ledbetter (assisted by myself), has just held a meeting at New Hope, on his work. A few accessions, eleven conversions, and the members greatly revived. Especially did the younger members show great zeal in the Master's cause. The church at this point is on a firmer footing than ever before."

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Rev. W. A. Bowling, of Buena Vista, North Mississippi Conference, writes: "I have held four revival meetings in my charge, with fine results at each. I have had twenty-four accessions to the church, with more to follow. Rev. E. G. Kilgore is a member of my charge, and is a great help to me. Sister Kilgore's health is improving, and we are very hopeful of her recovery."

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On the twenty-eighth of August the Nashville Advocate received the following cablegram from Bishop Hendrix, who, as our readers know, is now in Brazil: "Brazil's thank-offering, ten thousand dollars." If a Conference with such meagre resources as the Brazil Mission Conference, with its meagre resources, can raise ten thousand dollars for the cause of education, what amount ought to be raised by Mississippi and Louisiana? Who is mathematician enough to say?

The Presbyterian Church of Ireland has undertaken to raise $5,000,000 as a Twentieth Century Thank-offering, and one-half the amount has already been subscribed. The Southern Methodist Church, with three times as large a membership, has undertaken to raise $1,500 000. Our per capita, if it should all be raised, will, therefore, be only one-ninth that of the Irish Presbyterians. Shall we fail to raise the full amount? Nay, let us go beyond the assessment.

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Two cases of yellow fever were reported in this city last week. Up to the time of going to press, Tuesday afternoon, there have been no others, and the health authorities report that there are no indications of a spread of the disease. This is the opinion not only of the Louisiana Board, but also of Drs. Gant and Harrailson, of the Mississippi Board, now in the city. The Louisiana Board has requested the co-operation of the U. S. Marine Hospital Service in a house-to-house inspection.

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Rev. C. McDonald writes: "On the fourth Sunday in August, and for two days after, Bro. V. V. Boone held a meeting for me at Bahala Chapel. There were three valuable accessions and a great uplift to those who attended. There was so much sickness in the neighborhood that we could not well continue. The pastor was down with fever, and did not attend a single service. My people were delighted with Bro. Boone, and say they would like, after three years, to have him for four years."

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During our brief stay on the Mississippi sea coast we enjoyed a half hour's call on Bishop Keener at his quiet and beautiful home "Cherry Wild," at the very verge of the summer sea. The Bishop, in this loved retreat, is passing a peaceful and happy old age. Charming in conversation and encyclopedic in knowledge is this venerable master in Israel.—Bishop Galloway's sermon at Chautauqua produced a profound impression.—Bishop Morrison has entirely recovered his health, and is hard at work preaching and attending to episcopal visitations.—Epworth Era.

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Under date of Sept. 4, Rev. G. W. Bachman writes: "Rev. Geo. E. Lipscomb has been seriously ill for the past ten days. His condition has been such as to cause his friends much solicitude. He is somewhat better now, and we are hopeful for his recovery. Let continued prayer be made in behalf of our afflicted brother and most useful minister of the gospel. Rev. R I. Allen has been appointed assistant pastor for Winona station during Bro. Lipscomb's disability. Rev. W. M. McIntosh was here last Saturday securing pupils for Grenada College. He expects a good opening on the twelfth instant."

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From a private letter from Dr. W. Featherston we quote as follows: "Bro. C. McDonald, of Providence circuit, and several of his children have been quite sick. Rev. G. W. Hiveley is doing good work on the Pleasant Grove circuit, which he is supplying in place of Rev. J. W. Tinnin. Rev. M. A. Thurman is doing most excellent work on the Whitestown charge. The place is a trying one, but Bro. Thurman shows himself to be the man for it. The church will lose practically nothing notwithstanding Bro. Tinnin's effort to carry with him not only the new church-building, but the entire membership as well."

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Rev. J. T. Cunningham writes: "This has been a red-letter day in Verona. Bro. Anderson and his people are happy in the consummation of a work which has engaged their minds and hearts for many months. Upon an eligible site stands our new temple of worship, in which our first services were held to-day (Sept. 3). The occasion was one of inspiration, and our people measured fully up to the responsibilities of the hour. The house is a gem—a thing of beauty, and presents quite an imposing appearance. Our fourth Quarterly Conference embraces the third Sunday of September, at which time the house will be dedicated to God."

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The apostle declared that under the gospel plan there is "no difference"—"the same Lord is faithful unto all who call upon him."

This leads us to remark that the colored people in our midst are included in the "plan," and we ought to realize our duty regarding them.

We do not need the suggestions and intermeddlings of our friends (?) of a Northern clime, who, in many instances, have directed their efforts toward prejudicing the blacks against the whites, instead of bringing them to Christ.

We are much surprised at many of the recent utterances of Dr. Berry, the otherwise efficient editor of the Epworth Herald. We hope he will see proper at an early date to desist from his lectures on the "color line."

We think the mistake made at the International meetings heretofore has been in allowing the extremists (fire eaters) to occupy a place on the programme.

How different the course pursued by Bishop Fitzgerald, who, by his love and tenderness, made all to feel, more than ever before, that "one touch of nature had made the whole world kin."

We sincerely hope and pray that at this late day the young people of these United States (particularly the Methodists) may not be estranged and divided. Rather may they be brought closer together in the bonds of sympathy and love, and march forward as a united band to the music of celestial song to take this world for Christ.

The New Orleans Epworth League Union will meet in monthly session in Burgundy Street Methodist Church, Tuesday night, Sept. 12, at 7:45. All are cordially invited to attend. Music will be furnished during the evening by the Burgundy Street League orchestra.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

Are you arranging for your League to take the reading course, beginning in October?

If you have had recently a helpful program rendered in any department of your League, we should like for you to send a copy, in order that it may be published for the benefit of others.

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If you will send the account of it, we will publish in this column even the little, almost insignificant things your League has been doing.

Young man, young lady, the schools will be opening in a few days. It is your duty to yourself and to the country to take the training that these institutions afford. Give your parents the assurance that, if they, upon their part, will make the sacrifice of money necessary, you, upon your part, will strive to make it count tenfold in your life.

Rev. W. G. Backus, pastor at South Side, Meridian, writes as follows: "DEAR BRO. HAWKINS: The League at South Side is doing good work, especially in the devotional department. At a meeting not long since Bro. W. D. Hawkins asked all to stand up who were seeking salvation, and eight young men of promise asked the prayers of the church. The Lord was present in power, and we feel that God is working through these meetings to bring men to a better life. Bro. W. D. Hawkins, as you know, is a faithful, untiring Leaguer."

Madison Station League has sent forward the amount that the Quarterly Conference asked from it on fund for repairing the district parsonage.

Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn., will send the Epworth Era to any address from now until Jan. 1 for 25 cents. The Era's circulation is nearing the fifteen-thousand mark, and the expectation is to make it twenty thousand by 1900.

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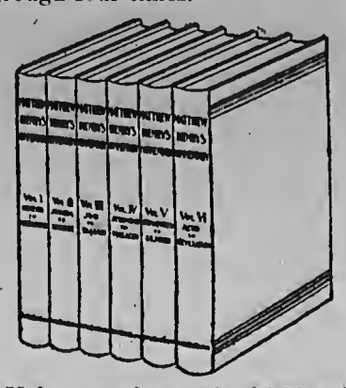

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"Come here!" I sharply said,
And the baby cowered and wept.
"Come here!" I cooed, and he looked and smiled,
And straight to my lap he crept.

The words may be mild and fair,
And the tones may pierce like a dart;
The words may be soft as a Summer day,
And the tones may break the heart.

For words but come from the mind,
And grow by study and art;
But the tones leap forth from the inner self
And reveal the state of the heart.

Whether you know it or not,
Whether you mean or care,
Gentleness, kindness, love, and hate,
Envy and anger are there.

Then, would you quarrels avoid,
And in peace and love rejoice,
Keep anger not only out of your words,
But keep it out of your voice
—Youth's Companion.

GENERAL WOOD.

Great catastrophies, such as war, fire, shipwrecks, often develop giants and heroes where least expected. General Leouard Wood, governor of Santiago, from an assistant surgeon in the army but a short time ago, has advanced to the front rank by developing positive genius as an administrator, and is now spoken of for the office of goverunor-general of Cuba.

General Wood is a man of few words and very little pretension. Without the least military show, he may be seen early each morning on his horse, riding about the streets of Santiago, often without a single attendant, looking this way and that, constantly on the alert for the improvement of the city.

The transformation of Santiago under General Wood's rule, especially in a sanitary way, has been little less than a miracle. His government, too, has been marvelous. He understands the Cuban character apparently better than either Governor Ludlow or Governor Brooke. Recognizing the effect of centuries of Spanish rule, he acts accordingly, and does not antagonize the Cubans by constantly telling them they are liars and thieves. He knows that, in their present condition, they are absolutely incapable of self-government, a fact which other officials do not yet seem to have discovered. General Wood realizes that the Cubans are now in the same position as a schoolroom full of children without a teacher.

Any one, no matter how humble, can approach him with his complaints or troubles and be sure of a hearing. Nothing which in any way affects the interests of the inhabitants of Santiago seems to be too small or trifling to command his attention. He has a rare combination of the qualities of firmness, tact and progressiveness which fits him in an especial manner for the difficult task with which he has been intrusted.

The fact that General Wood recently declined an offer of thirty thousand dollars a year to become president of the Washington street railway system, because he prefers to do what he considers his duty, at six thousand dollars a year, is another evidence of his greatness. It recalls the reply of Agassiz to people who reproved him for not using his talents to make money. "I have no time," he said, "to waste in making money. Life is not sufficiently long to enable a man to get rich and to do his duty to his fellowmen at the same time."

To have nothing is not poverty. Whoever uplifts civilization is rich, though he die penniless, and future generations will erect his monument. Fortunately, there are, even in this dollar-chasing, wealth-worshiping age, men who think there is something in the world better than money. There should be something in a man's life greater than his occupation or his achievements, grander than acquisition or wealth, higher than genius, more enduring than fame.

To regenerate the beautiful island of Cuba, to bring peace, prosperity, and happiness to a people who have been in mental and moral slavery for centuries is certainly a greater work than to accumulate a fortune.—Success.

READING.

Reading lies largely at the bottom of education. Carlyle said: "The true university is a collection of books." With access to the best literature, one may without professional instructors educate himself. The right sort of reading necessarily involves earnest thought, and the mind thus constantly taxed expands and acquires power. Thus information is secured, discipline attained and culture taken on. It would be impossible for a naturally strong intellect to read the masterpieces of wisdom and beauty without growing and developing force. In school and college we learn to read and think, but the best part of education comes with the maturer studies of our post-graduate career.

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Reading puts us into communication with truth. In literature is the best that has been thought and said by man. Here the results of profound investigations are treasured. Here the wealth of patient research is embalmed. Hallam was no doubt right when he rated the invention of printing as the greatest invention of the race. In books the wisdom of man is preserved and transmitted. To know the truth is one of the mightiest passions of the soul. Philosophy is the English of the words which mean the love of wisdom. To discern the truth, the realities of nature, life and God is one of the motives to reading. Thus we satisfy the instinct for knowledge. Thus we commune with the master-spirits of the ages.

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Reading is a perennial and inexhaustible source of innocent pleasure. We are rapt into ecstacy when the panorama of literature unrolls before the mind's eye. In science, the truth of nature is revealed; in philosophy, the doctrine of first principles is taught; in history, the thoughts and deeds of men are displayed; in religion, the knowledge of God and the secret of life and happiness are set forth. The contemplation of this vast wealth of truth and beauty can not but thrill the soul to its profoundest depths. Lady Jane Grey preferred Plato to the fashions and revels of a ducal court; John Wesley beguiled the tedium of his long journeys by reading Homer and Virgil. He who once tastes this bliss at its best will, like the fabled lotus-eaters, forget his former pleasures and pursuits.

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Reading is a direct and fruitful contribution to the development and refinement of the spiritual life. It brings with it light and strength and consolation. The best literature is pervaded by a moral vein. The ethical element is prominent in all the standards. He who has read only the best will confess himself under everlasting obligations thereto. It was through this instrumentality his problems were solved; through this channel life and power were poured into his heart; through this medium consolation and balm overflowed his spirit. Thus his lonely hours were brightened and his bitter cups were sweetened. When overcome and disconraged, the vision of the struggles and conquests of others cheered his fainting heart. Such wisdom and inspiration are priceless. We are all debtors to the thinkers of our race.—Texas Advocate.

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THE ART OF NOT HEARING.

The art of not hearing should be learned by all. There are so many things which it is painful to hear, very many which, if heard, will disturb the temper, corrupt simplicity and modesty, detract from contentment and happiness. If a man falls into a violent passion and calls all manner of names, at the first word we should shut our ears and hear no more. If in a quiet voyage of life we find ourselves caught in one of those domestic whirlwinds of scolding, we should shut our ears as a sailor would furl his sail, and, making all tight, scud before the gale. If a hot, restless man begins to inflame our feelings, we should consider what mischief the fiery sparks may do in our magazines below where our temper is kept, and instantly close the door. If all the petty things said of a man by heedless and ill-natured idlers were brought home to him, he would become a mere walking pin-cushion, stuck full of sharp remarks. If we would be happy when among good men, says the Presbyterian Banner, we should open our ears; when among bad men, shut them. It is not worth while to hear what our neighbors say about our business, our dress or our affairs.—Selected.

HOW TO MANAGE A WIFE.

The above was the subject of the following prize essay obtained by the late Dr. C. F. Deems, of New York:

"Manage? What is that? Does it mean to control? We manage a horse. We use our superior human intellect to control and guide his superior physical strength so as to obtain the best results. But a wife is not a horse. When two persons are well married the wife is as superior to the husband in many respects as he is superior to her in others. If happiness is to be the result of the union, the first business of the husband is to manage himself so as to keep himself always his wife's respectful friend, always her tender lover, always her equal partner, always her superior protector. This will necessarily stimulate the wife to be always his admiring friend, always his affectionate sweetheart, always his thrifty housewife, always his confiding ward. And this will so react upon the husband that his love for his wife will grow so as to make it easy for him, with all his faults, to bear with all the infirmities of his one and only wife."

After the only surviving daughter of William Wilberforce died, he wrote: "I have often heard that sailors on a voyage will drink to the health of friends astern until they are half-way over; then friends ahead for the rest of the voyage. With me it has been friends ahead for a long time." And so with some of us. The sun has passed across the zenith. We are more than half-way over the voyage of life, and we begin to think of the friends we shall meet again, "whom I have loved long since and lost awhile." Friends ahead! their number increases each year. "In heaven grows our store." Sometimes this thought so possesses the soul that it desires to hasten to the harbor. It longs to depart and be with Christ and its friends. They are waiting to greet us. And then we shall know that the Lord is risen, for we shall see him as he is.—New York Observer.

Hygiene.

PERSPIRATION A HEALTH ESSENTIAL.

"Perspiration is essential to health," writes Edward B. Warman, in the Ladies' Home Journal. "A person in good health never suffers from the heat or the cold unless unduly exposed. One may be inconvenienced by excessive perspiration, but it is a condition of health rather to be sought than to be avoided. Too much of a good thing, however, is not desirable. Proper care of the body, proper diet, proper exercise, with proper bathing, will produce the normal condition—in which condition the heat will not oppress anyone. Let me especially caution against the too sudden checking of perspiration. Millions of canals or tubes from the inner part of the body open their little mouths at the surface, and through these channels, as ceaseless as the flow of time, a fluid containing the wastes and impurities of the system is passing outward and is emptied out of the skin. This fluid must have exit, or we die in a few hours. If it does not have vent at the surface of the body, it must have some internal escape. Nature abhors shocks as she does a vacuum. Heat distends the mouths of these ducts and promotes a larger and more rapid flow of the contained fluid; on the other hand, cold contracts them, and the fluid is at first arrested, then dammed up, and then it rebounds. If these mouths are gradually closed, Nature has time to adapt herself to the circumstances by opening her channels into the great internal water-ways of the body, and no harm follows; hence the wisdom and safety of cooling off slowly after any exertion, and the danger of cooling off rapidly under the same circumstances. Encourage perspiration, under proper conditions and with proper precautions. Always keep the surface of the body warm and clean, and at the end of the season you will be mentally, morally and physically sound."—Zion's Herald.

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YEAGER—W. C. YEAGER was born in Lincoln county, Tenn., on March 4, 1831. He lost his father in his early life, and, consequently, learned young to meet and cope with the cold realities of the world. Perhaps on this account he always was kind to those who suffered, and his charity was marked to those who were in distress. He came to the State of Louisiana in 1858, where he remained until the war between the States broke out. When the war broke out he joined the Texas Cavalry, with which troop he served with marked distinction during the first part of the war. He was greatly loved and respected by his comrades, and was trusted and honored by his superiors. He was many times entrusted by his superior officers with very dangerous duties as a scout and messenger, which was always performed with so much fidelity and bravery as to win the highest commendations of those in authority. Later he was sent back to Louisiana to raise a company, which was to operate in the trans-Mississippi department. He was elected to lieutenancy in this company, in which capacity he served with his usual bravery until the close of the war. After the war he returned to his adopted State and engaged in planting. By diligence and perseverance he soon forged his way to the front in his chosen occupation. In 1880 he moved into Adams county, Miss., where he lived until the close of his life.

As a man, he was always very highly respected; as a citizen, he stood in the front rank; as a member of the church, he occupied places of honor and trust. He built a chapel church on his plantation (Quitman), which he largely supported until the close of life.

He was sick for fifteen months before his death, and though he talked of plans for the future, he would say that he was fully prepared when God should call him to go. Like Job of old, though he suffered great bodily pain, he showed that his faith was fixed on God, and that he was willing at all times for God's will to be done.

He leaves a loving wife and four children, all of whom are grown, to mourn his death; but they mourn not as those who have no hope. May God's grace be sufficient for the wife who walked by his side thirty years, and for the children who will so sorely miss so good and true a father! May his mantle fall on shoulders that will wear it as worthily! May the inspiration of his noble life live in the lives of all his friends! May the church, so greatly bereft by his death on the thirty-first of May, 1899, be blessed by his noble life and prayers! We often feel that his place can not be filled, but, as this great workman has fallen, may God raise up others to do his work!

GEO. M. HULL.

BARNES—Miss ANNIE MAY BARNES, daughter of Bro. and Sister W. S. Barnes, was born six miles east of Crystal Springs, Jan. 6, 1883; died at the same place of typhoid fever, Aug. 4, 1899. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when she was seven years old, and has been a consistent member till her death. During our meeting last year at Mt. Pleasant Church, of which she was a member, she was greatly blessed. Since that time she has been a happy, consecrated Christian, ready to pray anywhere, and do anything that was well pleasing to her Master. She established the family altar in the home, and through her influence the whole family were brought nearer to Christ. She was a student of Whitworth College this last session, and her room-mates and class-mates all testify to the purity of her character and life. She was sick for nearly two months, but never murmured or complained. Surely her life is a rebuke to every sinner and an inspiration to every Christian. She was ready for the Master's call. It is a great comfort to her loved ones to know that she died in the Christian's faith, and has received her crown of eternal life.

W. M. WILLIAMS, P. C.

Gallman, Miss.

ROBERTS—Mrs. ELIZA A. ROBERTS died in East Feliciana parish, July 31, 1899. Born in Sumpter district, S. C., Jan. 9, 1825, Eliza McLeod came to Louisiana, Oct. 31, 1839, the bride of Richardson M. Roberts, and for more than fifty years they lived most happily together. They were, in years past, of ample means and whole-souled generosity. Their hospitality and beneficence were unexcelled. They were old-time Methodists, and their home was the preacher's resting-place. I never heard Mrs. Roberts complain or worry. She passed through many changes, knew many bereavements, and in old age her circumstances were widely different from early life. She seemed to exemplify the Scripture, "Casting all thy care on Him, for He careth for thee." She was never too poor to give, but always felt rich. She was very robust, though extremely fleshy. She seemed in her usual health when, one afternoon, sitting in her rocking-chair on the front gallery, she was stricken with apoplexy.

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A FRIEND.

PURNELL—WM. PURNELL was born in Christian county, Ky., Aug. 21, 1834, and died in Vicksburg, Miss., March 9, 1899.

Bro. Parnell came from a home kept radiant with the love of God by family prayer and the study of God's Word. His mother was a most exemplary Christian, and raised her children "up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," and this teaching and training never left him.

He was converted while at school in Summerfield, Ala., while pleading with God for salvation, and from that day to the day of his death "his heart was fixed" on God by simple, child-like faith.

For many years he lived at his home in Issaquena county, conducting a large cotton plantation, for which he was eminently fitted. His sterling qualities and good judgment gave him the confidence of all who knew him, and many positions of trust were tendered and held by him. Being of a cheerful and friendly disposition, he made many friends. His home was an ideal one, where old-time hospitality was dispensed to friend and stranger. His life-work was to do good. He loved his church and was loyal to all her institutions; was Sunday-school superintendent at the time of his death. The children had a sure friend in him. He left a bereaved wife, two sisters and five sons to follow him to their final meeting-place. His life and death was a triumph for Christianity.

W. T. GRIFFIN.

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CURRY—Mrs. ELIZABETH CURRY (nee Scarborough) was born in Louisiana, Jan. 27 1874, and died in Fort Adams, Miss., April 4 1899.

She was left motherless at an early age. Although deprived of a mother's love and training ere she reached womanhood, she heard the voice of God bidding her give him her heart. She early heeded the call and united with the Baptist Church. For several years being deprived of pastoral instruction and of the ministry of the Word, her religious experience was not so bright and satisfactory as it might have been under more favorable circumstances. In 1897, under the ministry of Rev. E. T. Breland, her religious experience was revived and deepened. Having no pastor of the Baptist Church, she united with the M. E. Church, South.

Although her summons came suddenly, we believe she was ready. She leaves an aunt (Mrs. S. G. Bell), one brother, a husband, two little children and many friends to mourn their loss. Their loss is her gain. Sorrowful ones, look up through your tears and grief, and remember she is not dead, but is at the beautiful gate waiting and watching for you. May she not wait and watch in vain! Let us all meet her in the New Jerusalem.

WALDO W. MOORE.

GREENE—Capt. J. H. GREENE was born Jan. 14, 1829, in Statesburg, Sumpter county, S. C., and died Aug. 1, 1899 in Jackson county, Miss.; was converted and joined the church in the Winter of 1882. He was a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, the rest of his life. It is said he felt unusually well the day before his death. He was a fond and affectionate husband, and a loving father, never failing to hold family prayers night and morning. Truly, he was a man of God. He was a dear lover of his church and Methodism. He was his pastor's friend, and ever ready to help the cause of Methodism for Christ's sake.

Weep not, loved ones, for he's only preceded you to that bright, happy shore to await the coming of loved ones left behind. "There remaineth, therefore, a rest to the people of God." Praise his name for that glorious rest!

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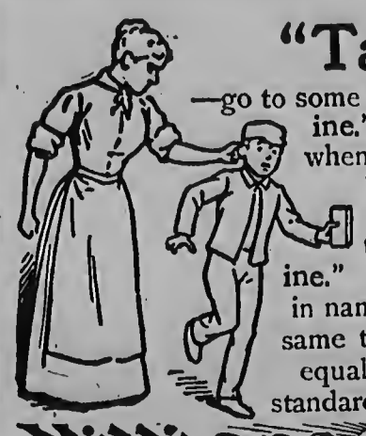

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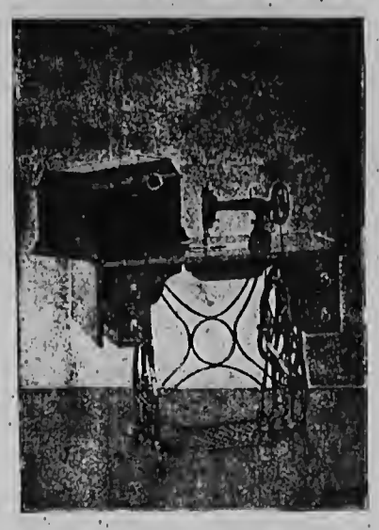

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Dallas, Tex., is threatened by a water famine, as a result of the drouth.

Six hundred lives have been lost by the flooding of a mine at Beshi, Japan.

The Boers are sending quantities of Manser ammunition to the Orange Free State.

A boiler explosion at Pittsburg wrecked an iron mill, killed five men and wounded seven.

The annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic began at Philadelphia on Monday.

Two river steamers were sunk by collision in the North Sea Canal and nine persons were drowned.

The reply of the Transvaal government to Chamberlain's demand will be an impertinent rejection.

Factory employees at Canton, O., who refused to take part in the McKinley parade have been discharged.

England has definitely rejected President Kroeger's latest proposals, and will agree to no alternative proposition.

The panicky feeling continues at Johannesburg. Residents are leaving in large numbers and the price of food is rising.

Admiral Sampson is to be relieved of command of the North Atlantic squadron after the Dewey reception and—given shore duty.

Gneriu is tiring of his siege in Paris and has offered to sign a truce with France. The government, however, will not lift the blockade.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee has made an elaborate report on prevailing conditions in Cuba, and takes strong ground for an independent government with an American protectorate.

Street railroad managers in Chicago are asking for a law, similar to that in New York state, making it a criminal offense for any person to sell, give or buy a transfer ticket.

It is proposed to import several thousand Chinese direct from China to work on the coffee plantations of southern Mexico. The crops are suffering, owing to a lack of native labor.

Rev. John M. Lucey, of Pine Bluff, Ark., a native Southerner, suggests holding a state convention of white men to deal with the practice of lynching, against which he vigorously protests.

Cuba and Puerto Rico used to buy annually $5,000,000 worth of shoes of Spanish manufacture, and a clumsy article they were. A much better grade of American shoes is selling in the island now for 50 per cent. less.

Thomas B. Reed's resignation as member of Congress will take effect on Sept. 4 under the terms of his letter to the governor of Maine, and there are already three candidates in the field for the Republican nomination.

Jimenez will have no trouble in taking the reins of power in San Domingo. The whole country is prepared to receive him, except the Governor of Monte Christi, who will not surrender, but has promised to commit suicide.

Capt. Vaulet and Capt. Chanoine, of the French army, are charged with barbarous cruelties in the French Soudan, beheading natives and mutilating the dead. Lieut. Col. Klobt has been sent here to stop the barbarities.

Statistics presented by Dr. Samuel W. Abbott, secretary of the Massachusetts board of health, show that diseases are growing less dangerous to human life. The hygienic condition of the people in that state was better last year than at any previous time for half a century.

Russia is putting the screws on students. In future all students who create or instigate disorder, whether in the university or out, will be sent into the army to serve from one to three years The regulation applies also to those who persistently refuse to continue their studies. Another regulation orders the removal from the lists of all married students, as improvident marriages are a cause of panperism.

In New Jersey the other day a woman tried to reform her intemperate husband by getting drunk at the same saloon and before him, so that he might see how disreputable it was. Instead of reforming instantly, the fellow thrashed her soundly and then got as drunk as usual.

Since 1500 the Catholic Church has canonized ninety-six saints and beatified 320 other persons. Of the 416 only fifty-eight were women; seventy-six in all were Italians, sixty-six Spaniards, thirty-seven Portuguese, fourteen French, thirteen Dutch, five Belgians, two Poles, and four Germans.

Japan, not to be behind European states in civilization, is going to send out an Arctic expedition. The reason given is that if Japan is ever to compete with England on the seas, it must develop in the Japanese the spirit of adventure and of discovery which has made the English powerful. The only places left to be discovered are the North and South Poles.

As the end of the Dreyfus court-martial trial comes in sight the French Government is beginning to display a fear that the verdict may give rise to tronbles, and orders have just been received by two regiments of infantry and one cavalry regiment already within hail of Rennes to hold themselves in readiness to march on the town at the first sign of disorder, to occupy all strategical points and to repress manifestations in their inception.

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NOTICE.

I sent out some cards some time since asking for a small contribution for the purpose of assisting to build a church and parsonage at this place, but have heard from very few in reference to the matter. Brethren, may I not hear from you soon? The circuit is large and needs some help just at this point.

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Como	Sept. 9, 10
Sardis	16 17
Batesville and Wesley	23, 24
Senatobia	30, Oct. 1
Arkabutla	7, 8
Nesbit	14, 15
Childersburg and Hernando	15, 16
Orwood mission	20
Eureka	21, 22
Courtland	22, 23
Tyro	27, 29
Wall Hill	28, 29
Pleasant Hill	Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum	11 12
Longtown	16
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. C. WIRA, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Arcola	Sept 16, 17
Shaw	23, 24
Boyle	30, Oct. 1
Cleveland	1, 2
Duncan	7, 8
Clarksdale	14, 15
Friar's Point	16
Jonestown	21, 22
Belen	22, 23
Crews	28, 29
Greenville	Nov. 4, 5
Tunica	6
Lula	10
McLemore	11, 12
Laconia	18, 19
Gunnisun	19, 20
Lehrton	22
Rosedale	25, 20
Bolivar	26, 27

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Macon station	Sept. 23, 24
West Point station	Oct. 1, 2
Hebron	7, 8
Crawford	14, 15
Brooksville	21 22
Tibbee	Wed.. 25
Starkville circuit	28, 29
Starkville station	29, 30
Winstonville	Nov. 2
Shuqualak	4, 5
Columbus circuit	11, 12
Columbus station	12, 13
Cedar Bluff	18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs.. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.- FOURTH ROUND.

Water Valley—Wood Street	Sept 2, 3
Water Valley North Main Street	8, 4
Coffeeville, at Antioch	16, 17
Grenada circuit, at Sparta	23, 24
Grenada station	Oct 1, 2
Oxford station	7, 8
Charleston, at Bethel	14, 15
Tocopola, at Salem	21, 22
Water Valley cir., at Pine Flat	28, 29
Minter City, at Strathmore	Nov. 4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Tues.. 7
Paris, at Spring Hill	11, 12
Banner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed.. 15
Slate Springs, at	Thurs.. 16
Ellzey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring	25, 26

The local preachers should be present at their respective quarterly meetings with written reports of their labors during the year on the passage of their characters, as the law directs. Let no one fail

The trustees of church property should also present elaborate written reports in answer to Ques 27, Sec. 4, Par. 86 of Discipline. This is important.

H. C. MORRHEAD, P. E.

DURANT DIST. FOURTH ROUND.

Kosciusko station	Sept. 10, 11
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	18, 17
Salin, at Spring Grove	23, 24
Etenesaw, at Liberty Chapel	30, Oct. 1
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	7, 8
Pomnolen	13
Cumberland, at Long Branch	14, 15
Kupora and Mabeu, at Kupora	15, 10
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	21, 22
Plokens, at Pickens	26
Salem	28, 29
Belzona	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	20, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Tupelo	Sept. 2, 3
Okolona	10, 11
Prairie	9, 10
Verona and Nettleton	16, 17
Aberdeen circuit	23, 24
Nettleton circuit	30, Oct. 1
Amory and Smithville	1, 2
Hatchie and Wesley	7, 8
Quincy circuit	14, 15
Montpelier	21, 23
Buena Vista	28, 29
Fulton	Nov. 4, 5
Tremont	11, 12
Shannon	18, 19
Okolona circuit	25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth station	Sept. 2, 8
Boonsville station	9, 10
Iuka circuit	Fri.. 15
Inka station	16, 17
Boonsville circuit	Thurs.. 21
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs.. 28
Blue Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues.. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed.. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 13
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pineville, at Oak Grove	Sept. 2, 3
Montgomery and Colfax, at C.	9, 10
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, at St. Maurice	16, 17
Dry Creek, at ——	11 A. M., 8 P. M.. 21
Alexandria station	24, 25

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Indian Bayou, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Prudhomme, at Long Point	9, 10
Plaquemine Brule, at Bayne	16, 17
Grand Chenier, at Leesburg	23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vinton	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Tallulah, at Tallulah	Sept 2, 3
Waterproof, at Wesley	9, 10
Providence, at Providence	12, 13
Gilbert, at Holly Grove	16, 17
Winnsboro, at Bluff Prairie	19, 20
Girard, at Union	23, 24
Delhi, at Delhi	28, 29
Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge	30, 31
Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct. 7, 8
Monroe	11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Coushatta, at Glen Martin	Sept. 2, 8
Fort Jessup and Many, at New Hope	9, 10
Wesley, at Davis Springs	16, 17
Mansfield	20
Red River, at Knox Point	23, 24

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MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

DeKalb, at New Hope	Sept. 23, 24
Vimville, at Coker's	30, Oct. 1
Porterville, at Union	7, 8
Middleton, at Mt Carmel	14, 15
Lauderdale, at Brogan's	21, 22
North Kemper, at Mt. Pleasant	28, 29
Wayne, at Graham's	Fri..Nov. 3
Winchester, at Winchester	4, 5
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	5, 6
Enterprise, at Enterprise	12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's	18, 19
South Side, at South Side	Wed. P M.. 22
Marion, at Winfield	25, 26
Shubuta, at ——	26, 27
East End	Wed P. M.. 30
Daleville, at ——	Dec. 2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M.. 6
Central	Thurs P. M.. 7
Binnsville, at Scooba	9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Choctaw Mission, at ——..Sat. and Sun	Sept. 2, 3
Chunkey, at Concord..Sat. and Sun..	9, 10
Vossburg and H., at Saundersville. Sat. and Sun	16, 17
Decatur, at Centerville...Sat., Sun..	23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paniding. Sat. and Sun..	30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Holder	Thurs.. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun.. 7, 8
Lake, at Carr	Sat and Sun.. 14, 15

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Hazlehurst	Aug. 26, 27
Adams, at Bethel	Sept. 2, 3
Pleasant Grove, at Lenoir's	9, 10
Brookhaven	13
Mt. Carmel, at Bethel	16, 17
Westville, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 19
Tylertown, at ——	23, 24
Caseyville, at Bethesda	30, Oct. 1
Beauregard, at Pleasant Ridge	7, 8
Bogue Chitto, at Wallman	14, 15

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Silver Creek, at Sharborough's	Sept. 2, 8
Lake City, at Phillips	9, 10
Benton, at Benton	16, 17
Tranquil, at Lo. Grove	P M.. 17, 18
Fannin, at Drake's	23, 24
Camden, at ——	Oct 1, 2

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NATCHEZ DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Natchez- Jefferson Street	Sept. 3, 4
Natchez- Wesley Chapel	2, 8
Ebenezer	9, 10
Lebanon	16, 17
McNair	23, 24

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Port Gibson	Sept 2, 3
Warren, at Oak Ridge	0, 10
Appolila, at Sunflower Chapel	16, 17
Flora, at Brownsville	23, 24
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	Begins
Palmer	Sept 14
Wilson Springs	Sept. 21
Salem	Oct. 4
New Prospect	Oct. 19

Brother Jackson Was There too.

MR. EDITOR: In my write-up of the Rapides Camp Meeting I neglected to say that Bro. George Jackson was there. He preached the opening sermon and was with us the first two or three days of the meeting.

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SOME OTHER DAY.

There are wonderful things we are going to do
Some other day;
And harbors we hope to drift into
Some other day.
With folded hands the oars that trail,
We watch and wait for a favorite gale
To fill the folds of an idle sail
Some other day.

We know we must toil if ever we win
Some other day;
But we say to ourselves there's time to begin
Some other day;
And so, deferring, we loiter on,
Until at last we find with rawn
The strength of the hope we leaned upon
Some other day.

And when we are old and our race is run,
Some other day,
We fret for the things that might have been done
Some other day.
We trace the path that leads us where
The beckoning hand of grim despair
Leads us yonder out of the here,
Some other day.

—New York Tribune.

THE SHREVEPORT RALLY.

In obedience to the call of Bishop Galloway, there was quite a gathering of the Louisiana Conference preachers at Shreveport, La, Aug. 30 and 31. All the presiding elders of the Conference were present, together with a very encouraging number of the pastors. Bishop Galloway called the meeting to order at 9 o'clock A. M. The object of the meeting was explained, and your scribe was elected secretary. The Bishop announced that the first day of the meeting would be devoted to the religious side of the work, and after several songs and prayers Dr. Pierce, of Monroe, preached a sermon of unusual depth and power on the necessity of spiritual enduement as a necessity to success in the work of soul-saving. The sermon was followed by Bishop Galloway on "The Great Need of the Church in Order to Make It Powerful in the Conversion of the World" Consecration to God, personal character, a yearning love for souls of men, faith in the power of the Word, preaching more directly to sinners—not ceasing to rebuke sin in the church, but appealing to sinners—were some of the points stressed by the speaker. To many who heard it the declaration of the Bishop that we need a restatement of the doctrine of sin was most opportune and significant.

The afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of the New Testament idea of brotherly love. Dr. Cooper lead in the discussion, and was followed by Dr. LaPrade, Rev. B. F. White, Rev. J. F. Foster, Dr. C. W. Carter, the secretary of the meeting, Dr. Bolling, Dr. Sawyer, Dr. Keener, and Rev. S. J. Davies. The end of the labors of the first day found some of us very much advanced in our plans, increased in zeal, and lifted up in hope of success.

The second day's work, which was devoted to educational plans, especially as related to the Twentieth Century Movement, was begun with religious services conducted by Dr. Bolling, the congregation singing, "All hail the power of Jesus' name!" Bishop Galloway explained the origin and progress of the Twentieth Century Fund Movement. To assure success among us, he advised that some amount, great or small, be secured from each member of our church. These schools are as necessary to our success, the Bishop said, as the great battleships are to our navy. To meet the advanced literature of our enemies to-day with the equipage of our fathers would be like meeting the new navies of the world with the canvas power and wooden hulls of our forefathers.

Dr. Cooper spoke after Bishop Galloway on the importance of the Twentieth Century Fund as a monument of our church to the twentieth century.

Dr. Bolling followed Dr. Cooper in an eloquent address on "The Opportunities of the Church of the Present Day."

The following resolution, offered by J. A. Parker and W. T. Bolling was unanimously adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That, as members of the Louisiana Conference, M. E. Church, South, and as members of the said church within the bounds of the Louisiana Conference, we endorse the Twentieth Century Movement, and accept our share of the fund to be raised.

Resolved, That, as ministers, we will do all we can to collect the same before the close of A. D. 1900.

The afternoon session was mostly occupied in the discussion of methods for raising the Twentieth Century Fund. While there were many methods suggested, the idea seemed to crystallize in this: Something from everybody.

Dr. LaPrade was appointed by Bishop Galloway to conduct the campaign on behalf of the Louisiana Conference.

The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this Educational Rally fix the third Sunday in October as a day of special consecration and service in the interest of our Twentieth Century Thank-offering, and that we ask all our pastors in the Conference to urge that their people observe the day.

Resolved, That where subscriptions have not been previously taken, they be taken on that day.

B. T. CREWS,
W. F. HENDERSON,
C. P. SMITH.

The rally was not without good results, and only need that the people of Shreveport and elsewhere were not brought more directly in contact with the inspiration of the occasion.

Those wanting further information as to plans of operation will do well to confer with Dr. W. H. LaPrade, New Orleans, La.

The rally was adjourned sine die at 5:30 P. M., Aug. 31.

J. A. PARKER, Sec.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The sickness of a member of my family kept me in the town of Winona ten days. The people were kind, generous, sympathetic, and attentive. The preachers—four live in the town—and their families were just as kind as they possibly could be. Bro. Shipman, the presiding elder, was abundant in kindness, taking my sick and the members of my family present into his home, and caring for us as for his own.

What a beautiful new church our people have in that town! It is a gem in every particular, inside and out. It is one of the prettiest churches in the bounds of the North Mississippi Conference. When the day for dedication came the house was paid for, and some money remained in the treasury, and so there was no collection to be taken. This was out of the usual order of things. The pastor tells me the collections ordered by the Conference are nearly all in hand. The pastor and presiding elder—so I was assured—will be paid up in full. This is a good showing.

The conditions are good for a great work in Winona. They have the house, the means, the zeal and the numbers to do a mighty work for God. When the membership of a church are united, heart and hand, there is no telling the amount of good they can do. This is the prime condition for successful work for God and souls. "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." It is the oil of grace on the head, beard and body of the church.

The preachers and people were so kind to me and mine that my whole heart was drawn out in prayer for the health and prosperity of the church in Winona.

The pastor was sick, and I tried to fill his pulpit on Sunday, but a common preacher seems out of place in a fine house like that. It were better for me to stay in the backwoods among the common people, to which class I belong.

The Baptist people at New Albany—the other end of my double-barrel charge—are building a new, beautiful brick church. When done it will make our old frame building look shabby. Our people have begun to plan for improvements on the old house. They must improve. It will nearly kill me to make up in preaching what we lack in house. The difference will have to be made up in some way. A fine church calls for a fine preacher. When the Baptists get that fine church they will get the people, unless we improve our house, or put more and better salt on our lick-log. I am doing my best now, and I don't see how I am to do any better. Already one or two at Winona have said to Bro. Lipscomb, "Now that we have this fine church, we will have to get us a thousand dollar preacher." That is the way it goes A good builder may build himself out of a charge. Well, I suppose one can build and another can fill. Anyway, I am glad to see these good churches going up here and there all over the land, and I am glad to see a crop of preachers coming on able to fill them. The conditions for good and great works are growing better every day. I do not want to go backward, but forward. We have dwelt in cabins and uncelled frames long enough. We ought to have houses of worship, and good ones. It looks like we meant to stay, and to honor the Lord with our substance. I would not care if all our churches were too good for common preachers to preach in only occasionally in passing, or providentially, as I did in Winona. The people are good enough to listen to common men along at long intervals. Thank God for that. GILDEROY.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

Rev. R S. Lawson, P. C., of Tatum circuit, is sick with slow fever.

Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb is yet very sick. He is in a precarious condition, but we are still hopeful for his recovery.

Let prayer be made throughout the church for these brethren.

The Water Valley Camp Meeting begins to-day. We hope all conditions will be favorable for its continuance, and that great good will result.

"The Epworth League Reading Course" for 1899-1900, beginning Oct. 1, will be ready in a few days. It is excellent, and should be read by every Leagner, and many others as well. It consists of the following four books: "Our Island Empire," by Charles Morris, $1 50; "Among the Forces," by Bishop Warren, $1; "Great Books," by Dean Farrar, $1 25; "Studies of Bible Truths," by Bishop Keener, $1. The set sent postpaid for only $2 50. This is marvelously cheap, and affords an opportunity for many homes and individuals, as well as League chapters, to supply themselves with choice reading matter for the Fall and Winter days and nights.

I shall be glad to fill all orders for the Mississippi as well as North Mississippi Conference.

We are into the fourth quarter of the Conference year. As a recent correspondent expresses it: "To the younger preachers it may seem a long time from Conference to Conference, as once it did from Christmas to Christmas; but many there be of us—not only old, but young—who realize that time flies, and flies faster and still faster as the years go by." It seems but yesterday that we were in session at Aberdeen, received our assignments, and entered upon the year's work. Now we are almost at the close. The protracted-meeting season is nearly over, District Conferences have all been held, the last round of quarterly meetings is being made, and soon the aggregate results of the year's work will go to record. What shall that record be? Will it show improvement or non-improvement on the past? The answer depends largely upon the zeal and diligence of pastors and presiding elders during the short time that remains. It is to be hoped that every statistical column this year will show "increase" instead of only one-third of them, as last year. To this end let us all work and pray.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., Sept. 9, 1899.

NOTICE.

To Preachers and Members of Durant District, North Mississippi Conference

Report of special committee for reorganization of "Ministerial Aid Fund Society," unanimously adopted by District Conference at Enpora, Miss., July 9, 1898:

We, your committee, would report as follows: That the 'Ministerial Relief Loan Fund Association' be composed of presiding elder, ex-officio chairman, with the following Board of Directors: J G. Hamilton, J. F. Wilburn, A H. Thomas, W. J Newsom, T. J Harris, M. T. Boswell, and R E Wilburn.

We further recommend the district raise $75 per annum (provided that the Board may change this amount), to be in hand of Board by Sept. 1, and that the amount be apportioned to the charges on the basis of the presiding elder's assessment, which will assess each charge as follows: Durant, $5; Kosciusko, $6 50; Sallis, $5.25; Ackerman, $5; Ethel, $4.50; Bellona, $4.50; Lexington and Tchula, $5.50; Pickens, $6.50; Ebenezer, $5.75; Louisville, $5; Eupora and Mabin, $6; Walthall, $2 50; Poplar Creek, $4.50; Chester, $5; Rural Hill, $3.50; Salem, $2 50; Tomnolen, $2 50 These amounts to be raised by the pastors by voluntary collections.

We further recommend that this only be used as a "Loan Fund," and that the borrower execute a note bearing 4 per cent. interest from date of issue.

(Signed) J C. PARK,
A. H. THOMAS,
G. W. BACHMAN.

Dear brethren, take due notice of above, and govern yourselves accordingly. Some young preachers are in need of help, and calling on us for help. Separate cards have been sent to all the pastors by me in the absence of action by a higher authority. Send in these amounts to me, and I will report the whole amount to a called meeting of the Board of Directors. The date is past.

Yours for education,

W. L ANDERSON,
Dist. Conf. Secretary.

Chester, Miss., Sept. 8, 1899.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE OPENING.

On the twenty-seventh of September the eighth session of Millsaps College will begin. It is a source of gratification to every Mississippian that this college has, in the few years of its history, attained so high a place in the educational world. The peer of any institution in the State, the excellence of the work done in Millsaps College is recognized throughout the South.

During the Summer the president and the professors have been into every section of the State, and they report the prospects for a large attendance this Fall are exceedingly bright. A large number of new students have already engaged board, and many of the former students have signified their intention of returning. It is not surprising that an institution so well equipped and so ably manned should have gotten firm hold on the confidence of the people.

President Murrah informs the Clarion-Ledger that the ceremonies incident to the opening of the eighth annual session will be of the most interesting character, and all students who contemplate coming next session are urged to be present on the first day.—Daily Clarion-Ledger.

FROM MANSFIELD, LA.

MR. EDITOR: I have just visited Bro. J. L. P. Sheppard, and found him at the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Woodard, who is very dangerously sick, with but little prospect of recovery, requiring, as she has for several weeks past, constant and very exacting nursing from none but her father and mother. Bro. Sheppard himself is very feeble, having been prostrated by serious illness, and is just able to be about the house. He and his wife in constant watchfulness over their daughter, night and day, have little or no opportunity of sleeping, and the strain upon them both is very severe. In his great anxiety and distress he and his family need and desire the prayers of the brethren, that the Lord may sustain him and his family in this serious affliction. His people here sympathize greatly with their pastor and his family in their trying circumstances.

Bro. C D Atkinson is here, filling the pulpit for Bro. Sheppard and attending to pastoral duties.

Mansfield College commenced its new session this week with as fine an opening as it has had for years in its back history. President Sligh and his wife are greatly encouraged, and expect to fill every vacancy during this Fall session. A. D. McVOY.

Mansfield, La., Sept. 7, 1899.

"A KILKENNY CAT FIGHT."

Everyone has heard of the "Kilkenny cat fight," in which two cats, with real Irish pertinacity, fought until all that was left of the two combatants was the two tails still fighting at each other. Such seems to be the attitude of our colleges for girls towards each other. A battle is raging which is, to say the least of it, unseemly. College presidents no longer scruple to invade each other's territory. Pupils from the vicinage of one college are being lured away to a distant one by most methods. The following is an exact copy of a letter written by one college president to a pupil of another, with names of persons and places suppressed. The original is at hand.

——, ——, Sept. 22, 1898.

Miss ——, ——, ——:

DEAR FRIEND: I hear that you intended to go to —— College, but was prevented from going there on account of their not allowing you to change cars at ——. I write to tell you that we shall be very glad indeed to have you here at ——. You can come straight through without changing cars, and will have no trouble at all if you get a health certificate. Miss ——, of ——, came in last night, and is going to make a good student for us. We have many advantages that —— College has not. I am spending much more money in employing fine trained expert talent, and I am sure I am correct when I tell you this. We have pupils who were at —— a year before, and they tell us they get much better advantages here.

I enclose you circular letters and testimonials, also send you catalogue and college paper under separate cover, which will give you much information. Please return the catalogue when you have finished with it, as we are short of them, and have to use each one more than once. Please be kind enough to return the catalogue, whether you come or not. You will see that our rates are higher than those of ——, but they are cheaper in the end, because we give you more for the money than they do. My teachers are more expensive.

Since you have been cut off from going there, I will make you exactly the same rates as were made you at ——, whatever they should be; so please come on without delay, and bring this letter, which will show my promise to you. You, doubtless, will not be permitted to go to —— before frost, and that last year was some time in November; and since I make the rates exactly the same, I am sure it will be to your interest to come on at once. Bring any other pupils with you that you can. We still have room in the college, though the rooms are being filled up rapidly. You can readily see the excellent advantages we have if you will read carefully the literature I send you. I hope you will come on without delay.

Your friend, —. —. ——.

I have other cases at hand showing similar methods. Is this the sort of competition that ought to exist between Methodist schools? Will anyone undertake to defend such methods on principles of Christian morality? For nearly two years, at various times, and almost constantly for four months past, I have urged this plea for a more righteous and sensible policy for our girls' colleges. Very many have been brought to think about it earnestly, and have accepted my plea. From many of these I get words of encouragement. But there are others who are not willing to accept the logic of these pleadings. Their murmurings against my policy come to me in the form of personalities, which have nothing to do with the question and impugnings of motives as illogical as they are unchristian. But it is a fact that not one single denial of my statements has appeared, and no one has made even the slightest attempt to refute my arguments. Does anyone suppose that my statements would go unchallenged if they were untrue?—or that my arguments would remain unanswered if they could be answered? Then, why not accept them? If any valid argument can be offered in favor of the "Kilkenny-cat-fight" method of warfare between our colleges, I would be glad to hear it. H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson La., EDITOR.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

An Epworth League was recently organized on the Vaughan's circuit, Rev. J. J. Golden, pastor. There are three preaching-places in the charge, all near one another. The League is at New Hope (Deasonville P. O.), the central church of the three. Miss Minnie Ewing is president, and there is a following of thirty-eight bright young people. They can do well for themselves and the church.

All League officers should be supplied with the Epworth League Handbook. It is a pamphlet of some forty or fifty pages, giving helpful instruction concerning all the workings of an Epworth League. It is for free distribution to all League officers. Write to "Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn," asking for a half dozen.

There are now forty-two Epworth Eras coming to the young people of the Madison charge, Mississippi Conference.

The Pocahontas Leaguers, organized the past Spring, are learning how to be independent. They can hold meetings, transacting business without expecting the pastor to be present every time. Among other works, they have been preparing some nice articles of furnishing for the Orphans' Home at Water Valley. Mr. David Coughlin is president, Miss Jeannie Dewees is secretary, and among the other workers taking active interest are Misses Kate and Willie Lane.

Unless the other pastors and League workers make use of this column by sending to the associate editor items of news, he will fill it up with items concerning the work upon his own charge. The Madison circuit has some industrious Leaguers. The success of a League depends upon the industry devoted to the cause.

"THAT PARSONAGE"—SOME SILHOUETTES.

E. G. WILLIAMS.

Just two weeks after Conference, and the first week in Jannary, 189-, the new preacher and his wife arrived in the village to take charge of "That Parsonage." They were both young, full of enthusiasm, and heartily in accord with Methodism and her institutions. They were accnstomed to the very best that this world can give in the way of home comforts, good dressing, and a well-snpplied table. It was quite a transition for them from a great city to the quiet life of a small town; yet they were pleased with the appointment, as the community had a name for refinement, culture, public spirit, and was the county seat of one of the richest counties in the State. Besides this, the church had been served by some of the most cultured and spiritual men in the Conference, paid liberally towards all church enterprises, and paid the preacher and presiding elder liberal salaries.

The day of their arrival was clear and cold, and everything seemed to conspire to make them happy, and to inspire their already optimistic natures with new hopes of a successful year.

Bro. Sheckles was to have met them at the depot, and to have taken them to his home for dinner; but "trade was brisk, and he could not leave the store;" so the preacher and his wife hunted up the parsonage as best they could.

When the cab stopped at the parsonage gate, and they were sure no mistake had been made, their hearts grew faint. The first impulse was to go to the hotel. Then came the fear of the effect upon the poorer part of the congregation; so, after much debating, they opened the gate and decided to see what lay beyond. They first discovered a half acre of weeds and rank grass, through which wound a foot-path leading to the parsonage. There were some broken-down crape-myrtle trees and rose bushes, and a few canna and Spanish daggers that had grown in spite of neglect. Years ago—"befo' de war"—this was a beautiful place, but since its purchase by the church it has been poorly kept (?). When the house was reached the young man mounted the soap-box (steps) and then the gallery, and, with hand extended and a soft "Come, Sweetsy," lifted his wife to a place at his side. In the door stood 200 pounds of African anatomy, with arms akimbo and smiling a welcome, saying: "Good mornin', Elder. Glad you's come. Ole missus" (Mrs. Millions, who lives in a palace on an adjoining block) "tole me to come and open de house, and make a fire in de front room; but I ain't foun' no wood, so I did'n make de fire."

As they entered it was only to leave a scene of neglect and abuse outside for one of chaos inside. In the hall stood several old boxes, a few chairs, bed springs, a discarded trunk, and some old sacks. The matting, from years of use, was worn threadbare; the glass of the front door broken, and the curtains gone. From this they sought the comforts of the family-room, and in front of the door they found a worn-out excelsior mattress, and beyond, where they dared not go, they saw a four-post bedstead, a worn-out bureau, a shelf with calico curtains and nails below to use instead of a wardrobe, some chairs, and then a washstand on which stood a tin pan and small tin pitcher. This last was an ingenious contrivance that was made from four pieces of scantling about thirty-two inches long, on which was nailed a painted box, on which could be read the legend, "Alligator Matches." Around the lower part of this box was tacked some green calico, and behind this was an array of old mouldy shoes of all shapes and sizes.

The parlor was next sought in hope, and surely it was not so bad; they could get inside. They found an old sofa and three chairs, that in their day would have marked their owner as an aristocrat, but now worn out. The floor had lately been covered with a carpet, but now only a small remnant was left in a corner, with many tacks and a wonderful amount of dirt to be cleaned up by the new preacher. Then there were the curtains of regniation-colored dark calico, water-stained and sun faded. A pair of broken dog-irons, two chairs of another kind, and a nice new table, finished the furnishing of this room.

It is not necessary to speak of cob-webs, and dirt-daubers and wasp nests, and the marks of flies, mice and rats in soiled walls, windows, and the like; or of broken plaster and broken windows, (forty-four in number), torn paper, and door and window-facings and walls defaced in all kinds of ways, but especially from the extravagant use of nails; or of the woeful lack of pictures for the walls, with their refining influence.

The remainder of the house was about like the rooms described, except the kitchen, where the floors were so dirty that they had to be cleaned with a hoe before being scoured. The cypress shelving was so dirty that it must needs be taken to pieces, redressed, and made over in another shape, and the stove replaced with a new one. The walls held the accumulated filth of a decade, from greasy and sooty pots, skillets, and the like, and where the shelving was removed were evidences of overturned grease and victuals, and roaches galore.

On the back gallery there was an array of all kinds of unsightly things—discarded clothes for both genders, boxes, barrels, broken crockery, an old hoop skirt, etc., but, above all, there was an old hogshead filled with straw, old papers, broken glass, old hats, and such things, of which it might have been said,

"Preachers may come and preachers may go,
But I stay here for'ever."

It is needless to say that this parsonage was soon transformed into a place of cleanliness and refinement; but it took plenty of water, soap, muscle, paint, lumber, glass and money to accomplish the metamorphose.

This picture is a true one of many a parsonage that I have moved into in the last thirty-two years, and as I have viewed their squalor, I have asked, "Who is to blame for such filth and furnishing?"

In the first place, the preachers are to blame for living in such filth, and then having so little self respect that they are willing to leave such an index of their true characters behind them. They are also responsible for their wanton destruction or defacement of parsonage property, and it is high time that some law was made that would hold them responsible. They are also responsible in at least one-half of the cases, because they have failed to use the machinery the church has provided in the Woman's Home Mission Society.

My wife says that she thinks "the people are to blame for so building furnishing and keeping up parsonages that the independence and self-respect of preachers is sapped to almost nothingness. That year after year they exert themselves trying to beautify and embellish a tumble-down house and rickety furniture until patience is gone, and they settle down into a state of slothfulness. That, if we would have our preachers interested in the care of parsonage property, we should give them something worth caring for."

It seems to me that if we would have the best class of preachers, they should have the best class of homes—not mansions, but neat, clean and well-kept houses, inside and outside.

I ask you, friend, if this parsonage is yours. "Who is to blame?" Have you done your duty?

LITTLE THINGS.

The little things of life—the small attentions, favors or duties which are so important—are the most often neglected, often overlooked in the quest for something greater to do; something that will attract attention and win applause. Many show great vanity in this, having a fondness, a desire to have their works known and praised, and thus it is only too often true that rather than do little deeds to help a fellow-man or worthy cause, they do nothing at all. They can not bring themselves to do less than their vanity and ambition suggests as worthy of them. How much we need to feel that with God nothing is little! However small the gift or deed, it is great if done in his name, because of the love in our hearts for him who despised not the humblest object nor smallest duty. So few can do great things, and little things are all that is required of them, and have in them the power of making many happy. He who ignores the little things of life will scarcely be capable of doing great deeds, since, by the constant, faithful performance of each little duty and kindness day by day, we develop the power and capacity of doing good. We grow, as it were, into a greater sense or conception of life's mission and duties, and attain unto a greater degree of usefulness. How often a simple word of sympathy, a smile, a kind letter to one whom we can not otherwise reach, has wonderful power for good, lifting the cloud of sorrow from some sad life; and if only one hour is made glad or bright for them, it is more than worth the little effort put forth. These are such little things so easily done when the heart is stirred with feeling and kindly concern for the welfare of others; yet how great when measured by their power for good! How we need more of simple kindness, more capacity to see, more willingness to perform the little every-day kindnesses which so often we neglect! How much we need to realize that it is not within the power and means of all to do wonderful things, to be seen and known of men, to render grand service; give gold, food and raiment to hundreds of the world's needy ones; yet still within our power to make many happier, to speak words that will gladden some aching heart, to bestow small gifts and attentions, to be mindful that no chance be lost to practice loving-kindness everywhere and every day.

"Yo who have no goods nor money
To give to those who mourn and weep,
Kind words are sweeter far than honey,
And twice ten thousand times as cheap."

Peter did not pass by and neglect the lame man who begged alms by the Gate Beautiful, because he had not alms to bestow. He kindly said, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee," and with his right hand lifted him up, bidding him, in the name of Jesus, to arise and walk. Being destitute of gold did not deter Peter from a desire to help, did not excuse him, nor render him incapable of helping the crippled beggar, who only cried for alms. He gave such as he had, and, behold the result—the lame man walked. We who have no gold can give our best as well, and often 'twill be better far for the recipient than alms, even as the gift of healing was more precious and enduring to the helpless man by the gate. We have not the power of Peter to bestow healing, not the power of many we know and admire; yet each can in some way render sweet service to God and to our fellow-creatures, doing only little things. Some may think if they had riches, they would do a great deal of good; but if the means were given, often the desire to help would flee away. It is a blessing to be able to help another. There is so much one can do where "silver and gold" play no part; and how glad we should be to know we need not be rich to be helpful! There is such great need of little deeds that even the poor and humble can do, while others do greater works of mercy. Where there is one great place to fill, one grand deed to do, there are so many little works to occupy, so many little things to do to make this sad world brighter and better for many. There is work for all; there is something each can do; a mission for each in life; each have a work that no other can do.

"May we do it so bravely, so kindly, so well,
That angels will hasten the story to tell."

Perhaps some one reading these words may be led to think of help they can give in some way. It may be there is near them a sick or needy one whom they are neglecting, thinking another can better assist and attend them. How much good a visit even will do such ones; and who would not be glad to do this? Often a smiling face, a kind word, a simple little attention, or a flower, will work wonders in the home of the poor or sick. How many there are who lack even these, who are denied the simplest pleasure that would cost others so little and do so much good!

There may be near you, kind reader, some sick mother who would be made glad and grateful for just one little kind deed, one little attention given the dear child who so sadly misses that mother's care, now that she is unable to longer fill a mother's place. How great the need of tender-hearted women! There so many homes saddened by sickness, and too often poverty is added to make the burden greater; and in such homes how like an angel of mercy does a kind-hearted, practical neighbor or friend prove if only they will lend heart and hand to help! How the sick, shut-in ones of our land need the little attentions which are denied by those who are so well able to bestow them. Even in homes of plenty too often it is true money can not buy the needed attentions, and amid all seeming comfort there is great need of little kindnesses and help.

We who have experienced sickness and need can readily feel and realize the need of others, and how kindly we should endeavor to "pass on" whatever of good we have received in days of sorrow, thus forming a golden chain of love and kindness reaching far down the future years, carrying gladness, comfort and help; breathing incense of charity all the way.

"Hand in hand with angels,
Blessed so to be!
Helped are all the helpless,
Giving light they see.
He who helps another,
Strengthens more than one;
Sinking earth he grapples
To the great white throne."

DELLA PARSONS.

McComb, Miss., Aug. 10, 1899.

HISTORY OF MELANCTHON.

Melancthon was the fellow-laborer with Martin Luther in the great Reformation. He was born on Thursday, Feb. 16, 1497, in the city of Briten. Philip Melancthon was bereft of his father in his eleventh year. His mother sent him away for a few days, that he might not witness the death of his father; but Philip never forgot the dying counsel of his father, "Fear God and do right." His intellectual and religious training was now left to his grandfather, who was a very intelligent man, and who had already determined that he should be kept at school and taught something useful.

While he was quite young his grandfather died, leaving him in care of his uncle Reuchlin, who saw that the twelve-year-old boy possessed such existent talents, and was so industrious in study, that he called him his son. Later on in life his uncle declared that so learned a young man as Philip should not bear the homely name of Shwartzard, meaning "black earth," but should be called by its Greek equivalent, Melanothon; so, in after years, he was known as Philip Melanothon.

In the thirteenth year of his age, on the fourteenth day of October, 1509, he was matriculated under the philosophical faculty in the University of Heidleberg. He did not devote his entire time to literature, philosophy and science, but he found much comfort and support in a book of sermons presented to him by his uncle, Reuchlin. The impressions made on the young student's mind by the reading of these sermons was never effaced.

On the eleventh day of June, 1511, he was made bachelor of the liberal arts. At the end of the same year he made application for the degree of master of arts, but was denied because of his youth and boyish appearance. Following the advice of his uncle, he leaves the University of Heidleberg, and went to Tubingen, where he was matriculated on the seventeenth day of September, 1512. Here he heard lectures on philosophy, jurisprudence, logic, mathematics, etc. He also heard lectures on medicine. He studied Greek privately. To all this he added the study of theology.

Philip Melancthon sought to know everything, and to be a master in every science. He remained in the University of Tubingen until 1518. It is said that in his twenty-second year he was the best humanistic scholar in all Germany. He did not propose to remain longer in a school where it was a capital offense to study polite literature. Greater and better things were in reserve for him elsewhere.

On the twenty-fourth of July he received a call to Wittenberg, being urged by the elector, who was at that time attending an imperial diet at Augsburg, to come to him at once with his books, which, twelve years later, was the science of his greatest achievement—the composition of the first and most widely-endorsed confession of Protestant Christendom. Melancthon's fame preceded him to Wittenberg, but his appearance disappointed expectation. He was young, below middle size, of frail body, and carried one shoulder higher than the other.

On the twenty-sixth day of August, 1518, he was installed as professor of Greek in the new University of Wittenberg. He came as a pronounced humanist, but a humanist of a loftier purpose, who is to use his learning in the interest of religion. Luther tore down the idols of the Roman Catholic Church. Melancthon laid the foundation of Protestant theology, and wrote the first confession of the Protestant Church. The combined labors of Luther and Philip Melancthon brought into existence the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Luther loved Melancthon, and honored him for his very work's sake, and often sat at his feet as a pupil, and preferred the opinions of Melancthon to that of his own. Melancthon learned his theology and apprehension of divine truth from Luther. Melancthon was very much devoted to the University of Wittenberg, with the purpose of bringing honor to the university and of disseminating knowledge. He declared that he would not be wanting in faithfulness, study, zeal, nor in labor, to increase the splendor of this university and to meet the expectation of the elector. Thus, with his hands full of work, and his reputation as a scholar and teacher fully established, he closes the year 1518.

J. H. FOREMAN.

(To be continued.)

PERSONAGES—NO. 2.

The first time that I ever saw Rev. Augustus R. Winfield, D. D., alias "Gus Winfield," alias the "Arkansas Traveler," was at DeVall's Bluff, Ark., August, 1874. The Doctor was presiding elder at that time of the Little Rock district, and was at DeVall's Bluff, holding a quarterly meeting. When I walked into the church on Saturday the Doctor was up, and had just begun to preach. For a few minutes I indulged in a silent soliloquy, viz.: "Is that the great Dr. Winfield of such extensive pulpit fame? He looks like a genuine 'Paddy.' Heavy set, red complexion, thin light hair, pale blue eyes, big nose, clean shaved, and a close-fitting mouth." My soliloquy soon ended, for the old Doctor was warming up. The thunder was beginning to roar, the lightning to flash, and the hail and rain to pour. The sermon that day was nothing to compare with what I heard from him afterwards; yet, at the close, one brother lost his dignity and shouted aloud.

Dr. Winfield was a great temperance lecturer, and, as a rule, wherever he lectured somebody laughed, and somebody cried, and somebody was made glad, and somebody made mad.

During the session of the Little Rock Conference at Prescott, in November, 1880, one night Dr. Chas. F. Evans was appointed to preach at the Methodist Church, and Drs. H. R. Withers and A. R. Winfield to speak on temperance at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at the same hour. Preaching over, I hastened across the street to hear what I could at the temperance meeting. As I reached the vestibule I found it crowded, and inside there seemed to be a pandemonium. Withers had finished, and Winfield was in a good way. Some were clapping their hands, some laughing, and others cheering and pounding the floor. Out came a man, pushing his way through the vestibule, swearing and saying naughty words. "Oh," said he, "that is all bosh. That is just for an effect," when some replied, "And it seems to have effect on you, at least."

A few years before Dr. Winfield's death he visited one of the Texas Conferences while in session, and he and two other preachers were appointed to speak on a certain subject. They got Winfield to speak first, and while he was speaking one of the speakers slipped out of the house, and when Winfield sat down in a storm the other speaker "begged to be excused, as he was not feeling well." Why, these men said "they would speak in turn with any ordinary man; but this man from Arkansas had a mouth like a cat-fish, and his face was on the top of his head, and he was a talking machine."

Dr. Winfield had faults, like all of us mortals, and he had enemies, and was persecuted, but no truer heart to God and man ever beat in human breast. I was intimate with him for thirteen years. His name is assigned to my license, and he was to myself, and many others young in the ministry, as a father indeed. In 1882 I lost my library by fire, and with it a quantity of his books that I was selling for him. He said the "loss of his was his loss," and he gave me a copy of Watson's Bible Dictionary as a start on a new library.

Dr. Winfield has been dead nearly twelve years. Preachers die. In last month I visited the Camden (Ark.) District Conference, and only met three preachers that I ever knew before—almost a new set since 1887. The longer I live the more attractive is the city above. I believe I know more over there than here. Glory!

HOUSTON ARMSTRONG.

CHILDREN'S DAY FUND.

I have been in splendid position for twelve years to see the fine results of that fund. I have been used almost every year for the past twelve to organize one, or more, new churches, and sometimes a whole circuit, and I find in so doing, oftentimes, that it is almost impossible to get the people interested for good, unless I can give them something to do by which they can come together once a week; then I propose a Sunday-school, and sometimes they object to that, saying we are not able to pay for literature; then I propose to furnish it for three or six months. I then apply to Bro. G. W. Bachman, and he is always ready to assist, and after they have used the first order, they are willing to order and pay for their own literature; then I go to work and hold them a protracted meeting and organize a church. With the Sunday-school in advance, I have never failed to organize; and without the Sunday-school, I have never succeeded.

This is the second year of the history of New Salem circuit, and I have one new ground appointment this year. The writer is the first man to preach in that neighborhood, except that one blind man, passing through, did preach for them a few times last year. We organized a school at that place last Spring with sixty students enrolled, and about forty-five attended regularly. We closed our meeting there a few days ago with ten members, and several more to come. Then, after getting the help from the Sunday-school Board, we observed Children's Day all round the circuit, and sent back to the Board about eight dollars—a little more than we had cost them.

Bro. Bachman is the right man and in the proper place. The fund is a providence to our church, and should never be neglected by any of our pastors. The Lord is blessing us this year as usual. L. A. MCKEOWN.

OUR ORPHANAGE.

I do not believe it possible to give to a more worthy institution than to our Orphans' Home at Water Valley, and it does me good to read in the ADVOCATE how willingly the good people are donating to those little helpless children. As the people learn more of the Home and its competent manager, Rev. M. L. Burton, and the principle upon which the work is done, they will have an increased willingness to give of their means to support it. The Orphans' Home is a home for orphan children, whether of the Methodist Church or any other denomination, and, upon investigation, it will generally be found that most of the children have been taken from the world, and not from any denomination. Moreover, we do not have to gather up these orphans in order to make Methodists of them.

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In my own charge I promise that I will do everything in my power to assist him.

Come over, Bro. Burton, to Webb and Cherry Hill, and present your good cause in your own wise way, and that my people will appreciate it.

I am endeavoring to secure a contribution for the little orphans from every member of my church. So I expect to have a nice little donation made up by Conference.

J. H. BASS.

Webb, Miss.

Be patient with everyone, but, above all, with yourself. I mean, do not be disturbed because of your imperfections, and always rise up bravely from a fall. There are no better means of progress in the spiritual life than to be continually beginning afresh, and never to think that we have done enough.—Francis de Sales.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS CAMP MEETING.

The twenty-eighth Crystal Springs Camp Meeting closed on Wednesday night after a sermon preached by Bro. Carpenter, of Miss Point, Miss. There was quite a contrast between this and last year's meeting. Last year, when the farewell song was sung, between eighty and one hundred reported to be converted. The preaching was good; only too long for a camp meeting. Four sermons a day left but little space for altar work, or testimony meeting, or children's services, which was of great interest last year. No accession to the church. One young man was converted—a stranger to the preachers and people. Many of the tents were not occupied; some on account of sickness. Other causes kept others from tenting. The congregations were not as large as usual. The meeting was not advertised as extensively as it was last year.

The camp meeting association held two meetings, and manifested great interest in the future of the camp meeting. It is not dead or dying. We have a host of camp meeting folks, and they are strong. I believe camp meetings are ordained of God. I know it is often said the day for camp meetings is past. We have established churches in these places, but my opinion is that they will never close. They meet a felt want.

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E. J. GUICE.

The subject of this sketch, Mr. E. J. Guice, was born in Franklin county, June 30, 1825, and spent the greater part of his youth and early manhood in the neighborhood of his nativity. He was twice married—first to a Mrs. Cameron (nee Miss Lucilla Coleman), a native of Madison county, Miss. Removing from Franklin county, where he had enjoyed a successful and happy farm life, to Natchez, Miss., they resided there for a number of years, and it was in that beautiful city of our dear Southland that he laid his beloved to rest. On account of failing health he no longer made Natchez his home, preferring the quietude and pure air of country life, spending the greater part of his time at the home of his niece, Mrs. Shaefer, of Claiborne county. It was while under this hospitable roof that he was married again, to Mrs. Currie (nee Miss Lou Guice), a cousin and life-time friend. Removing to his wife's rural home, he at once set about making necessary improvements, "building up the waste places," and conducting, with her able help and counsel, the farm which she already had under cultivation. Only five years of connubial happiness were allotted him here, ere the death angel called, and one beautiful, quiet Sabbath day, when all nature seemed whispering "Rest!" to his tired, suffering body, the message came.

"He started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame;
He fell, but felt no fear."

It has been truly said that a good man never dies. The voice may be hushed, the lips give forth no sound, the heart may forever cease its pulsations, and beneath the "daisy-covered sod" our loved one may be hidden from view, but, impressed upon the tablet of memory, a good man continues to live—a blessing and benefit to others who are passing the milestones of life; some with careless tread, some with earnestness of purpose, and all with the certainty of one day reaching that "bourne from which no traveler ever returns."

All who knew him can truly say that E. J. Guice was one of "God's noblemen," and it is indeed a melancholy pleasure to the writer, who has known him from childhood, to linger in the halls of memory and pen a retrospective sketch of a life which, in its beauty and worth, constitutes a priceless legacy to those of his loved ones who still tread the shores of time.

Being a self-made man, he had a clear business head, with shrewd powers of discernment and discrimination, combined, however, with a wonderful love of humanity and a thoroughly unselfish nature; a nature characterized by a truly Christ-like spirit—never resenting an injury, returning good for evil, and endeavoring at all times to "serve the Lord in the beauty of holiness."

Sitting here, beneath his portrait, with his gentle eyes looking down into mine, I am carried back to the years of my childhood, when his arms and heart opened to receive the little orphan who, in God's providence, had fallen to his care. Never was that sacred trust betrayed; never in all the long years that I knew and loved him as a father, do I remember a single act of harshness or indifference. Indeed, if one virtue more than another was prominent in his nature, it was his quiet thoughtfulness of others, particularly of the widow and the orphan. He never turned a deaf ear to their cry—was never appealed to in vain in their behalf. With an abundance of this world's goods, he quietly, and in the spirit of his Lord, dispersed charities to the needy, helped the fallen, cheered the faint, and bound up many a bleeding heart. Another prominent characteristic of his nature was his extreme humility. Far from "thinking of self more highly than he ought to think"—to the contrary, he often underrated his own merits.

Being summoned to his bedside in haste, it was my inestimable privilege to linger by him while life ebbed low, and to listen to his dying testimony as he gave it so fully and freely. All doubts departed as he neared the end of his journey, and the love of his Savior illumined his pathway to the grave and filled his expanding soul with rapture. Truly indeed in this instance did Jesus make "a dying bed soft as downy pillows are," and, though the body was racked with pain, his spirit soared triumphant. Many times his lips gave expression to the perfect peace that satisfied his longings. Even when weakness was supreme and conversation well-nigh impossible, he awoke from a nap and, with face aglow and the exuberance of joy beaming from a soul that saw heaven just in sight, he sang with supernatural strength: "It won't be long, it won't be long," "Glory, Hallelujah."

"It won't be long till Jesus comes,
And bears my spirit home."

And thus the end drew near, evincing, day by day, his readiness, his willingness, his complete preparation for that great change from things terrestrial to things celestial—from mortal life to life eternal. Calmly and peacefully he approached the chilly waters, and even when nearing Jordan's banks he was "tranquil amid alarms," a soldier of the cross, a veteran resting on his arms.

Go, spirit of the sainted dead,
Go to thy longed-for, happy home;
The tears of man are o'er thee shed,
The voice of angels bids thee come.
If life be not in length of days,
In silvered locks and furrowed brow,
But living to the Savior's praise,
How few have lived as long as thou."

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FROM THE WORK.

R. C. Grace, Piaquemine Brulee charge, Aug. 30, 1899: "We have just closed a glorious meeting at Rayne, assisted by Bro. E. E. Riggs, of West Lake charge. Congregation from the very beginning largo. The meeting continued to grow in interest from start to finish. Bro. Riggs is a fire-baptized pastor, carrying with him the presence and power of the Holy Ghost, which enabled him to denounce in unmeasured terms popular vices, and in unmistakable language modern hypocrisy, and with commendable boldness to declare the whole truth as it is in Jesus. If all we pastors would tarry in the upper chamber until endued with power from on high, the problem of reaching the masses would receive a satisfactory solution. Results of the meeting: About thirty conversions, and some of this number claimed the blessing of sanctification; seventeen accessions to the church, and the membership edified and spiritually improved. The people of this community, and members of the Rayne Church, will always be ready to welcome Bro. Riggs to their homes, and have him share their Christian hospitality."

Rev. R. M. Blocker, Lake Arthur, La., Aug. 30, 1899: "Since the last of April we have held successful revival meetings at Shell Beach, Mermentau, Welsh, and Lacacine, and a camp meeting at Lake Arthur. The Lake Arthur Camp Meeting is an institution of a Holiness Association, and was led this year by Rev. J. L. Morrill, of Georgia. At these meetings there were not less than three hundred souls converted and sanctified, including reclamations. We have a great wave of revival fire sweeping over this country. A good missionary work, in that every place in the bounds of this work is missionary ground, except Lake Arthur and Lacasine, and our workers have been mostly of our own charge. We have a good band of missionary workers, who go with the pastor and help him in every way possible. One of them a local preacher, two exhorters; others gifted in song and prayer, with good experiences of full salvation. Beside these meetings (of this circuit) we have assisted Bros. Riggs and Luster at Vinton, Bro. Porter at Long Point, and Bro. Sanders at New Hope. Last Saturday and Sunday our noble presiding elder, Dr. C. W. Carter, was with us, preaching acceptably to the edification of believers. We are protracting the meeting each night this week. Rev. A. J. Notestine, of Ruston, is down on a recruiting trip, and will do some of the preaching."

DURANT MEETING.

We have just closed a fine meeting at Durant. The meeting was held in a large tent, and the crowds were immense both day and night. The stores closed in the day for us. Many were reclaimed and many converted, and the whole church greatly blessed. All the churches united in the work. Bro. Augustus received twenty, or more, into the church last Sunday, and there are more to follow. The pastor also organized a good League and a Woman's Missionary Society. Bro. Augustus has taken over seventy into the church during his three years' pastorate there. He may not be a very big revivalist, but he is a good hand to prepare the way for another. Then, too, he don't get in your way like some preachers I have read about.

Bro. Oakley says Bro. Augustus will make at Conference the "best all-round report" of any in his district. The presiding elder helped us with his prayers and presence all he could. It made us feel sad to see one that was so anxious to join in the fight and yet hardly dared do so. We were very glad to see him so happy and bright in spite of his affliction. We could but pray that God would restore him to health.

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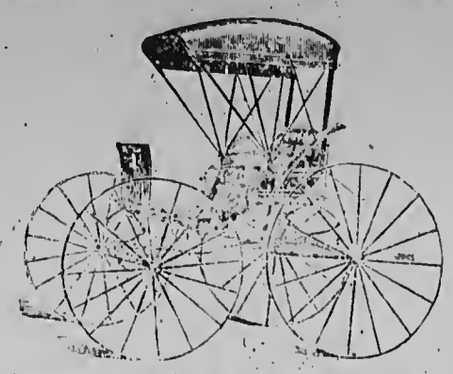

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1899.

A TONIC FOR DOUBT.

There are few persons who do not have seasons of doubt as regards the certainty of spiritual things; whose faith in the reality of the teachings of our holy religion does not suffer a temporary eclipse. Some, however, like Thomas of old, seem to be doubters by nature, while others apparently experience little difficulty in accepting fully the fundamentals of Christian belief. But since man is a rational creature, it is natural that questionings should now and then arise as to the verity of the gospel, and that there should be a desire to examine into the evidences of its divine origin and authority. However conclusive the proof may be to reason, the demonstration is not complete or satisfactory until the soul, in its search for God, has found him in the forgiveness of sin and in renewing grace. Not until there is a personal realization of acceptance with God, and of a new life through faith, can there be full assurance that religion is not a vain thing. We must know for ourselves that Jesus is a present and gracious Savior, and that, "whereas we were blind, now we see."

While the proofs of the truths of Christianity are so numerous and of so convincing a nature as to be well-nigh overwhelming, comparatively few have the time or the opportunity to weigh and study them; but the crowning proof, after all, of its supernatural origin and power is to be found in the change it produces in the heart and life of the man who, laying aside his doubts and objections, resolves to accept the Christ and follow him. When General O. O. Howard was converted forty-one years ago at old Fort Brooke, Tampa, Fla., he told a brother officer that he had become a Christian. The reply of his friend was: "I can show you a hundred inconsistencies in the Bible." "But you can not show me," answered Howard, "that Jesus Christ is not my Savior from sin." The man whose soul has been transformed by the Spirit of God, who experiences in his own heart the love of God, has an evidence of the truth of the Bible and the existence of God far clearer and more satisfying than any that reason or nature can furnish.

Most Christians are not troubled with doubt so long as the skies are clear and prosperity attends them. But when tempests of sorrow and misfortune begin to sweep down upon them, when the light turns to darkness and the path is strewn with thorns, then it is that questionings and distrust arise in the soul, and sometimes assume such sway as almost to dispel faith in the overruling providence of God.

As one of the hymn writers truthfully sings:

"O, it is hard to work for God,
To rise and take his part
Upon the battle-field of earth,
And not sometimes lose heart!

"He hides himself so wondrously,
As though there were no God;
He is least seen when all the powers
Of ill are most abroad."

Thus, though in seasons of distress doubts will come and the soul may be in great perplexity, yet, if we but press on in the path of duty, doing the will of God as we know it, and praying to him for light and strength, our difficulties will vanish, and we shall come to know of a truth that God manifests himself sensibly to those who trust and obey him. The soul that, in the midst of trial and darkness, leans hard upon Jesus will soon find that doubt and fear have given place to a strange, but abiding peace; that heaviness of spirit has been supplanted by joy in the Lord. If, when we are in tribulation and perplexity, we will but put God to the test by continuing to love and serve him, we shall find the path grow from under our feet, and learn for ourselves that not one good thing fails of all that he has promised.

A home missionary relates that one day he entered the home of a poor old laborer seventy-four years of age, who was barely able to read the Bible. Though bound fast with rheumatism, the old man had the old family Bible before him, and was tracing out, one by one, the words of the Sacred Volume. Looking over his shoulder, the missionary noticed that the old man had written the word "proved" here and there on the margin. This is what it meant: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble"—"Proved." "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest"—"Proved." "Trust in the Lord and do good, and verily thou shalt be fed"—"Proved;" and so on. Thus this saintly man had written out his experience on the margin of the Bible.

The unconverted man also, who honestly wishes to know whether the religion of Christ is true and whether Jesus is the one mediator between God and man, may have his doubts removed and his questionings speedily answered if he will only yield obedience to God. It is a fundamental law of the spiritual kingdom that experimental knowledge of the power and presence of God is conditioned upon our willingness to love and serve him. Jesus gives every honest inquirer a challenge when he says, "If any will do (or wills to do) his will, he shall know of the doctrine." A man may have many doubts, yet, if he but commit his life to the Christ whom he sees not and understands not, he is as certain to find light and peace as that the sun shines.

It is related that when Lady Henry Somerset was just entering womanhood, she came into great doubt and perplexity as regards the verities of the Christian religion, and for a time was a skeptic. One day, however, while walking about in the garden near her home, meditating seriously upon the claims of religion, she seemed to hear a voice saying, "Act as if I were, and you shall know what I am." She knew she was entirely alone, and yet the words were as clear to her mind as if they had been spoken aloud. The more she thought about this strange impression, the more she concluded that it was God himself who had spoken to her by his Spirit. She resolved to act upon the suggestion thus received, and in a little while her spiritual horizon became clear, her doubts vanished, and she came to know the living God. Thus it comes to pass that "light is sown for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart." It is vain to expect the mists to clear away, and to look for God to manifest himself graciously to us, unless we seek to serve him with the whole heart. Earnest Christian workers are seldom troubled with skeptical tendencies; but the disciple who follows Christ afar off is almost certain to be thus tempted.

A RICH PREACHER.

The following telegram, which appeared in the Nashville American, of the thirty-first ultimo, indicated that our enterprising and popular pastor at Oxford, Miss., has struck a bonanza. We have known him as a genial brother and useful preacher, but had not heard that he had become "a Mississippi capitalist."

"Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 30.—Mrs. H. L. Whiteside and associates, of this city, and R. K. Carter, of New York City, to-day closed a deal selling 150 000 acres of mineral land in Cumberland, Rhea and Bledsoe counties to R. M. Standefer, a Mississippi capitalist, who bought it, it is stated, for a big St. Louis syndicate, who are building the Tennessee Central railroad. The price to be paid is $200 000, one-quarter of which was paid in cash, and the remainder is to be paid in fifteen days."

Dr. Hunnicutt writes in hearty commendation of our editorial on "Disregard for Law."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The subject of a very interesting article in the September number of The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine is "General Robert Edward Lee," by J. William Jones, D. D. "Shakespeare's Religious Knowledge," by G. McKenzie Cobban, cites the numerous references in Shakespeare's plays to scriptural scenes and characters. The writer argues that Shakespeare could have gained so intimate a knowledge of the Old and New Testaments only by diligent study of the Bible. An illustrated biographical sketch of Silas K. Hocking, who is called by many the most popular of living English story writers, is an interesting article.

McClure's Magazine, for September, has a character sketch of Admiral Sampson, by Ray Stannard Baker, giving many interesting incidents and anecdotes of the Admiral's life as a boy and young man in his home-town of Palmyra, N. Y. Miss Tarbell concludes, in this number, her series of papers on the later life of Lincoln, with an account of Lincoln's funeral.

One of the features of the September Pall Mall Magazine is an instructive article by Mr. William Archer on his recent tour of this country, and the cordiality of feeling for England generally expressed in his reception. Other features of the number are as follows: An important article by Prof. Arminius Vambery discussing the effects which will be felt by Russia and the other Powers upon the completion of the Siberian Railway; another installment of Mr. Higgin bottom's interesting sketches, "Silhouettes in Parliament;" Shakespeare's influence in France is most ably discussed by W. E. Henley.

In The Forum, for September, Mr. William T. Stead, editor Review of Reviews, gives his views of "The Conference at The Hague;" President Robert E. Jones, of Hobart College, discusses "Washington's Farewell Address and Its Applications;" Mr. Ramon Reyes Lala, a native Filipino, writes entertainingly of "The People of the Philippines;" Prof. Rudolf Eucken, of Jena, tells of the "Progress of Philosophy in the Nineteenth Century;" Charles Denby, Jr., contributes an article on "Cotton-Spinning at Shanghai;" Sir William H. Rattigan, an eminent jurist of India, portrays "Indian Famines."

In Ainslee's, for September, "The Alaskan Boundary Dispute," by Arthur I. Street, contains the whole story of the trouble. "The Business of the Express Companies," "The Mayor of San Francisco," and "The Practical Side of Trade Expansion," by Charles H. Cramp, are other notable features in Ainslee's, for September.

In Appletons' Popular Science Monthly, for September, "Tuskegee Institute and Its President" is the title of an interesting article by M. B. Thrasher. The origin of this unique school, its steady growth, and the good work which it is at present doing for the Southern negroes, and through them for the whites, are all pointed out. A number of illustrations add very much to the interest of the article. An instructive account of the poisonous fishes which abound in West Indian waters is from the pen of James Macdonald Rogers, a staff surgeon in the English navy.

The leading article in the September Open Court is, "A Basis for Reform," by the Hon. C. C. Bonney, the ex-president of the World's Fair Auxiliary Congresses. Dr. Moncure D. Conway writes on "The Christ of St. Paul," and Prof. W. H. Carruth contributes a translation of Martin Luther's homiletic tract, "Can Soldiers be Christians?"

The September Century is a Salt Water Number. The special feature of the magazine is the first of a series of four papers in which Captain Joshua Slocum narrates, in a humorous and individual style, the story of his successful circumnavigation of the globe, alone, in a forty-foot sloop, the "Spray," constructed by himself. In "The Way of a Ship"—a phrase borrowed from Solomon—Frank T. Bullen, author of "The Cruise of the Cachalot," tells of the peculiarities, good or bad, of certain ships on which he has gone down to the sea. "Where a Day is Lost or Gained," is the paradoxical title of an article by Benjamin E. Smith on the international date-line in the Pacific.

SOME CRITICISMS.

It is a fearful mistake, a criminal blunder, to allow our children to go to Sunday-school and not attend public worship. If they can only go to one, let it be the public worship by all means. Better abolish Sunday-schools than have them ruin public worship.

It is a mistake for our young people to feel that their first place is in the Epworth League. These young people are abandoning public worship. Better do away with all the Leagues than to place the public worship in a secondary place. The public worship is the one all-important and vital thing in church life. When it degenerates, everything degenerates, and when it is magnified, all the work of the church prospers.

There is a tendency in the church to classify as follows: Children for the Sunday-school, young people for the League, and old people for the public worship; whereas, if any classifying is made, it ought to be that the children and young people should hear the pastor and attend public worship. If the pastor is what he ought to be, he is the best equipped and safest teacher in the church. By all means, insist upon the children and young people hearing him if they neglect every other service.

The most imposing spectacle and example in any community is the regular attendance of the entire church upon public worship. This one act as witness and teacher can not be over-estimated. It is a growing weakness in Protestantism that the people have neglected, and are neglecting, this matter. The increasing indifference prophesies a sad future in the church for properly-conducted services. Our prayers and sympathies are for them all.—Western Christian Advocate.

EPIDEMIC DELUSIONS.

In Southern Russia a rumor that the end of the world is near is causing a panic among the workingmen. Large numbers of the men are leaving the town of Kharkoff to pass the few days they expect to live with their families in their native villages. The factory owners have applied to the police to stop the exodus.

Rumors of the end of the world have been common from the beginning of the historic period. In 1843, under the preaching of William Miller, thousands gave up their business and allowed their property to be sold for a song, and hundreds of ministers, some in all denominations, were led into the belief that the end of the world would occur in that year. Again, in a later period much excitement was produced, and we have had the personal acquaintance of men who gave away their property. Anything which powerfully affects the imagination, and is asserted by persons in whom the hearers have confidence, can develop an epidemic; and while it is reasonably supposed that the wholly uneducated will be most easily excited, the half-educated, consisting of those who are knowing, but not wise, if not excited to such frenzy as consumes the ignorant and untutored, are far more persistent in their delusions, being supported by the pride of supposed knowledge and social standing.

The epidemic of Spiritualism in this country for several years was upon the same grade, precisely as the wild excitements of the negroes, and the difference between the epidemic of Christian Science, now existing, and the wave that swept over the country between 1845 and 1865, and at intervals since, of rapping and tipping and trance-talking Spiritualism, is like the difference between more or less incoherent and obstinate mental delusions.—New York Advocate.

INDIANAPOLIS CONVENTION.

As Dr. Berry had already announced in the Epworth Herald, there was no "color-line," and the colored brother and sister were very largely in evidence. Several negroes were on the programme, and a number of the Northern Methodist speakers took occasion to refer to them, and to the obliteration of all racial distinctions. Some negroes were entertained at the principal hotels, and sat at tables with Northern white guests. It is putting it very mildly to say that all this was extremely obnoxious to the Southern visitors, and it is no wonder that those who were there were unanimous in their call for an Epworth League Convention of Southern Methodists only.—Dr. M. B. Chapman, in Nashville Advocate.

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Mississippi Board of Health has made the following announcement:

"The towns of this State where there is fever should minimize the danger of their sister towns by isolation of cases and the practice of scientific sanitation, and when this is done the other towns should accept the situation and decline to quarantine—a practice so troublesome and so destructive to the best interests of the State. Two years of quarantine have demonstrated that this method does not afford absolute protection. The time has, therefore, come when the sanitarians of this country must start out on other lines. With the fever as mild as it has been for the past few years, and the practice of isolation and sanitation of cases as suggested above, there can be but little risk or danger to the people of the State. With our increased exposure to the island of Cuba we will probably have fever in the South every year, so the ruinous policy of meaningless quarantines must cease, or the country is irretrievably ruined. We appeal to the towns of this State to withhold their quarantines, unless justified by a rapid spread of the disease."

LEAGUE CONFERENCES.

It is not at all improbable that before long the Epworth Leaguers will take into consideration a different plan for constituting and holding the larger League Conferences. It is hardly questionable that better results could be had for the participants if each division of Methodism had its own biennial Conference, devoted exclusively to its own work, but properly related to all other branches. Out of this would easily grow a federation of the various Methodist League forces into an International League Conference, meeting once in four or five years, and being a duly delegated and strictly representative body. These general assemblies of the League have subserved a good purpose, but it seems to us that the time has come for a more perfect organization, and more thorough and more practical work. —Sunday-School Magazine.

A DESIDERATUM.

The Southern Methodist Church needs to take a forward movement in the matter of training Sunday-school teachers for more effective work. A large percentage of so-called Sunday-school teaching is little better than a farce. Many teachers seem desirous of doing something to instruct our young people, but they simply do not know how to impart knowledge. Our Methodist schools and colleges would do well to require every pupil to make thorough preparation for this work. A Sunday-school normal course of instruction in these colleges would be of inestimable value in its effects on the church in the years to come. It is true our Methodist colleges teach the Bible, but is it with a view to the future usefulness of the pupil in the matter of teaching that Bible to our young people?—Southern Advocate.

Transplanting a Northfield Conference.

The latest enterprise of Mr. D. L. Moody is the proposed reproduction of the largest Northfield Conference in Chicago next month.

The August Bible Conference at Northfield this year, as conceded by all who attended, was the best ever held there. It had the greatest attendance and the most deep and scriptural teaching; especially is it said that the number of ministers present exceeded that of any previous season.

Mr. Moody's plan is now, as far as possible, to hold a similar Convention in Chicago during the first part of October, beginning with the first Sunday in the month.

Full particulars of which can be ascertained by addressing the Bible Institute, 80 Institute Place, Chicago.

NOTES.

Prof. W. M. Baskerville, of Vanderbilt University, died on the sixth.

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Rev. V. D. Skipper is assisting Rev. N. B. Harmon in a meeting at Laurel, Miss.

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Rev. A. S. Lutz filled the pulpit of Burgundy Street Church last Sabbath, the pastor being out of the city.

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Rev. G. P. White has returned from Cooper's Wells much improved in health, and hopes soon to be able to do full work

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The Mooney School, at Franklin, Tenn., which opened August 29, has the largest enrollment in its history—158 during the first three days.

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Shelden's famous book, "In His Steps," has reached a sale of more than three million copies—a record without a parallel in so short a period of time.

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Dr. J. A. Duncan having declined the presidency of Randolph-Macon College, the vacancy has been filled by the election of Dr. W. G. Starr, of the Virginia Conference.

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Rev. T. B. Regan, of the Missouri Conference, formerly of the Mississippi Conference, has been transferred to the Montana Conference, and stationed at Deer Lodge.

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Rev. G. G. Smith, D. D, Macon, Ga., writes: "You always write well, and I read all you write; but your editorial this week, 'The Bible and the Critics,' is specially able."

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Rev. G. W. Huff, preacher in charge of Whittington circuit, Mississippi Conference, has received 130 members during the year. Eighty, or more, have professed conversion.

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Just before going to press we received the following telegram from Dr. I. W. Cooper:

"More than one hundred students; each train increases the number."

Under all the circumstances, this is a fine opening. Dr. Cooper and the friends of Centenary are to be congratulated.

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On the eleventh, at the residence of Mr. F. M. Sanveile, 709 St. Charles street, we had the pleasure of celebrating the rites of matrimony between Miss Olive Blanche Inman, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. Enoch R. Cole, of this city. We extend heartiest congratulations, and wish the youthful pair unalloyed felicity through life.

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Writing from Water Valley, under date of Sept. 6, Rev. W. S. Lagrone says: "The injunction suit against Rev. H. P. Gibbs by D. R. Wagner came up before Judge Longstreet, at Grenada, last Saturday, and was dissolved, on the ground that the articles were not libelous. This is a vindication of the character and reputation of Bro. Gibbs."

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"RELIGION IN A TRUNK."—Dr. Clifford, pastor of Burgundy Street Church, in this city, recently came across a Methodist whose church membership had been in her trunk fifty-four years, the certificate having been issued by Dr. J. P. Durbin in 1845. So far as our observation goes, this is the most protracted case of "religion in a trunk" on record.

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The second number of 'Literary Life has made its appearance. Its twenty pages are filled with choice reading matter—just such as we would be glad to see in the homes of all our people. We congratulate the enterprising editor upon his success in bringing out a periodical so eminently praiseworthy. Those who wish specimen copies should write to the editor, W. C. Everett, Dallas, Texas, who has charge of our Southern Methodist Depository at Dallas.

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On Wednesday, the thirteenth, Bishop Galloway will deliver an address at the opening of Cornell College, Iowa. The next night he is booked for an address before the Indiana Conference (M. E. Church) Greencastle, Ind. Greencastle is the seat of DePauw University, from which Major R. W. Millsaps received his diploma. From there he goes to the Illinois Conference of our church at Clay City, Ill., where he will deliver an address in the interest of the Twentieth Century Movement.

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DEAR BRETHREN: At the Educational Rally, conducted by Bishop Galloway, in Shreveport, Aug. 30 and 31, a resolution was adopted fixing the third Sunday in October to be observed as a day of special consecration and service in the interest of our Twentieth Century Educational Thank-offering. I trust that each pastor in the district will make special preparation for a sermon on the progress of Methodism since her birth in the University of Oxford, and the need of our church schools, to enable them to offer Christian education to the children of our church as cheap, or cheaper, than the State can offer.

I have ordered a lot of thank-offering pledge-cards, to be sent to each pastor in the district. Amounts pledged can be paid any time up to December, 1900.

It is the desire and earnest prayer of the leaders of our Methodism that we be ready to lay upon the altar of the Lord a million and a half of dollars on the first morning of the twentieth century.

Let all of our people be thankful, and have their names, with such sums as they may feel able to offer, recorded upon the honor roll in the books sent out by Dr Hammond to the pastors, in order that the names of all contributors may be kept in the archives of our church.

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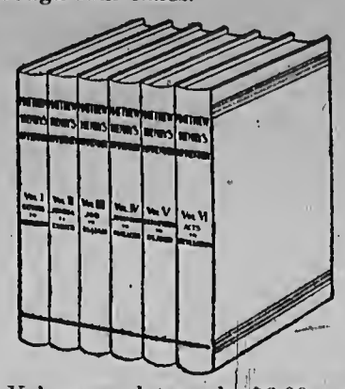

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MARRIAGES.

MYERS—MITCHAM.—At the home of the bride's mother, near Pelahatchie, Miss., Aug. 30, 1899, by Rev. P. D. Hardin, Mr. Lawrence W. Myers to Miss Maggie Mitcham, all of Rankin county, Miss.

HARBROUGH—HAMBLEN.—At the Methodist Church in Vossburg, Miss., Aug. 29, at 8:30 P. M., by Rev. W. M. Sullivan, Dr. Geo. L. Harbrough to Miss Nellie R. Hamblen, all of Vossburg, Miss.

CALDWELL—TURNER.—At the home of the bride's father, Mr. Turner, near Tatum, Miss., by Rev. R. S. Lawson, Mr. J. C. Caldwell to Miss Ella Turner.

MYRATT—PROCTOR.—In Ruston, La., Sept. 3, by Rev. T. B. White, Mr. Fred. J. Myratt of Texas, and Miss Ruble Proctor.

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There is a beautiful face in the silent air,
Which follows me ever and near,
With smiling eyes and amber hair,
With voiceless lips, yet with breath of prayer
That I feel but can not hear.

The dimpled hand and ringlet of gold
Lie low in a marble sleep:
I stretch my hand for a clasp of old,
But the empty air is strangely cold,
And my vigil alone I keep.

There's a sinless brow with a radiant crown,
And a cross laid down in the dust,
There's a smile where never a shade comes now,
And tears no more from these dear eyes flow,
So sweet in their innocent trust.

Ah, well! And summer is come again,
Singing her same old song
But oh, it sounds like a sob of pain,
As it floats in the sunshine and the rain
O'er the hearts of the world's great throng.

There's a beautiful region above the skies,
And I long to reach its shore,
For I know I shall find my treasure there,
The laughing eyes and amber hair
Of the loved ones gone before.

THE GREAT MENTAL DRIVING WHEEL.

The will is the king of the mind, and is superior even to brain power. It is the great driving wheel of the mental engine.

How many strong, even mighty, intellects suffer the humiliation of seeing one talented men, but with great power of decision, forging ahead in the race of life, while they, with ponderous intellects and colossal abilities, flounder about, creating great expectations, only to disappoint, simply because they lack the power of resolving vigorously. Thousands of men sleep in obscure graves because they lacked this power. It has been well said: "It will not do to be perpetually calculating and adjusting nice chances; it was all very well before the flood, when a man could consult his friends upon an intended publication for one hundred and fifty years, and then live to see it a success for six or seven centuries; but at present a man doubts and hesitates and consults his brother and his uncle and his first cousin and his friends, until one day he finds he is sixty-five years of age, and has lost so much time consulting his friends that he has no time left to follow their advice."

We all know people who are forever asking the advice of everybody they meet and getting the opinion of others upon every step they take in life, thinking that "in the multitude of counselors there is safety." These people are like dissolving views thrown upon canvas. For the time being the opinion of the one they are consulting is their opinion; they feel firm in it, and think they will adopt it; it seems to be painted indelibly upon the canvas screen. But, alas! when they meet another person, the picture which stood out so plainly upon the canvas grows dimmer and dimmer, dissolves, and is replaced by the next one, and so on through life.

Undecided, vacillating men are, as a rule, overhopeful men. They hesitate to-day, believing that to-morrow will surely bring some new motive that will help them to decide, without a doubt, and will, perhaps, bring the object even nearer to them. But, alas! to-morrow, the chance which was golden to-day will be within the realm of the impossible. It is astonishing how much faith undecided men put in "to-morrow." To-morrow is the talisman, the lucky star which is to bring the object nearer, make decision easier and success more possible. How many men have been cajoled and led on to ruin by that fascinating word, "To-morrow"! But to-morrow-men never do anything. It is the to-day-men, the now-men, who accomplish the great things in this world. The men who chase that will-o'-the-wisp, that phantom deceiver, "to-morrow," never arrive anywhere, never come to anything but failure.

There is nothing else which will fix a floating life, and prevent it from being tossed hither and thither, like forming a habit of prompt decision, and thus putting oneself forever beyond the temptation of vacillation from the influence of others. The will being the king of the intellectual kingdom, when the leader is demoralized, anarchy must reign. Every youth should early learn that, both in business and morals, "He who hesitates is lost."—Success.

A GREAT MAN'S HUMILITY.

I believe that the first test of a truly great man is humility. I do not mean by humility doubt of his own power or hesitation of speaking his opinions, but a right understanding of the relation between what he can do and say and the rest of the world's sayings and doings. All great men not only know their business, but usually know that they know it; they are not only right in their main opinions, but they usually know that they are right in them; only they do not think much of themselves on that account. Amalfi knows he can build a good dome at Florence; Albert Durer writes calmly to one who has found fault with his work, "It can not be better done;" Sir Isaac Newton knows that he has worked out a problem or two that would have puzzled anybody else; only they do not expect their fellowmen, therefore, to fall down and worship them. They have a curious under-sense of powerlessness, feeling that the greatness is not in them, but through them—that they could not do or be anything else than God made them; and they see something Divine and God-made in every man they meet, and are endlessly, foolishly, incredibly merciful.—Ruskin.

FAMOUS FARMER BOYS.

There are some people foolish enough to laugh at the homely virtues of a farm life. They are fortunately few, and they are fortunately growing fewer; but it is well sometimes to look at the list of great men who came up from the farm—not all of them, for that would fill a thousand volumes, but some of the most notable ones that flash into mind in a moment.

Nearly three-fourths of the men who have been chosen by the people for the great offices of the nation are men who were early familiar with wooded hills and cultivated fields. For example, Washington, Lincoln, Grant, Garfield, Hamlin, Greeley, Tilden, Hayes, Blaine, Harrison, and many others almost equally conspicuous in current events of living memory. Among journalists, Henry Watterson spent his early life in rural Kentucky, and Murat Halstead was born and lived on a farm in Ohio; W. H. Vanderbilt was born in a small New Jersey town, and early engaged in the business of ship chandlery; Russell Sage was born in a New York village; Jay Gould spent his early years on his father's farm in New York State; Whittier and Howells spent their youth in villages, the former dividing his time between farm employment and his studies. Follow the list out yourself, and see how long it will become.—Kansas City Times.

THE DIVINE REVEALED THROUGH THE HUMAN.

Hume once said that when he thought of his mother he believed in immortality. There are many to whom God seems afar off; they do not doubt him, but they can not lay hold of him as a companion in the hour of need. To such natures it is a blessed providence when some human soul becomes a translator and revealer of that divine Helper who has not yet become a divine Father in the thought and feeling of a weak and sinning child. Human love becomes in this way the prelude to the divine love, for we hold fast to the mother or wife whom we love; we long to gain and hold her confidence; we do the things that please her, and we leave undone the things that distress her. We square our life by her life, out of pure love for her. A beautiful human soul always suggests God, as the shining in the still waters at night makes us instantly aware that a star is above us. We do not need to look at it; we know that it is there. Whoever in this confused world has the supreme blessedness of living close to a beautiful human soul, can not look into the pure depths of that soul, day after day, without a constant vision of God.—Outlook.

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As trees make their largest growths in periods, not, perhaps, of their infancy, but of their early Spring, so mental and moral actions, over and above what they are in the very process of thought and deed, leave behind them as portions of the actual character of the agent, the largest actual results. Everyone, at the end of the action, is in himself different from what he was at the beginning; and if the act be done in youth, the difference in him between what he was and what he is, is then the wildest. Do not tell me in reply that the difference is small and imperceptible; for thus it is from moment to moment, in being well or ill, in its being light or dark, in all the processes which in the mass make up the experience of life, with the fruits of that experience.—Gladstone.

FRANKLIN'S FAMOUS TOAST.

Franklin was dining with a small party of distinguished gentlemen, when one of them said: "Here are three nationalities represented; I am French, and my friend here is English, and Mr. Franklin is an American. Let each one propose a toast." It was agreed to, and the Englishman's turn came first. He arose and in the tone of a Briton bold, said: "Here's to Great Britain, the sun that gives light to all nations of the earth." The Frenchman was rather taken back at this, but he proposed: "Here's to France, the moon whose magic rays move the tides of the world." Franklin then arose, with an air of quaint modesty, and said: "Here's to George Washington, the Joshua of America, who commanded the sun and moon to stand still—and they stood still."—Our Youth's Friend.

The want which we vainly proposed to relieve soon looks up at us with reproachful face from the still graves. The tears we failed to wipe away dry upon the cheek, and leave us in the presence of the averted features of distrust, instead of the eye of sweet reliance. The just expectation which we have disappointed can not be recovered; there must be a long undoing before you can weave again, in even lines and pattern fair, the tangled web of life.—James Martineau.

A sad mistake in life is to become sour as age advances. It is beautiful to see a sweet old age mellow, tender, gentle, fresh in spirit, cheerful in hope and always young in heart. And Christianity provides for immortal youth by the love of Christ within and the hope of heaven, giving a sweet experience. What spring and buoyancy and vigor there is in feeling God's presence every moment!—Florida Christian Advocate.

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Bro. Kemp's father's name was Thomas, and he had a brother, Rev. Hezekiah Kemp, a presiding elder before our late war between the States.

In the year 1873 Bro. Kemp moved to this parish, together with his wife and five children—two girls and three boys. His beloved wife preceded him to the glory world in the year of 1884, whose loss he never ceased to mourn.

Bro. Kemp was brought under conviction by the words, "God bless you!" spoken to him by that zealous Christian Sunday-school worker, Miss Laura Reames, which finally resulted in his conversion, and he joined the M. E. Church, South, at Olive Branch, La., then under the ministry of the beloved Rev. Ira B. Robertson. Bro. Kemp was ever after a faithful member, rejoicing "evermore," and living a life of prayer and devotion to God. He was passionately fond of "the songs of Zion," loved all of God's children, and was always (when able) found at the "house of God," sitting at the Master's feet, ever drinking in the "story of the cross," rejoicing in God, his Savior. One of his favorite sayings was, "I have tried to do my duty." He expressed the wish that his friends would sing at his burial those grand old hymns, "Oh, think of the home over there," and, "I will sing you a song of that beautiful land." When the hour of death came he called his son, James Kemp, and his wife, and told them he was dying; said, "I am ready; I have no fear; I am going home." Only three or four minutes before death he said, "Good-bye." "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." Amen!

This scribe, who loved and honored the subject of this sketch for his faith in and fidelity to God, was requested by himself to write his obituary. This is a sad, pleasant duty, and I pray God that his dear children, together with this scribe, may meet him "around the great white throne" "in the sweet bye-and-bye."

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KING—In memory of Mrs. J. R. D. KING, who died Aug. 18, 1899, after a few weeks' illness.

There is a desire in the human heart to lay a tribute of our own on the graves of those we love and honor, even though the graves may be strewn thick with flowers already.

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HUDSON—ANN JOSEPHINE BURTON was born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., Feb. 17, 1833. Her family moved to Jefferson, Marengo county, Ala., when she was ten years of age. She was married to Dr. Joseph Moore in May, 1851. Dr. Moore died in 1860. Two daughters, children of this marriage, survive: Mrs. Leta Howard and Mrs. Annie Hundelstein, of Durant. In October, 1876, she was married to Mr. Chas. E. Hudson, of Alabama. He died in May, 1893. After several years' illness she died at Durant, Miss., Aug. 1, 1899, and on Aug. 3 was buried at Macon City. She was a member of the M. E. Church, South, nearly all of her life, and for many years a subscriber to the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE. She was a zealous church member. Loving her church and its ministry, her home was open for their entertainment. She was "given to hospitality." She was a loyal, faithful, devoted mother, and in return received the loving and faithful ministrations of her daughters. She was kind of heart, gentle in speech, charitable in her judgment of others. Full of faith and good works, she died in peace, and so entered into rest. In selecting readings when the writer prayed at her bedside, her own marked Bible was the guide to what her heart loved best of the Word of God.

May her bereaved children find comfort in her virtues, and an unfailing incentive to righteousness in her pure life and noble character!

N. G. AUGUSTUS.

KELLEY—On the sixteenth of August the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Kelley was saddened by the death of their daughter, RUTH, aged eighteen years three months and twenty-seven days.

Only a few days before she was mingling with schoolmates and friends, no one realizing that the parting would be so soon. Though her illness was short, her suffering was intense. A short time before her death she grew calm, and a loving, anxious mother, bending over her, caught the words, "Upon this rock I build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." From this expression we feel that the Holy Spirit was leading and comforting her, and that she was given victory over death.

Ruth was a sweet, cheerful girl; a member of the M. E. Church, and her bright face will be missed at church, at school, in the social circle, and, most of all, in the family, where she was the light of home. To her fond father, mother and sisters this is a severe trial, and dark indeed would be the lonely way were it not for hope of a future and trust in our heavenly Father. May he give them strength to bear this trial in submission to his will, and lead them to that home where they will meet with the loved one gone before!

COUSIN H.

STONE—Mrs. MINNIE STONE was born in Chatham county, N. C., on the fifteenth day of May, 1849, and died in Choctaw City, Oklahoma, on the twenty-eighth of July, 1899.

When she was about thirteen years old she professed religion and joined the Methodist Church, South, in which she continued up to her death—a bright and a shining ornament.

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JOBE HARRAL.

Eulore, Miss.

GRANTHAM—FLORANCE CRENSHAW was born in Garner Station, Yalobusha county, Miss., April 5 1870; joined the M. E. Church, South, in July, 1886; married to S. P. Grantham, Oct. 5 1887; died July 5, 1899, leaving a husband and two children, a blind sister and other relatives to mourn her loss. She was a kind, loving and devoted wife; an affectionate mother, a true and faithful Christian. She was a great sufferer for months before she died, and she bore her sufferings with patience and Christian fortitude. She was cheerful and happy most of the time during her sickness. She often expressed herself as being perfectly willing to die. The day before she died she called her children to her bed and told them to be good children and meet her in heaven. She said she was going to heaven to live always. Her pastor, H. P. LEWIS.

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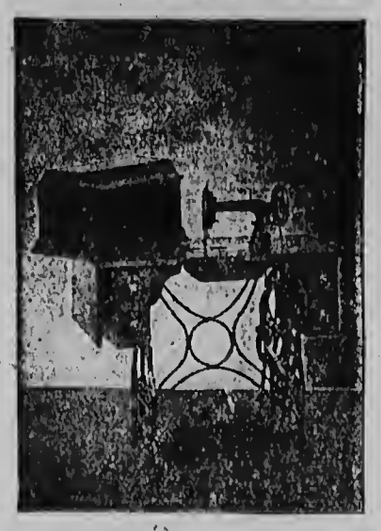

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Paris received the verdict in the Dreyfus case gleefully.

Representatives of the various labor organizations of this city have met and formed a Trades' Council.

Hon. James B. Eustis, ex-ambassador to France, died on Sept. 9 at his Summer home at Newport, R. I.

John D. Rockefeller has contributed $250,000 to the $2,000,000 endowment fund now being raised at Brown University.

The Arctic exploring steamer "Windward" has arrived at Brigns, with all well on board. Lieut. Peary has lost several toes from frost bite.

The English, German and Russian press are very bitter at the conviction of Dreyfus, and many of them talk of boycotting the Exposition.

The feeling against the United States in South America is growing, influential newspapers asserting that it is the intention of this country to seize the whole continent.

At the closing session of the Trades Union Congress, which has been in convention in Plymouth, England, a resolution was passed urging the government to use every possible effort to peacefully settle the Transvaal diffionity.

Marconi's experiments have proved so satisfactory to the British admiralty that a complete set of the apparatus for wireless telegraphy has been supplied to the "Defiance," the torpedo schoolship at Devenport, for further experiments by naval officers.

Capt. Dreyfus believes he will be released about Oct. 15, his past imprisonment being counted in his favor. But the clerk of the court and Col. Jouaust says he has ten years yet to serve, though he will not go through the ordeal of degradation again.

The Tagal Treasury has issued $3,000,000 in paper money and made its acceptance obligatory. Aguinaldo calls on property holders to supply his army with wagon trains without pay. The consent of the governed is of no consequence to the insurgents.

The Cuban National League and the Cuban National party have offered to Gaulberto Gomez and Gen. Maximo Gomez the joint presidency. The offer has been declined by Gaulberto Gomez, who says he wishes to keep his independence and will not join any party at present.

Six great universities have offered to confer their highest degree upon Herbert Spencer, and several governments have tendered him decorations, but he has consistently declined all such honors. He is 79 years old, and his fame is worldwide, but he is plain Herbert Spencer.

The Association of Spanish War Veterans, as the newly-organized body of soldiers who fought in the war of 1898 will be officially known in the future, adjourned in Washington, D. C., on Sept. 9, after having satisfactorily arranged for the completion of a permanent form of organization.

General Otis has been instructed, in framing his plan of campaign for the dry season, to allow for the fullest participation of the naval forces now in the Philippines, and as soon as he has been heard from the necessary orders will go forward to the naval commanders to co-operate with the army to an extent not before contemplated.

The Spanish Republics are disturbed over a report of acquisitions in Bolivia, which, it is alleged, have been made by Uncle Sam. They fear the "Colossus of the North" is moving southward and will annex the whole of South America. European Governments have helped to create distrust when possible.

An order for the organization of two colored regiments was issued from the War Department on Sept. 9. All of the field officers of these two regiments are white men now in the regular army. All of the company officers are colored men who served in the war with Spain in either the regulars or volunteers.

The actual status of the Transvaal crisis appears to be unchanged. In spite of all the clamor and excitement raised by the rumors preceding the Cabinet council, Great Britain's ministers apparently have done nothing more than strengthen the hands of Joseph Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

With the exception of the Jesuit organs in Rome and the anti-Semite papers, the press of the whole world is ringing with execration. Even the Russian press joins in the chorus, although, perhaps, the Jews are nowhere more hated than in Russia. The judges are everywhere described as criminals and gloomy speculations are indulged as to what further is in store for France.

On Saturday the end of the trial of Captain Dreyfus, of the French army, accused of treason, was reached. For more than a month the court at Rennes has heard evidence, and the pleadings of counsel occupied the best part of two days. The deliberation over the verdict lasted barely an hour. The court, by a majority of five to two, found Dreyfus guilty as charged. It was found that there were extenuating circumstances; hence the prisoner was condemned to ten years' detention.

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Sardis	10 17
Batesville and Wesley	23, 24
Senatobia	30, Oct. 1
Arkabutla	7, 8
Nesbit	14, 15
Coldwater and Hernando	15, 16
Orwood Mission	20
Eureka	21, 22
Courtland	22, 23
Tyro	27, 29
Wall Hill	28, 29
Pleasant Hill	Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum	11 12
Longtown	16
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. D. WIER, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Arcola	Sept 16, 17
Shaw	23, 24
Boyle	30, Oct. 1
Cleveland	1, 2
Duncan	7, 8
Clarksdale	14, 15
Friar's Point	16
Jonestown	21, 22
Biles	22, 23
Crews	28, 29
Greenville	Nov. 4, 5
Tunica	6
Lula	10
McLemore	11, 12
Lambuth	18, 19
Gunnison	19, 20
Lebrton	24
Rosedale	25, 26
Bolivar	26, 27

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth station	Sept. 2, 3
Booneville station	9, 10
Iuka circuit	Fri.. 15
Iuka station	16, 17
Booneville circuit	Thurs.. 21
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs.. 28
Blue Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Thurs.. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed.. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 12
Brown's Creek	18 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Kosciusko station	Sept. 10, 11
Ethel, at Liberty Chapel	16, 17
Sallis, at Spring Grove	23, 24
Ebenezer, at Liberty Chapel	30, Oct. 1
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	7, 8
Tomnolen	13
Cumberland, at Long Branch	14, 15
Emporia and Maben, at Eupora	15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens	26
Salem	28, 29
Bolzoma	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Winona station	Sept 16, 17
Valdon, at Valden	23, 24
Carrollton station, at Carrollton	30, Oct. 1
Indianola, at Indianola	7, 8
Sidon, at Etta Bena	14, 15
Black Hawk, at Acona	21, 22
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem	28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Enon	Nov. 4, 5
West circuit, at McNott	18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	25, 26

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ARCADIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Calhoun, at Calhoun	30, Oct. 1
Lisbon and Summerfield	7, 8
Simsboro, at New Hope	11
Downsville, at Douglass	14, 15
Ruston	preaching at night.. 15
Ruston	Conference.. 16
Vernon, at New Prospect	17
Gibsland, at Foster's Chapel	21, 22
Homer, at H	preaching at night.. 22
Homer, at H	Conference.. 23
Farmerville, at Ebenezer	28, 29
Bienville	Nov. 4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove	10
Haynesville, at New Salem	11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night	12
Lanesville, at Lanesville	18, 19
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	25
Minden	25, 26
Gansville, at Gensville	29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec. 2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lecompte and White C., at Lecompte. 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	Sept. 28
Chicot and Washington, at Chicot	30, Oct 1
Bunkie and Marksville, at Bunkie	11
A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	3
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Melville	7:30 P. M.. 4
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	5
Simsport, at Simsport	7, 8
Ada and Winfield, at W	7:30 P. M.. 11
11 A. M.	12
Olla and Pollock, at P	14, 15
Pineville, at Palestine	21, 22
Jena and Jonesville, at French Fork	28, 29
Spring Creek, at Spring Creek	Nov. 4, 5
Dry Creek, at ——	7:30 P. M.. 7
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	8
Natchitoches, at ——	11, 12
Boyce, at Boyce. 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	14
Montgomery and Colfax, at ——	18, 19
Alexandria	25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec. 2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quartorage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.
(In Part.)

Jackson First Church	A. M.. Oct. 8
Capitol Street	P. M.. 8
Sharon, at Sharon	14, 15
Canton	P. M.. 15, 16
Yazoo circuit, at Anding	21, 22
Yazoo City	Sun. P. M.. 22, 23
Terry, at Terry	28, 29
Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov. 4, 5
Vaughn's, at Ellison	Thurs.. 9
Camden	11, 12

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

DeKalb, at New Hope	Sept. 23, 24
Vimville, at Coker's	30, Oct. 1
Porterville, at Union	7, 8
Middleton, at Mt Carmel	14, 15
Lauderdale at Brogan's	21, 22
North Kemper, at Mt. Pleasant	28, 29
Wayne, at Graham's	Fri.. Nov. 3
Winchester, at Winchester	4, 5
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	5, 6
Enterprise, at Enterprise	12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's	18, 19
South Side, at South Side. Wed. P. M..	22
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Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

This Fall the Bay View Reading Circle enters upon its seventh year, winning and holding friends wherever it appears. Thousands do not know of the splendid Bay View courses of study for private use and present or planned clubs, for the management has made no effort to court publicity, but trust all their energies to do the best work. As a result, they can make the unparalleled statement that their membership gain is at the rate of 2,000 a year, while their losses are under five per cent. Their next course on Russia and Holland is going to be a winner. Anyone wanting particulars can always procure the circular and a copy of the beautiful Bay View Magazine by addressing J. M. Hall, Flint, Mich.

PAINT TALKS, XX.

PAINT AS A SIGN OF PROSPERITY.

There are certain sections of this country where a well-painted building is as rare as "white blackbirds." In some places this is because the inhabitants have not learned the value of painting, in others it is because they do not know how to select a good paint. But it is worth noting that in those sections where thrift and industry are the most prominent traits of the people unpainted structures are rare; while in those districts where improvidence and poverty go hand in hand painted buildings are hard to find.

The fact of the matter is that a building that is worth erecting is worth protecting. Every property owner insures against fire, which is not likely to happen and which insurance can not prevent; but too many neglect the really efficacious insurance against decay, which is nothing less than insurance against decay. But it is more than this—it is an announcement to all the world that the property owner is intelligent, thrifty and provident. The sum saved by neglecting to paint is paid for at usurious rates in the deterioration of the property.

Nothing in the world presents a more slipshod, down-at-the-heels appearance than a building suffering for the want of paint, and nothing more surely advertises the owner's lack of ordinary prudence—it is on a par, in its significance, with a valuable piece of agricultural machinery left to rust under the open sky.

The man who in these days suffers from the second cause I have mentioned—poor paint—must be either very careless or very confiding. But so long as people continue to allow advertisers to persuade them that pure white lead makes a satisfactory paint, or so long as other people continue to buy paint with an eye only to first cost per gallon or pound, so long will buildings be made shabby by poor paint.

The durable paints ought to be familiar enough to everybody—for dark shades any of the mineral colors—the so-called metallic browns, the umbers, ochres, siennas, iron oxides, lamp blacks, graphites, etc.; and for lighter tints, zinc white—with or without white lead—in combination with these. For white or very light tints, nothing excels one of the zinc white combinations, in which the zinc is ground either with white lead or with one of the "inert" pigments—barytes, sulphate of lime, silica, etc.—or with a proportion of both.

The real value of white lead—and it has valuable qualities—is in its opacity, its softness, and its ease of working. For these qualities it is useful as a component of house paints, but to advocate its use to the exclusion of the more durable pigments, like zinc white, is to insist that a part of anything can be as great as the whole. STANTON DUDLEY.

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ON OUTBOUND SHIPS.

BY WILL T. HALE.

How dearer seem those on the outbound ships
Than those who tarry with us on the shore;
And holier seems the kiss of absent lips
Than that of lips we do not yet deplore.

The one too busy for a tender word
To those who cling in childhood 'round the knee,
Will yearn at last some day—by memory stirred—
For childish forms that he no more may see

God help us prize the little ones we have,
And realize in time our blessing's worth—
For every passing moment is a wave
That bears them farther from our arms and hearth.

Exchange.

PROGRESS!

A traveling salesman—an Israelite—representing a New Orleans house, walked into my office one day this week, and, referring to Bishop Galloway's interview, inquired if I were the party to whom reference was made therein. On being answered in the affirmative, he expressed his approval of our Twentieth Century Movement in earnest words, and emphasized it with a liberal contribution. He stipulated that his name should be withheld from publication. Surely every Methodist will cheerfully lay a thank-offering on the altar. Will all the preachers see to it that every Methodist has the opportunity?

Many encouraging letters have recently come to hand. Rev. J. W. Dorman is pushing the work in the Greenville district, and assures me that none of his preachers will neglect it. Many letters from the district confirm this view. They are a noble band—and "there are others."

Dr. T. C. Wier has preached on this subject in every pastoral charge in the Sardis district, and is still talking and exhorting, and will continue to do so at least till 1901. He also keeps in touch by correspondence with every pastor in the district. Such work is bound to tell.

Rev. T. Y. Ramsey is giving faithful attention to it in the Corinth district.

Rev. W. S. Shipman is giving much thought to it, and is planning wisely for success in the Winona district. Dr. Murrah will fill several appointments in this district advocating this thank-offering.

Letters from Revs. G. H. Jacobs, J. E. Cunningham, J. J. Brooks, W. T. Griffin, W. E. M. Brogan, R. M. Davis, M. L. White, Jno. T. Lewis, J. C. Mimms, M. D. Fly, J. D. Newsom, Thos. Cameron, Jas. Porter, H. S. Spraggins, W. M. Young, L. A. McKeown, J. W. Campbell, W. L. Blackwell, J. T. Murrah, H. Mellard, J. H. Foreman, J. P. Drake (his third report), J. W. Treadwell, bring assurances of deep interest in and faithful work for the fund. Some of these have raised money, but will report amounts later. Nearly all the letters breathe a spirit of hopefulness that is inspiring.

Rev. T. W. Lewis has issued an appeal to every member of the church in Corinth, and is making preparation to observe Twentieth Century Education Day the fourth Sunday in September. A first-class report is expected from Corinth.

Rev. Eugene Johnson reports thirty-five dollars from Columbus circuit, and "more to follow."

Rev. J. J. Golden reports thirty-six and 25-100 dollars from Vaughans, and will "appoint committees and push the work from now on."

Rev. J. H. Smith (his second report) is confident of securing at least one hundred dollars from Wall Hill circuit. I'm sure he will, as he already has more than half the amount.

Rev. J. A. Bowen has kept the matter constantly before the people of Columbus, using the League, the prayer meeting, and preaching services; and he is meeting with most gratifying success. The people are interested and give cheerfully. To date those giving have averaged more than seven dollars each. The work will be pressed vigorously.

One of the very best reports yet received is from Rev. J. W. Crisler, Woodville. He has secured one hundred and ninety-four dollars, and "will add to it from time to time."

Rev. H. C. Brown, Fannin, sends a most excellent account of his Education Rally Day. "I had the Quarterly Conference to elect a committee, composed of two from each church, to arrange for an Education Rally for the circuit. This committee selected a central point and a date for the rally. Notwithstanding sickness and an unfavorable day, the meeting was a success. It will result in great good to this country. It will not only stimulate the Twentieth Century Thank-offering, but will help the cause of education in many respects. I have no doubt I will receive the entire amount expected of this charge before the Annual Conference. I would recommend every preacher to try the Rally Day plan, for I believe it will help every charge." I concur in that recommendation, and share in that belief.

Some presiding elders write me that many of their preachers have observed the day, and raised money, who have not reported. I sincerely hope so. All we need to insure gratifying success is, that all from whom I have not heard do as well as those who have reported. Many will devote October to work for this fund. We are expecting large things from October. The preacher, if any, who neglects this work is going to be mighty lonesome. Fall in, brother, and keep step! What is done in the next thirty days will largely determine the measure of our success, and will materially aid in the achievement thereof. What is left undone will presage failure, and will make that much more to be overcome by others. Let there be no laggards now.

In addition to what is being done by the pastors and people, every Sunday-school in Mississippi must make a special thank-offering. I have just mailed a letter to every superintendent in the State—more than eight hundred—urging this duty and privilege. Will the preachers in charge encourage them to secure a thank-offering from their schools? I hope so.

Presiding elders can help by mentioning it approvingly in the Quarterly Conferences.

Yours for complete success,

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Sept. 15, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

I have had occasion this year to reatndy more closely than ever before the pastoral relation. It is one of great delicacy and of great responsibility. A pastor needs to be as "wise as a serpent and as harmless as a dove;" as brave as a lion and as tender as a woman, or as tender as our Lord. I am more than ever convinced that a pastor ought to forbear threatening. This is a poor way to secure subjection to lawful authority. A threat excites what remains of the old Adam in most men and women. Most of us have enough left after grace has done its best work in us. It is a standing tenet of all our Methodist teachers that grace never entirely destroys our connection with the race of Adam.

The threatening pastor soon loses his grip on the people. It looks like a government of force, and not of moral suasion; a rule of fear, and not of love. Some few pastors seem to think a threat is a manifestation of courage and of fidelity to discipline. The people, as a rule, regard it as "our-rage," and nothing more. A threat indicates the bluster of a bully. Grown men and women can not be governed in this way. If a pastor gains the love of his people, he can do almost anything he pleases with them. "It is better far to rule by love than by fear." The pastor who threatens people is not an amiable and lovable man.

As I grow older I grow more and more afraid of men and women, especially of pastors, who are on too intimate terms with God; those who consult God about all matters, great and small, and who have, or claim to have, the direction of the Spirit in all they propose to do or to say. I seriously doubt whether the Holy Ghost gives such minute and specific directions in regard to all the affairs of this life. It seems to me some things have been left to the common sense, to the better judgments of men. I am pretty certain the Holy Spirit would not suggest an unwise and foolish course to any man or woman. Those who claim to have the mind of the Spirit in all matters, great or small, are, generally, wise above what is written, and they do and say many foolish things in the name of the Lord. Grace never acts contrary to gumption. Sound common sense is about all the guide most of us need in the ordinary affairs of life. Those who claim to be inspired and divinely directed in all their words and ways are, often, stubborn and contrary to the last degree. They are the "unreasonable men" from whom the great apostle prayed to be delivered. They plant themselves square across the track, and forbid the gospel to run and to be glorified, unless it runs according to their notions. They hinder more than they help the cause of God. Laymen and laywomen who live on such intimate terms with God, generally, assume pastoral functions and authority, and expect everything and everybody to yield to the dictates of their imperious wills. They are "Tony at the wheel," and God and the rest of the church work on the "off side."

As between an infallible Pope in the Vatican at Rome and an infallible ministry and membership scattered over the church at home, I would take the Pope every time. He is remote, and they are nearby.

In some sections it is fast coming to be the fad to claim inspiration and divine direction for every whim and caprice that may come into the human mind. Some few pastors claim to rule the church by divine authority, and to administer discipline under the immediate inspiration and direction of the Holy Ghost. To oppose them is to oppose God, and to pander to worldliness in the church, and to hinder the only right administration of discipline. Where this obtains, the policy is to rule or to ruin—ruin generally results.

In some things Paul had the mind of the Spirit, in some he was in doubt, and in some he spoke only as a man. Some clever people have gotten away beyond Paul in all this. They have the mind of the Spirit in everything. They do nothing and say nothing only as they are divinely directed. Pauline modesty is at a discount among a growing class these latter days. God tells them exactly what to do in the purchase of calico and in planning a campaign against sin. They are exempt from mistakes.

This form of sin and selfishness—for sin and selfishness it is—leads to a degree of familiarity in prayer that borders on contempt, and is of close kin to profanity. God is addressed as if he were a school-fellow and a playmate. Pet names and endearing terms are applied to God and Christ as if he were a baby and a plaything in the nursery. God is not a boy, nor a baby, nor the pet and plaything of any being—angels or men. This whole thing is undevout, irreverent, and highly sinful. It is sentimental, sensual, and devilish. It tends to destroy reverence for God, awe of him, and all respect for his being, and for his high and holy character. It is a familiarity that breeds contempt, and nothing else. This form of religious sentimentalism runs into excess that amounts to lust, that saps the foundation of the spiritual nature until spiritual feeling and worship are an impossibility. The well of spiritual feeling in the human soul is pumped dry in order to keep up a show of spiritual fervor. The highest and noblest faculty in man is perverted, and prostituted to the sentimental shibboleths of a party and a clan. This matter ought to be pondered deep and long in our hearts and in the fear of God. Not long ago I heard something called prayer that made me shudder in every fiber of my being. It was so irreverent.

GILDEROY.

WORK FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

One of the saddest cases of youthful crime that I have heard of lately has been unearthed at Shreveport, La. The participants are all boys from the best families in that city; and when I say best, I mean it in its fullest sense, if means, refinement, business position, church and social relations, count for anything.

The crime of which they are confessedly guilty is burglary, and the penalty is confinement in the penitentiary. Investigation shows that most of the boys, five in number, were under the control, through fear, of two boys, the leader being only twenty years of age.

I have rarely seen so much interest taken in the mitigation of a sentence, or sympathy expressed for self-confessed criminals, as was shown by the citizens of Shreveport on the unearthing of the facts in the above case. I was present at the court-house with about fifty of Shreveport's best citizens, as they waited upon Judge Land to ask him to "deal gently with the young men." He assured them of his interest in the case, and of his sympathy for the young men, but told them that he could not see how he could save them from the penitentiary if the grand jury brought in a true bill for burglary. He spoke of the need of an institution under State control for the care of just such youthful criminals as these and others that had been before him. In his charge to the grand jury he laid before them the same matter, and in their report they make the following recommendation: "We recommend that a bill be presented by our representatives to the next Legislature, making provision for a house of reformation for juvenile offenders."

It is high time that the State take just such action as is here suggested. The effect of confining the comparatively young with those who have grown old in crime is too well known to those who have looked, even casually, into these matters. Many of the States have such institutions, and they have been "Doors of Hope" indeed to many who have been placed in them.

C. P. Huntington, of New York, has recently bought 1,350 acres of land in Virginia, on which, at his own expense, will be built a well-equipped modern reformatory for juvenile offenders of the negro race, of which there are now about 3,000 in prisons of that State.

The Literary Digest, of Sept. 9, gives a synopsis of an article that has lately appeared in "The Star of Hope," published in Sing Sing prison, New York. The writer, Convict No. 315, says: "It is our opinion that the crimes of society against the individual (while he is not yet a criminal), continued with unrelenting ferocity when he has become one, are the causes of 50 per cent. of the crimes committed." He divides criminals into three classes: "the accidental or unintentional, the criminal of circumstance or environment, and the criminal by election or preferment." He thinks little can be done for the last of these classes, that the second class come largely from the slums of our great cities, and only the improvement of those parts of the municipalities will change things for the better.

"The prison," according to No. 315, "turns the 'accidental' criminal into a permanent one, who repays society for its crime against him. The slum boy, too, finds Sing Sing ill calculated to turn him to a better life."

By all means let us have this institution, where, by kind treatment, lessons in thrift, religious influence, good books, and such other means as are best, we can save this unfortunate class.

WM. G EVANS.

Later.—By clemency of the grand jury the boys above mentioned get a jail sentence for larceny.

E.

MISSIONS IN OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

To the Pastors and Sunday-school Superintendents of the Louisiana Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: Drs. Lambuth and Pritchett, our Missionary Secretaries, write thus: "The Board of Missions and the Sunday-school Board, by their action last year, set aside the third Sunday in October as a Rally Day for foreign missions in the Sunday-schools. We do not feel it necessary to urge upon you the great need of educating the young people of our church in this great cause, but we ask you to kindly bring this matter to the attention of your Sunday-school superintendents, and urge upon them the very great importance of this movement. A sixteen-page programme, consisting of recitations, responsive readings, facts on missions, and appropriate songs with notes, has been prepared, and will be sent to any address at the following rates: 75 cents per hundred, 10 cents per dozen by mail, postage paid, or 50 cents per hundred by express, the buyer to pay the charges. On application they will be sent free to any school not able to purchase them. All orders should be sent to Rev. W. R Lambuth, Nashville, Tenn."

Our Conference Minutes show that $810.68 was the total collection for missions in our Sunday-schools last year. We number in officers, teachers and scholars, 15,440. They, therefore, paid about 5¼ cents apiece—a sum that would be greatly increased if ¶ 246 of the Discipline were carried out and Rally Day observed by every school. Only 48 of our 295 Sunday-schools are reported as having given anything for missions. The secretaries have so fixed it that no school need do without a rally this year. ¶ 246 reads thus: "Let every Sunday-school be organized into a missionary society auxiliary to the Board of Missions." Were all our schools organized into missionary societies, raising missionary money throughout the year, and in October holding a special and glorious rally for this cause, the hundreds now raised could easily be changed into thousands. Our children would grow up practical missionary Christians, and the church of the future would quadruple and more whatever the church of to-day is doing for the saving of our unsaved brothers of all lands. The indications are that there will be a gratifying increase in the amounts raised by the churches this year all over our Conference, and "the love of Christ constraineth us" to call upon our pastors and superintendents to rally their schools, that the children of the church may also give a greatly increased sum. Think of it—20 cents apiece would yield $3,088! Verily, our youth and children should go far beyond the 5¼ cents apiece of last year. Give them a chance, and they will do it.

JOHN T. SAWYER,
President Board of Missions.

Sept 13, 1899.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE OPENING.

The forty-fifth session of this college opened on Wednesday, the sixth instant, with religious exercises conducted by President T. S. Sligh. Rev. C. D. Atkinson, President and Mrs. T. S Sligh made appropriate addresses to the students. The venerable Dr. A. D. McVoy, former president of the college, also made a practical talk to the girls, referring to incidences during his administration, which was both interesting and instructive. This veteran soldier of the cross loves Mansfield Female College, and has an abiding interest in her future welfare. He congratulated Bro. and Sister Sligh on their marked success, etc.

The enrollment of students on the first day was flattering indeed, and the number of boarding students larger than at any opening since our connection (of sixteen years) with the college. President T. S. Sligh claims an increase of about twenty per cent. of boarding students over last year's opening.

President and Mrs. Sligh stand high in the estimation of our best people as educators of modern type, and under their wise and skillful management, aided by an enlarged and experienced faculty of reputed efficiency and eminent fitness for their respective departments, we bespeak for them great achievements in Christian education. They are fully alive to the imperative requirements of this wonderfully progressive educational age, and are intelligently anticipating and meeting the high demands made upon them by an exacting public.

The standard of scholarship is high, and when a diploma is awarded, it will be a passport of merit and efficiency, and worthy of recognition by the most cultured and refined.

President and Mrs. Sligh during the past two and one-half months canvassed nearly every section of the State, and the daily arrival of girls are in evidence of the fact that they have been in close touch with our Louisiana Methodists, and that they (Louisiana Methodists) have been quickened and energized to a full sense of their Christian duties, and that the lethargy which characterized them in former years is rapidly being converted into a regretful reminiscence.

It is indeed gratifying to report for the benefit of solicitons parents and all who may be interested in our college, that during this Summer additional improvements have been made in the college building. A system of waterworks, with all needed facilities, and with an ample supply of pure water to furnish the girls with baths and other requirements conducive to health, is a part of this Summer's improvement. The rooms also have been calcimined, rendering them more attractive and comfortable. Other improvements are under advisement, and shall receive our careful attention in due time.

For the benefit of those who are not acquainted with Mansfield Female College and its surroundings, we will state that it is located in the pine hills of North Louisiana, and on the highest point between Shreveport and Alexandria. This fact is sustained by an accurate survey officially rendered during the construction of the T. and P. R. R. We are on the dividing ridge between Red and Sabine rivers, about twenty miles distant from each. Mansfield has a population of about two thousand people, composed of intelligent and law-abiding citizens. Society is excellent. We have two railroads, which makes Mansfield accessible from nearly all parts of the State. We have four churches, viz: M. E. Church, South; Baptist, Presbyterian and Episcopalian. Students are permitted, accompanied by one of the faculty, to attend the church of their choice.

The very best religious influences prevail at the college. Parents who desire their daughters to enter an ideal college home, where both the mind and heart is cultivated, and the highest type of Christian womanhood developed, we would cheerfully and unhesitatingly recommend to them Mansfield Female College as that home.

A. F. JACKSON,
Sec'y of Board.

Mansfield, La., Sept. 11, 1899.

NO PARTING.

BY HORATIUS BONAR.

No seas again shall sever,
No desert intervene,
No deep, sad flowing river
Shall roll its tide between.
Love and unsevered union
Of soul with those we love
Nearness and glad communion
Shall be our joy above.

No dread of wasting sickness,
No thought of ache or pain;
No weary hours of weakness,
Shall mar our peace again
No death, our homes o'ershading
Shall sever our harps unstring,
For all is life unfading
In presence of our King.

Exchange.

Communications.

HISTORY OF MELANCTHON.

(Concluded.)

In the years 1519 and 1520 Melanothon was very active with his pen. At the beginning of the year 1520 he published a book on the doctrine of Paul; he wrote a commentary on Matthew; he published especially for the benefit of his students the Greek text of Paul's Epistle to the Romans, and a new addition of his grammar, besides other books. He was a very industrious man. We are told that he began work at two o'clock in the morning, and continued till evening

On the fifteenth day of August, 1520, he announces that he is going to get married to Miss Katharine Krapp, the daughter of the mayor of Wittenberg, on the twenty fifth of November, 1520. He posted the following verse on the bulletin board:

"Rest from your studies.
Philip says you may.
He'll read no lecture on St. Paul to day."

This happy pair lived together thirty-seven years, and became the parents of four children—two sons and two daughters. The house in which Melanothon lived was beautiful in design, and for many years was preserved in its original beauty. A board high up on the front bears the following inscription, 'Here lived, taught and died Melancthon." The front room on the second floor was his study, and finally the place of his death, which occurred April 19, 1560.

In 1521 Philip Melancthon published the first great work on dogmatic theology. It passed through more than forty editions during his life.

In 1522 Melancthon thought seriously of abandoning theology, and of devoting his entire time to giving instruction in language and literature, thinking he could best serve the cause of the Reformation by preparing young men for the study of theology.

In 1530 Melancthon made a most important contribution to the cause of Protestantism in the Augsburg Confession. At Coberg, or on the way thither, Melancthon was commissioned to write a defensive statement, which at first was called an apology, and after passing through many changes finally became the Augsburg Confession. As to how much was written on the way to Augsburg, or what was its first form, is not now known. No doubt it was afterward written in a more condensed form, when it was found that the Emperor would require brevity. It was yet very far from what it finally became. It did not contain Article XX, of faith and good works; nor Article XXVII., of vows; nor Article XXVIII., of ecclesiastical power. It is very probable the latter had not been written. "Our condition," said Melancthon, "is not long and ill-advised, as has been reported to the Emperor. The difference consists in the following Articles: The sacrament under both forms, the marriage of priests and monks, and the mass." The Lutherans do not regard private masses as right. He thought that if an understanding could be reached on these Articles, there would be but little difficulty in regard to other matters. The mental agony which Melancthon experienced in the composition of the Augsburg Confession is best learned in a letter written to his brother. In this communication we find the following expression: "O God, in whom I trust, help thou me. Thou judgest us as we purpose in heart. Dear brother, I dare not drop this matter so long as I live."

On the fourth he returns to Wittenberg, and, in addition to his other labors he prepared the first edition of the Augsburg Confession. The Emperor had forbidden its publication without his consent; but very soon no less than seven unauthorized editions appeared—six in German and one in Latin.

During the year 1534 Melancthon was invited to France, where the Lutheran heresy had begun to take root. Being inspired with the hope of establishing the evangelical faith in France, he expressed a willingness to go, but thought it best to leave the decision of the matter to his elector. The elector did not find it to his own interest to spare so distinguished a teacher as Philip Melancthon; so he declined the call, and did not go.

In 1535 he wrote a book, in which are found some important changes in theological views. Melancthon was the first among the reformers to depart from the Augustine particularity, and to bring out the doctrine of the universality of the offer of salvation, and to direct the attention of men to the redemption that is through Christ, and not to the secret decree of God. He says mercy is the cause of election. Again: the good works that are required are spiritual affection, the fear of God, trust, worship, love, and the like. These are acceptable to God, not because they satisfy the law, but because already the persons are acceptable. On no other subject did Melancthon bestow so much thought and investigation as on the Lord's Supper. In 1537 he wrote: "For ten years," says he, "neither day nor night has passed in which I have not reflected on this subject. Not without greatest struggles," says Melancthon, 'have I reached the conclusion that Christ is truly present in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper." He says, "I had rather die than to affirm, with the Zwinglians, that the body of Christ can be in only one place."

It is said that Melancthon persisted to the end, as in 1527: "The bread which we break is a communication of the body of Christ; that Christ is truly present through the ministry, giving his body and blood to him that eats." His Article on the Lord's Supper is followed by an Article on infant baptism. In the forty-second year of his life we find his health greatly declined. He says he is worn out with labors, sorrows, and insomnia. Believing that death was near, he made his last will.

At Wiemar he fell seriously ill, so that his life was despaired of, when Luther visited him, and most earnestly prayed for his recovery. From this time on he gained strength by degrees, until he was fully restored to health again. After this he was very active with his pen.

We are told in history that in 1550 his letters covered nearly two hundred pages in the Corpus Reformation. They were addressed to kings, princes, town councils, and personal friends. These show to us the intense interest Melancthon had in church affairs. He was ready to spend and to be spent in the cause of his Master.

He now came to the last hours of his life. He became weary of life, and still more weary of the quarrels and disputes among the theologians. As his weakness increased, and the end drew nigh, his physician asked him if he wished anything else. His answer was, "Nothing else but heaven," requesting him at the same time not to ask him more. The pastor then prayed, all falling on their knees. In the evening the pastor pronounced the blessing on him. Then was read from the Psalmist: "Into thy hands I commend my spirit. Thou hast redeemed me, thou faithful and true God." His lips moved as if in prayer.

At a quarter before 7 o'clock the evening of April 14, 1560, Philip Melancthon fell on sleep, aged sixty-three years two months and three days. The body was placed in a tin coffin, and this in a wooden one, with an inscription in Latin which recounts the chief events in his life. He served the University of Wittenburg forty-two years; was a faithful assistant of Luther in the Reformation; was the author of the Augsburg Confession. At 5 o'clock P. M., April 21, his body was consigned to its mother earth by the side of his friend and brother, Martin Luther, in the cemetery at Wittenburg, Germany, to await the second coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

J. H. FOREMAN.

TO THE YOUNG MAN WHO DODGES ADVICE.

The following quotation from a letter recently received from a young man shows, I suppose, the general estimate of that greatly-misunderstood and, therefore, much-undervalued commodity called good advice: "Your advice is good, and every word of it true. Now, advice is cheap, and anybody can give it, but how many people have you ever known to take it and act on it?"

Herein are involved several serious mistakes which it would be well if young minds and many older ones, too, could be rid of.

First, our good advice is ever cheap to him who gives or to him who heeds it. The Bible is, in a practical view, only a book of good advice, and it cost God his incarnation in the Son, and all his work on earth, ending in his death upon the cross. Good advice consists of wise rules of conduct founded on the truth as to the being and relations of things. Such advice is never cheap to the originator, the real giver of it; nor could it be regarded as cheap by him who acts upon it, and finds it more profitable than thousands of gold and silver.

The next fallacy arising out of this is that, being cheap, good advice is comparatively worthless; whereas it is of the utmost importance to every man that he should both receive and act upon good advice. What would each man be if compelled to act only upon his own judgment and experience? In such case history need not be written, and reading would be profitable only as a pastime.

The young especially, who seem often to have a horror of "grandfather's good advice," are evidently ignorant of the fact that while they are dodging old folks' advice as interfering with their liberty, they are really acting under the advice of that herd who perpetually flood and afflict the world with the disastrous consequences of their presumptuous incapacity.

It is not a question of acting under advice, or not, but the question is, Whose advice will you take? Perhaps nine-tenths of all our actions are determined by the advice of others. A man may choose his advisers, but to pretend to act without advice would be to proclaim himself a fool. The conclusion, then, is, that if there is any difference between wisdom and folly, only those who have the discretion to take or find (for it ought to be sought) good advice, and act upon it, accomplish any wise or good purposes in life, while all others blunder on to be pitied or blamed as failures or fools to the end of time.

"How many people have you ever known to take it and act upon it?" asks my young friend.

I answer: All of my acquaintances who ever did anything worth doing in life.

Again: Young man, let me insist that you bear in mind that no matter what or how you are doing, you are acting under somebody's advice; but whose? Your welfare for two worlds depends upon your answer to this question. As I can not believe that you have the conceit to think that you can make a world of your own, I shall hope that you will choose wisely from among the multitude of advisers that necessarily abound in a world where every man must depend upon his neighbors' eyes to do the greater part of his seeing.

If all persons, old as well as young, would habitually seek advice from judicious friends on all important matters, the world would be greatly the gainer, since it would then be governed by the wisdom of the wise.

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THE BETHEL CAMP MEETING.

This meeting began Thursday night, Aug. 17, and closed Sunday night, the twenty-eighth, following. For the first three or four days of the meeting continued rain kept the attendance small, there being few to attend, except the tenters. After the weather cleared up congregations grew daily, until the climax was reached Sunday in an overflow of visitors. There were five services per day, including the 6:30 morning prayer meeting, which was always conducted by a layman. Some ten, or a dozen, persons joined the church, and a large number professed conversion. Indeed, we have no means of knowing the exact number converted and reclaimed, but can safely place the unmber high. Certain it is that the entire community felt the effects of the meeting. The work done was deep and thorough. Members of several other denominations, even Catholics, claimed to have been benefited, and were delighted with the meeting and its results. Old sinners were torn up and made anew, and the young people brought to the front. Four prayer meetings were held daily at 5:15 o'clock P. M. The older men and older women, the young men and young women, all at different places. It is declared by the old tenters and citizens that the meeting was the best that has been held at Bethel since the rebuilding of the camp grounds.

The following named brethren did the preaching: Revs. T. W. Brown, R. W. Tucker, presiding elder of the Baton Rouge district, Louisiana Conference; C. C. Miller, of Wilson, La., and John E Green, of Honston, Texas. The latter preached from two to three times per day. The preaching of all the brethren was exceptionally fine and deeply spiritual. In addition to the above, Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt, the beloved presiding elder of this district, conducted one service. The Doctor was with us only a few hours. Rev. M. H. Moore, the pastor, and the writer held a few of the 9 o'clock morning services. Bros. Tucker and Miller were with us only a day or two each. With the exception of Bro. Green, Bethel might be called the home of all the preachers present.

Mrs. R. M. McCraine, assisted by Mrs. Geo Argue, presided at the organ. They are both fine in that department, and did their work faithfully. No finer Christian women can be found anywhere.

All the old tents, but one, were occupied; besides, several new ones had been erected. Several other persons have signified their intention of building and tenting another season. Bethel Camp Ground is growing in popular favor, and bids fair to be a mighty factor for good to this section. To God we give the praise.

JOHN W. CRIELER,
Sec'y B. C. G. Association.

Woodville, Miss., Sept 11, 1899.

FROM LIVE OAK.

Our camp meeting at Denham Springs, which has just closed, was in every way a decided success. Good order prevailed, and the interest manifested in the gospel was intense. The Word was preached with the "old-time power," which was blessed of God to the conversion of many souls. Truly this was a great revival. We had crowded altars from beginning to the close. The attendance was above one thousand. The ministers who served during the meeting were: Revs. S S. Bogan, F. N. Parker, M. M Johnson, J. A. B. Jones, N. E Alford, J. L. McManus, H. N Brown, J. T. Upton, and this scribe. Bro. Hamil, of Port Vincent, and his son, Coke, who is also a local preacher, and Bro. Wanche, of Baton Rouge, were present. It was my pleasure to receive fourteen members in the church as the result of the meeting. This makes in all fifty-seven added to the church this year, and we are just half through with our protracted meeting. I was assisted at Live Oak by Bros. A. W. Turner and F. N. Sweeney, who did excellent work. Bro. Sweeney was with me at our Bethel meeting, which was said to be the best there in many years.

We held our Beach Grove meeting all alone, but the Lord gave us a gracious revival, and added eleven to our Zion.

We held a ten days' meeting this week at Palmetto, assisted by my father, Rev. N. E. Alford, of Magnolia, Miss., which was fruitful of much good.

This year two new churches have been organized, and one will have a house of worship by Conference.

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The Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions, representing the Protestant Missionary Societies and missions of the world, will be held in New York City, April 21 to May 1, 1900. The workers of many lands will come together to compare notes. There will be free interchange of ideas, and much information of great value will be put at the service of all. The results expected are: A clearer apprehension of the principles and methods of mission work drawn from a century of experience; a vindication of Christian missions by an array of testimony as to their influence and results that will convince all thoughtful men of their utility and power; a great practical advance towards unity.

How shall we prepare for this Ecumenical Conference so as to reap the largest results; so that we may meet "in the fullness of the blessing of Christ?" The Conference does not begin April 21, 1900 That is simply bringing to a head of the Conference which has already begun. The preparation should not be confined to what is done by committees and writers of papers and the delegates; it should be a threefold preparation by the whole church—by prayer, by study, by contribution. A concert of prayer is recommended each month for the blessing of the gospel of Christ, repeated in church service and family worship, that the church may receive a mighty impulse through this Conference. A new and intelligent study of the great problems relating to the extension of Christ's kingdom throughout the world. The relation of the different forms of work to the central purpose of preaching the gospel. The unity, harmony, and co-operation of the different organizations working in the same fields. The developments of self-support and self activity on the part of the native church. These three principles must be applied intelligently in order to a comprehension of the ways and means of missionary economics.

As every evangelical denomination is invited to be represented at the Conference, every congregation will have the privilege of contributing something toward it.

The Woman's Board will be represented by the officers and some of the corresponding secretaries of Conferences.

Mrs. H. W. Featherston reports two new organizations on the Brookhaven district.

Mrs. Ira Phillips reports two new organizations and one society reorganized on the Meridian district.

I am glad to say that our Miss Hughes is much improved in health, and reports that the Woman's Chinese Missionary Societies are doing fine work

In a letter from Mrs. Trueheart, just received, she says: "It is with a sad heart I write to tell you of the sad death of our beloved missionary, Mary Richardson, who went to China one year ago, when her sister, Helen, returned from her home-rest. Miss Mary was at the Board meeting at Birmingham, where she was accepted and appointed for work in China. She was with us also in Greensboro at the Board meeting. Now she is not, for God took her Aug. 9, 1899. Every heart in our China Mission is filled with sorrow over this bereavement, and we at home are sadly stricken. No more lovely, promising character has ever been sent to the foreign field, and yet God's goodness in taking her from us can not be questioned. He doeth all things well. Pray that God's sustaining grace may come richly into the heart of our beloved Helen, the sister, and the dear old father through this sore bereavement. God calls us to more faithful service. Who will take Mary's place? China must be redeemed, and we must do our part.

I would like to keep your Conference pledge and Twentieth Century Fund before the societies of the Mississippi Conference. Let the president of each society see to it that these collections are raised in their societies.

SALLIE SMYLIE,
Cor. Sec. Miss. Conf.

The Christian Life.

ABOVE ALL, CHARITY.

One of the characteristics of a well balanced mind is the trained ability to wait for the subsidence of rash emotions. The impetuosity of overflowing waters is not more certainly destructive than is the wild rage of an uncontrolled passion in the soul. Happy is that man who has effectually learned the art of repressing ungenerous and hasty impulses.

We sometimes maintain that as essential to religion which really is not, and when others fail to meet our standard, we either unconsciously depreciate them, or show a hostility of feeling, as though God had committed to us the government and correction of souls. We have known many non-professors of religion who, in respect to charitable judgments, seemed to surpass some who claimed to be Christ's own. A great work remains to be wrought in all such. It is not well to be self-deceived. Unless charity be truly our possession, we surely are not in harmony with heaven, where love rules all. The uncharitable critic is the enemy of no one so much as himself. Laogoor will steal upon him in his work, spiritual dearth will surely come upon his soul, and a distrust of his motives will take possession of his friends. No real fellowship can coexist with such a spirit. When our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ, and when the fellowship that we have with one another is maintained by walking in the light as he is in the light, then is fulfilled the prayer of our Lord, "That they all may be one; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."—New York Advocate.

DISAPPOINTMENT.

Our yet unfinished story is tending all to this: to God the greatest glory, to us the greatest bliss. If all things work together for ends so grand and blessed, what need to wonder whether each in itself is blest? If some things were omitted, or altered as we would, the whole might be unfitted to work for perfect good. Our plans may be disjointed, but we may calmly rest; what God has once appointed is better than our best. We can not see before us, but our all-seeing Friend is always watching o'er us, and knows the very end. What though we seem to stumble? He will not let us fall; and learning to be humble is not lost time at all. What though we fondly reckoned a smoother way to go than where his hand has beckoned? It will be better so.

From broken alabaster was deathless fragrance shed; the spikenard flowed the faster upon the Savior's head. No shattered box of ointment we ever need regret, for out of disappointment flow sweetest odors yet. The discord that involveth some startling change of key, the Master's hand resolveth in richest harmony. We hush our children's laughter, when sunset hues grow pale; then, in the silence after, they hear the nightingale. Then tremble not, and shrink not, when disappointment nears; be trustful still, and think not to realize all fears.—Frances Ridley Havergal.

ALONE WITH GOD.

No great purpose has ever been achieved by any individual until his spirit has first gone out into some wilderness solitude and there discovered its native strength, its absolute invincibility when it relies upon no help but that of God. This is the experience of all the greatest among men. They go apart from their fellows for awhile, like Moses into the land of Midian, or like our Lord himself into the wilderness, or like St. Paul into the Arabian desert, and there, in solitary communion with God, they come to themselves. From that communion with God, from that highest of all companionships, they drink in strength to fit them for the work of their lives. Alone with God they see visions which fill their souls—visions which never fade afterward, even in the light of common day, but which serve as beacon lights to guide them, through storm and darkness, till the purpose of their lives is fulfilled.—Edwin H. Eland.

THE BOOK WILL TELL.

A real Christian will be a true lover of the Bible. There is scarcely a better test. If the novel or the newspaper takes the place of the Bible on his table or in his mind, then it is clear that the world has taken the place of God in his heart. If a man's Bible be clean and bright and unsullied by use, undefiled by contact with daily life, his soul is not. There is no better spiritual barometer to test the true condition of the soul's atmosphere. He to whom the Bible seems wearisome, monotonous, uninteresting, has good cause for alarm. The neglect of it springs from coldness of affection toward its author, and dislike of his rebukes. Whoever wants to grow in grace simply must study the Bible. It is the way to gain stability of doctrine, so as not to be carried about with every wind of opinion.—Christian Standard.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Sam Q Bass, Corinth, Miss: "I am just home from the Tecopola charge, where I assisted Rev. D. M. Geddie, the pastor, in a great meeting. I found Bro. Geddie to be a faithful pastor, a fine worker in the altar, and his people at Salem, where the meeting was held, are among the best that I have ever worked with. The meeting lasted only one week. A great revival in the church and a goodly number added to the church. If the meeting could have gone on for another week, we would have reaped greater results still. I have secured the services of Mr. G. W. Bashy and his noble wife to lead the singing and to assist in the altar services. They are both fine workers, and his wife a splendid organist—both Methodist. My time for the Fall is not all taken up. If any pastor needs my help, let me know, and I will gladly come and do what I can for him."

Rev. R. T Nolen, P. C., Cumberland, Miss., Sept. 9, 1899: "I closed out last night my last protracted meeting, with good results. Four in number. Bro D. M Miller, L. E., assisted me in two of my meetings, and did as good preaching as I ever heard. Bro. Miller is a strong gospel preacher, and did fine work. Bro. Martin, a local preacher, preached two good sermons for us at one of my meetings, and Bro. Rapor, preacher in charge of Montpelier circuit, assisted me from Tuesday night to Friday A. M., and did us all good. Bro. Rapor is one of our best men and a safe gospel preacher We have received in all up to date 31 members. To God be all the glory. We have not get our church quite finished here in Cumberland. Our people say they want a parsonage here. As I am now through with my meetings, I am going to look after the Conference collections and our obligations to the ceotury offering. Pray for us."

Rev. L. D. Worsham, Eureka Springs, Miss., Sept. 13, 1899: "I have closed my round of protracted meetings. 'The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.' At Mt. Olivet we had a very good meeting. Several reclamations and one addition. Was assisted in this meeting by Bro. C. H. Moore, of Tyro, as fine a worker in a meeting as I ever saw. At Eureka we had the best revival that has been here in years. Twenty-two additions to the church. Raised at the close of the meeting $111.25 on collections. Was assisted by Bros. Moore and C. N. Terry, of Nesbit. Bro. Terry is a good gospel preacher and a fine revivalist. Bro. Terry also assisted me at Pisgah, where we had fifteen conversions and seven additions. At Terza I was assisted by Dr H T Gaines, of Senatobia. Bro. Gaines did good preaching and excellent work. Had at this meeting about thirty conversions, and twenty-one joined our church. I believe all my collections will be in full."

Rev. W. M. Williams, P. C.: "Our meeting was held at Bethesda the fourth Sunday in August. Bro. J. M. Morse, of Wesson, came to our assistance Monday. He did us acceptable and efficient work. Our people had been working and praying in the church and in their homes for a month and more for the success of this meeting. God always meets with his people when they come together with one heart and one mind. So God was with us from first to finish. We had eleven accessions and the church revived. Our meeting began at Mt. Pleasant the first Sunday in September. Bro. C. A. Powell preached two applicable and strong sermons Monday. Bro. H. A. Gatlin preached Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and Bro. Powell Friday. Every sermon seemed to be sent by God himself, as each fit in so nicely and met the needs of my people so well. They will never forget those two brethren. I think every Christian that attended got up on a higher plane. We all were made better. There were many conversions. There were 14 accessions by faith, one by certificate and one transfer, making 16 in all. There was good, solid and, we think, abiding work done. We have had 30 accessions from the three meetings held. We begin our meeting here to-morrow. We have many as good, true yoke-fellows on the Gallman circuit as you will find anywhere. We thank God for all his blessings, and press forward with more faith and greater earnestness and zeal in our Master's work."

Rev. W. A. Wood, Blue Springs, Miss., Sept. 7, 1899: "I began my first meeting the third Sunday in July. On Tuesday I was joined by Bro. Williams, of the Marietta circuit, who preached six good sermons; but our congregations were small on account of politics being very high. I had only one addition. I then went to Liberty, and began on the fourth Sunday, at 11 o'clock, and for a few days I had a hard fight, doing all the preaching myself; but the strongholds finally gave way, and the Holy Ghost came down in great power. We closed out on Saturday night with 42 conversions and 22 additions. This was one of the best revivals we have ever attended. I then went to Bethel on the fifth Sunday morning, and began my meeting at 11 o'clock A. M., and for three days it seemed as though we could do nothing; but, after having preached for three days and nights, the opposition gave way, and I closed out there on Saturday night before the first Sunday in August with 22 conversions. On the first Sunday in August I went to Leighton, a small town on the K. C., M. and B. R. R., and began my meeting at 11 o'clock A. M. Having left my little girl sick, I was compelled to return home that evening, leaving the meeting that night with Bro. Moreland. I returned Monday morning, and for four days I had the hardest fight of my life; but on the second Sunday, at 11 o'clock, I closed out with 10 conversions and 7 additions. Thus closed the best meeting that has ever been held in the town. After closing out at Leighton, I had three more meetings to hold, all of which were good meetings. I have closed my revival meeting with 86, or more, conversions, and about 40 additions. The Lord has blessed my work very greatly this year. I will help some of the brethren now. I will go to the Ripley circuit to assist Rev. H. C. Parrott in a meeting the second week in October. The Lord bless the editor and all the readers."

Rev. J. H. Smith, Wall Hill, Miss., Sept. 11, 1899: "We have just completed a splendid new church where the old Grub Hill log meeting-house stood for fifty years. It is an ornament to the community, and, when painted, will be the neatest house of worship anywhere near here. Our protracted meetings are over, and genuine revivals they were. Some conversions and accessions to the church. Nearly everybody in this section belongs to some church. There is material, however, for more conversions than we have. There are some who persistently resist the influences of grace. Bro. W. J. Burt, of the Tyro charge, was with us two days at Chulahema, and did some good preaching. Bro. Burt is a strong preacher. Our 'beloved,' Dr. Wier, was with us two days at the Quarterly Conference, which was the beginning of our meeting at Bethel, and we were all sorry when he left. This is Dr. Wier's fourth year on the Sardis district, and he has endeared himself to the people as few men do. May time deal lightly with him, and the lines fall to him in pleasant places! Happy the people who are fortunate enough to get his services! Bro. McIntosh, the president of our Grenada Female College, was with us a few days at Wall Hill. He was the first evangelist to come to Wall Hill, and he was a show to our people for a while, but he won all hearts, did us great good, and left with the best wishes and prayers of the whole church. This was indeed a great meeting, and one long to be remembered. This people have Bro. McIntosh and our college at Grenada much in appreciation. We have just finished our round of services for the Twentieth Century Educational Movement with good success—not all we would like, but good. These services were conducted by our Epworth League, and our League is the best in the Conference (so far as I know). We have a noble band of young people, spiritual, and gladly do any work the church suggests. My precious mother died about a month ago, and wife is in a low state of health. Pray for her and for me."

Rev. J. J. Golden, P. C., Vaughans, Miss., Sept. 8, 1899: "We have had three successful revival meetings this Summer, one at each church on the charge. The first was held at Union, beginning July 30, in which we were assisted by Rev. Ira F. Hawkins, of the North Alabama Conference, who preached to the delight of all our people. His noble character is a forcible sermon within itself. During this meeting we had five accessions to the church, and organized a wide-awake prayer meeting; also, there were erected five family altars, and the church greatly revived. Our second meeting was held at New Hope. We think this meeting was, indeed, a very profitable one. It was our pleasure to have with us Rev. T. B. Holleman, our beloved presiding elder, whose preaching was thorough, strong, and convincing. We had two accessions to the church on profession of faith, and four infants were baptized; also the church was inspired to do greater things for the Master. In the midst of this revival came our third Quarterly Conference, and these good people whom we serve deserve commendation for the 'good' report they helped us to make. In the meeting at Vaughans we had the efficent services of Rev. Geo. H Thompsen. His preaching was edifying, and accompanied by the Holy Spirit. We have evidence to believe that much and lasting good was done, although the visible results were not what we desired. On Sept. 6 we had a mass meeting of the circuit, and an educational rally. Rev. H. G. Hawkins was the speaker of the day. In the morning, at 11 o'clock, the educational rally was conducted, at the close of which we secured $36 25 in money and subscription for the Twentieth Century Fund. In the afternoon we had a very instructive and enjoyable affair, an illustrated lecture on Japan, and before dismissing the congregation we took a collection for the Conference collections with good results. The ladies realized a nice little sum on the parsonage fund by selling refreshments during the day. In this connection we will say: Let the good work go on, increase the parsonage fund and build your paster a home. We have in operation two Sunday schools, both of which observed Children's Day; also one Epworth League doing good work. The good women on this charge are very thoughtful of the comfort of their pastor and his wife. They send to us many nice things. We realize that the Lord is blessing our efforts to do his will."

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We have just closed another glorious meeting on this circuit at Coalville Church. We began on fourth Sunday in August, and continued until first Sunday night in September. Bros. Mike Cox, A. Scarborough, Louis Jordan, J. H. Holland and Dr. W. L. Hightower, of Moss Point, did the preaching, and it was well done and was accompanied by the power of the Holy Ghost. We wish to mention specially the work Dr. Hightower rendered in this meeting. He is a brave and true soldier and an efficient worker. He preached his first sermon last year at Big Point, a church on the Escatawpa circuit, of which I was then preacher in charge at the time. His first sermon was enjoyed by myself and everyone present. He had been preaching only a little more than a year, and a more able preacher would be hard to find. One night during the meeting at Coalville the Doctor walked out of the church with two young men who had brought a jug of whisky to church, and got them to break the jug on a buggy wheel. Everybody in the church heard the boys pounding away with that old brown jug, and finally "she" went to pieces, and my, my, the scent of corn juice filled the air. I believe those young men were saved; both of them are members of our church now.

So awful were the presence and power of the Holy Ghost that sinners of every kind had to yield to God. Christians prayed and sung and wept over lost souls until 30 were happily converted. Many were reclaimed and many Christians moved to a higher life. Fifty-eight joined the church, and most of them were converted. Many hearts and homes have been made happy and brighter on account of God's presence to save and comfort our people. We have received 130 members and have had 80 conversions during the year. May God bless all of our friends who took part in this great battle against sin! Miss Quilla Walker rendered very excellent service in the meeting. Miss Quilla is a fine organist, and a better worker at the altar and in the congregation I have never seen. She is simply invincible. May God bless Edmo and Lonie Fayard and Bro Jas. Smith for the good work they did in the meeting.

G. W. HUFF, P. C.

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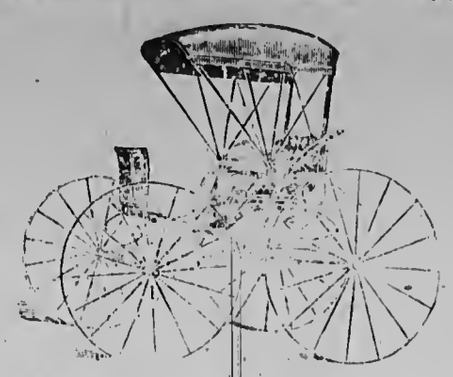

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1899.

THE FOLLY OF PESSIMISM.

Pessimists, croakers and fault-finders have always abounded, and we suppose will be in evidence until the end of time. No age has been free from them. No matter how prosperous the times, or how wonderful the movements of Christian civilization, still the cry is heard from some quarters that the world is going backward in morals and manners, and that, so far as material prosperity is concerned, "the former times were better than these." Those who thus loudly proclaim that "we have fallen on evil times" usually overlook the good that is in the present on account of their tendency to glorify the past. Who has ever seen the day when men ceased to complain of "hard times"? Even in the flushest days of our history the same dolorous wail has been heard. Who has ever lived in a time when some in the church did not suppose that "Ichabod" was written upon her banners?

Some periods in history, it is true, have undoubtedly been more corrupt and distressful than others, but the point we make is that, even in the brightest days and in the face of the most marvelous material, intellectual and spiritual progress, there have been those who seemed to see only evil and impending disaster. If no ominous cloud could be seen, they still believed one to be just beneath the horizon. The pessimist is even now among us, pointing out evils in Church and State, and seeking to make it appear that we are fast hastening toward wreck and ruin.

It is not the part of wisdom to shut one's eyes to impending danger, or to postpone preparation for an emergency until it is at hand; but evils are not always as bad as they at first seem, and nothing is gained by unduly alarming our fellow-men. On the contrary, when we over-magnify an evil, we discourage attempts to remedy it. Pessimism never discovered a continent, never stormed a fort, or led an army to victory; never climbed an Alpine summit or headed the march of progress. Indulgence therein means stagnation, decay and death. The pessimist looks to the future with dread and fancies that what has been is infinitely better than what shall be. In fact, he not infrequently loses his temper when omens of good are pointed out to him. The man who is out of sorts is apt to conclude that everything around him is in the same state. So it is in large measure with the pessimist. The seeming chaos is more often in his own brain than in his surroundings.

Bishop McCabe, of the Northern Methodist Church, in a recent appeal to the great denomination that he represents, used these significant words, which are equally applicable to us of the M. E. Church, South, ours being a similar undertaking, though on a smaller scale:

"Did anyone ever hear of a great general, from David to Leonidas, and from Leonidas to U. S. Grant, who would ride up and down the lines just before a great battle, reminding the soldiers of some defeat they may have had at some time in their history? Such a course would be stupendous folly. No great leader would be guilty of it.

"What would be unwise for an army on the eve of battle is unwise for a church on the eve of a great struggle like the one that is before the Methodist Episcopal Church today.

"We have announced to the world that we are going to try to win two million souls to Christ, and to raise twenty millions of dollars for the advancement of his kingdom in the world.

"At the very outset we are met with a perfect fusillade of criticism upon the church itself. Speakers and writers have leagued together to remind us of our 'shortcomings' and 'defects' and 'want of success' until the wonder is we have any heart left in us at all for the gigantic task before us. Such a misleading phrase as 'the decline of Methodism' has been frequent in our own papers of late, and it has been eagerly taken up by papers of other denominations and by the secular press, until some of our own people seem to think there may be something in it.

"Methodism has a peculiar way of 'declining.' John Wesley heard that remark a great many times in his long ministry; so did Asbury and all the fathers from that day to this. Fifty years ago I heard a man say, 'The Methodists will soon run out.'"

Yet no other denomination has had so phenomenal a growth, and no other gives to-day stronger evidence of spiritual life and power. Methodism has not outgrown her mission to the world, and is still marching on to conquest.

When some one, over 150 years ago, was talking pessimistically to John Wesley, and predicting that his earnest efforts to evangelize the masses in England, and to bring about a reformation in morals, would ultimately result in failure, he calmly replied: "He who governed the world before I was born will take care of it likewise when I am dead. My part is to improve the present moment." At this time, when so many discordant, despondent notes are heard, it would be well for us to ponder and profit by these wise words of the great founder of Methodism.

Earnest workers need to be on their guard against the temptation to set too much store by their own efforts. How easy it is for us to imagine ourselves more necessary than we are, and so take upon ourselves burdens of care and responsibility that belong only to God. Not infrequently, when reform and evangelistic movements are attended with but little visible success, the workers concerned therein unwisely look upon the case as hopeless, and indulge the notion that there has been a waste of effort. During times of discouragement and seasons when the forces of evil seem irresistible, Christians seem to lose sight of the fact that God is over all, and that he will carry on his work, though multitudes may prove untrue to his cause.

Some, like Hamlet in the play, when they find themselves face to face with great evils and difficulties, dejectedly exclaim:

> "The time is out of joint;
> O cursed spite
> That ever I was born to
> Set it right."

When danger is to be met, iniquity is to be opposed, and difficult tasks are to be performed, like the Apostle Paul, we should say, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." It is said that while certain iniquitous political proceedings in England were being winked at by the leaders in Church and State, Mr. Spurgeon, after listening to a gloomy statement of the situation, coolly said, "Well, the Lord will confound them all." Strangely enough, it was not long until his words were literally fulfilled. Having done our best in the service of God, we should rest content, knowing that he who guides the stars in their courses is able to take care of his cause, and bring to naught every evil work.

"KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL ARCH."

This is the chivalrous and classic name of an organization in the interest of the liquor traffic. It publishes a paper in Hot Springs, Ark., edited by a Mr. S. R. V. Young. The Arkansas Methodist quotes liberally from the columns of that saloon organ, and gives the Church and State patriotic warning against a subtle and aggressive foe. If there are innocent temperance people among us who imagine that the liquor power does not contemplate the complete domination of our politics and the control of our legislation, they have only to read what is quoted below. And what is attempted in Arkansas will be repeated in Mississippi and Louisiana. Here the bold declaration is made that candidates for the Legislature must be bound by a specific contract before they can secure the support of the liquor men. Caucuses, conventions, party platforms and party loyalty are nothing to them, unless assured of friendliness to the liquor power. Attempts are to be made in Mississippi to get candidates for the Legislature committed to the emasculating of our present liquor laws. Already here and there in the State expressions are finding their way into the newspapers, declaring that the best people are tired of prohibition—convinced of its failure, and disgusted with its mere pretense. Friends of morality need not be deceived by these deliverances. They emanate from saloon strikers and habitues of the blind tiger. While, of couse, we must lament the lax administration of law—and no law executes itself—every calm student of social and moral conditions must admit that prohibition has contributed to moral upbuilding of communities.

This is written as a warning to the friends of reform. Our enemies may not be so bold as the organ of the "Knights of the Royal Arch," but they are animated by the same spirit, and are working with the same malicious energy. If they thought it possible, by any desperate movement, to control the next Legislature of Mississippi, they would have no respect for party primaries, and would subordinate every other public interest to the triumph of the saloon. The little stage-play of some years ago, when a Democratic convention was in session in Jackson, is yet too fresh in memory for the "Knights of the Royal Arch" to assume the dictation of Mississippi politics.

Read the following from that whisky organ:

"It now remains for those engaged in the liquor trade to assume command, and place themselves in such a position that they can protect themselves by ridding the public of such fanatics in office, and place men in power at the head of our government, as well as in local offices, who they know will deal out justice and protect our business. We must avert this great calamity, and by our united efforts, and with our influence and ballots, demand that our interests must and will be protected. Now, it is a duty we owe to ourselves and our families to protect our business, and not listen to the platitudes and promises of the wily politician while he is running for office, but have him bound in such contracts before he receives our votes that he will positively stand by us for our just rights, for if we were to consider for a moment the money we pay out in fines and the detriment it is to our business to be legislated against in the manner we are, one-third of that amount of money, properly used, would be a powerful factor in placing in office honorable and sensible men that would do all in their power for the protection of our trade. It has come to this that we must absolutely wake up and not lay dormant any longer, but be the strongest and most powerful factor, politically, in the country. Ignoring the fact whether a man is a Democrat, Republican, Silverite or Populist, as those silly hobbies that politicians simply have to gain force do not figure in the least one iota in the matter concerning our business, as we want candidates from our own ranks, and of our own kind of people, to serve us as public law-makers."

Let every friend of civic righteousness read and take earnest heed.

CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 11, 1899.

OUT OF THE USUAL ORDER.

Summers, a convict who escaped from the Mississippi Penitentiary several years since, returned last week and took his place within the walls, having previously notified Gov. McLaurin of his intention to do so. His crime was robbery of an express company. Before coming to Jackson to surrender he had paid to the express company the full amount of his stealage, and also the amount expended in his prosecution. He has also reimbursed the State of Mississippi for all its outlay in prosecution and in its efforts to recapture. He avers that this was his first and only crime, that the temptation came to him with the opportunity, and that he yielded, but is now thoroughly penitent, and desires to take a new start, and henceforth to lead an upright life. It is said that those who know him believe his statements implicitly. Previous to this act of crime there was no stain upon his escutcheon.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for September, Rear-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, "A Naval Hero of To-day," figures at the front in a capitally illustrated biographical sketch. F. Hopkinson Smith, the popular artist and writer, tells of "The Building of the Race Rock Lighthouse," and illustrates the vivid narrative with his own drawings. "Women as Army Nurses," by Anna Northend Benjamin, is a very interesting contribution to the "American Woman in Action" series.

In the Woman's Home Companion, for September, under the title, "An American Palace in Paris," Edward Page Gaston tells of the handsome residence, reproducing the famous Grand Trianon just completed by that part of the Gould millions that were the share of the Countess de Castellane. Julia Magruder continues her romance of the newer generation in the Old South, entitled, "A Sunny Southerner." Other stories are from Mrs. Burton Harrison, Josiah Allen's Wife, and the gifted young Japanese writer, Onoto Watanna.

PRAISEWORTHY.

We invite special attention to the following appeal from Bro. Blocker, and heartily commend the movement:

MR. EDITOR: We are building a home for our dear Bro. M. C. Manly, of the Louisiana Conference, in Rayne, La. Sister Cunningham, of Rayne, has donated the land. As the most of the readers of the ADVOCATE know Bro. Manly, they will remember that he has been blind for many years, and is now aged and a superannuate.

Let every reader of the ADVOCATE send us a donation to either the writer or to Miss Amelia Bradford of Rayne, La., and the same will be acknowledged through the ADVOCATE. Yours in Christ,

R. M. BLOCKER.

Lake Arthur, La., Sept. 13, 1899.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

The eighth session of Millsaps College will begin Wednesday, Sept. 27. It is important that all students should be on hand the opening day. New students should be here by Tuesday, the twenty-sixth.

There is now no occasion for apprehension on account of yellow-fever reports. The indications encourage us to look for a large attendance. W. B. MURRAH,
President.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 17, 1899.

CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS IN JAPAN.

A Tokio, Japan, dispatch says that new educational regulations have been put in force which prohibit private schools from receiving pupils of school-going age. The effect of this will be to close the Christian kindergartens and primary schools and to affect higher institutions seriously. When foreign nations agreed to abandon the special privileges enjoyed by their subjects in Japan an assurance was given them that those subjects should receive fair, unprejudiced treatment at the hands of Japanese officials, and that they should not be molested on account of race or religion. It was stipulated that all religions should be tolerated. The action just taken by the Japanese department of education is a blow at the Christian schools. It seems to be the intention to suppress them because the Christian religion is taught in them. That is a short-sighted, bigoted policy. The Japanese are not so completely civilized and so thoroughly educated that they can afford to close one good school, to say nothing of many. They should ask for more Christian schools instead of suppressing those they have. Furthermore, if a spirit of religious intolerance begins to manifest itself in Japan, foreign nations will begin to doubt whether they acted wisely in making to Japan the concessions they have made. They will fear that foreigners will not have fair treatment when tried in Japanese courts.—Chicago Tribune.

GET THE BEST.

In one of the current magazines a writer who has made a study of recent legislation in regard to liquor selling makes the proposition that an experiment might be made to decrease drunkenness by insuring the sale and use of pure liquors only. It is amusing that an avowed expert should make such a proposition, when he must know that it is the alcohol, and not the adulteration in the whisky, that does the harm. Do not men kill themselves with first-class liquors? Are not the ravages of the drink habit evident among those who indulge in pure and high price whiskies and brandies? We might parallel the proposition by suggesting that it might also be provided that murders shall not be committed with bludgeons, but only with the better and more expensive sort of weapons—made of the best-tempered steel!—Central Advocate.

A BONFIRE.

One day last week a notable burning took place in front of a church in Toledo, O. Mr. Marshall O. Waggoner, of that city, on that day made a bonfire of the infidel books that he had been accumulating for years. The burning of them was a forcible form of expression of renunciation of the infidelity which had characterized his past life. He has been converted, and now believes in the Savior whom he so long rejected and opposed. During these years he has been determined, bitter and vindictive in his opposition to religion, and has written, spoken and worked against the gospel. He is spoken of as a man of large ability, with a fine library, and a wide influence. Among his books were nearly two hundred volumes dealing destructively with Christian faith, and these he determined to destroy. Having turned away from his unbelief to God, he had no more use for these volumes. He would not give them away or sell them to any one, although he was offered a high price for them as a collection of large market value. He did not want them to remain in existence any longer, doing their work of evil suggestion and falsehood, and so he took this effective way of putting them out of the way of doing further harm.—Herald and Presbyter.

ACTION OF NORTHWEST INDIANA CONFERENCE IN THE CASE OF DR. SCHELL.

The Northwest Indiana Conference, of which Dr. E. A. Schell, general secretary of the Epworth League, is a member, at the request of Dr. Schell, appointed a committee to investigate the charges against him. The report of the committee was adopted by unanimous vote of the Conference, as follows:

"The committee in the case of Dr. Edwin A. Schell respectfully reports that, having had an extended statement by Dr. H. C. Jennings, of the Western Methodist Book Concern, and having carefully examined numerous documents bearing on the subject; having also heard a full statement by Dr. Schell and others, we, without approving his method of procedure as a wise one, fail to find any substantial grounds for the accusation widely published against Dr. Schell, of official misconduct or moral wrong-doing on his part in relation to the publication of 'Songs for Young People.'"

The report was signed by R. D. Utter, D. M. Wood, J. A. Clearwater, J. W. Walker and H. L. Kindig.

The Conference also adopted the following unanimously:

"Resolved, That inasmuch as the facts in the matter of the conduct of Dr. Schell have been thoroughly canvassed by the Board of Control of the Epworth League, and as they have declared that no further action by them is required, we deplore and condemn the attitude of the editor of Zion's Herald in further agitating the question, thus not only pressing prosecution to the point of persecution, but also seriously reflecting on the action of the Board of Control; and we further emphatically disapprove of the method of influencing sentiment by sending this paper to the seat of this Conference.

"Resolved, That we urge the Wesleyan Association of Boston immediately to review the editorial management of its paper."—Northwestern Advocate.

NOTES.

Dr. Keener dispensed a full-orbed gospel at Carondelet last Sabbath.

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Bishop Candler's postoffice address has been changed from Oxford to 57 Elizabeth Street, Atlanta, Ga.

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Bishop Keener and family will return to the city from their Summer home at Ocean Springs about the first of October.

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Grenada College had a fine opening, an account of which will appear in our next issue from the facile pen of Rev. T. W. Dye.

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Rev. W. G. Evans writes: "We will have all the collections in full and give a good account of the Twentieth Century Fund."

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Rev. W. M. Young, of the North Mississippi Conference, writes: "I have had some good revivals, with thirty-odd accessions. Most of the collections are assured."

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Rev. I. T. Reames, writing from Lafayette, La., under date of Sept. 12, says: "I think I shall close my quadrennium with every department of our church in good shape."

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In our editorial, of last week, "You shall know what I am" should be "You shall know that I am," and "The path shall grow from under your feet" should be, "Shall grow firm under," etc.

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Rev. L. M. Lipscomb, of the North Mississippi Conference, preached a very able and interesting sermon in the Methodist Church here on last Sunday morning. He is a minister of much force.—Watchman, Greensboro, Ala.

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Rev. T. B. Clifford, in addition to his work at Burgundy Street, preaches once a month at a point on the outskirts of the city near the United States Barracks. The congregations are highly appreciative, and the outlook is encouraging.

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Rev. E. P. Craddock, writing from Okolona, Miss., Sept. 14, 1899, says: "I have had about forty conversions and thirty-five accessions, with more to follow. My report will be in excess of last year. Our third year on this work will be the best of all."

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Mr. Julius Weiss, one of the leading business men of this city, has given $25,000 to the Jewish Home for the Aged and Infirm. In appreciation of the generous donation, the managers have named the institution "The Julius Weiss Home for the Aged and Infirm."

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Our new church at Edwards, Miss., was formally opened on the first Sunday in September. A full account of the exercises, and of the successful revival meeting held during the following week, will appear in our next issue from the pen of the pastor, Rev. C. F. Emery.

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Rev. J. W. Honnoll, presiding elder of the Holly Springs district, writes: "We have had some conversions and accessions to the church on every charge on the district. The preachers are trying to raise the collections ordered by the Conference. Every preacher in the district held Educational Day, and has promised to present the subject to each member in his charge."

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We are indebted to some unknown friend for a copy of the "Second Year Book of the Mississippi Conference Sunday-School Board"—a neat pamphlet of seventy-six pages, edited by Rev. D. Scarborough, containing much information concerning the work of the Board and concerning the Sunday-schools within the bounds of the Conference. The editorial work seems to have been done with care and accuracy.

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Writing from Carthage, Miss., under date of Sept. 12, Rev. M. L. White says: "We have had glorious meetings, resulting in many conversions and fifty-three accessions to the church. Camp meeting quite good and much good done. The preacher well cared for. Our high school, in the hands of Profs. Woodly and Huddleston, opened yesterday with 120 pupils. The teachers are well known, and are preparing pupils for any college they may want to go to. Some are preparing for Millsaps."

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NOTICE.

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Yours faithfully,
T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

AN IMPORTANT FOOD LAW.

HEAVY PENALTIES FOR SELLING ARTICLES OF FOOD CONTAINING UNHEALTHY INGREDIENTS.

The following law was passed at the last session of the Missouri Legislature, taking effect August 20, 1899:

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or corporation doing business in this State to manufacture, sell or offer to sell any article, compound or preparation for the purpose being used or which is intended to be used in the preparation of food, in which article, compound or preparation there is any arsenic, calomel, bismuth, ammonia or alum.

SEC. 2. Any person or corporation violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than one hundred dollars, which shall be paid into and become a part of the road fund of the county in which such fine is collected.

The operation of this law will be mainly against alum baking powders. But the manufacture or sale of any article of food or article intended to be used in food which contains any of the substances classed by the law as unhealthful—from Arsenic to Alum—is absolutely prohibited.

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

At the recent session of the Missouri Conference, Rev. W. F. McMurry, presiding elder of the St Joseph district, reported all collections in his district full and overflowing.

Bro. McMurry is a young man, and an earnest Epworth Leaguer. Two years ago he was State president of the Missouri Epworth Leagues.

The meeting of the City Union at Burgundy Street Church, Tuesday night, Sept. 12, proved to be an enjoyable and profitable occasion. We doubt if the Leaguers have been more royally received and elegantly entertained by any church in New Orleans.

The large and spacious auditorium had been tastefully decorated by the deft fingers of fair hands, and the musical programme and refreshments furnished at the close in the Sunday-school room materially added to the pleasure of the evening.

It was our privilege, a few nights ago, to look in upon the Algiers Epworth Leaguers. The meeting was conducted by Bro. A. Sid. Daniels, who knows how to lead the young folks in real Methodist style.

From the Shreveport Progress we learn that the Epworth League of the Texas Avenue Church recently presented a very interesting programme before a large and appreciative audience.

The young folks acquitted themselves in a manner worthy of the highest commendation, and discussed the subjects assigned with the ease and elegance of those of maturer years. Our friend, Hicks, of the Progress, says "the papers were couched in language bold, rippling, and poetic—melodious as the notes of the mocking bird."

NOTICE.

The Epworth Leagues of the Shreveport district, according to the decision of the council at a recent meeting, will hold their first Annual Conference at Grand Cane, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 12 and 13. Let the Leagues bestir themselves, and work for a successful meeting. Send the names of two from your League to some member of the council who will take part on the program. Let pastors see that delegates are sent from all their churches, as far as is possible, and correspond with Rev. J. M. Brown about their entertainment.

P. O. LOWREY.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The writer's first attempt to organize an Epworth League was at Binnsville, in the northeast corner of the Mississippi Conference. One young lady is specially remembered as having been ready to encourage and help as she had opportunity. Four years of usefulness pass "like swift ships," and there came these lines: "It seemed to hurt her so much to leave her mama and the rest of us. She would say, 'I hate to leave you all, and, mama, what will you do without me?' Would beg her brothers to be good boys and help mama. At first she did not talk like she was prepared to go, but afterwards she said it was all right. Then she had no more fears. Oh, the sweet prayers she prayed while so sick! I never saw anything like it." And she is gone to join a great host of the young and lovely in that other realm.

Rev. G. W. Bachman, Winona, Miss, Book Agent for the North Mississippi Conference, will supply the 1899-1900 League Course, postpaid, for $2.50. Leaguers ought to get and study these four books.

We wonder if the Minutes of the State League Conference have yet been published. The associate editor would like to give to the readers of this column some items that he has been hoping to get from those Minutes.

"Nov. 6, 1897. Received from Bro. Hawkins, October subscriptions Daily News, 25 cents. News Pub. Co., Bennie A. McMahon." Bennie is an Epworth Leaguer. His father was president of the South Side, Meridian, League for one term, but he died this year. Bennie and his mother are left alone. Almost before in his teens he began to carry and collect for the Meridian News. His easy, unassumed use of the word "R/O" in the packet of old receipts thrown yesterday into the waste-basket shows his religion.

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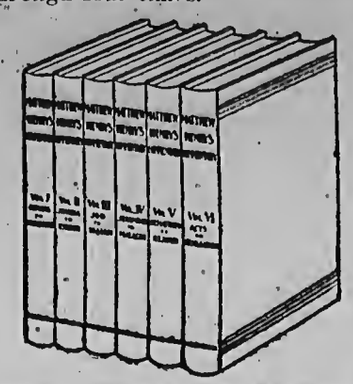

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Rev. W. J. Dawson writes that the Wilson Springs Camp Meeting has been postponed until Oct. 12.

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MARRIAGES.

EMANUEL—CAMMACK.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Sept. 12, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Cammack, Mr. S. E. Emanuel, of Monroe, La., to Miss Ida J. Cammack.

SUBER—HANNAH.—At the home of the bride's mother, near Reform, Miss., Sunday, Sept 10, at 7 A. M., by Rev. W. L. Anderson, Mr. R. L. Suber to Miss Nora Hannah.

After the marriage they departed to his home in Winston county.

HENDERSON—HAM.—At the residence of Mrs. Bunch, in Benton, Miss., Sept. 14, at 8 o'clock P. M., by Rev W. M. Young, Mr. T. J. Henderson, of Senatobia, Miss., to Miss Alice O. Ham, of Benton, Miss.

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"I have spoiled this one."
In place of the leaf so stained and blotted,
I gave him a new one, all unspotted—
And into his sad eyes smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the Throne with a quivering soul—
The old year was done—
"Dear Father, hast Thou a new leaf for me?
I have spoiled this one."
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one, all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

—Churchman.

A REFUSAL, AND WHAT CAME OF IT.

Two commercial travelers, one from Chicago, the other from Toledo, left the train at a small town in Indiana, on the morning of a warm day in the Summer of 18—. The work that called them there having been disposed of in the forenoon hours, they found themselves at noon-day apparently the only out-of-town visitors at the hotel awaiting dinner. Very naturally, therefore, they fell into conversation, which went on with much pleasure till the bell rang out the call to dinner. At once the younger of the two—the Toledo man—cordially invited the other to go out with him for a glass of beer.

Now, the Chicago man was a Christian, and while he did not take the position that the drinking a glass of beer must always and everywhere necessarily be "a sin in itself," he assumed then, as he does now, that his own use of it might most likely become an occasion of stumbling to another, and therefore he had adopted the rule that he would not indulge in the drinking of even lager beer on the road. And yet somehow the invitation given him that day cost him a severe struggle for the moment. The season, the section of the country, certain disagreeable surroundings of the hotel, and, above all perhaps, the abounding hospitality thrown upon the solicitation, conspired to excuse the departure for this once from the previous resolution, but in this conflict between duty and inclination strength was given from above to kindly decline the well-meant hospitality.

The younger man showed quickly that he was greatly annoyed by the refusal, and replied that as for himself he had no scruples about drinking a glass of beer, and he was going out to get it, while his fellow-salesman took himself to the dining-room, deeply regretting the wound he had evidently inflicted on the feelings of his would-be host.

In due time the Toledo man returned and took his place at the table, but the delightful sociability that had prevailed before dinner had received a blow that stunned it largely. Meantime he who had dealt the blow was considering how he might make the several hours of the afternoon, during which they must wait for an outgoing train, as pleasant as possible for his companion.

After dinner a walk was resolved upon, and together the two went out. They had not gone far before the Toledo man reverted to the beer matter, and of his own accord confessed that, owing to a great disappointment, he had of late been drinking a great deal. The kindly spirit shown in his talk opened just the door that his new friend wanted, and a long conversation followed, in which the latter took occasion to give a good deal of friendly and, we may hope, Christian advice. About four o'clock in the afternoon they parted, with the kindliest of feeling for each other, not knowing that they might ever meet again in this life.

Two months, or more, slipped rapidly by, when, one Monday morning, the Chicago drummer entered the office of a hotel in one of the larger cities of Indiana. The first and only person to recognize him was the Toledo runner, who quickly followed him to the back part of the office, where he was to register and leave his "gripsack." After these preliminaries the Toledo man asked: "Do you remember our meeting, up in H——, some months ago? Well, sir, I haven't touched a drop of drink since, and I've swept the board of tobacco, too! And you don't know how much more of a man I feel!" Later on in the year the two men met in their commercial travels again, and the Toledo man declared he was still an abstainer from drink and tobacco!

Can anyone wonder if the other salesman sometimes asks himself, "What might have been the result if I had said 'yes,' instead of 'no,' on that Summer day?"—Gainsboro, in The Morning Star.

LITTLE FOES TO SUCCESS.

LACK OF CONFIDENCE.

Perhaps more people fail to attain success in life from a want of self-confidence than from any other cause. Men and women who have succeeded in accomplishing great things have believed in themselves. They have had confidence in their ability to do the thing they set out to do.

Every great inventor, every leader of men, has always had a strong belief in himself, and has finally succeeded in communicating his confidence, his enthusiasm to others. Nearly every man who has accomplished anything out of the common has been laughed at for his apparent folly, and in many cases has been considered a crank.

When Professor Bell was struggling along in poverty, experimenting upon the telephone, people laughed at him for throwing his time away, and told him that the telephone would never be anything but a toy, and that it could not possibly be put to practical use; but he believed in himself and succeeded.

When Fulton was building the "Clermont," he was looked upon as a natural curiosity, and "Fulton's Folly" was a subject of general ridicule. The great crowd that gathered at the Ferry in New York, at the time advertised for the first trip of the "Clermont" to Albany, was drawn there by curiosity to see what they thought would be an ignominious failure; but, when the vessel steamed off at the rate of sixteen miles an hour, they began to think that Fulton's great confidence in himself had some foundation.

Very few had any faith in Captain Eads when he claimed that he could span the Mississippi river at St. Louis with a bridge, but he was as firmly convinced that the bridge would be successful, before it was built, as afterwards.

Elias Howe was ridiculed for neglecting his family and work, and living in poverty and wretchedness while experimenting on the sewing machine; but he had the utmost confidence in its final triumph, and, as a result, lived to give the world one of the most useful implements of labor. The list of those who have, amid unbelief, fears, discouragements, banked, so to speak, solely upon their belief in themselves when no one else would give them credit, is long. It includes Samuel F. B. Morse, and Cyrus W. Field, and runs back to Columbus and beyond him to many an ancient name.—Success.

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INITIATIVE.

If one carefully observes any company of boys in school or out, he will discover that certain ones are natural leaders. They do not wait to be told what to do, but they suggest work or mischief. They have what we may call initiative. They suggest the games; they direct the expeditions; they are the inventive, active, forth-putting ones, the natural leaders—in fact, others may follow, not they.

The same quality shows in their school work, and becomes more evident the further advanced the student is. They are not satisfied to commit the lessons required with a beautifully obedient spirit, but they are alert in the lines that suggest themselves apart from the regular studies. Sometimes they neglect the prescribed lessons, but do not neglect their own assumed work; sometimes they carry on their studies far beyond these prescribed limits. The man who now stands perhaps at the head of American philology read in college the whole of Demosthenes and Æschylus while the class was going over a single oration and play. It is sometimes said that our great men were not great scholars in college; but they were workers in their own line of study.

The valedictorians that make no mark in the world are those that have great acquisitiveness and small initiative. The ability to acquire is a magnificent gift, and it will insure moderate success; but it will not insure great success unless there is added to it the power of leadership. This leadership requires the gift of initiative, which is another name for originality.

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Yes, earth grows the poorer, heaven seems more desirable, when our loved ones have gone before into the shadowy land. Shadowy, did I say? Nay! here is the shadowy, there the light that blots out the radiance of the sun. Dark with excess of brightness that higher world is, because our eyes are so weak, our faith so dim. In this ever-changing world of phenomena we seem shadows pursuing shadows, like the rest. When we reach that shore, we shall know that truth, which is God's thought and love, which is his life, were the only real things we had ever found. Will you not live more for these—less for things that perish in the using?—Henry Woods Perris.

Children are remarkably susceptible. They are constantly ready to receive impressions. Marks made in childhood may prove ineffaceable. Our speech and conduct should be carefully guarded. An idle word may mar a young life. One false move may blast a character in its incipiency. Beware how the die touches the tablet.—Texas Advocate.

In all my travels I have never seen a man succeed in life who treated his parents with contempt. I don't know of any evil to-day which this country is more guilty of than the way sons and daughters are treating their parents. If we are untrue to God, we shall find that our children will be untrue to us.—Moody.

I, the undersigned, take pleasure in making known my thanks to Messrs. Finlay, Dicks & Co., Ltd., manufacturers of Chill-fuge, for having completely cured my daughter, with one bottle, of malarial fever of long standing. The pleasant taste made it most acceptable to the patient. Believing that I do a favor to suffering humanity, I give this for publication.

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HOLMES—We are sad to chronicle the death of Sister ISABELLA HOLMES. She departed this life Aug 24 1899.

Sister Holmes (nee Liddell) was born in Anderson county, S. C., in the year of our Lord 1834. She came to Mississippi when quite a child, and in young womanhood was married to Mr. Jesse Holmes She reared two children—Jasper and Janie.

Sister Holmes was a consistent member of the M. E. Church, South, for more than sixty years. During her last illness she proclaimed blessed hope in the fullness of the Christian religion. When near the end of her earthly pilgrimage she, arousing from a stupor, told her son-in-law, Rev. H. Lipscomb, family and friends, that she was ready to go, and would soon be with her darling boy, Jasper, who fell, mortally wounded, out of the Fifth Mississippi Regiment on the historic field of Missionary Ridge. Thanks be to God for the possibility of family reunions on the other side of the cold river of death.

In her death earth loses a bright jewel; her relatives, with scores of friends, feel the heavy loss. But why lament we longer? She is carried to far more pleasant climes, and we know where to find her; neither are we ignorant of the way. If we will but choose this way, what blessed peace and pleasant associations are ours as we journey!

May God bless and strengthen us, that we may wash our robes and make them white in the blood of the Lamb! Then, when we are called up higher, we shall be ready to clasp her hand on the golden streets of the New Jerusalem.

God bless and save all the bereaved ones in the city not made with hands, eternal in the skies

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Meshulaville, Miss.

FRANKLIN—Sister MARTHA A. FRANKLIN died in Vernon parish, La., Aug. 3, 1899. She was born April 26 1834 She was sick only a few days. Her maiden name was Davis. She was married to Thomas Franklin, Dec. 15 1853, with whom she lived happily for many years. The union was blest with twelve children, nine of whom are living. She joined the M. E. Church, South, shortly after marriage, and lived a consistent member until death. Her husband, Rev. Thomas Franklin, was a local deacon for many years, and their house was a home for the weary itinerant. Her husband preceded her to the good world some years ago, but now they have met to part no more. She is not dead, but sleepeth. Shall I say, Weep not? No. How can we refrain when the best friend we had on earth is gone? How we will miss her! But we sorrow not as those who have no hope. The writer was her pastor, and regarded her as one faithful and true. As a church member, she was steadfast; as a neighbor, she was kind, as a mother, she was dutiful and loving. Dear children, she has left you a legacy that is worth more than silver or gold. She lived right and died right. She leaves nine children and a host of friends to mourn her loss, but our loss is her eternal gain. May the Lord help the children to rejoice at the thought that they can meet her in the kingdom above!

S. S. HOLLADAY.

CARRUTH—Mrs. EMMA CARRUTH was born March 18, 1876, and died July 23, 1899. She was the daughter of Mr. C. W. Beam, who has been for many years a useful member of the Methodist Church in the Adams circuit. She was baptized in infancy by her grandfather, Dr. John Sample. She joined the Methodist Church at Ebenezer when she was twelve years old, and was converted when she was fifteen. Her subsequent life was worthy of imitation. I have heard her offer some very touching prayers and give some beautiful testimonies. She loved the church, and was always ready to do anything she could to promote its prosperity. She was also a student, and was a dear lover of good literature.

On Sept. 1, 1898, she was married to Mr. J. A. Carruth, and there was given to them twin boys that were only two or three weeks old at her death. She leaves a husband to mourn his loss, a kind father, two brothers, five sisters, and a host of friends. I was her pastor during the years '96 and '97. I feel that I have one less to pray for me (I have lost a true friend). Just before her death she said to her father that she was ready to go, and asked that her children be raised for the Lord. We invoke the blessings of Heaven upon those that she left behind.

B. H. RAWLS.

Tylertown, Miss.

HARPER—Mrs. NANNIE HARPER (nee Miss Baker), of Jackson, Miss., after a short and painful illness, died on the morning of Aug. 6. Here she labored continuously to make her home one of the brightest and happiest spots on earth. At the age of sixteen she joined the Methodist Church at Mount Pleasant, in Madison county, Miss.; was about forty-eight years old at the time of her death. She was a consistent member of one of the Methodist Churches in Jackson, Miss. Her pleasant manners, godly conversations, and Christian deportment and charities, made all who came within the circle of her acquaintance to love her as one whose daily walk was close with God. We know and feel that our loss has been her eternal gain, but that does not satisfy the heart-longings after our absent loved friend basking in the sunlight of God's countenance, reconciled. Often we wonder if it will be our blessed privilege to see her standing on the other shore, with her hands stretched out in welcome, glad to clasp our own once more. Hers was a life rich with love and jeweled with joy for many years.

Oh, that we may meet again our much-loved and missed friend in the sweet by-and-by, where all is love, peace, joy, and parting is no more! May He who has taken our friend away give comfort and happiness to her sorrowing and grief-stricken relatives!

VIDETTE.

HURLONG—HENRY, infant son of H. L. Hurlong, aged fourteen months and eleven days, died June 20.

Forth from those lovely blue eyes there spake a wishful tenderness which innocence alone may wear. But, alas! with ruthless haste death bound the silken fringes of those curtaining lids forever. The little darling, weary of earth, with all its dull joys and pleasures, has only taken his flight to be with mama in heaven.

Ah, I know too well it is like tearing our very heart-strings to put our little treasures away, but we should find comfort in the thought that our Lord hath need of these tender little flowers. Dear tokens of earth are they, where he was once a child. Methinks the angel surely gazed at this sweet flower with tearful eyes. He kissed its drooping leaves, and whispered, 'Tis for the Lord of paradise; he bound it in his sheaves.

But it shall bloom again in fields of light,
Transplanted by his care,
And saints upon their garments white
This sacred blossom wear.

EMMA R. WITT.

CLARKE—Mrs. LISCAMB CLARKE (nee Chapman) was born Aug. 21 1853 and departed this life at her home near Cato, Miss., July 14 1899. She was married to J. T. Clarke, May 13, 1869, with whom she lived happily until the day of her death. He, together with two adopted children whom she raised from childhood, are left to mourn her death.

Sister Clarke professed religion and united with the M. E. Church, South, in early life, and lived a true Christian until the end came. She loved her Savior, and always trusted his promises, and was never ashamed to confess him before men. She was devoted to the church of her choice, and her pastor always found a hearty welcome to her home and hospitality She was a great sufferer for many months before she died, but she bore it all with Christian fortitude and patience.

A good woman is gone. Our church at John's has lost a good member. May we meet her again where parting never comes!

P. D. HARDIN, Pastor.

VEST—Whereas, in the wisdom of God our Father, Sister R. J. Vest has been called from her labors to her reward; therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we can not fathom the depths of this mysterious providence, and while we mourn her departure, we bow submissively to the will of God, believing he doeth all things well. Although he has laid the hand of affliction heavily upon us, he has only taken his own.

Resolved, That we tender our condolence and heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband and children, praying that our pitying Savior may encompass them in his arms of love, and give them grace to say, "Thy will be done."

Resolved, That although our band of workers is weakened by the death of one of our best and most zealous workers, that we unite our efforts in carrying on the Sunday-school and mission work, and that special prayer be made that our work may not be hindered.

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Mr. Jolins Weiss, a prominent citizen of New Orleans, has donated the handsome snm of $25,000 for additions to the accommodations of the Touro Infirmary.

The Glasgow town council has awarded a contract for two electric traction engines to an American company solely on the ground of an earlier delivery than could be promised in Great Britain.

A riot occurred in Carterville, Ill., on Sept. 17, in which seven negroes were killed. The trouble grew ont of the conflict which has existed all Summer between the white miners and negro non-union miners.

The Bricklayers' and Stone Masons Union of Chicago has voted to issue a card of honorary membership to William McKinley, President of the United States, so that when he handles a trowel in laying the corner-stone of the new government building, Oct 9, he may not be branded as a "scab."

The French Freemasons composing the assembly of 1899 adopted a resolution in the name of the Order of the Grand Oriental, declaring the anti-Semite movement criminal and odious, and pleading with the French government for support against "Clerical, militarism, imperial and monarchist conspiracies."

The long, expected papal encyclical addressed to France, which has just issued from the Vatican, ignores the Dreyfus case. It is merely an elaborate theological lecture, urging upon the bishops that their zeal should be accompanied by discretion, rectitude and purity, and forbidding priests to read pamphlets and papers emanating from "over zealous, surpliced politicians."

Ninety-five per cent. of the native population of Ponce, Puerto Rico, has been seriously affected by the recent storm. This class, the peons, have nearly always been in a state bordering on absolute poverty. The planters are unable to furnish work, and the fruit upon which they had so much depended for food is destroyed. Relief supplies are at best only temporary, and difficulties of transportation have prevented the distribution of relief except at the most central points.

The reply of the Government of the South African Republic to the last British note has been made public in London, and the cable dispatches give its general purport, with copious extracts. The communication is temperately and courteously worded, but it is a rejection of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals, and announces that the only proposition that could be accepted is a seven-years' franchise law, other differences to be submitted to arbitration. The Transvaal's note practically repudiates British suzerainty, and intimates that it would be useless to make further proposals at variance with a seven-years' franchise proposition. Although temperately worded, the communication is a defiance of Great Britain, and it shows very clearly that the Boers expect war, and do not shrink from it.

Cuba is in a pitiful state. Instead of a rainy season, Cuba has had a drouth. Not since 1811 has there been such long-continued dry weather during the Summer. The result has been disastrous. The United States weather bureau reports that all small crops have been ruined. Sugar cane has been so damaged that the crop next year will be less than the crop grown this year. The most distressing feature of the drouth is the destruction of the corn crop.

According to advices from Washington, the officials of the Department of State and the Navy Department are beginning to feel some concern at the many evidences of ill-will and distrust towards this country reported from South and Central America. It was reported, some time ago, that a coalition of the countries of South America, ostensibly for business reasons, but really as a protection against the grasping policy of the United States, had been formed.

On Saturday, in the National Conference on Trusts, in Chicago, Colonel W. J. Bryan made an interesting address against these powerful aggregations of capital, and his views were all the more interesting because they were free from anything smacking of socialism. Mr. Bryan held that not only is it contrary to the best interests that any public service should be conducted by and for private monopolies, but that no necessary of life or other article of daily consumption by the people should be controlled by any such monopoly.

The decoration and illumination of the national capital for the welcome which is to be given to Admiral Dewey upon his arrival there Oct. 2, will be carried forward on lines which will prove to be both unique and magnificent. Never before in the history of Washington has an illumination of the city been planned on such a scale. According to the present plans, Admiral Dewey will reach there just about dark Monday night, and will find the city ablaze with light, with a procession already formed, consisting of displays and transparencies as varied as they will be beautiful. Admiral Dewey will be escorted to the reviewing stand at the treasury department, whence he will witness the parade and the illumination of the city.

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SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Batesville and Wesley	Sept. 23, 24
Senatobia	30, Oct. 1
Arkabutla	7, 8
Nesbit	14, 15
Coldwater and Hernando	15, 16
Orwood mission	20
Eureka	21, 22
Courtland	22, 23
Tyro	27, 29
Wall Hill	28, 29
Pleasant Hill	Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum	11 12
Longtown	16
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Booneville circuit	Thurs. Sept. 22
Ripley and New Albany	23, 24
Kossuth	Thurs. 28
Iline Springs	30, Oct. 1
Corinth circuit	7, 8
Saltillo	14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn	21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed. Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 13
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

DURANT DIST. FOURTH ROUND.

Sallis, at Spring Grove	Sept 23, 24
Ebenezer, at Liberty Chapel	30, Oct. 1
Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	7, 8
Tomnolen	13
Cumberland, at Long Branch	14, 15
Emory and Midway at Emory	15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens	26
Salem	28, 29
Kosciusko	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Vaiden, at Vaiden	Sept. 23, 24
Carrollton station, at Carrollton	30, Oct. 1
Indianola, at Indianola	7, 8
Sidon, at Etta Bena	14, 15
Black Hawk, at Acona	21, 22
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem	28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Edon	Nov. 4, 5
West, at Midway	11, 12
McNutt, at McNutt	18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	25, 26
Greenwood	28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST. FOURTH ROUND.

Pontotoc circuit, at Harmony	Sept. 23
Potts Camp circuit, at Potts Camp	30
Abbeville circuit, at Cambridge	Oct 7
Olive Branch circuit, at Center Hill	14
Aaliland, at Black Jack	21
Red Banks circuit, at Eureka	28
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	Nov. 4
Waterford circuit, at Souls Chapel	11
East Holly Springs cir, at Liberty	15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem	18
Connersville, at Connersville	22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahoa	25
Holly Springs station	27

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COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Macon station	Sept. 23, 24
West Point station	Oct. 1, 2
Hebron	7, 8
Crawford	14, 15
Brooksville	21 22
Tibbee	Wed. 25
Starkville circuit	28, 29
Starkville station	29, 30
Wiastonville	Nov. 2
Shuqualak	4, 5
Columbus circuit	11, 12
Columbus station	12, 13
Cedar Bluff	18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

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Grenada circuit, at Sparta	Sept 23, 24
Grenada station	Oct 1, 2
Oxford station	7, 8
Charleston, at Bethel	14, 15
Toccopola, at Salem	21, 22
Water Valley cir, at Pine Flat	28, 29
Slater City, at Strathmore	Nov. 4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Tues. 7
Paris, at Spring Hill	11, 12
Banner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues. 14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed. 15
Slate Springs, at ———	Thurs. 16
Ellzey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring	25, 26

H. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Aberdeen circuit	Sept 23, 24
Nettleton circuit	30, Oct. 1
Amory and Smithville	1, 2
Houston and Wesley	7, 8
Quincy circuit	14, 15
Montpelier	21, 22
Buena Vista	28, 29
Fulton	Nov. 4, 5
Tremont	11, 12
Shannon	18, 19
Okolona circuit	25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Algiers	Oct. 1
Parker Memorial	11 o'clock A. M. 8
Felicity Street	7:30 P. M. 8
Louisiana Avenue	11 o'clock A. M. 15
Thoupitoulas Mission	7 30 P. M. 15
Lower Coast	22
Dryades Street	11 o'clock A. M. 29
Rayne Memorial	7:30 P. M. 29
Plaquemine	Nov. 5
White Castle	12
Burgundy Street	19
Covington	20
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M. Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7:30 P. M. 3

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Mansfield	Sept. 20
Red River, at Knox Point	23, 24

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Grand Chenalere, at Leesburg	Sept. 23, 24
Lake Charles	Oct. 1
West Lake, at Vidalia	7, 8
Crowley	14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Girard, at Union	Sept 23, 24
Delhi, at Delhi	28, 29
Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge	30, 31
Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct. 7, 8
Monroe	11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Liberty	30, Oct. 1
Mt. Carmel	7, 8
Gloster	8, 9
Washington	14, 15
Cane Ridge	21, 22
Woodville	28, 29
Percy Creek	29, 30
Fayette	Nov. 4, 5
Centreville	11, 12
Nebo	18, 19
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Jefferson Street	26, 27
Barlow	3, 10
Hamburg	Dec. 2, 3

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.

W. L. C. HENNICUTT, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.
(In Part.)

Jackson First Church	A. M. Oct. 8
Capitol Street	P. M. 8
Sharon, at Sharon	14, 15
Canton	P. M. 15, 16
Yazoo circuit, at Anding	21, 22
Yazoo City	Sun. P. M. 22, 23
Terry, at Terry	28, 29
Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov. 4, 5
Vaughn's, at Ellison	Thurs. 9,
Camden	11, 12

T. H HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Flora, at Brownsville	Sept 23, 24
Hermanville, at Hurtonton	30, Oct 1
Utica, at Bear Creek	7, 8
Satartia, at Dover	14, 15

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FOREST DIST.—THIRD ROUND

Decatur, at Centerville	Sat. Sun. Sept. 23, 24
Rose Hill, at Paulding	Sat. and Sun. 30, Oct 1
Montrose, at Rolder	Thurs. 5
Shiloh, at Shiloh	Sat. and Sun. 7, 8
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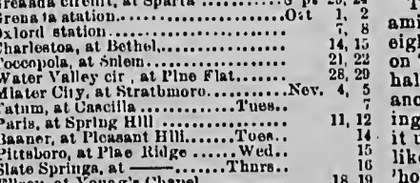

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Correspondence.

ECHOES FROM ALABAMA.

After a pleasant and most agreeable two hours of conversation and fellowship with J. A. Bowen, the venerable, princely and warm-hearted pastor of our church in Columbus, Miss., I found a comfortable seat in one of the company's finest cars from St Louis, and sped, like a bird of light, over the red hills and through the green valleys till, in two and a half hours, we pulled into Tuscaloosa, Ala. Beautiful Tuscaloosa! The name has a classic ring. It is a city of colleges and education, refinement and culture, noble-spread ing oaks and broad-shaded streets. One's mind naturally turns, in the midst of such scenes, to the great names of other days whose spirit and life touched and mellowed all you see. Everything seems to invite you to linger and study and breathe the inspiration of the place I would here gladly pause in my flight and rest amid the enchanting bowers of the classic "City of Oaks," but stern circumstances whispered, "Onward." In obedience to these, I boarded the first passing train and soon alighted in the lovely, the beautiful, the historic, the classic Greensboro. The very name exerts a charm, and soothes the tired, restless spirit of all the old college boys. Not having seen the town or the old university for a half-dozen years, great and pleasing surprises greeted me on every hand. Many and great have been the changes of these brief years. New, finer, larger and more imposing residences are filling up vacant lots, and adding beauty to the whole scene by the continuity of their artistic fronts. The banks, opera house, hotel and red brick stores are imposing buildings The stocks of goods are larger, and the clerks are busier, and the drays are faster, and the air of all is that of good health, business and optimism. But the changes and progressive spirit of these years are not more manifest anywhere than in the improvements of the Southern University building. Marvelous indeed are the changes and beauties of this grand and massive structure. A boy never forgets his college days. He may forget ten thousand things, but his eye kindles with fire, and his heart swells with emotion, and memory yields up all her stored wealth, as across the wild desert wastes of life his thoughts turn to the spires and minarets of the temple of knowledge where, in the halcyon days of long ago, he sat at the feet of some Plato, or Socrates, or Gamaliel. With all these feelings we entered the old building again. With the kind offices of Prof. Brown we went through the college and noted the changes. To say that they are wonderful does not express it. Indeed, no description of tongue or pen can give one an adequate conception of the extreme loveliness and exquisite beauty and artistic perfection of the work done. Like "fair Melrose," it must be seen to be appreciated. The whole interior of the great building has been renovated and beautified. The overhead ceiling and wainscoting in all the rooms, halls and corridors are of the latest designs and most perfect artistic finish. The diversity of shapes and sections, and the blending of colors, make the prettiest plotnre ever beheld by this scribe. And the chapel—what shall we say about that? To attempt a description would almost amount to a desecration. Drs. Tigert and Tillett pronounced it the prettiest in all the South. It is a "thing of beauty and a joy forever." It is an inspiration to behold it. Its beauties fill us and thrill us with elevated emotions like the thunderous Niagara would fill us with awe. This stupendous work was the last task of the now sainted and immortal John O. Keener, who, as president and agent for four years, piloted her through a stormy sea, and broke down every wind of opposition, and steered her heroically into an era of unprecedented prosperity. He came to the helm in a crisal hour. Perhaps no other man could have taken it at the time he did and succeeded. He took it and built his monument thereby. But the saddest thing of it all is that, though he worked so hard and accomplished such results, he never saw this beautiful work of his hands. He died without the sight, but others see it, and in it see him. He lives and speaks in the chapel, and walks up and down these halls, but no one hears his foot-fall on the stair-way. That which is seen speaks with the voice of that which is not seen. "He touched, point by point, the eternal beams and rafters on which the whole structure of nature and society is laid." In this tossing sea of delusion he felt with his feet the adamant; in this dominion of chance he found a principle of permanence.

Dr Keener was massive in character and masterful in intellect. Like the great man Emerson describes as the superior type of all, "He saw through all masks to the eternal scale of truth." We entered the "Belles Letters" hall, and there, above the speaker's stand, hung a life-size picture of the late president. I uncovered my head and stood and looked into that face with the feelings I used to have when I looked upon the flesh. There was the broad forehead, the transparent face, the intellectual eye, the firmly-set lips, the luminous and beaming expression like the shining of the sun. I said, "He looks like he ought to speak," and Prof Brown remarked, "He does speak." He teaches now the same great lessons he taught when he sat in the chair, and the class was before him

My mind turned upon that other great and princely man of brain and character, Dr Allen S Andrews, than whom there was no greater. He was one of those rare spirits of whom the whole creation might stand up and say, "This was a man." He was broad and profound, philosophical and astute, witty, humorous, and optimistic. I shall always put him down as one of the greatest men I ever knew. It is hard to improve on such men. After coming down from his pulpit, where he had preached a great sermon, he quietly fell on sleep, full of years and full of noble labor. He sleeps in the cemetery at Union Springs, Ala., but ought to be here at Greensboro with Drs. Smith, Wordsworth and Keener, his associates in toil.

The old university is growing and prospering, despite the hard times and adverse currents of air. She has vindicated her right to live, and incarnated herself in the affections and generosity of the noble people of Alabama. They will stand by her and maintain her good name and prosperity.

Dr. Hosmer's election to the presidency of this institution seems to have been a wise and happy choice. The people are becoming more and more of the opinion that it was the best and most fitting thing that could have been done. Dr. Hosmer is in high and increasing favor, and the college has a flattering prospect for the opening on the twentieth of September. They have a full and an efficient faculty. The university building is lighted up with electricity. Great arc lights of a thousand candle power swing in the chapel, and then smaller foot-lights glisten around the edge of the rostrum. When lighted up it is as beautiful as the world-renowned "star chamber." They have the X-ray apparatus in the university. Prof. Brown kindly appointed an hour, and gave us, with five or six others, some of the subtle and wonderful exhibitions and revelations of that marvelous electric light. We saw the bones of the hand and wrist and arm as plainly as if all the flesh had been torn away. We saw the ribs and backbone of a child five or six years old through the clothing and all. You could count a fellow's money inside of his pocket-book—that is, if there was any in it. It revealed a key through a solid block of wood six inches thick.

Some one said to Daniel Webster with a sneer, looking over the rocky hills and barren mountain wastes of Massachusetts, "What do you raise here?" "Men," was his instant reply. As long as a country raises men, she is prosperous and safe. The Lord increase the output!

Greensboro is immortal for two things—seat of Southern University, and the home of Hobson. Southern University has sent out some noted and gifted men, such as the sainted ex-Gov. Thos. Seay, of Alabama. His name is a synonym for purity, honesty, and nobility. Then there is Dr. J. O. Keener, and our own distinguished W. B. Murrah, at the head of Millsaps College. The immortal Hobson is an alumnus of the institution. To show how Greensboro appreciates him, you have but to enter the town. You are met with his picture everywhere—sitting on the counters and displayed from show windows. In the opera house, on the stage, they have a rudely constructed imitation of the "Merrimac," with Hobson on board.

In the pulpit of the Methodist Church is the gifted, brilliant and versatile Claude L. Chilton, of whom many people say, "There is no such preacher of his age in Southern Methodism." You might leave age out, and be very near the truth. Everything moves before him, and the kingdom of God is built up and strengthened under his ministry.

L. M. LIPSCOMB.

Greensboro, Ala., Sept. 14, 1899.

GRENADA COLLEGE OPENING.

Grenada College opened on Tuesday, the twelfth instant, with an enthusiastic crowd of bright girls and teachers, and an appreciative audience of the best culture of Grenada citizenship.

President McIntosh is to be congratulated on the auspicious opening, and but for the scare of yellow-fever reports from Jackson, the college would have almost been crowded. The friends of the North Mississippi Conference school—the Grenada College—feel that this is but the beginning of a bright future for this institution. The college building has been painted outside and inside; new beds, new matting on the floors, new steps and galleries, make it quite a fine place to live in, while the large campus, with some fine old trees, make it a delightful wandering and lounging-place for the girls in the interim of study hours. The faculty is up to the ideal of intelligent enthusiasm in the science and art of teaching.

The friends of the college will be glad to know that Mrs. M. I. Hoskins, one of the most accomplished women in all the land, and Miss Mollie Duval, the teacher of teachers, author of a fine history of Mississippi, and one of the few women who can frame a syllogism after the dictum of Aristotle, are to be associated with the school this year. Some of the former teachers are still in the college. Miss Coney, the teacher of music for years, and the accomplished and—I will say it in this place—the most punctual organist this pastor has ever known, will preside over the music department. Mrs. Payne, the nonesuch teacher of the little folks, will continue in this department, the same consecrated, intelligent Christian teacher that she has been from the time of the opening of this North Mississippi Conference school.

President McIntosh and his consecrated wife will, with such a faculty, make this an ideal school for our girls. The younger members of the faculty are specialists in their line of school work, and will be heard from—mark that. Anglo Saxon, Latin composition and scanning, type-writing and book-keeping, and many other things not taught before, will be in the course of school work this year.

Grenada is proud of the college, and her people say that they will help President McIntosh make Grenada College one of the very best in all the land. Now, then, with the North Mississippi Conference preachers and laymen united in this school work, and the "Twentieth Century Fund" to help the work on, why should not Grenada College be at the front?

There will be more girls than can be accommodated, if all come who have made application. Drs. Carothers, Morehead, O'Briant, ex-Mayor Adams and this scribe made addresses, or took part in the opening exercises, with President McIntosh to lead and Mrs. Hoskine to out-speak them all.

T. W. DYE.

THE WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF OXFORD.

The Woman's College opened its doors for the reception of pupils on the twelfth instant, as per announcement. The attendance on opening day was larger than we have ever had hitherto, about sixty boarding pupils being present, and others have since arrived, swelling the number of boarders to seventy-four at this time, while we confidently expect a number of others to come within the ensuing week or two. Our local patronage is also very fine, there being over thirty-five enrolled in the collegiate department from the town of Oxford. We have a very superior class of girls, a majority of whom are, as a matter of course, from North Mississippi, but we have young ladies from Texas, Arkansas, Georgia and Kentucky also. The members of our faculty are all at their posts, the school is well organized, and the regular work of college life is now in progress.

At our formal opening we had present Chancellor Fulton, Dr Jones, and Gov. Shands, of the State University, as well as Bro. Standefer, pastor of our church here—all of whom spoke in a very encouraging manner of the bright outlook for the college. I feel very much gratified that this Methodist college for girls has begun its career under such favorable circumstances, and I pray God that it may prove in the future to be a power for the promotion of the Christian education of our girls.

The alarming reports as to the prevalence of yellow fever at Jackson, Miss., just at the time of starting for Oxford, delayed many, and I have reason to believe that but for this alarm we would have matriculated almost, if not the full number of one hundred boarding pupils. As the matter stands, however, we feel grateful to God for our successful inauguration of this great educational enterprise. The brethren and friends are cordially invited to visit the school at any time.

J. W. MALONE.

OPENING OF THE EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

This excellent institution opened this, the fourth session under President Beeson's administration, with the finest opening it has had in the history of the college. There are more boarders than the institution ever opened with before, and also more town students. This large opening was all the more wonderful in the face of the yellow-fever scare and quarantine, which prevented a large number from being here at the first. Every room in the building has been filled but three. When these are filled he will have to begin on the annex which the president has secured just adjoining the college building. This building has been thoroughly repaired, renovated, rooms papered and nicely painted. New furniture out and out has been added, and everything is in fine condition.

He has the best faculty he has ever had, and undoubtedly has the finest student body that he has ever had. More students are entering the higher classes than ever before. They are coming better prepared for college work, which shows that the institution is gaining ground among the other colleges in the South. More pupils are entering in music, stenography, typewriting, and the like, than ever before. Almost every train brings more pupils, and the large number which have not yet entered are coming in every day.

President Beeson is continually raising the course of study, and making improvements in every way, until it is no wonder he has such a large increase. Another interesting feature is that, while the equipments of the faculty and the advantages are continually improving, there is no increase in the price.

Meridian is very fortunate to have such an institution in its midst. Our people may well be proud of it, and are, and ought to give their support and encouragement to it. The college is a great help to Meridian from a business standpoint as well as from an educational standpoint.

Thousands of dollars are brought into the town every year, and thousands more are kept in the town by the pupils having the advantages brought to them here.

Students have come this year from every direction, and from many of the Southern States. Many of them come many hundred miles. When all arrive who have engaged to come, the annex will be well filled as well as the main building.

We are proud of this institution in our midst.—Meridian Daily Herald.

Communications.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY MOVEMENT

IN MISSISSIPPI IS MAKING STEADY

PROGRESS.

Rev. W. L. Graves, Tunica, has the names of the members of the church copied into the Roll Book, and will observe Education Day the first Sunday in October. He says, "I will do my best to succeed."

Rev. Thos. H Dorsey will do the same at Cleveland, and report results.

Rev. W. H. Sanders has issued a personal appeal to every member of, and to the friends of, the church at Indianola for a contribution. He has planned wisely for large success.

Rev. R. A. Meek, Starkville, reported more than one hundred dollars some months ago, and has now made a personal appeal to every member of the church, and will add a good amount to that already secured.

One of the best and most encouraging letters I have had is from Rev. J. M Bradley, Booneville. He will devote the first Sunday in October to this interest, and I confidently look for a splendid report. I am sure the people will follow the enthusiastic, liberal leadership of their pastor.

Rev. J. W. McGee reports forty-six and 75 100 dollars from Lebrton circuit, and "more to follow."

Rev. R. H. B Gladney reports from Eupora and Waithall fifty dollars, and says, "This is a good beginning, and we will continue till we reach all the people."

Rev. W. L. C. Hurnientt writes, "I am preaching all around my district on education, and rallying the brethren who will not forget or neglect the Twentieth Century Movement."

Rev. J. W. Dorman writes: "I am just in from a trip on the district, and want to tell you of what I saw in the interest of the Twentieth Century Movement. Rosedale contributed thirty-five dollars; Ruleville, eighteen dollars; Quiver, twenty-one dollars. Deeson raised about five dollars per member. I have heard from Tunica, Austin, Lula, Friar's Point, Hillhouse, Bolivar, Boyle, Cleveland, Shelby and Duncan, and Clarksdale. They are all at work, and I think you will get good reports from them. We are doing all we can to bring this district up to the standard."

In addition to this continued and continuing progress, the work has now entered upon the policy of

EXPANSION.

The first response to my letters to the Sunday-school superintendents is from Mrs. H F. Hale, who promises that the school at Shaw will aid in the work.

Bro. J. E. McRae has sent Bro. Park four and 10-100 dollars from the Sunday-school at Acona.

I hope every Sunday-school in the State will make a thank-offering for the benefit of this important interest. From the number of promises to devote October to this work, I am sure the results will show that

IMPERIALISM

has come to stay, and henceforth there will be added force to Mr. Wesley's words, "The world is my parish." J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Sept. 25, 1899.

P. S.—Every Mississippian should make a special thank-offering of two dollars: one that we escaped the scourge of yellow fever, and one that we escaped the rigors of a quarantine

NO EFFECTIVE SUBSTITUTES.

Governor Roosevelt, of New York, sums up the case as between the politicians and the people when he says: "Men in public life are what the men in private life make them. In no way can you bring about decency in your government so quickly as by backing up the men who represent your interests, rewarding those who are faithful and punishing those who fail in their duty. If you let the professional politicians do all the work, they will take all the reward—and they ought to. You can't govern yourselves by sitting in your studies and thinking how good you are." That is a presentment of the case both brief and comprehensive. The individual who is in politics for "what there is in it" can afford to laugh at the critics who fight with complaints instead of with votes, and who take the position of handing their advice down to voters, instead of getting down among them as workers and as possible leaders. Of this class of citizens Governor Roosevelt appropriately says: "Sometimes one of these people who feel that they should do something to raise the country's political standard goes to a primary, and finds a raft of men who have been to many primaries. He discovers that he counts for nothing. Then, if he is of the type of men unfit for self-government, he says politics is low, and goes home. If he is worth his salt, he goes again, loses, goes again, maybe wins, and finally finds that he counts, and that he is doing his plain duty as an American citizen." The whole problem boils down to one of individual interest and individual exercise of the privileges and duties of American citizenship. For these there can be no effective substitutes.—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

REAWAKENING.

I will not faint but trust in God,
Who this my lot hath given:
He leads me by the thorny road
Which is the road to heaven.
Though sad and dry that lasts so long,
At evening I shall have a song:
Though dim my eyes all the night,
At evening time there shall be light.

My life is but a working day
While it is bright and night
Awhile to work, awhile to pray,
And then a quiet night
And hear, please God, a quiet night
When angels walk in white;
One dreamless night on which we know no sorrow,
But reawakening on the morrow.

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COLORS DE FRIED! SABBATH, OR NO SABBATH?

BY REV. J. A. PARKER, D D.

Rev R M Boone owns and operates two papers in Alexandria, La. The Baptist Chronicle, organ of the Baptist Church in Louisiana, of which paper he is editor. The Daily Times—Alexandria Times—is also owned by him, and edited by an employee of his, who is employed and paid by him just as other hands about the office are

Some weeks ago the "Rapides Fair Association" announced the opening and closing of the Fair on days including a Sabbath Soon as this fact was known to it, "The Ministerial Association" was reorganized, and forwarded a courteous 'protest' to the Fair Association, urging that the Fair would be closed on the Sabbath.

Rev Mr. Boone knew of the meeting of ministers for the purpose of this protest, but although he was at the time in less than 200 feet of the place of the meeting he, for reasons known to himself, absented himself from the meeting In the Chronicle, of which he is editor, he has never, to my knowledge, opened his mouth against Sunday fairs, while, at first, his other paper (the Times) for a few issues vigorously opposed Sunday opening. Later—still keeping silent in the Chronicle—the Times came out in full support of the Fair and its desecration of the Sabbath.

Of this change of base The Daily Democrat has this to say:

"If Bro. Boone can explain his sudden and unaccountable flop' on the Sunday question, we know that his many friends will be glad to hear it and give him credit for sincerity, if his explanation carries conviction with it. His sudden conversion, however, to the Sunday Fair has set the people 'a-thinking,' and they 'are wondering' how it happened."—Democrat, Sept 9

To such strictures as the above Mr. Boone replied, in substance, that while he owned the Daily Times, he was not responsible for its editorial utterances. This very poor defense brought out the Democrat again, and in its issue of the twelfth instant it says:

'FOLKS ARE WONDERING"

"Why it is that a man who admits that he is connected with the ownership of a newspaper, and can not be disconnected therefrom, can't control the editorial utterances of said paper.

'Why it is that 'a Christian minister' doesn't feel it to be his duty to 'antagonize an honest and honorable body of gentlemen,' when he publicly acknowledges that they are violating one of the Ten Commandments, which the Christian religion requires him to uphold and defend at all hazards."

Further, the Democrat, of Sept 9, has this to say touching the attitude of Mr. Boone and his papers:

"We had supposed that the newspapers of Alexandria had all aligned themselves in opposition to the holding of the Fair on Sunday It seems, however, that we were egregiously mistaken, and 'reckoned without our host.' We have reference only to the Alexandria Daily Times. When the question was first agitated, that journal, in several able editorials, vehemently opposed the Sunday Fair, as was to have been expected from a paper issued from the same building, and under the benign, refining and exalted influences of a minister of the gospel.

"But mark the sudden change. Of course, the transition was so swift as to be unaccountable to those who had read its former utterances, and who supposed that it would abide by them. But several weeks makes a great difference in a newspaper apparently solicitous of sounding and catering to public sentiment. At least the inconsistent and diametrically opposite positions assumed by the Morning Daily demonstrates this proposition.

"The Times is issued, as we have already asserted, from the office of the Baptist Chronicle, a religious newspaper. The Rev. R M. Boone is the editor and proprietor of the office, although a third party may be nominally interposed. Until we have positive and irrefragible evidence to the contrary, we shall assume and act upon that assumption that the Rev R M Boone owns and controls both the Baptist Chronicle and the Alexandria Daily Times, and the people are not sufficiently credulous to be hoodwinked or deceived by simply placing the name of some other individual at the mast-head as editor or business manager."

Now, as to certain facts to which I want to call the attention of the public.

Here is a minister of the gospel owning two newspapers. For the support of one of them he must look to the Baptist Church, for it is run on strictly Baptist ideas, and according to Baptist land-marks. In this paper the editor has not so far—Sept. 14, 1899—expressed an opinion for nor against a Sunday fair. He dare not advocate such. The good people who are behind him would drop him as they would a viper. This he knows, and, no doubt, his other paper—The Times—of Sept. 13, fully expresses the owner's views He says, "Bi sidess is the doctrine of our day.' This he says of Sunday fairs.

Mr. Boone's other paper—The Times—is directed on a different range from The Chronicle. The former is "business' for the secular readers' dollar, while the latter is business for the dollars of 'the brethren." While in the pulpit and in his religious paper, he lectures the elect about Sinai and Calvary; in his secular paper he encourages the violation of a Sinaitic precept, and the overthrow of the great purpose radiant on Calvary.

Mr. Boone's claim that his hired man is using his property against his wish, and making it contradict his personal and journalistic ministry, and he can not help it, is somewhat like his editor's figure drawn from "'Elisha's ravens.'"

Speaking of fairs—and no exception is taken to Sunday fairs—The Times has this sublime figure (Sept. 13), "It builds churches, and hires preachers, and gives Elisha's ravens' an opportunity to find worms for their young." This he says of the business side of the "Fair," and further on adds: "Business is the doctrine of our day. An enemy to business is an enemy to God, and an enemy to man."

If, in the light of this controversy, this means anything, it means this: A Sunday fair is business, and whoever opposes a Sunday fair 'is an enemy to God and an enemy to man." But the proprietor of the Times has not opposed Sunday fairs, and is not included with the other ministers of the city. This one minister among eight or ten others forms an exception to the rule. The eight or ten others are "enemies to God and enemies to man," but this one "minister of the gospel" is 'clean, every whit."

How does this read in a paper owned by a minister who did not join his brother ministers in their "opposition" to a Sunday fair (Times, Sept. 12)?

"Regardless of opposition to the contrary, we make bold to say that we are for the success of these men in their big enterprise, 'teeth and toe-nail.'

"Let the watchword of every well-wishing citizen be, Success to the big fair.'"

I give another extract from the Times, of Sept. 14 prefacing the extract with the remark that the question of religious liberty has never been discussed, nor even mentioned by those who are unyielding in their opposition to Sunday fairs. From this extract it seems that, instead of coming out boldly and defending his colors, he has sought to hide behind a question which has never been raised. The sanctity of the Sabbath is a fundamental part of every Christian creed, and if Mr. Boone accords the right to violate one precept of the Decalogue on the score of religious liberty, he must, to be consistent, concede such right as to any other part of that sacred code. The bigamists have as much claim to recognition under the Decalogue as the anti-Sabbatarians. Here is how "A Stockholder" in the Fair Association thanks Mr. Boone for his "Christian-like" stand of silence on this great question in his largely-circulated church organ, the Baptist Chronicle:

FROM A STOCKHOLDER.

Editor Alexandria Times:

I, one of the stockholders composing the Rapides Fair and Racing Association, do hereby heartily commend Rev. R M Boone, editor of the Baptist Chronicle, for his position in regard to the Fair to take place here next month. His actions all through have been gentlemanly, manly and Christian-like, in my judgment.

His card in Alexandria Times, of the twelfth instant, was self-explanatory, and shows his willingness to accord every citizen the right and privilege to accept religion as he chooses. Mr. Boone is opposed to the Sunday fair, but he recognizes the fact that he is but one man differing in opinion from many. From my standpoint of view, his actions have pleased me and every other member of our association.

A STOCKHOLDER.

Alexandria Times, Sept. 14.

If the gentleman is opposed to Sunday fairs, why does he lend his paper—The Times—to the advocacy of such fairs?

SOUL-CULTURE.

In this brilliant period, when books and schools are so generously supplied, and knowledge is disseminated throughout the civilized world; when the wondrous truths discovered by the midnight toil of many an aged student are made clear as noon, to what may the human Intellect not attain?

By the systematic training of modern methods the bright, ambitious brain of sixteen years is often a compact mass of knowledge. Language, mathematics, the causes of all things, a comprehension of the whole universe, are crammed into one youthful mind, and what is the consequence? is he a great bump o' deformity, or is he a well-rounded, symmetrical being, a joy to himself and a blessing to the immortal race?

The human mind is generally considered in three divisions: First, the intellect—reasoning, selecting, and storing up knowledge; next, the will, urging onward the intellect, and by its own work being constantly developed and strengthened. Between the intellect and the will lies the true "power behind the throne." The feelings—or, as they are often called, the sensibilities—compose that part of our natures which responds to every touch, either external or internal They were anciently supposed to exist in the heart; hence we speak of a good heart or "a kind heart."

Hope and despair, joy and grief, love and hate, with thousands of other feelings, are the movers of the will, which is so wonderful to do and dare. Where, then, is the care needed? Shall the vehicle receive its precious cargo while the wild steeds are harnessed to it, untrained and unbridled? Whither will it be carried? Surely over the precipice of ruin.

Who does not know that the feelings are in two distinct classes: the noble and the ignoble, the mean and the generous. Designate them as you please, one class is good, the other evil. They sit apart; they can not mingle agreeably. If one kind predominates, the other is in proportionate subjection, and can accomplish very little. Bunyan's Holy War is a brilliant portrayal of the strife of these armies in "Mansoul."

With most writers the term "sensibilities" refers only to the good and noble feelings, and when these are undeveloped, we imagine that monstrosity of education, the intellect, on one side, and the will on the other developed out of all proportion, while the sensibilities are crushed into nothingness, or dwarfed into sickly sentiments dying with each added year.

There is no doubt that training, begun early, is most successful, either for good or for evil. If ambition is excited, and zealous work secured by emulation and the love of praise, the result must be conceit, tyranny of opinion, greed of power, envy and hatred of all apparent superiority in others. Culture in taste and the laws of politeness may cover these faults from the passing eye, but, like the worm in the fruit, they are destroying the sweetness of life. Education in so gross a nature is "as a jewel in a swine's snout."

To the young, to the parent, and the teacher, let me say: Cultivate the finer sensibilities—the heart, the soul, the moral nature; call it what you will Let honor and generosity be the gentle guides of your will. Respect the ability and the rights of others Reverence all good things and good people Beware that you make not a cloak resembling these things, for too many already are parading in such untrue colors Be sure that you feel them in your heart, or the very consciousness of your own falseness will manifest itself to the world. Be what you wish to seem, not in your own strength, but by the help of God. Imitate all that is noble and true, whether from written books or human lives. Study the life of Christ, the perfect model, and imitate him.

How I pity the children who are not taught to love each other, and to recognize the good qualities of sister, brother, and friend, who are trained to virtues only by being shown the exaggerated faults of others. The greatest blessing to the child is his guileless admiration for the virtues recognized in his companion.

The profane hand of some modern educators would not only set aside sacred teachings, but would even sweep away the virtues of modern heroes. Remove from the child his noble ideals, his faith in the good, the beautiful, the true and what is left to him? With all his education, he grows up an empty cynic. With faith in no one, can he feel noble impulses or motives? Can cold morality save him from vice?

Then cultivate the soul, even though it be tried in the fires of disappointment, or drenched in the billows of grief The gay song will wreathe the face with smiles, but the sorrowful music penetrates the soul. The poet's heart-broken prayer will lift your being into a purer atmosphere

One has said, "He lives twice who lives the first life well." This is true even of his earthly life. He has an outward existence that is peaceful and useful as the silent river. Deep down is the inward life of changeful scenes, that few but he and God can see, while another life awaits him, an eternity in bliss.

Specially dedicated to my pupils.

HANNAH L RAYNHAM.

"REACHING THE MASSES."

MR. EDITOR: In the ADVOCATE of the twenty-fourth ultimo, I find an article by "Clericus," which has some gaps down, and, with your permission, I will put up one or two. "Clericus" seems to have a spite at evangelists; yet, no doubt, if he were closely questioned, he would acknowledge that all evangelists are not like those described in his article; yet he ignores all except the bad. There is a large brown bird, indigenous to this country, that will fly over herds of fat cattle, hogs, sheep, etc, and ignore them all, but at the first sight of a putrid, malodorous carcass, it will pounce down and gorge itself. See?

I am free to admit that some so-called evangelists are actuated by sinister motives. They are mercenary, they are sensational, they use slang, and they are a disgrace to the ministry. Is this conclusive evidence that there are no true evangelists who are called of God, and who are making full proof of their ministry? If so, I can prove by the same logic that there are no worthy pastors. I have known pastors who did not pay their debts, and who preached as though they were about half in earnest; and I have heard others acknowledge, when questioned on the Conference floor, that not a soul was led to Christ by them in a year. Pastors deserving the name are soul-winners, and some evangelists, no doubt, lead more souls to Christ in a year than "Clericus" ever did in all his life. "Clericus" makes light of the claim that God calls a man to the ministry, and afterwards to the evangelistic work. Will he deny that men are called to the ministry, and afterwards to the foreign missionary work? I have always thought that a pastor free from prejudice would try to get the best possible help, whether in the pastorate or the evangelistic field. I prefer a pastor, but there are pastors and evangelists, not a few, whom I would not invite to help me in a meeting.

One would infer from "Clericus" that all pastors are good help, and all evangelists unfit for help. One would infer from "Clericus" that all men whom God calls to the ministry have the baptism of power A Hard shell would claim as much. The power is acquired conditionally. The price must be paid. It follows deep humiliation, fasting, and earnest prayer to God. Waiving scriptural proof, which is superabundant I give two personal incidents: Bishop Geo. F Pierce said in a talk to a class for ordination, long years ago, that he was pastor in a certain town for three years, with no visible results. His congregations were large and attentive, yet there were no broken hearts; none were crying to God. He was lacking in power. He was returned the fourth year, and the thought of serving the same people another year with no apparent success was more than he could bear. He shut himself up with God, and in deep agony prayed the Lord to "give him power, and to give him souls, or let him die." The power was forthcoming, and a great revival followed.

I find, in substance, the following in "Remarkable Answers to Prayer:" Stone Ridge, N Y., was regarded as a difficult field, a hard place; no revival there for years. Mrs. Van Cott went there in February, 1868, and predicted glorious results; two hundred souls. The people were shocked at the prediction. She labored about a week with no results. Her strength was failing. One morning she said to the lady with whom she was staying: 'I am going into the parlor to settle this matter with the dear Master. Do not allow anyone to come near me. Do not call me to dinner. I shall, in the name of God, this day, have victory or death." The weather was cold. She wrapped a shawl around her and bowed before God She prayed and cried to God, 'O God, if thou answer me not, then on this spot I die" Assurance came, and two hundred and thirty-five souls were saved.

H ARMSTRONG.

SHINING.

How many followers of Christ start out in the Christian warfare with a heart full of love and zeal for him to whom they have given their lives; become discouraged because their lot has been cast in an obscure part of our Lord's vineyard. Jesus has bidden them keep their armor bright and shining by an unwavering faithfulness to their trust. Is the violet wasting its sweetness because it blooms in some lonely vale? A weary traveler may pass that way and be cheered by its fragrance and beauty. Then call it not wasted; it is filling the place assigned it. Some of us may learn a lesson from the violet in being willing to shine wherever we are placed, though it may be in the most humble sphere of life.

"Jesus bids us shine,
You in your little corner,
I in mine."

No spot on this earth can be entirely a desert where shines the light of God's love. Let this thought go with us through our daily round of duties, and when life seems dark, and the clouds are heavy and lowering overhead, we should remember that the light that shines brightest at home shines farthest away. So may we go on our way shining brightly for God, not for this world; then our life's work will not be wasted If we faithfully perform the part assigned us, our lives, though they may seem useless to us, will shine brighter in that day when all deeds are brought to the light.

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Missionary workers are not exempt from a feeling of preference for letters to themselves over a general letter or circular intended for any who may chance to read it. Hence, dear sisters of Winona district, the tidings of your own Bible woman, Dolores Rios, in the letter to you through your district secretary, will be pleasant reading.

Miss Holding's serious and protracted illness, added to the epidemic of small-pox, might prove obstacles to deter hearts less brave. Still, with devotion and courage born of consecration to her Lord, your Bible woman has worked, going tirelessly to teach to others the way of life. Sisters, keep in touch with your Bible woman, and ever, by your prayers, your sympathy and care for her temporal wants, assure her that you appreciate the work she is doing among those darkened souls for you.

Mrs. Pineheart's letter to our Conference secretary brings to each one a message, encouraging notes of our ongoing missionaries (specific mention of each impossible for lack of space just now); all with joyful hearts entering service in foreign fields.

Of Miss Carson she says: 'She is a wonderfully brave woman, and has done a good work in Santiago.

"News from Korea favorable, and all our work among the Indians satisfactory."

One point urged, which I should would stress: 'The Twentieth Century Fund should have our earnest best work, that when all the organizations of our church are pushing forward this movement with great zeal, we can not afford to be less zealous. It is true our appropriations of nearly one hundred thousand dollars to sustain the work we have projected demand our most prayerful effort, yet the $75 000 for our educational advancement also demand our best efforts. These schools in Brazil, Mexico and China are in urgent need, and, when built, will increase our influence in those fields many-fold. The gold and silver are the Lord's, and the command to use it in his name has been ringing in our ears for many years, and the delay has already cost the souls of many in heathen lands and jeopardized our own. Let not the opening of any find any of us hesitating as to how much we shall do to discipline the nations"

When all the Christian world is buoyant with the hope of greeting the twentieth century with a thankoffering to our Lord, let not a laggard be found in our midst, but let the offerings of our W F M Society be worthy of the cause to which they are dedicated.

A letter from our own Miss Blackburn comes to us from Mexico. This letter sets me thinking along the line that my mind has so often pursued. Do we, as Christians, appreciate the fact that we are permitted to do our missionary work by proxy? In other words, Are we really grateful that God accepts our substitutes others who are willing to "go teach all nations," leaving us to our homes and families? But the command to all is "go," so that this substitution is ours only upon the condition that we "send."

Sisters, this is a momentous thought. May God help us, in the intensity of our gratitude, to lay at his feet the silver and the gold needed in gaining the world for Christ!

Now, can you not see the place face of Miss Blackburn as she begins and then, in her earnest voice and manner, do you not realize, as she proceeds, how her very soul is in this matter? 'Will not some one (or some auxiliary) give a scholarship to a Mexican girl wishing to fit herself to teach in some of the mission schools? I have a girl in my school who is anxious to do so. She has been converted since she has been in my school. I think she is in every way a worthy girl, and one whom we can expect to help us in the work. She has taken music for years, but I wish her to take a special course in methods of teaching which can not be furnished here. I am anxious to send her to Miss Roberts, at Salillo, who has a Normal Department in her school; but we have not the means. A scholarship, you know, costs $60"

Who will accept this dear girl as a substitute? She is ready, willing; a child of God, made such by believing in Christ. Entering this open door may mean the beginning of a long list of souls rescued from sin and the delusions of Romanism.

MRS J. F. E,
North Mississippi Conference.

The Christian Life.

Admiration can never serve in the place of love. To offer God our regard, when he asks our love, is like giving a stone to him who asks bread. One who does not want our love may yet accept our admiration with thanks, but a father's heart can not be gratified by admiration when it is satisfied by love. It is little to the point that we admire Christ more since we began to study his life; do we love him more?—Sunday Times.

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From the Work.

Rev. W. M. Williams, P. C.: "We closed our meeting here (Gallman) Friday night. God blessed the efforts of his people, and made us rejoice. Bro. T. A. Powell, of Crystal Springs, did most of the preaching. Everyone that heard him was more than pleased. My people have been greatly edified by his preaching. I think God that Bro. Powell has been with us, and that the Lord has blessed his ministry in the dedication of my people and the salvation of so many sinners. Bro. J. W. Chambers and Bro. R. Selby preached two sermons each, to the delight of all. The preaching was all good. God blessed every service. We had a gracious revival, with twenty-two accessions on profession of faith, with more to join. This closes our round of protracted meetings on this charge. We have had four meetings, which resulted in fifty-four accessions, two of which were by certificate. The church greatly revived, and many sinners converted to God. We praise God for what he has done for us, and take courage to do more in his name."

Rev. J. W. Campbell, Americus, Miss., Sept. 14, 1899: "We have just closed a series of meetings within the bounds of the Americus charge. The Holy Spirit was with us in convicting and converting power, and, praise the Lord! a goodly harvest was the result of our labors. Rev. L. R. Roberts and Rev. M. J. Marble assisted in the meetings. We certainly enjoyed the great revival the Lord gave us. Old time religion took possession of the church, conviction rested on the sinner, strong men wept like children, and with the sweet songs of Zion there was mingled shouts of victory and hallelujahs to the glory of God. Quite a number were reclaimed, goodly number gloriously saved, and twenty added to the church. Praise God for such a victory for Christ. We begin another meeting in a few days, and then our annual camp meeting at Salem begins Oct. 4. Pray for us, brother, that God may bless our labors yet more abundantly, and that many sinners may be made to rejoice in the love of a new life in Christ."

Rev. C. C. Griffin, P. C., Hiram, Miss., Sept. 17, 1899: "We are moving along nicely with our work on the Wilkinson circuit. We commenced our meeting at St. Carmel, Aug. 27, and continued for five days. We had just ceiled the church anew, and made some other improvements which were greatly needed. The people honored the Lord with their substance, and then the Lord honored them with his Holy Spirit's power. Rev. T. H. Rawls, of the Tyro town circuit, did the preaching, which was done to the edifying and uplifting of all that heard him. Bro. Rawls is good help in a revival. He has a way to get at everyone. He is a good preacher. We had Miss Rosa Longoire, of Gloster, with us, who did the playing and led the choir. She is good help in a revival, as all know that have been to the Sam Jones' Camp Meeting. Results: nine accessions, and quite a number of reclamations and consecrations. Organized an Epworth League with twenty-six members. Bro. Rawls takes great interest in Epworth League work. September 1 we went to Macedonia and held a two days' meeting, which we think did a great deal of good. The people were anxious for the meeting to continue, but a Texas boat to go home; so we closed Sunday evening. We have received thirty members on the Wilkinson circuit this year.

Rev. T. S. Randle, Monroe, La., Sept. 6, 1899: "I went to Bro. W. R. Harrell, Bonita charge, on the twenty-sixth of August, and commenced a protracted meeting at Johnson's School-house, on the 27th inst. We continued five days' and a good meeting. The church was greatly revived. There were about ten conversions and eight accessions to the church. From here we went to what is called Bonita Church, and commenced on Saturday night, protracting until the second Sunday at 11 o'clock, when we closed with a fine service. This meeting was one of the best it has ever been my privilege to attend. The good work began with the first, and increased in interest at every service until it reached high-tide. I never witnessed more pungent convictions, and, of course, the conversions were bright and satisfactory. They gave a good testimony. The church was gloriously revived. I don't think there was a member that was not blessed. There were forty conversions and thirty-three accessions to the church, with more to follow. There were thirty persons baptized. Bro. Harvell is in great favor with his people, and is doing a fine work. Will the greater things another year if the Bishop sends him back; the people want him. I have been preaching in revival meetings for nearly a month; most of the time twice a day. This is quite an improvement for me. I hope to take work next year."

NOTES FROM PLEASANT GROVE CIRCUIT.

We have just closed our last protracted meeting on this work. Have had good meetings. The attendance and interest at each meeting increased from beginning to close. While there were conversions and additions, the greater work has been done in advancing practical godliness, purity of life, and home religion. The holy incense of prayer will now rise to God from altars newly erected and altars long neglected in the homes of our people. Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the ministerial help engaged for my meetings could not reach me, save in two instances. At McGee's Chapel we had the able services of Rev. W. W. Adams, of Mississippi Avenue M. E. Church, South, Memphis, Tenn., who won all hearts and accomplished great good among us. At Pleasant Grove, Rev. W. W. McIntosh, president of Grenada College, was with us two days, and made impressions with gospel truth that will live long and tell greatly in the formation of character. We want him more. Bro. A. G. Coleman, L. P., from Arkadelphia circuit was with us at Shiloh, preaching an earnest gospel. Bro. W. H. Eckles, our own local preacher, worked faithfully in prayer, exhortation, and the ministry of the Word. Now we go in for the Twentieth Century Fund, Conference collections, NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, etc.

B. P. JACO, P. C.

Pleasant Grove, Miss., Sept. 9, 1899.

HILLSBORO, MISS.

We have buried four infants and one adult this year. We have had twenty-six accessions to the church, and several very bright conversions. We have baptized seven adults and one infant.

We began our "protracted meetings" with New Providence Church the third Sunday in July. (Bros. H. J. Moore and I. J. Jones assisted us.) From there we went to Cantrell. Bro. D. Scarborough assisted us there. Then to the District Conference. A three days' rest, and we began our meeting at Hillsboro. The "beloved" was to assist us, but sickness prevented. However, he sent a substitute in the person of Bro. J. G. Galloway. Bro. W. L. Lilliard also came to our assistance. We continued the meeting eight days, and it was indeed a "revival meeting." From there we went to Bro. H. J. Moore's assistance at Liberty Church, and, oh! the work we found to be at that place. Its meeting over, we came home to rest only one day, then to Good Hope. No one to assist us there but the Lord; but, thank God! he was there in great power. Not only hearts, but pocket-books were converted at that place.

Then to the Lake Camp Meeting. Oh, what a spiritual feast! We would have been very glad to have stayed all the week; but duty before pleasure, so we had to leave Tuesday P. M. to go to Oak Grove and begin a meeting Wednesday. We were assisted there by Bros. I. J. Jones and T. J. Miller. We closed there Sunday night, and over to Walnut Grove we went to assist Bro. Jones. We found Bro. M. L. White was a ready there, and with his gospel sledge hammer was knocking people right and left. There was a mighty shaking of the "dry bones" in that place. We visited the pastor and his family in the "big parsonage." Oh, my! "I and my little family" would be lost in it. Friday P. M. we took our leave of those good people to come back to our own field of labor, reaching the parsonage Sunday P. M.

THOS. J. O'NEIL, P. C.

Sept. 14, 1899.

EDWARDS, MISS.

Our handsome new church was formally opened for the first time to the public on the first Sunday in September. The congregations of the Baptist and Presbyterian Churches worshiped with us, and the audience was a large one.

A very interesting paper was read by Capt. Robert H. Smith, the oldest living member of this church, who enjoys the unique experience of having been for fifty-three years a Sunday-school superintendent. He said that in 1830 the town of Hamburg was laid out on the banks of Big Black, four miles west of this place, but a few years later was moved two miles east to Amsterdam. In 1832 about two-thirds of the population died of cholera. In 1834 he attended a protracted meeting there, conducted by Rev. C. K. Marshall, then a rising young preacher. The first church-building was a log-house named Liberty Church, built on the present site of the cemetery, one mile east of Edwards. In 1848 Capt. Smith organized a Sunday-school in this church, and has continued to be its superintendent to the present time. Besides himself, Mr. W. D. Smith and Mrs. M. T. Osborn and Mrs. M. E. Cuyus are the only surviving members of the old church.

At the close of the war between the States the church was moved to its present site in the town of Edwards.

Among the pastors that have served this church are Revs. Redwine, Hassel, Bailey, Strickland, Wiley, Lambert, Young, Ellis, Godfrey, Nash, Wiggins, Dorn, John Lusk, R. B. Dowcer, C. G. Andrews, W. M. Williams, W. B. Hinds, J. B. Ballard, R. D. Norsworthy, W. C. Black, I. W. Cooper, J. M. Weems, E. H. Montague, J. T. Nicholson, I. L. Peebles, J. P. Drake, J. G. Galloway, and the present incumbent.

In 1898 Rev. J. G. Galloway inaugurated a movement towards building a new church. Mrs. James White and Miss Ella Chichester (now Mrs. Withers, of Pensacola, Fla.) were mainly instrumental in securing the necessary subscriptions. The construction of the building is due to the untiring energy and self-sacrificing zeal of Misses Wilson Price and W. T. Ratliff, Sr., of the Building Committee. Mr. James White raised the funds to purchase the large bell, which the factory claims can be heard within a radius of ten miles.

This handsome, modern church-building, which would be a credit to any place, is completed with the exception of the seating and partition between the auditorium and Sunday-school room, which will be supplied in the near future. Meanwhile the pews of the old church, supplemented by chairs, answer present purposes. In due time the edifice will be dedicated in proper form.

Meanwhile the pastor felt that in no better way could we express our gratitude to the great Head of the church than by having a revival. Accordingly we have just closed a protracted meeting that has lasted ten days, and which, at the earnest desire of the people, would have lasted longer but for the fact that our Baptist brethren had previously announced their protracted meeting to begin on the 3d Sunday.

Both Baptist and Presbyterian congregations united with us in this meeting, and converts were invited to join any church of their choice. The utmost harmony prevailed, Christians have been revived, and many sinners converted. There were several accessions. With the exception of two sermons by the Presbyterian pastor, all the preaching was done by the writer. The popular expression of the good people of Edwards to him has taken shape in the gift of a very handsome gold watch, for which evidence of brotherly affection he will ever be deeply grateful. It is especially gratifying to know that the day has not passed, as some seem to think, when pastors can have revivals in their own churches without having to invoke outside aid, particularly from that class of modern specialists known as evangelists.

Last night, at the Baptist prayer meeting, the attendance was larger than has been for years. A meeting at that church is in progress.

C. F. EMERY.

Edwards, Miss., Sept. 19, 1899.

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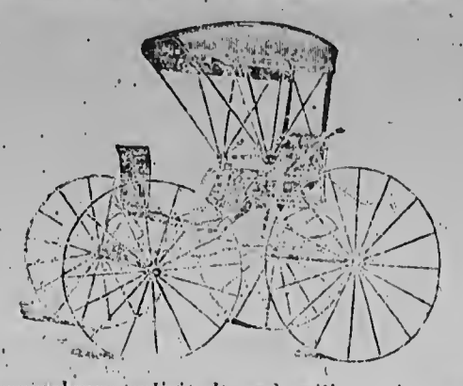

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CHILDREN AND THE CHURCH.

While most parents nowadays are interested in the education of their offspring, it is sad to note how few display any great concern for their spiritual training and moral well being. The indifference which exists almost everywhere among professing Christians as regards the duty and importance of bringing up the young "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," is astounding in the extreme. While the boys and girls are encouraged, and in numerous instances are compelled to attend day-school, regardless of their wishes, no such policy, except in rare instances, seems to be pursued in regard to attendance upon church and Sunday-school.

The average parent, even though a church member, apparently deems it a matter of small moment whether his children remain to preaching after Sunday-school is over; and if the juveniles plead some slight excuse, even though it be one which would not pass muster on week-day, they are allowed to remain away from church. In well-nigh every city and village of our land, shortly before the hour for service arrives on Sunday morning, troops of children of all ages may be seen hurrying home from Sunday-school, or promenading the streets, bent on fun, and sometimes mischief. Thousands of children out of supposedly Christian homes rarely hear a sermon, and never hear the Bible read save by their Sunday-school teachers, or by the pastor in his rounds. That lax and pernicious notion that in religion the young ought to be left free to choose their own course—that in the moral training of youth no sort of compulsion ought to be used—is alarmingly prevalent, even among those who ought to know better, and is causing the ruin of thousands of bright boys and girls who, because of inexperience and ignorance, are incapable of knowing what is best for them.

One of the most astonishing features of the case is that parents allow their children no such liberty in matters of far less importance. Children are not usually asked what special articles of food they shall have, or what kind and cut of cloth ing they desire, but are given what is deemed best for them. So it is in the matter of studies and schooling. But when it comes to church attendance and religious instruction, which are matters of the most transcendent importance in the building up of character and in fixing one's eternal destiny, men prate about the danger and cruelty of coercing the young in the direction of righteousness. How indescribably silly!

Ian Maclaren draws a true, but sad, picture of a present condition when he says: "Once all the children were expected to be in their pews with their parents every Sunday. Nowadays even a ten-year-old child is allowed to have its likes and dislikes about the preacher, and express his opinion as to whether he will, or will not, attend church." Such a tendency, if allowed to go unchecked, is sure to result disastrously, both to the church and to society. The young are far more likely to form a distaste for religion, and become alienated from the church by being permitted to do as they please, than by being required to attend church and Sabbath-school, and keep the Sabbath day holy. Coercion in the endeavor to look after the spiritual welfare of the young need not, and should not, assume the form of harshness. By all means, however, there ought to be firmness and unwavering fidelity in requiring what is believed to be for the good of the child. Parental indulgence not seldom means parental folly.

To state the case plainly, it is downright indifference to the claims and benefits of religion, rather than the fear of prejudicing the young against it, that causes so many parents to be lax with their children in regard to their religious training. While some of the old-time fathers and mothers, perhaps, erred in being too strict with their offspring, the danger now is from the lack of restraint and discipline rather than from too much of it.

The Word of God gives no uncertain teaching anent this vital question, and leaves parents no alternative as regards the duty of guiding the young in right paths. "Train up the child in the way he should go," declares the writer of Proverbs, "and when he is old he will not depart from it" The children of Israel were commanded to teach the words of the Lord diligently unto their children, the injunction being, "And thou shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou riseth up." The New Testament injunction upon this point is too familiar to need repeating.

There still lingers among us not a little skepticism regarding the adaptability of the gospel to children, and this accounts, in some measure, for the neglect, occasionably noticeable, of efforts to bring them to Christ. Some have the idea that a child is not capable of understanding what it means to believe on Christ and serve him. They fancy that conversion, church membership and the service of God are only for men and women, and the older boys and girls. Consequently, the young, no matter how deeply impressed, are sometimes told that they must wait till they reach a certain age before they can be converted and taken into the church. Yet, of all persons in the world, Jesus declares the children to be the fittest for the kingdom of heaven.

There is the most convincing evidence that those who are converted early in life, as a rule, make true and faithful Christians. Adam Clarke, the famous scholar and commentator, was converted when only four years of age; Jonathan Edwards experienced a change of heart at seven; Isaac Watts, the great hymn writer, was converted at the age of nine. Scores of like instances might be given, but these will suffice. Sometimes it is said in a disparaging way of a protracted meeting, that it resulted in the conversion of only a few children, and yet one such child convert may, after a while, become more eminent and useful in God's kingdom than scores of adults who were swept into the church during some loudly-heralded revival. The church that best takes care of the children is the one that is destined to live and flourish.

There is nothing the matter with our Methodist creed regarding the religious training of the young, but in practice we are woefully deficient. How can parents expect their children to grow up in the love of God and in devotion to the church when they themselves are seldom seen in the house of God, when the voice of prayer is not heard in the home, when the Bible is left unopened and unread? How can any professedly Christian father or mother have a clear conscience if, on Sunday morning, while he or she is in the house of God, the children are either roaming the streets or idling at home? We can not conceive of a place on earth where there are more hallowed influences, or where both young and old can receive more gracious benefits, than the house of God affords during the hour of worship.

On the tenth Bishop Candler preached at Mulberry Street Church, Macon, Ga., and took a collection for the Twentieth Century Education Fund. Something over $5,000 was raised, $1 000 being contributed by one person. On the seventeenth Rev. Walker Lewis, pastor of First Church, Atlanta, took a collection in his church for this cause, and raised $5 000 and it is said that there is a good deal more to follow. So says the Wesleyan Advocate.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W F B.

With the Fall Fiction Number of The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, that journal will be enlarged from a sixteen to a twenty-four page weekly magazine, with a double number every fourth week. In the Fall Fiction Number begins Cyrus Townsend Brady's strong serial, 'For the Freedom of the Sea," nearly one-third of the story being told in the first installment. The new form of the Post will give space, each week, for a greater number of short stories, for a page of humor and a department of amateur sport.

In the Woman's Home Companion, for October, two contributions that should attract the attention of mothers particularly are "The Boarding-school Girl" and Charlotte W. Eastman's tender tribute to the name "Mamma." Other helpful articles are: "Common Sense in Home-Furnishings," "Cooking for Invalids," "The Woman of Thirty," "Familiar Talks With Women."

CHURCH DEDICATION.

Sunday, Sept. 3, was a red-letter day for the Glen Martin Church. It was the day set apart to dedicate the church, which was done, after a very able sermon by Rev. J. T. Sawyer, D D, presiding elder of the Shreveport district, M. E Church, South. At the close of the sermon a collection amounting to $103 was raised to pay off all indebtedness, after which the church was set apart to the service of God.

The congregation then repaired to the beautiful lawn of Bro. W. B. Clark, where a royal feast had been prepared under an arbor built for the occasion The dinner was all that could be asked for, as could be attested to by all who had the pleasure of participating in the same. The gathering was pleasant, social, and to many it was a religious treat. The church has been built through the earnest endeavors of a few who desired to have a place of worship on that side of the river.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

The third week of this most excellent institution is drawing to a close. We have had a chance to get an insight into its condition, and glad to note its marked advancement and flattering prospects. Indeed, Centenary has entered upon a new era of prosperity, and we hope and believe it is but the beginning of the best period in her long and noteworthy career. Already, in spite of the yellow-fever scare, we have enrolled about 120 scholars, and each day brings its increase. We soon expect to reach the 200-mark, and should go much beyond. Why not make this the best institution of the kind in the State? It certainly deserves the heartiest support of Church and State, and surely no Methodist can do better. Our curriculum is as high as any school of like grade. The work done is as complete and thorough. The opportunities for true education is as good. One in position to know—a graduate of Emory College (Oxford, Ga.)] and post graduate of Cornell University—told me that Centenary afforded as good advantages as the renowned college of Georgia Methodism—Emory. A teacher from Vanderbilt stated that Centenary's students stood second to none in Vanderbilt University. The moral and religious influence thrown about a boy here can not be surpassed. Every teacher in the college is a converted man and an enthusiastic Christian worker. The Young Men's Christian Association, holding its semi-weekly prayer and praise services; the regular Sabbath services, the Sunday-schools, Epworth League and prayer meetings afford every opportunity for religious development. The people here are refined, hospitable Christians. The place is as healthy as the State affords. The cheapness and excellency of the mess-hall department is a marvel to all. Then why send to any other than our own? How a Methodist, with the consciousness of salvation in his soul and a realization of his church vows upon him, can patronize any other institution afford ing no better opportunities (and too frequently, worse than none), is beyond our conception.

Centenary was never on a better footing. Her prospects were never brighter; yet, if the Methodist ministry and the Methodist people should abate in their interest, it would prove fatal; and if each pastor would press the matter, and send at least one boy to Centenary, and if the people would bestir themselves in her behalf, there is no reason why we should not soon reach three hundred, and upwards. Rally to Centenary, and she will prove herself worthy every effort put forth.

I wish every parent could have heard the president's opening address. It was characteristic of the man and the institution he has charge of, and as long as he and the faculty he has with him remain in charge, the noblest and best in a boy will be brought out and developed.

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ROBT. W. VAUGHAN.

IN MEMORY OF REV. J. W. LAMBUTH, D. D.

At the suggestion of Rev. T. B. Holloman, presiding elder of Jackson district, a move "is on foot" for erecting at the Pearl River Church, five miles east of Madison Station, a monument to the memory of Rev. J. W. Lambuth, whose body lies buried not far from the sea at Kobe, Japan. He was raised in that Pearl River community; and Mrs. J. W. Lambuth, now teaching at Kobe during the days of her widowhood, was once a forceful teacher in this same Pearl River neighborhood. The erection of the shaft would be a lesson to the youth. A committee appointed by the Quarterly Conference of Madison circuit is proceeding this work, viz: Ed Melton, Fletcher Ray, Mrs. J. D. Dickinson, Mrs. G. W. Galloway, H. C. Montgomery, and Mrs. J. W. Britton.

Anyone desiring to contribute may address the undersigned, or any member of the committee, or "Mrs. J. F. Norman, Madison, Miss." Mrs. Norman, who is the sister of J. W. Lambuth, has been chosen as treasurer for the committee.

H G. HAWKINS,
P. C. Madison Circuit.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

We have registered to date nearly as many students as we had the last ten months. Ten have registered this week, and we expect 30 or 40 more in the next ten days.

The town and parish are healthy. Each member of the faculty is at his post of duty. The improvements made during the Summer are a delight and a surprise to Centenary's friends. I. W. COOPER.

Jackson, La., Sept. 23, 1899.

SOMETHING NEW.

Here is a telegram to the daily press from Kansas City, Mo.: "J. L. Wood Merrill, a prominent business man of this city, has bought a church and parsonage, and will engage a minister and run the house of worship on a new plan. He said to-day: 'I am going to have the brightest preacher I can find, and have him preach broad-minded religion. I want a church where everybody can come and hear good modern, common-sense religion preached without fear of being offended. There will be no collections, as I will pay all expenses.'" Well, if that don't bring a crowd, what will? No collections; a gospel free as the air they breathe. Surely that is a new departure—one man supporting a church instead of all the membership sharing in the duty and privilege. Wonder what next.—Central Methodist.

RESOLUTIONS ON POLYGAMY.

At the recent session of the Western Virginia Conference the following resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote:

"Whereas, The State of Utah was admitted into the union of States upon the express pledge and constitutional provision that polygamy should be at once and forever abandoned in its territory; And, whereas, At the late election for Congress in that State an avowed polygamist was elected to a seat in that body; therefore, be it

"Resolved, By the Western Virginia Conference, M. E. Church, South, in Conference assembled, that we regard the election of a polygamist to Congress by the State of Utah as an indignity offered to every American citizen, and an insult to the sanctity and purity of the Christian home. We protest against the election of Mr. Roberts to the House of Representatives, and demand that one whose life is so repugnant to Christian principles shall be expelled from that great law-making body.

"Resolved, That a certified copy of this paper be sent to each member of the United States Congress who represents territory within the bounds of this Conference."—Exchange.

MORMONISM.

We are apt to give too little attention to the Utah problems, because we are largely inclined to consider it as a purely political affair. In fact, it is a most serious question that confronts us as a nation. We can not throw the burden on Utah or endeavor to escape any responsibility; this blot on our Christianity must be wiped out. From the Lakes to the Gulf, from the Rocky Mountains to the Sierra Nevadas, are found over a quarter of a million Mormons. In addition to this vast number, over one thousand "elders" are actively proselyting in other parts of the Union, many of their converts being secretly made, consequently the exact number of "believers" is unknown. Some of the doctrines taught by these men are vile beyond words; the practices resulting from such doctrines are disgusting in the extreme. The morality is low; nothing else could be expected. Their system is entirely foreign to Americanism, as well as against all the laws of God.—Presbyterian.

A MARKED CONTRAST.

There is a marked contrast between the Protestant and Roman Catholic missions in India and China. The Protestants have been on the ground for one hundred years with 9,000 missionaries, yet claim 4,000,000 converts, while the Romanists have been at work in these countries for three hundred years, with 70,000 missionaries, yet claim only 3 500,000 converts. The purer form of Christianity is what the heathen world most needs, and it can best conquer the human heart and reform the human life.—Presbyterian.

The Library Journal, for August, points out that, "since Jan. 1 Mr. Andrew Carnegie has given the sum of $2 450 000 for the establishment or development of American libraries" in all parts of the country, leaving out of the reckoning all sums below $50 000.—Selected.

NOTES.

Bro. Frantz, of the chair of English in Emory College, committed suicide a few days ago on account of ill-health.

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Grenada Female College is to be congratulated upon having secured Miss Mary V. Duvall for the chair of Logic and Psychology.

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Rev. G W. Hiveley writes, under date of Sept. 15: "We closed a good meeting yesterday at Lenoir. One accession and two conversions. Church greatly revived!"

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A turn of "The Great Iron Wheel" has removed Rev. Edgar C. McVoy from Albany, Mo., to Chillicothe, in the same State. Edgar was in clover at Albany, and he is in clover still.

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Martin College, Pulaski, Tenn., had a fine opening. The new president, Prof. Leonard Vann, is in high favor with the friends of the college, who speak of him as the right man in the right place.

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The first edition of "The Gospel of Giving" has been exhausted, and a new edition gotten out in the shape of an eight-page tract. It will be sent, postpaid, to any address at prices named in another column.

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Rev. J. B. Cassity writes: "We have just closed a meeting of three weeks' duration in Abbeville, which resulted in fifty conversions and twenty accessions to the church. Bro. E. E. Riggs, of West Lake, did the preaching."

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Under date of Sept. 19, Rev. R. W. Tucker writes: "We are moving on nicely on the Baton Rouge district. I will have to hunt new quarters at this Conference, as my fourth year will be up. I like the paper you give us. I imagine it must keep you busy. May you and the ADVOCATE live a long time!"

Rev. T. J. Upton, of the Louisiana Conference, stationed at Zachary, has brought suit against the Times-Democrat, of this city, for $5,000 damages, for having, in its issue of Sept. 13, spoken of him as a negro."

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Prof. G H. Wiley died at his home at Jackson, La., on the twenty-first. He had been connected with Centenary College for more than forty years. He was a ripe scholar, and a man of most admirable character, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

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The Methodist Recorder tells of a preacher who panegyrized himself as follows: 'I never had but three months' schoolin' in my life, and am not well edicated, but when I preach you can hear me a mile." We hear of a donkey not long since that could be heard two miles.

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A reception was tendered Rev. T. B Clifford at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hall, in this city, last Thursday evening, Sept. 21. About twenty-five young ladies and gentlemen were in attendance. Music and recitations were furnished by several present, and refreshments served at the conclusion.

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Rev. J. H. Montgomery, Ponchatoula, La., writes: "We have just closed another fine meeting at James' Chapel. Rev. J. L. Mc Manns, local preacher of Grangeville, La., helped me, and did good preaching. We had seventeen accessions to the church, seven backsliders reclaimed, and a dozen family altars erected."

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Bishops Galloway and Candler held an Educational Rally at Atlanta last Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Instead of the usual services at the churches on Sunday, a mass meeting was held at the Grand Opera House, the largest auditorium in the city. The collection amounted to $1600 which, added to the $5 000 previously raised by First Church, makes $21,000 raised in Atlanta.

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The Methodist ladies of Glenmora, La, recently ordered from the New Orleans CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE office a six-volume set of Matthew Henry's Commentary as a present for their pastor, Rev. W. G. Roberts. A most praiseworthy act. Many a preacher would be helped immensely by such an addition to his library. If you want your preacher to preach well, see to it that he is supplied with suitable books.

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Rev. J O. Bennett, of the Louisiana Conference, writes: 'My work moves on nicely, and I expect to make a full report at Conference of all our assessments. Nearly every dollar of our Conference assessments is secured in cash and good subscriptions. The Twentieth Century Fund will next engage our attention. We hope to secure all, and even more than we have been asked for. May God bless you in your work for the ADVOCATE!'

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Writing from Gloster, Miss., under date of Sept. 18, Rev. A. C. Flowers says:

'Bro. T. M. Flowers was buried Sunday, the seventeenth instant, at Mt. Carmel, near Gloster. He was caught in a gin, and his arm mangled, the morn of the fifteenth instant, and died at 5:30 P. M., immediately after the arm was amputated. He leaves a wife and seven children. Pray for us in our sad bereavement.'

We bespeak the sympathies and prayers of the brethren in behalf of the bereaved ones.

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A note from Salt Lake City, Utah, dated Sept. 11, says: 'Last week Heber J. Grant, one of the twelve apostles of the Mormon Church, plead guilty in open court to the charge of unlawful cohabitation—that is, living in polygamy—and paid a fine of $100. A few weeks ago Angus M. Cannon, president of the Salt Lake stake, a high position in the Mormon Church, plead guilty to a similar charge, and paid his fine of $100. On Sunday, Sept. 3 George Q Cannon, the premier of Mormonism, one of the presidency of the whole church, defended the practice of polygamy in a large meeting at Mount Pleasant. Polygamy was preached in the Mormon tabernacle here yesterday."—Northwestern Advocate.

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A CARD OF THANKS AND REMINDING.

Revs. N G Augustus and D W. Babb have remitted amounts assessed on their charges for the "Ministerial Aid Society Fund" of Durant district. This is prompt and thank-worthy I hope others have promised. But, brethren, Milleaps opens on the twenty-seventh, and, if we are to assist the young brethren, it should be done at once! Only $15 in hand, whereas $75 are called for, and more is needed. Anyone who desires to permanently increase this fund for loan to young preachers should remit to me or Rev. J. S. Oakley, Durant, Miss. Brethren, please remit assessments at once.

W. L. ANDERSON.

Chester, Miss., Sept. 22, 1899.

A STRINGENT FOOD LAW.

PROHIBITS THE USE OF ARSENIC OR ALUM IN ALL ARTICLES OF DIET.

The law enacted by the Missouri Legislature, a copy of which was recently published in our columns, and which prohibits the manufacture or sale of any article intended for food or to be used in the preparation of food, which contains alum, arsenic, ammonia, etc., places that State in the lead in the matter of sanitary legislation.

Laws restricting the use of alum in bread have been in force in England, Germany and France for many years. In this country, in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and several other States, direct legislation in reference to the sale of alum baking powders has also been effected. In several of these States their sale is prohibited unless they are branded to show that they contain alum, and in the District of Columbia, under the laws of Congress, the sale of bread containing alum has been made illegal.

Following are the names of some of the brands of baking powder sold in this vicinity which are shown by recent analysis to contain alum. Housekeepers and grocers should cut the list out and keep it for reference:

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BON TON .....Contains Alum
Manf. by J. C. Grant Mfg. Co., St. Louis.
.....Contains Alum
Manf. by Morehouse Mfg. Co., Savannah.
EGG .....Contains Alum
Manf by Egg Baking Powder Co., New York.

In addition to these, many grocers sell what they call their own private or special brands. These powders are put up for the grocer, and his name put upon the labels by manufacturers of alum powders. The manufacturers, it is said, find their efforts to market their goods in this way greatly aided by the ambition of the grocer to sell a powder with his own name upon the label, especially as he can make an abnormal profit upon it. Many grocers, doubtless, do not know that the powders they are thus pushing are alum powders, the sale of which would be a misdemeanor under the law referred to.

It is quite impossible to give the names of all the alum baking powders. They are constantly appearing in all sorts of disguises, under different names and at all kinds of prices, even as low as five and ten cents a pound. They can be avoided, however, by the housekeeper who will bear in mind that all baking powders sold at twenty-five cents or less per pound are liable to contain alum, as pure cream of tartar powders can not be produced at anything like this price.

Sunday-School Year-Book of the Mississippi Conference.

The second Sunday-school Year Book of the Mississippi Conference was recently published. Over fourteen hundred copies of the book were printed, and one has been mailed to every presiding elder, pastor and Sunday-school superintendent in the Conference whose name and address could be secured. If anyone has failed to get the copy sent him, another will be furnished on notification to that effect. The Sunday-school Board still has a good number of the books on hand, and will send a copy to every Sunday-school teacher in the Conference who will send us his name and address, inclosing a two cent stamp. Pastors and superintendents might forward lists of their teachers, with the necessary postage.

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The "Second Year-Book" of the Mississippi Conference Sunday-school Board has been from the press some weeks. It is a neat pamphlet of seventy-six pages, edited by Rev. D. Scarborough, one of the younger members of the Mississippi Conference. It contains useful information as to Sunday-school work in general, and especially as to the work in the Mississippi Conference. It can be secured for teachers by sending stamps to pay for postage—two cents per copy. Address "Rev. D Scarborough, Forest, Miss."

In the Year-Book report upon Children's Day collection the Hattiesburg school leads with $25.25, Oak Ridge's $20 57 being second

The Mississippi Conference Sunday-school Board has this year been doing a good work in assisting schools to obtain libraries and Sunday-school Magazines by paying half where the school would raise the other half. But Rev. W. T. Griffin, chairman of the Board, writes, "We will be compelled to close our proposition until the Board receives more of the Children's Day money." Pastors and school officers have no right to hold this fund until the Annual Conference, but should forward it at once, and let it do the work for which, in the hands of the Sunday-school Board, it is intended. The children made this money, and the Discipline directs that it be forwarded, and not kept in any man's pocket or safe.

The Madisonville Leaguers have paid the amount that was asked from them for the Jackson district parsonage.

Among the workers of Mississippi is Miss Mabel Coker, of Mannsdale. She is secretary of the Madison County Sunday-school Convention, and chief among the young spirits of the old Livingston Church, which is now a part of the Flora charge. Miss Coker's home is near Annandale, or the Helen Johnson Mansion, which, in ante-bellum days, was probably the finest country residence in the State—the scene of some tragic incidents that have been made the subject of romance.

For the next two months this column will be devoted more especially to the literary department. Let workers write to the associate editor at Madison what is going on among them in this branch of the League.

We have received an invitation to a "Measuring Party," given under the auspices of the Epworth League and Home Mission Society of Canton. The associate editor for Mississippi will appreciate it if all the Leagues of Mississippi will send to him occasionally, at Madison, copies of programs, notices of special services, or anything of the kind. It helps him to understand what is going on, giving information that the editor of such a column as this should have.

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MARRIAGES.

BRUCE LORD.—Near Hermanville, Miss., July 12, 1899, by Rev. A. D. Miller, Mr. Willie Bruce and Miss Nannie Lord, all of Claiborne county, Miss.

SMITH DAVENPORT.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Hermanville, Miss., Sept. 12, 1899, by Rev. A. D. Miller, Mr. T. M. Smith and Miss Annie Davenport.

LOVERN—WILLIAMS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Center, Attala county, Miss., Sept 17 1899 by Rev. Irvin Miller, Mr. W. J. Lovern, of Gray, Leake county, Miss., to Miss Mabel Williams.

Camp Meeting Calendar.

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The crossing-sweeper that cozy chair
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A boy has no business to ever be tired
The beautiful grass and flowers that bloom
On the floor of the dainty bed and delicate room
Are not made to walk on—at least, not by boys.
The door is no place, anyway, for their noise.
Yet boys must walk somewhere, and what if their feet,
Sent out of our houses, sent into the street,
Should step round the corner and pause at the door
Where other boys' feet have paused often before;
Should pass through the gateway of glittering light,
Where jokes that are merry and songs that are bright
Ring out a warm welcome with flattering voice,
And tempting say: "Here's a place for the boys!"
Ah, what if they should! What if your boy or mine
Should cross o'er the threshold which marks out the line
'Twixt virtue and vice, 'twixt pureness and sin,
And leave all his innocent boyhood within!
Oh, what if they were! Just as you and I,
While the days, and the months, and the years hurry by,
Are too busy with cares and with life's fleeting joys
To make room out in the home a place for the boys!
To make room out in the home a place for the boys!
There's a place for the boys. They will find it somewhere.
And home's own homes are too daintily fair
For the touch of dear fingers, the treat of their feet.
They'll find it, and find it, alas! in the street,
In the glimpses of sin and the glitter of vice;
And with heartaches and longings we pay a dear price.
For the getting of gain that our life-time employs,
If we fail to provide a place for the boys.

—Selected.

COMMON SENSE.

The Chinese have had a manufactory of glass for two thousand years; they have made paper from the bamboo from time immemorial, and they invented printing in the time of Julius Cæsar. The use of gun-powder they possessed beyond all memory, but they employed it only in ornamental fireworks. They have been great observers of the heavens, and proficients in astronomy from time immemorial. They were acquainted with the compass, but only as a matter of curiosity, never applying it to navigation.

A practical man not only sees, but seizes the opportunity. There is a certain getting-on quality difficult to describe, but which is the great winner of the prizes of life. Napoleon could do anything in the art of war with his own hands, even to the making of gunpowder. Paul was all things to all men, that he might save some. The palm is among the hardest and least yielding of all woods; yet, rather than be deprived of the rays of the life-giving sun in the dense forests of South America, it is said to turn into a creeper, and climb the nearest trunk to the light.

A good many people overlay their common-sense ideas with so many words that they never come to the light.

"If I send a man to examine a horse for me, I expect him to give me his points, and how many hairs he has in his tail," said Lincoln, when a pile of papers was handed him containing the report of a congressional committee appointed to examine a new gun, "I should want a new lease of life," said he, "to read all this."

"Science," says Holmes, "is a first-rate piece of furniture for a man's upper chamber, if he has common sense on the ground floor. But if a man hasn't got plenty of good, common sense, the more science he has the worse for his patient," and another author assures us that "a handful of common sense is worth a bushel of mere learning."—Success.

THE SIN OF WORRYING.

This is one of the commonest of sins. It also is one of the most reprehensible. Many to whom gross temptations present no attractions yield to this one almost without a struggle. It is wholly unreasonable and, when allowed to become a habit, it is full of torment. It spoils one's own peace and renders one a source of continual annoyance to others.

Worrying is fretting because matters have gone wrong or are supposed to be destined to go wrong. If the former be true, worrying does no good, even when we are conscious of having been in fault. Go to work bravely and remedy what is amiss, so far as possible, and what can not be remedied bear with Christian patience and courage. If the latter be true, do not assume that the threatening evil must befall, but do your best to prevent or lessen it, and remember that God allows evil as well as good to happen, that seeming evil often results in blessing, and that, should the worst come, probably in time you will find reason to thank God for it.—Congregationalist.

WISE WORDS.

Among the wisest words ever spoken by Mr. Moody were those spoken at his mother's funeral, when he told how this good Christian woman made her boys go to church regularly.

"And it did not turn us against going to church," said Mr. Moody. "It seldom does, any more than sending boys and girls to school turns them against education, or requiring them to practice on the piano turns them against music."

There is a good deal of foolish sentiment on this subject of "turning children against church-going." About the surest way to do that is to turn them over to their own devices on Sunday until they are past the age when habits are easily formed. They will be turned against church-going pretty effectually by that time.

"Train up a child in the way that he should go," is old-fashioned advice; but somehow the moderns have conspicuously failed in their efforts to improve upon it.—Exchange.

THE "SMALL GRACES" OF LIFE.

Young men should not get the idea that to know the "small graces of life" is useless or frivolous. What we call the "social graces" are very valuable to a young man. That is the great trouble with young fellows who are earnest: they are too earnest, and upon all occasions. They can have a high aim in life, a lofty purpose, and yet not close themselves up to all social pleasures or amenities. Girls feel uncomfortable, and pardonably so, when they go to a concert or any other form of entertainment with a young man who constantly makes mistakes in little things. The small rules and laws which must be observed on all social occasions are not to be frowned down; they are important, and a young fellow makes a great mistake when he considers them beneath him or unworthy of his attention.—Ladies' Home Journal.

DO NOT REFUSE THE OFFER

Never should the mother, through that foolish desire to keep her child as long as possible dependent upon her, or that worse pride which would show itself to be self-sufficient, refuse the proffered help of her child. If she is doing something in which, from the nature of things, he can not share, let her be careful to substitute some other loving service while declining the one proffered, remembering that love, turned away, nourishes selfishness, and proffered help refused begets illness. She may have to say, "No, dear, you can not help to dress the baby," but she can add, "You may hand mamma the clothes."—Elizabeth Harrison.

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REAL HEROISM.

It is nobler far to do the most commonplace duty in the house, field, or behind the counter, with a single eye to duty—simply because it must be done—nobler far, I say, than to go out of your way to attempt a brilliant deed with a double mind, and saying to yourself not only, "This will be a brilliant deed," but also, "and it will pay me, or raise me, or set me off, into the bargain." Heroism knows no "into the bargain."—Charles Kingsley.

Everyone can do something to add to the social life at the table. If one can not talk, he can listen or ask questions, and draw out others who can talk. Good listeners are as necessary as good talkers. Never argue at the table, but tell pleasant stories, relate or read anecdotes, and look out for the good of all. Sometimes a single anecdote from a paper starts a conversation that lasts during the entire meal time. A family table ought to be bright and cheerful; a sort of domestic altar, before which everyone casts down his or her offering, great or small, of pleasantness and peace; where, for at least a brief space in the day, all annoyances are laid aside, all stormy tempers hushed, all brief disputes healed; everyone being glad and content to sit down at the same board and eat the same bread and salt, making it, whether it were a rich repast or a dinner of herbs, equally a joyful meal. It is unpardonable for anyone to sit glum and silent at the table, taking no part in the conversation, showing no interest in the good cheer, even casting a shadow on the gladness.—Forward.

Keep your sorrows to yourself. They are too sacred to be put on exhibition. The world is very busy with its own affairs, and, instead of sympathizing with you, will simply laugh at you for being weak enough to indulge in moans and outcries. There is dignity in reticence. If you must talk, let it be only to the chosen ones of your heart. Some things ought never to be mentioned to a human soul. Over all family differences and misunderstandings a veil of absolute secrecy should be thrown. The man who opens his lips to speak a word about his wife's shortcomings deserves contempt; and the wife who is so thoughtless as to subtract by her careless speech from her husband's reputation is not to be praised.—Nashville Advocate.

Hygiene.

HOW MUCH TO SLEEP.

Some one says of sleep: "Six hours for a man, seven for a woman and eight for a fool," but there never was a more misleading statement. The amount of sleep one needs depends on the amount of mental work he does while awake. Men whose brains are never busy can get along with five or six hours' sleep a day, even though their hands are employed during the waking hours; but the mental worker must have more, or go crazy. To attempt to imitate Napoleon, who, it is said, could get along with four or five hours' sleep, will drive an ordinary man into an insane asylum before the end of a year. At any rate, those who quote Napoleon so glibly fail to inform us that he died when a little past fifty. A prominent nerve specialist of Philadelphia said, recently: "It is not over-work that kills, but under-sleep."

As soon as the writer says that night is the time which nature utilizes for the growth of plants and animals; children grow more rapidly during the night. In the day time the system is kept busy disposing of the wastes consequent upon activity, but while asleep the system is free to extend its operations beyond the mere replacing of worn-out particles; hence the rapid growth.—Exchange.

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A mother should not live for her children, but with them. She should keep abreast of the times in reading, and enter into the better brain life of her little ones, leading them up step by step, instead of lagging behind them and considered by them to be more of a servant than companion. Most men who have achieved greatness in the eyes of the world give to their mothers the credit for their start and stimulus.—Selected.

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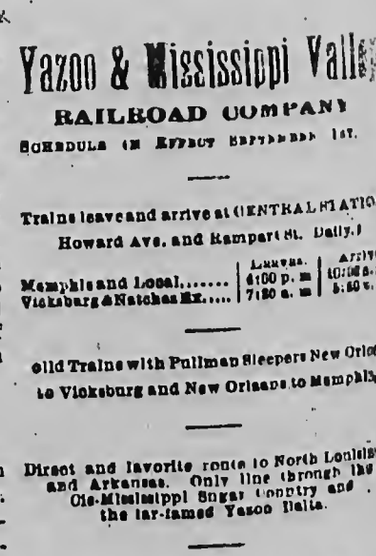

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For two months she was very sick at the residence of her son-in-law, D. L. W. Magruder. Here she was tenderly nursed by her two daughters, Mrs. Mary Walker Magruder and Mrs. Phebe Barton Simrall, while all that medical skill could suggest was done to relieve her suffering.

She was twice married—first at the age of sixteen to Judge Walker, a man honored for his ability and his saintly life. About the year 1836 he died, leaving four sons and a daughter. One of her sons, Judge Douglas Walker, was a young man of unusual intellectual attainments, and was cut off in the midst of a brilliant legal career. In 1849 my aunt was married to Mr. Barton, a gentleman from New York, who lived only about a year afterwards.

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CLARA M. DRAKE.

SMITH—Mrs. N. A. B. SMITH (nee Coy) was born in Union district (county), S. C., May 18, 1833; married to R. B. Smith, Nov. 20, 1855, and moved at once to Marshall county, Miss., where they lived about three years, and then moved to Lafayette county, and settled in the neighborhood of Liberty Church, where they lived continuously more than forty years. She was the mother of six children, two of whom preceded her to the other shore. Of the four who survive her, one is our brother, Rev. J. H. Smith, of the North Mississippi Conference.

Sister Smith joined the Protestant Methodist Church at Liberty with her husband in 1853; then came to the M. E. Church, South, when the union of the two churches took place in Mississippi about 1858, and died Aug. 5 1899. Thus developed and thus ended a beautiful and useful Christian life.

Sister Smith was a woman of more than average intelligence and cultivation. Part of her early married life was spent teaching in the community where she lived so long. Some of her neighbors at the time of her death, who were her pupils, speak of her good influence in the school-room, where she labored faithfully to elevate all who were committed to her care. As a mother, she was devoted and untiring in her efforts to raise her children in the ways of usefulness. When her preacher-boy was about to leave the parental home to become an itinerant preacher, with a Christian mother's love she said: "My son, you may be sure that on each Sabbath day, at the usual hours for preaching, I shall bow at the throne of grace praying for your success." Via telegram during her last illness, she told him that she had faithfully observed the promise, as the weeks had come and gone, through the eighteen years of his itinerating from place to place. She loved the church, and nothing but disability or affection kept her away from public worship. It was one of those tests that her pastor always yielded with profit to himself. Her consecration was an encouragement in the Christian life to all who were about her. With strong faith she was ever ready to quote some passage from the Bible for the comfort of those who were sad or disheartened. Her last illness was long and severe, prostrating once all the vital forces, but during the whole of the time she was patient and resigned. Her last words were, "Jesus is precious to me." Thus she fell asleep in Jesus.

A. W. LANGLEY

PARKER—KIRKLAND, daughter of J. W. and Mary Gill Parker, of Carson, Miss., was born March 24, 1895, and died Sept. 9, 1899, aged four years, five months, and four days.

The impression she left behind was, for the most part, one of sunshine. Even when she was ill, her appointed station. All hearts were drawn to her by an irresistible and mysterious attraction. The seat of immortality is not for the aged alone, and our hearts told us that, ere long, the gentle shepherd would fold her in his loving arms; yet how the fond parents would get or fresh hope when in the first pangs of separation, even in weakness, would fill the house with sweetest music all day long. Months beyond her years, however, there was something which told us she was just lingering on life's borderland, that she was not over too frail for earth's wintry blasts, and that God would gather it while its fragrance was sweetest, and so, when the young life was gone and the snowy hands were folded over the quiet breast, the watchers say, through billowing tears a heavenly smile came to that sweet face, and they knew an balmy-mouthed angels sunbright time. We thank God for lending her to us. May he comfort the stricken parents, and may all of us who loved her so follow on to meet her beyond!

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MRS. REV. J. H. PARKER.

Greenville, Miss.

CAUSEY—Mrs. [illegible] Causey, daughter of Rev. [illegible] Sherrill, K. County, was born in Petersburg, Pa., on July 31st, 1874, and died in Exeter, Wis., Aug. 27 1899. She was happily married in 8 months, [illegible] to Mr. J. D. Causey, a prominent merchant of Exeter, who, for one short year she was permitted to gladden with the endearments of her presence. But, oh! just when especially she was most needed, God took her to himself.

When about seven years of age Sister Causey was very ill, and joined the Methodist Church at Pine Grove Camp Meeting, her membership being held at Forestown until her removal to Exeter. Modest and retiring in disposition, gentle, unselfish and generous-hearted, she was intellectual and lovable character, and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Consistent in life and faithful in duty, she has left behind a most beautiful example. Her aged parents, two sisters, five brothers and her husband remain to mourn her loss, their grief being shared by a large number of sympathizing friends.

Sister Causey left a little babe about two weeks old and also four devoted step-children. Believing that her dear sister is "asleep in Jesus," our grief is not hopeless.

M. M. BLACK.

MCCLAIN—MARTHA L. MCCLAIN, wife of Mr. David L. McClain, who lives north of Carrollton, in Carroll county, died Aug. 31, 1899, after a very painful sickness. She was fifty-eight years eleven months and twenty-six days old. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn their loss. One child has preceded her by several years to the spirit world.

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W. M. YOUNG, Pastor.

CHRISTMAS—NORMA MARIE, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Christmas, of Natchez, Miss., was born March 1, 1893, and died Aug. 12, 1899. Though little Norma lived but a few short months, yet so sweet and attractive was she in her little unselfishness that her father and mother could hardly have loved her more tenderly and she been spared to us many years. "Safely the arms of Jesus fold her in resting, until one sweet day of waking when eyes shall behold her risen glory. May God graciously comfort the sorrowing parents, and help them so live as to meet their precious babe in the home beyond the skies!

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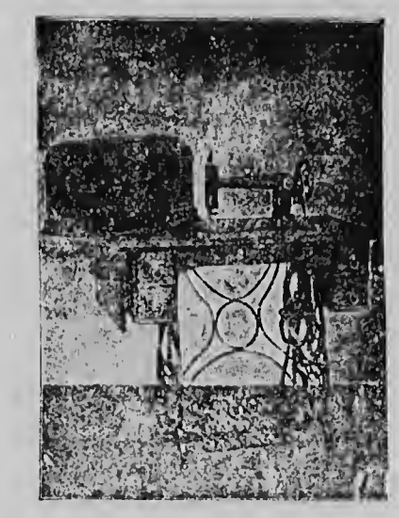

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The commission for the execution of the Gladstone statue to be erected in Glasgow has been given to William Hamo Thornycroft, R. A. The statue is to cost $17,500.

The workmen of Havana have held a mass meeting, at which about 5000 were present. Inflammatory speeches were made in favor of a general strike to secure an eight-hour day.

Owing to the famine in Russia horses are selling for 60 cents. The destitute peasants have sold many thousands of good and sound horses and excellent milch cows at an average price of $2 50 each.

Brigadier-General Ludlow, military governor of Havana, has submitted a report to the War Department covering the work of the past year, with recommendations for some changes in the present system.

Patrick Smith was a laborer in Paterson, N. J., until two years ago, when he inherited a fortune of $45,000 Day before yesterday he paid out the last dollar of this as a fine for being drunk and disorderly.

The Navy Department has finally determined to adopt the army rifle, known as the Krag-Jorgensen, as a substitute for the Lee-Medford straight-pull gun of 6 milimeters caliber, which has been the small arm in use for some years past.

Out of 2,186,800,000 letters which passed through the British postoffice last year, 8,500,000 were so illegibly addressed that they could not be delivered. When opened at the dead letter office property of various kinds (including money) to the value of $3,600,000 was found in them.

Spain has announced that she will no longer pay the interest on the Cuban debt. That announcement means that the Spanish Government has repudiated the debt. This repudiation would be of small interest, except to the unfortunate bondholders, had it not been coupled with the statement by Spain that the bondholders should now look to the possessors of Cuba for their money.

It is reported that the insurgents have captured the United States gunboat "Urdaneta" in the Orani river, on the northwest side of Manila Bay, where she was patrolling. One officer and nine of her crew are missing. The United States gunboat "Petrel," sent to investigate the matter, has returned, and reports the "Urdaneta" beached opposite the town of Orani on the Orani. She was riddled with bullets and burned.

Congressman R. B. Hawley, representing American capitalists, has purchased the Tinguaro sugar estate, one of the largest in Cuba, in the province of Matanzas. The estate includes 20,000 acres, which, with other large properties along the south coast that Mr. Hawley is arranging for, will, it is expected, produce 100,000,000 pounds of sugar A large part of the land purchased is virgin soil, upon which $1 500,000 will be expended, including the cost of the improvements.

The British Cabinet met on last Friday, and is understood to have considered President Kruger's reply to the note drafted by the previous Cabinet meeting. It has not yet transpired what actually resulted from the meeting, and there is no indication that any further communication was sent to the Transvaal Government. The general belief is that nothing was done in the way of drafting new proposals, and, publicly, nothing is to be done to precipitate a war, but, secretly, every preparation is to be hurried to inaugurate a vigorous campaign later on.

Never at any stage of the Transvaal crisis have peace or war rested so entirely within the hands of President Kruger. The longer he delays precipitating a definite issue the better are the chances for peace He now knows to what extent he can rely on sections of South Africa to uphold him. He realizes that the British will, if possible, avoid a conflict until the last transport lands her men, and he is too wily a leader not to know the military advantage that comes to the aggressor. His appeals to the foreign powers to intervene have apparently been hopeless, but his efforts to drag in the Orange Free State have been successful, and if he honestly intends to defy Great Britain, he will never have a better opportunity.

Admiral Dewey is expected to arrive on the afternoon of Thursday, Sept. 28, in New York City. On that date Admiral Sampson, who is officially the hero of the Santiago victory, will turn over to him the command of the North Atlantic squadron. On Friday, Sept. 29, will occur the great naval parade, in which hundreds of vessels, including warships, torpedo boats, excursion steamers and steam yachts, will take part. On Saturday, the thirtieth instant, there will be the great land parade, which is to be the crowning glory of the demonstration. In that parade the crew of the "Olympia" will march at the head of the column, and the sailors and marines of the North Atlantic squadron will follow. The regular army, the New York National Guard and the State troops of a number of States will also participate in the parade.

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Satartia, at Mount Olivet	18, 19
Flora	Thurs.. 23
Port Gibson	26
Hermanville	26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed.. 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs.. 30
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Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Zion	7
Pleasant Grove, at Pleasant Grove	11, 12
Tylertown, at ——	18, 19
Caseyville, at ——	25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M.. 29
Gallman, at Gallman	Thurs., 11 A. M. 30
Hazlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M.. 30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec. 2, 3
Wesson	3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia	Wed.. 6
Bogue Chitto at Bogue Chitto	Thurs. 7
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Belen	22, 23
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Tunica	6
Lula	10
McLemore	11, 12
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Gunnison	19, 20
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Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville	8
Florien, at Holly Grove	11, 12
Wesley, at Wesley	15
Pelican, at Bethel	18, 19
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	23
Zwolle, at Red Land	25, 26
Red River, at ——	29
Coushatta, at Coushatta	30
Mansfield	Dec. 3

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Port Vincent, at Payou Barbary	30, Oct. 1
Baton Rouge and Antioch, at Antioch	7, 8
Baton Rouge	8, 9
Baker, at Black Water	14, 15
Zachary	15, 16
Ponchatoula at James Chapel	21, 22
Live Oak, at Friendship	21
Pine Grove, at Kildan Chapel	28, 29
Arolie City, at Arolie City	29, 30
Franklinton, at Mt Hermon	Nov. 1, 2
East Feliciana, at Clear Creek	4, 5
St. Helena, at Darlington	11, 12
Wilson, at Manassas	18, 19
Clinton, at ——	19, 20
Slaughter, at Fibel	25, 26
St Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec. 2, 3
Jackson	3

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Calhoun, at Calhoun	30, Oct. 1
Liston and Summerfield	7, 8
Sims Grove, at New Hope	14, 15
Dawsonville, at Hightowers	15
Canton, preaching at night	16
Reston	Conference.. 16
Vernon, at New Prospect	17
Gingland at Foster's Chapel	21, 22
Homer, at ——	preaching at night 22
Hemp, at ——	Conference.. 23
Farmerville, at Ebenezer	28, 29
Bonville	Nov. 4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove	10
Haynesville, at New Salem	11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night	12
Jones Ble, at Lonesville	18, 19
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	25
Minden	25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville	29
Arcadia at Arcadia	Dec. 2 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter

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ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lecompte and White C, at Lecompte	
11 A. M and 7:30 P M	Sept. 28
Chicot and Washington, at Chicot	30, Oct 1
Bunkie and Marksville, at Bunkie	11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. 3
Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Melville	7:30 P M.. 4
11 A. M and 7:30 P. M.	5
Simsport, at Simsport	7, 8
Ada and Winfield, at W	7:30 P. M.. 11
11 A M	12
Otis and Pollock, at P	14, 15
Pineville, at Palestine	21, 22
Jena and Jonesville, at French Fork	28, 29
Spring Creek, at Spring Creek	Nov. 4, 5
Dry Creek, at ——	7:30 P. M.. 7
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	8
Natchitoches, at ——	11, 12
Boyce, at Boyce	11 A M. and 7:30 P M. 14
Montgomery and Colfax, at ——	18, 19
Alexandria	25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec. 2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

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NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Algiers	Oct. 1
Parker Memorial	11 o'clock A M.. 8
Felicity Street	7:30 P M.. 8
Louisiana Avenue	11 o'clock A. M.. 15
Tchoupitoulas Mission	7 30 P. M.. 15
Lower Coast	22
Dryades Street	11 o'clock A M.. 29
Rayne Memorial	7 30 P. M.. 29
Plaquemine	Nov. 5
White Castle	12
Burgund Street	19
Covington	28
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M.. Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7:30 P. M.. 3

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NOT FOR ME.

BY MARIANNE FARNINGHAM.

Blessings I can not count—a host—
About my path I see
Yet some things that I wish for most
Are not for me.

Shall I, then, sigh away my days
In fretful discontent?
Nay, but resigned, in happy praise
Shall they be spent.

Youth's vivid hopes and thrilling dreams,
Its springtide and its glee,
Its merry mounts and rushing streams,
Are not for me.

But I will love the quiet vales
And slopes of sunny lands,
And to the duty that prevails
Will put my hands.

Wealth brings no treasures to my feet
For me to use and give;
But air and light and flowers are sweet
To those who live.

And fame and influence and power,
High service, noble deeds,
Are not for me; yet I each hour
Can sow good seeds.

And while strong faith and love are mine,
To God I leave the rest;
He chooses where his light shall shine,
And he knows best.

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Communications.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The soil of our North Mississippi ritory seems to be losing its tility, so far as the production of eachers is concerned. The time when we grew enough preachers upply our own needs and some uable men for the far West. This not true of this territory now. are short of men for our own rk, and the prospect is that we l be shorter of preachers next than we are this year. We have twenty-three charges sup- d by local preachers. It is cur- ly reported that one or two of preachers will ask for a location Fall, and one or two will trans- and one or two have died—say in all. There may be some who have to ask for one or the other tions of rest known to our econ- y. From the best information at hand we will not have as y men coming in as will go out. is is a serious matter. It ought be pondered seriously. Is the rch losing its preacher-producing er, or has God ceased to call men e ministry from this territory? This matter has been talked over ome of our "kitchen cabinets," the present state of affairs has n accounted for in various ways. e say that our North Mississippi thodists in some sections are so and backward in the matter of port that young men are discour- d from entering the ministry. e who enter soon transfer to r Conferences where the support tter. This should be carefully sidered.

here say the farms have been ded up, and the method of inten- farming adopted until we have ed out a good large class of uable farmers. They say the is too poor in some sections to d a living from a few acres. is matter for reflection in this of the case. What the soil s in fertility will have to be e up in breadth of acreage. It evident that we ought to have e farmers, or fewer farms.

till others say the door of our ference is being too closely ded; that we are turning away, iscouraging, a fine class of young who would be useful in the istry. The standard of require- t is too high and the examina- too rigid. The standard pted by the church is higher than ed to be, and the law is rigid, but e think the administration ought flexible. It is urged that we fine young men out of the Con nce, and then use them to supply ges that we are not able to fill regular itinerants. We reject , or hold up their applications dmission on trial, and then turn d and use them for itinerant

Some say well-educated young men will not go nor stay in some sections of our Conference, and if they were to go and stay, they would not be largely useful. The margin between them and their people would be too great for the pleasant and profitable communion of saints. This trouble, it is readily admitted, would be greater on the part of the people than on the part of the preachers. It is urged that the preacher must be one of the people, and also one with the people he serves. There is sense and weight in this opinion. There are some who firmly believe that, for some years to come, we will need a good, large class of common men to serve the large number of common people we have. For this reason they believe we are turning away many preachers who would be wonderfully useful to the church. This view is supported by the fact that some of our most acceptable and useful pastors are local preachers who failed to pass the examination before the Committee for Admission on Trial. They were not admitted on trial, but they have made full proof of their ministry, all the same. They have shown themselves to be workmen of whom the church need not be ashamed.

In all this talk no one has uttered a word against a better-educated and more highly cultivated ministry. The only thought has been that the too rigid administration of a good law has tended to cut off too fast a much-needed supply of preachers.

These are some of the ways in which the present state of affairs is accounted for by good and true men, both lay and clerical, in our bounds.

GILDEROY.

Sept. 21, 1899.

Correspondence.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Only one charge remains to be visited to complete the third "round"—Natchitoches. To report all the charges in detail would spin out this yarn to too great a length; hence a general summary will be given at present.

First, the bad side of affairs; the better last. There is not a "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" reported in the district. There is but one "Woman's Home Mission Society" reported in a membership of more than 3,000. These facts are greatly to be deplored, especially the last. The absence of these societies are, I think, largely tributary to the poorly-kept and poorly-supplied condition of our parsonages. To lay blame anywhere without a full investigation would be hyper-critical, if not unjust; but there are two well-known facts in this connection, viz: (1) Many of our pastors lay no stress on the importance of these organizations. (2) Many communities of our women fail to keep such societies running after they are organized.

The doctrine of parsonages among our people seems to be about this: Have a shelter for the preacher, and supply it so as to keep the family from suffering. If it becomes old and "rickety," and the furniture be broken and unsightly, remember that age is venerable. If things get any worse, then blame the pastor and his wife and children for the condition of things. They've lived in and used it; let them care for it. This, in part, is the church's creed. The ministerial creed runs somewhat after this sort: Make out with it till Conference. If the gate hinges break, if the blinds fall off, if another light is broken, if the garden pickets fall off, if the cow eats the shrubbery or destroys the fruit trees, if the bugs infest the premises, if the floors get greasy and the stove rusts, why, it will be in keeping with everything else, and makes no difference.

These two creeds should be revited and consolidated. The people should see to it that the parsonage be a home, and that it furnishes the means of home comforts. Then the occupants of it should see that there be no abuse of that home, and little contributions to its facilities for comfort from time to time. An ornamental shrub, a cutting from a fancy fig tree, a young peach, pear or plum scion planted now and then, cost no money and very little labor. The results are immense both in appearance and comfort.

It must not be supposed that all the parsonages in the district are neglected. Boyce, Lecompte, Bunkie and Melville have all made great improvements during the year, Melville having built a new and very pretty parsonage this year.

If we just had a live "Woman's Home Mission Society" located around each of these parsonages—and all others—there might be equality. It is true that there exists in most places a "Ladies' Aid Society," but it is equally true that this useful organization has no recognition in our economy, but has taken the place of the W. H. M. Society without doing all its work.

Another bad side of our affairs is found in the fact that there is not an Epworth League in the district. This, however, is not so much to be deplored, unless the thing can be better managed here than in some other places. The tendency seems to be to substitute the League services for the church services, and if this is to follow, better far have no Leagues. This is not a necessity of the League. There are great possibilities for regular church work in a well-organized League; many ways by which to co-operate with and greatly assist a pastor. Every pastor has not tact to do this, but everyone should try it. A failure may be honorable and divinely acceptable. "She hath done what she could." "It is required of a man according to that which he hath, and not according to that he hath not."

There are some better things than these vacancies. If the preachers push their collections till Conference as vigorously as most of them have been doing, we will more than double our collections this year, as compared with last year. The statistical reports so far are most encouraging. Revivals have been enjoyed in many places, and in some instances they have been of unusual power. One thing is noticeable in all the meetings attended by the presiding elder (and since May 1 he has preached 108 times). There has been less excitement—more calm religious deliberation—than ever before noticed in revival meetings. Men seem to renounce their sins—"cease to do evil, learn to do well; seek peace, and pursue it"—and trust in the Lord Jesus for salvation. None of the rantings in the trial at Carmel have been witnessed anywhere, and but little of shouting heard as on the entry into Jerusalem; still the work seems to abide, and the converts are helpful.

I desire to say right here that, without an exception known to myself (and I think I am informed fully), the pastors who have helped one another have been far more successful in winning souls than evangelists have been as helpers.

Pineville and Montgomery and Colfax still lead in paying the "beloved" "in full to date."

J. A. PARKER.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

The third round is closed, and the fourth begins next Saturday. Filling the presiding elder's office, with all its labors and cares, would be more agreeable to me if all stewards would be as faithful as a few are. But for that faithful few the wheels of our itinerancy would be looked.

Inadequately paid ministers can scarcely do their best work. Too much serving of tables is not favorable to that study of the Word and prayer which are necessary to a successful ministry.

Our finances this year are, however, not behind our average heretofore. Hard times affect church finances less than one would expect, which shows the genuineness and constancy of the Christianity of a goodly number of our members. They support the church when money is scarce.

Pastors have been diligent in their regular work, and have held revival services in their several charges. Almost every one reports gratifying results. Of two good camp meetings and a delightful District Conference mention has already been made in this ADVOCATE.

Some of our ministers have suffered severe affliction during the year. Bro. Witt and wife have buried a dear little child, and Bro. and Sister Hull lament the death of their oldest son, a bright boy of nine years. Bro. Sibley, at Meadville, with his wife, nursed a perishing infant for three long months, only to see it die at last, and then, in a short time, the wife and mother herself, after a week's illness, followed her infant to the grave. The three motherless children have been taken to their maternal grandparents, leaving Bro. Sibley to preach to his people, we hope, with that strong power which God gives only to those who suffer. Others of us have suffered lighter afflictions, which, we trust, will work for our good.

I have missed but one quarterly meeting, and that was on account of the illness of my wife. In my preaching I have endeavored to emphasize duly (a most difficult undertaking) the more important themes and duties of our religion. Of course, the claims of the Twentieth Century Educational collection, and of missions, and of the Conference claimants, and the rest, have not been overlooked. I have exhorted all my preachers to be diligent in bringing up all the assessments on their charges. (No charge in the district, so far as I know, has done enough for any of these causes to deserve special mention in the public prints; hence I have reported nothing for publication.)

I have insisted that men are saved only by a working faith, obedience to God's commandments, repudiating the doctrine of the insusceptibility of grace (once in grace, always in grace); that men are so safe in Christ that, do what they may or will, they will be saved in spite of all if they once believe in Christ. This dangerous heresy I have denounced as utterly unscriptural. I find skepticism and error fostered by some who ought to be teachers of truth. The heathen of old, finding it inconvenient to serve the true God, invented gods who should serve them; so modern infidels, desiring a god after their own heart, have mutilated the God of the Bible, amputating his attributes to make a god to suit themselves; but their inventions will not stand. In spite of all their theories, "God is angry with the wicked every day," and "hates all workers of iniquity," and will punish here and hereafter all who knowingly disobey his will. Yellow fever and all other calamities come upon us because of our flagrant Sabbath-breaking and our multitudinous other sins. I must continue to proclaim the "vengeance of our God" till the people hear, heed, repent and obey that Savior who said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments."

For two succeeding years I have been arrested in my work on the district about the close of the third round, and now, for the third time, the alarming reports of yellow fever and of quarantines threaten to prevent my further visitations on the district. Let us call upon the Lord. He only can stay the plague and avert calamity from our guilty land.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

AN AUDITING BOARD FOR CONFERENCE.

During the attendance of the last session of the Louisiana Conference I could not help but note the confusion existing from the preachers trying to find the various committees for the reception of funds. I thought of the Auditing Board used in the Texas Conferences, and I suggest that we have the same here. A Board of three is appointed to receive all moneys, check up each preacher, hand the reports to the statistical secretaries, and let every report be in by the second day. The advantages are as follows: All reports and moneys correspond; every report is verified; a great deal of confusion is averted; a considerable time is saved in announcing the meeting-places of various Boards.

H. W. BOWMAN.

RUSTON, LA.

MR. EDITOR: A sojourn at the delightful home-town of Ruston has been very enjoyable to the writer. On the route from Pearl river, via Meridian, I found many things to interest and give food for thoughts which I fully intended to jot down for the dear old ADVOCATE and its thousands of readers; but time has run on, and now the leaves are falling, and yet I linger, loth to leave the loved ones here and this pretty place. Visiting the Chautauqua, meeting old and new friends, going to church, and visiting, has occupied the time and made it seem short.

At the Chautauqua I met Rev. W. F. Henderson, of Homer, La., and Bro. W. A. Clarke, his brother-in-law. Had seen Bro. Clarke before, and having him and Bro. Henderson to dine with us at my son-in-law's, Mr. J. C. H. McKinney, was a great pleasure, but they, being in haste to catch the train, hurried away. Here at Ruston dear old Bros. Wright and White are still like their blessed Master—"going about doing good." Though laid on the shelf, as it were, they do not sit on it and repine, but find many niches to fill in the grand temple service, and some chance to give the enemy of souls, whom they have fought so long, an effective blow. Since Aug. 1 they, with Prof. C. Carson, have preached for Bro. Notestine, who had to take a rest. A letter from him, in the local paper, states that his health is much improved, and he is looking towards "that parsonage;" and his work, having enjoyed his rest, though now, as he says, "sighing for the flesh-pots of Ruston."

This place, with its fine graded public school and Industrial College, besides other schools, offers many inducements to parents who wish to educate their children at home. There are but few houses to rent, but many vacant lots stare at strangers, and make them wonder why they are not built up or sold to new-comers. There are no saloons, and it seems to be almost an ideal place for quiet, sweet homes. The farming lands in the vicinity seem to be all that a farmer calls for. The drouth has affected them unfavorably this year. There are three churches—the Methodist, Presbyterian, and Baptist. The last two are at present without pastors. The W. C. T. U. have a branch society, and held a public meeting at the Methodist Church last Sunday night. Dr. Amanda Taylor, the president, read a very interesting and exhaustive speech on the use of "Alcohol in Medicine." She proved, by many citations of facts and figures, that it was entirely unnecessary, and that it did more harm than good, and made drunkards of men and women that never would have used it in any other way. Mrs. H. Pitts read a paper explanatory of the general work of the W. C. T. U., emphasizing all the particular phases of each division. Prof. Carson followed by a very edifying talk on the wider influences of the temperance cause by the individual efforts of those who lived up to the point of being temperate in all things. Music and songs interspersed between these talks and papers made the meeting quite enjoyable. There is a W. F. M. S. also, who are doing what they can to help on this good cause. I am sorry to say the Sunday-school of the Methodist Church did not impress one as being up to the full measure of its ability. There were scholars that had no teacher, and teachers that had no scholars. The literature came from different points, and the songs from the wrong point. Zeal in Sunday-school work is the pulse of the church. When I was young the Sunday-school marched in a body from the basement to the auditorium to hear the sermon. Now they march for the door in double-quick time the moment the bell is tapped, and away they go, who knows where?

The new railroad which is being built from Arkansas will open up new avenues of industry and bring new-comers, and great things will be looked for in this little city that sits on more hills than Rome ever heard of.

MRS. L. CRARY SADLER.

Ruston, La.

To the Pastors of the Jackson District, Mississippi Conference.

Our presiding elder, Rev. T. B. Holleman, is ready to devote much of his attention upon the last round to the cause of education. The Discipline places the presiding elder in charge of the services at a Quarterly Conference, but the pastor's co-operation and counsel are generally sought. You are earnestly urged to make the way clear for Bro. Holloman to present this cause. Please see to it that the names of members are enrolled in the "Twentieth Century Educational Fund" book sent you for that purpose last Spring, and after Bro. Holloman's sermon and appeal, have this roll called and receive responses, "One dollar," "Two dollars," "Ten dollars," etc., not neglecting to give non-members also an opportunity to subscribe. Brother pastor, you will be inclined, on account of the press of other matters, to postpone this, but you are entreated not to say "To-morrow." Get the subscriptions now, even if the collection of them wait. This is important.

H. G. HAWKINS,
Miss. Conf. Sec'y of Ed.

Selections.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE OPENED,

WITH ONE HUNDRED YOUNG MEN IN ATTENDANCE.

The eighth annual session of Millsaps College began this morning with one hundred pupils in attendance. The opening was a success in every particular, and much enthusiasm was evinced by the young students. Addresses appropriate to the occasion were delivered by President Murrah, Justice A. H. Whitfield, of the Supreme Court; Rev. R. W. Bailey, pastor of the First Methodist Church, and Bishop Charles B. Galloway.

All of the young men are comfortably settled in their quarters, and the work will now go forward with vim and energy. President Murrah announces that he will establish a quarantine around the college premises, and it will not be necessary at any time for the young men to expose themselves to the risk of infection.

The Board of Trustees and members of the faculty are highly pleased with the start that has been made, and they express the hope that the fever will disappear in a few days, and permit the other pupils to enter who have not yet reached the city.—Clarion-Ledger.

"What shall I do for Christ?" asked a young disciple of Bishop Selwyn. "Go where he is not, and take him with you," was the venerable Bishop's reply.—Exchange.

Communications.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

BY A PARSONAGE SUPPORTER.

In the ADVOCATE, of July 20, we have read "An Autobiography," purporting to have been written by "A Parsonage." It ought to stir emotions of pity in the heart of anyone to listen to such a tale of woe. Listen! Antiquated, dilapidated, neglected, with a long "existence" that has been "a disgrace to civilization and enlightened Christianity;" "uninhabitable to those of pride and respectability;" a constant disappointment to friends who have been few, etc. These are some of the self-acknowledged characteristics of this parsonage. I wonder that this existence has been allowed to continue so long, thus disgracing "civilization and enlightened Christianity," when it would be so easy to go out of existence and stop this disgrace.

But, since "Parsonage" seems to desire this existence prolonged, I hope to be pardoned, in the name of enlightened Christianity, for offering a few suggestions:

1 I think it would have been better to have placed your complaint in the hands of your present occupant, and have had him to prepare a full and free statement of your awful condition. Let such a statement reach the ears of those whose duty it is to see that you have (if any) a better existence, and if they find your complaint based on facts, and not on fancy or imagination, I believe they will help you out of your trouble.

2. Those knives bought at fifty cents per dozen in the long, long ago, were certainly very cheap. I doubt if they can be duplicated at that price now. I thought they used to be more costly than at the present time. Those must surely be the first you ever had, and the reason of their lasting so long must lie in the fact that some, at least, of your former occupants did not use them, having better ones of their own.

Not having heard complaint from you before concerning these things, it may be that many of those who should care for you now are in entire ignorance of your present difficulty. A little information at this point, judiciously circulated, and in the right spirit, among the membership of the charge where you are situated, would, in my opinion, bring much more and speedier relief to you than this burdening the columns of our dear old ADVOCATE with your long, sad complaint.

3 It seems to me that you are sadly in need of a Home Mission Society. This would, doubtless, make your necessities known. Suppose you remind your present occupant that our church recognizes and fosters such societies, and ask him to stir up the pure minds of the noble women around you in this direction. I believe we ought to have such a society at every place where we have a parsonage.

I would by no means excuse the neglect of which you complain; but if lack of information be the cause, let us be careful not to impute to anyone more blame than he deserves.

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THE IMPORTANCE OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

In many ways the church is striving to establish the kingdom of Christ in all the earth. She is sending out her missionaries and building churches everywhere. Millions are being spent annually for the salvation of men and for the redemption of the world from sin.

The church, for the accomplishment of her mission to the world, has many departments of church work, each of which has its relative importance. If any one department of church work be more important than another, that one should be most emphasized, and that emphasis should be expressed by the amount of money and men necessary to run it. If that be true, the assessments made upon any pastoral charge ought to express the importance of any department of church work for which the charge is assessed. The assessments for foreign missions and church extension show that the assessment for church extension is less than half the amount assessed for foreign missions. These assessments are made according to their relative importance, or, at least, should be. But the amount assessed for church extension is as important for that as the assessment for foreign missions is for that department; so that it is as necessary for each pastor to strive to bring up his assessments for church extension as for any other. Furthermore, no pastor has the right to "omnibus" his collections, and then disparage any one collection in favor of some other, though apparently to him more important.

While the importance of church extension is being more fully recognized, still its imperative necessity and absolute value to the permanent evangelization of the world is not sufficiently felt by even all our preachers. We have lost our hold in many localities for the lack of a suitable house of worship, or for lack of any at all. The only economical and sensible way to establish the church in any place, whether at home or abroad, is to send a preacher, and at the same time build him a house in which to preach. The house of worship is almost as important as the messenger. It would be well nigh impossible to hold our place in any community without a church building, and a much greater impossibility to establish ourselves in a new field without it. But once get a building erected there, we are almost sure to get a foothold, even in the most unpromising territory.

For years the Baptists of Yazoo City seemed to be in a dying condition. They owned a little brick building, which they held on to through thick and thin. This little church was their rallying-point, but for which they would have passed out of existence as a church. But having that as a permanent witness to their faith, they have taken on new life, and are now planning for an $8 000 church.

If we understood the value of church extension, and how closely it is allied to the very life of the church, I am sure we would be as zealous for that as we are for foreign missions; yes, almost as much as for the conversion of souls. For what if we have conversions, and build them no church-home? There can be but one result: the denomination that offers them a church-home would get them.

As expressed by the assessment made for church extension, we do not, as a church, attach importance enough to this department of church work. And when we see how little is collected of the small assessment made on each charge, we are doubly sure that our people do not understand, and, therefore, do not appreciate the necessity of meeting this assessment.

If every preacher would preach a well-prepared sermon on this subject, no doubt many would contribute to this fund who never give anything to it, and those who have would give much more. Even if the preaching of the sermon did not bear immediate fruit in money, the people would be better informed on the subject, and would be brought under stronger obligations to pay this assessment. Trusting that no preacher will fail to give due emphasis to this collection, and that every dollar of our church extension fund will be paid, I am,

Yours fraternally,

L. S. JONES

N B.—The officers of the Conference Board are: Rev. L. S. Jones, president, Port Gibson, Miss; Rev. R W. Bailey, secretary, Jackson, Miss; Mr. T. A. Holloman, Phœnix, Miss. Write to R. W. Bailey for blanks. Send to L. S. Jones all applications for aid, and remit all moneys to T. A. Holloman.

L. S. J.

THE MYSTERY SOLVED.

Some of us have been wondering all these years what became of the two famous "Kilkenny cat-tails," and are, therefore, glad to see that one has been swallowed by the other, and unless a new tail can be found to help keep up the "wiggle," it must soon cease, as "it takes two to make a quarrel." "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren" (and sisters) "to dwell together in unity;" and, again, behold how few of us enjoy this pleasure. We talk about "division in the church," but do not stop to consider whether we are in the divisor or the dividend.

I am often reminded of this circumstance of late. A preacher once decided that there was no chance for a revival in his church unless he could get two of its prominent members, who had been at outs for quite awhile, reconciled; so he talked with each of them, and advised them to pray earnestly over the matter before preaching-time next day, which they agreed to do. When they met next day Bro. A. said to Bro. B., "I have prayed earnestly over the matter, and have decided that you'll have to give in, for I can't." How many of us are manifesting this spirit? Alas! alas! If we happen to entertain some views that are not exactly in harmony with the views of some poor, unfortunate, erring brother, we are ready to dip our poisoned porcupine "quill" into the ink bottle, if the offender is not at hand, and blacken him with that.

May God, in his mercy, give us more of "the Spirit of Christ," which, unless we have, we "are none of his."

ALICE CARY.

PERSONAGES—NO. 3.

Dr. A. R. Winfield was so unique in character and abundant in labors that to sketch him exhaustively would be a great task. He was preacher in charge, presiding elder, college agent, editor, and city missionary. In 1881 he attended the Ecumenical Conference in London, and made a tour of the Holy Land ere he returned. In his absence he wrote some very interesting and readable letters descriptive of his travels, and after his return he was in demand as a lecturer. About the first call to lecture came from Northwest Arkansas. He sent a long list of appointments thither, and straightway set out to fill them, when, lo! no one knew anything about them. Cards and letters were received by the preachers to whom they were addressed, but they were unable to read them. Some of the preachers tried to tease the Doctor about his bad chirography, but he defended himself, and replied "that it was his place to write, and theirs to read what he had written, and that any man who could not read his writing was not fit to preach."

Dr. Winfield was particularly a friend to young preachers. He was the book man of his Conference, and furnished all of the indigent undergraduates their books in the course of study on twelve months' credit.

At the session of the Little Rock Conference, December, 1881, Bishop McTyeire presiding, there was a promising young preacher expelled from the ministry and the church, and when the adverse report of the committee was brought in the Bishop had the accused to stand up, and, after reviewing the case and summing up the evidence, like a civil judge, pronounced the sentence. There was a thrill of emotion through the audience, and Dr. Winfield burst into tears, hid his face, and sobbed like a child.

When the Doctor was editor and missionary in the city of Little Rock, his first missionary sermon was in a room over a saloon, and it was said by those who heard him that he never surpassed that effort before nor afterwards. There was so much said about it that the editors of the Gazette and Democrat called for a report of it. There was a reporter present, but he said that it "would have been as easy to report a cyclone as that sermon."

Twenty years ago this Fall the Little Rock Conference met in Camden, with Bishop Pierce presiding. It was clear, frosty weather, and one of the most pleasant, harmonious and spiritual sessions that this writer ever attended. The preaching was pathetic and unctuous. Robert Atchley, C. O. Steele and Alonzo Monk preached early in the session. On Friday night the "Arkansas traveler" arose. He had been pastor there. Oh, how he prayed! He was wonderfully gifted in prayer. His text was, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." He preached one hour, and there was not a superfluous word in it, and the words came like a hail-storm. The house was packed, and the aisles and chancel were full. He was in his glory. His thoughts breathed and his words burned. The audience was spellbound. The tension became greater and greater. Just as he began the peroration a lady about the middle of the house shouted, "Ha! ha! ha!" and in a minute the hallelujas! and ha! ha's! spread over the entire audience. The Doctor had to close. One could not have heard it thunder. He descended and shook hands with all he could reach, and went back in the pulpit, and fell over flat on his back on the sofa, which was used as a seat, and clapped his hands, and screamed as loud as he could. Dr. Winfield is not ready for the judgment yet. "Though being dead, he yet speaketh."

HOUSTON ARMSTRONG.

Spring Hill, La.

COMPLIMENTS SOMETIMES QUESTIONABLE.

Once on the church-yard, after preaching, a brother addressed me thus, "That was the best sermon I ever heard in that house." The church was an old building, and I knew many good preachers had preached there, and that many excellent sermons had been delivered in it, and this brother had heard as many of them, perhaps, as any one man. I questioned the statement in my own mind, and was not sure the brother himself believed it, but, as he had heard many more sermons there than I ever had, I left him alone to settle the matter without further controversy; my own mind a little abused with the reflection that he had laid the flattery on too thick to stick well.

On one occasion, after preaching, riding away from the church, I was joined by a brother, who said to me, "That was the best sermon I ever heard you preach." I could dispose of that very well, and replied, "You can say that to me without saying much"—that is, I did not think I was doing much to beat myself. I thought the man looked as if he wished he had said his say to some one else.

I have had it said to me, "That was a good talk you gave us to-day." It was a talk. Where the strength and force of the sermon lay in the compliment, I did not exactly see. I have heard texts announced, followed by discourses without any direct connection with the doctrine of the text, yet they were good talks. What I had taken so much pains to arrange and illustrate by associate and parallel passages of Scripture only ranked in the mind of the hearer as a good talk.

Again the compliment (?) has come thus, "That was a good text you had to-day." For long years I have taken pains to select good texts, such as contained good doctrine and included passage enough to express the doctrine, exercising some caution against merely suggestive clauses. I have thought sometimes I could have given better preachers than myself a better text for their discourse. "You had a good text to-day." Well, the text was there without my creation. The text was complimented; perhaps I could claim some commendation for selecting a good one. I certainly would have been glad to have made the sermon as good as the text.

Once I preached at a camp meeting. As I came down from the pulpit a brother whose good opinion I esteemed met me, and said, 'I would like to hear any of them'—meaning preachers—"beat that." I felt a little puffed, and in an instant wished he had not said it. This was immediately followed by two sisters, who said, "We did enjoy your sermon so much." That was to my heart's comfort, and did my soul good. In one instance I had beaten other preachers; in the other I had done two hungry souls good, which was the aim of a gospel message. The hearty shake of the hand was an emphasis to the comfort of a true gospel's message.

J. D. NEWSOM.

Longtown, Miss.

Correspondence.

EDWARDS, MISS.

We have just closed a most delightful series of meetings in our midst. The services began in the Presbyterian Church, of which the writer is pastor. Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., the evangelist for the Synod of Mississippi, did the preaching, and it was well done. The Holy Spirit manifested his presence in the conversion of precious souls and in arousing God's people to greater activity in church work. Everyone expressed great regret when at the expiration of a week Dr. Morton had to leave for another engagement. But the meeting did not close. Bro. Emery transferred it to his church, and did the preaching himself with great acceptance to all. The Spirit continued his presence and help. More souls were converted and God's people more deeply aroused. The meeting continued in Methodist quarters for ten days, but did not close. Bro. Low, of the Baptist Church, transferred it to his church and invited "all hands" to help him: The Spirit did not desert us. Bro. Low preached for a week, and still more souls were saved and God's people wrought upon. It has been a most delightful experience to us, and much more good was accomplished than we can estimate now.

I believe that it is right and well that in these protracted meetings all denominational lines should disappear and all unite in one grand attack upon the stronghold of the enemy. He can't stand the pressure and has to fall back and flee before the marching hosts of God's people.

It is a little out of the order of things for a Presbyterian minister to be writing for a Methodist paper; but if there is any blame to be attached, you may lay it at Bro. Emery's door. He told me to write. My association with the Methodist brethren has been most delightful. Since my coming to Edwards there have been six different pastors in charge of the church. When I first landed on the field, a little over ten years ago, I found the amiable Cooper; then came the invincible Nicholson; next the saintly Peebles; next the courageous Drake; next the congenial Galloway, and last, but not least, the whole-soul, sweet-spirited Emery. All of these brethren occupy a warm place in my heart, and I delight to call them brethren.

With best wishes and fraternal regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. P. COLMERY.

Pastor Presbyterian Church, Edwards, Miss.

INDIAN MISSION.

Once more—and for the last time before the Annual Conference—I appeal to the friends of the Indian Mission in Mississippi for help. We need $50 or $60 very much. Our Choctaw preacher, Bro. Jim Johnston, has been preaching at two or three places during the year, and we promised to pay him up to date. We have paid him very little. He has had to go in debt, and, like all honest men, wants to pay his debts; so he writes me, as agent, to please send him some money, but I have not got it to send.

Now, will the friends of the mission please help me in this emergency? He is getting old, and is a good and worthy man, and by contributing to him, you will help a worthy cause. The work in the hands of Bro. Donald, assisted by Bro. Jim, is prospering. God is blessing their labors and saving the Indians.

Now, let us furnish the means, and God will bless us, too. Let all the friends of the mission help some, if only a small amount.

Our Choctaw preacher, Jim Johnston, has been recommended to the Annual Conference for ordination to deacon's orders, and he will, doubtless, need some money and clothes to prepare him for the trip, and before Conference, therefore, I make this appeal.

Dear brethren and sisters, please help, and at once. Let everyone in close to me a small or large amount. Send, as before, postoffice order or registered letter to me at Hermanville, Claiborne county, Miss.

Please do not neglect this important matter, and let's make glad the heart of a faithful servant of God.

Yours in hope of the salvation of all men,

A. D. MILLER.

Hermanville, Miss, Sept. 26, 1899.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

The third round, finished at Knox Point on yesterday, marked some advancement. The preachers generally held protracted meetings, and with good results. While not much was done in a financial way, there has been spiritual uplift on most every charge. Several new and handsome church-houses were dedicated free of debt, and several more have been started, and will likely be finished and paid for before Conference. Parsonages have been repaired and beautified, and the Conahatta pastor, heartily backed by his people, will soon replace his present parsonage by a new building to be erected according to a plan drawn by the Red River pastor. When done it will be "a thing of beauty and a joy" for years, if not "forever"—a solid comfort to every itinerant fortunate enough to live in it. We have had several camp meetings during the quarter, and an Epworth League or two have been organized. We are looking for a good time at Grand Cane Epworth Conference, Oct. and 20. Several brethren have tak good Twentieth Century collectio We have high hope that each of preachers will so bend to work d ing the fourth quarter that each m be able to report his charge far advance of where he found it.

JNO. T. SAWYER.

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The life of Dora Rankin, by Elli beth Davis Fielding, published order of W. B. F. M., is a rich c tribution to our missionary lite ture, and should be read by ev woman in the church. The book can be had of the Southern Met odist Publishing House for twen five cents.

In June, 1886, I was alternate W. B. F. M., which convened Augusta, Ga. It was at this meeti I met Miss Dora Rankin, and w ized, in her beautiful presence a cheerful, hopeful descriptions of t outlook in China, what it meant be a missionary. In the perf bloom of womanhood, with t keenest susceptibilities of intell nal and social enjoyments, t young woman grew radiant as s stood before the Board and pictur the possibilities of the work wh her fair hands, active brain and c secrated heart had assumed f those children of our Father's "the uttermost parts." Her boun less love was an inspiration to t home workers who had sent her, a who held her as a precious trust coming, she brought the far-aw "inheritance of Christ," and tender laid the charge at the door of o hearts; in going away again so she was followed by the vows of t Board to stand by her and the wo until all the world should know h "whom to know is life everlasting Her consecration was complete, a our trust in her so great that in o short-sightedness we felt that s was our stronghold for succe against the powers of darkness that heathen land; but God, w orders the work and workmen, sa "It is enough."

The W. B. F. M. in Augu greeted Miss Dora Rankin, June 1886 the cablegram from Shangh "Dora is dead," was dated Dec. 1886. In response to the messa fifty thousand hearts in the Woma Board bowed in anguish before t inscrutable decree. The beauti form of our beloved was laid to r among the people she died to sa and henceforth China became ho ground, and the Chinese a sacr trust to the women of our church.

Mrs. McGavock's appeal to t women of our church, followi close on Miss Dora's death, stir many hearts as never before, a the searching words are as pot now as when they were writte Listen to the call! "Dora Rankin dead! We can only put forth o hands in the darkness and lay ho on Him whose wisdom we dare n question. Bravely, heroically—no like martyrs—has this little band workers in China struggled alo under their heavy burdens, ea trying to do the work of five. W the women at home sit idle an silent, and see them fall, one by on beneath their ever-increasing bu dens? Do you ask how this can done (how come to the rescue? Let us go to our closets and, wi fasting and prayer, lift our suppl cating voices to the Lord, that 'H will send forth laborers into h harvest.' 'Let there be hear searchings among us, direct an personal.' 'Lord, is it I?' 'Wh wilt thou have me to do?' Histor turn not away from the wool cry to you from over the se China's millions are perishing wit out Christ. Carry help to yo overburdened sisters; carry th Bread of Life to the perishing. Holy Spirit, speak thou to th women of our church in tones th they needs must hear, and, hearin obey!"

The corresponding secretary, faithful unto the end, was one i sympathy and consecration with th missionary, and has joined Mi Dora in that land of light, but, b ing dead, their lives will speak an bear fruit until the end of time.

MRS. T P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

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CHARLES DAVIS WILLIAMS.

Charles Davis Williams was born in Auburn, Ala., May 18, 1848, and died at his home in Bolton, Miss., April 20, 1899. His father, Samuel Moore Williams, was a native of South Carolina. Charles was the eldest of seven children. He attended school until he was thirteen years of age, when the Civil War broke out and closed the schools. Here his education was practically ended. At the close of the war between the States he came with his father's family to the State of Mississippi and engaged in farming. Mr. Williams, young in years, was thrown upon his own responsibility. He engaged as clerk in a dry-goods store in the town of Raymond, Miss., on a small salary. After a few years' experience there, he was employed as clerk by the firm of Harrison & Lewis, of Braids, Miss. During his few years' work for them he saved from his earnings enough to enter upon the mercantile business, in company with a brother, in the town of Bolton, Miss. As a result of close business habits they built up a large and lucrative business, and continued in prosperity till his death.

The above is a brief outline of a beautiful and noble life. It remains to point out some of its characteristics in the various relations he sustained.

As a friend. He was one of those rare, congenial spirits who found his way into every heart with which he came in contact. Being strictly honest and upright in all his dealings with men, he won the confidence of everyone in social and business relations. He was a man of deep convictions, and strength of character, and was above reproach among men. "None knew him but to love him."

As a brother. There was none more faithful than he. His father having died when some of the younger members of the family were quite small, he came to his help to look to their temporal welfare, and nobly did he do his part in guarding them.

As a father. Mr. Williams leaves three sweet little girls to mourn his loss. His association with them was most tender and affectionate, his care for them in all things was constant, and the aspirations for them were the highest and most worthy. It was beautiful to see the affection of father and children.

As a husband. He did not marry quite late in life; hence his married life extended over a period of only a few years. During this time it was the writer's privilege to be often in his home. In that home he was the loving companion, and the joy and comfort of his wife, whom she honored, trusted, and faithfully loved. Never was there a more beautiful home life, more hearty sympathy, more congeniality, more oneness of purpose, between husband and wife.

As a Christian. Mr. Williams joined the Methodist Church when about twenty-one years of age. He was one of those sweet, gentle Christians whose never made a great outward display of his religion, but there was a depth of piety in his soul, which led to a good lasting enjoyment of his religion.

The purity and charity of his life shone out before us as a living testimony of his love for Christ as his Redeemer. Besides his wife and children, brothers and sisters, many are the friends who mourn his death. But there will be a happy reunion "some glad day" in our Father's house in the skies.

A FRIEND WHO KNEW AND LOVED HIM.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. Robt. L. Phillips, Porterville, Miss., Sept. 20, 1899: "We have just closed our last series of protracted services on Porterville circuit—seven in all. The pure gospel was preached, and was confirmed by the presence of the Holy Spirit. A few accessions; no sweeping financial or revival statistics to report. But a number of non-church-goers in regular attendance on the monthly services. I have never seen better attention and order than has been given us by the people of Kemper. Reverence for the gospel and the ministry is a resplendent virtue in the character of my people. The pastor's family have moved into a handsome and commodious parsonage built within the last ninety days. Prospects fair, financially. Bros. W. W. Moore, D. C. Farmer and R. E. Rutledge were with us in five meetings; the others were held by the pastor alone."

Rev. J. N. Ware, Damascus, Miss., Sept. 20, 1899: "On the night of the thirteenth of September our beloved pastor, L. J. Jones, of Walnut Grove circuit, closed one of the best revivals that I ever attended at Pine Grove Church. It was indeed a feast to my soul and also to many others. Our beloved Bro. P. H. Howse, of Neshoba charge, did most of the preaching. Bro. Howse preceded Bro. Jones on this charge, and was very much loved by the members of Pine Grove Church and vicinity, and I am sure he has lost nothing, but gained more of our love by laboring with us in this meeting, for he preached the pure gospel strictly on the line of holiness and sanctification. The church was wonderfully revived, quite a number professed conversion and sanctification, and fourteen persons joined the church. Bros. Murdock, McDonald, and J. R. Hays, L. P.'s, were with us, and rendered valuable service. God bless the good brethren and keep us walking in the steps of our blessed Savior every moment of our lives."

Rev. J. W. Raper, Montpelier, Miss., Sept. 21, 1899: "We have just closed our revival work for this year. The Lord has been with us in great power. We have had one hundred and sixty conversions and one hundred and eight additions to this, the Montpelier circuit. Our last meeting was held at one of the appointments that was virtually left out of the plan. We had a great meeting; 38 additions at that place. This is the best year that we have had on this charge, and this is our third year. Everything will be paid in full, and more. We have finished our new church at Sparta, or nearly so, and it will be dedicated at our fourth quarterly meeting by our presiding elder, Rev. J. M. Wyatt. Bro. Wyatt is steadily growing in favor with the people of this charge. This is now one of the best circuits in the Conference. We have some of the best people on this charge in the world. We have good churches at all the appointments on this charge. May God bless this charge, and may the people prosper and grow in grace and knowledge!"

Rev. G. D. Anders: "I have just returned from Bonita charge, Delhi district, where I spent eight days in a revival meeting with Rev. W. R. Harvell. There was a deep interest from beginning to the close. Some precious souls were converted, and if the meeting could have gone on for three or four days longer, there would have been many more conversions. Bro. Harvell is having a revival at every point on his work. Something near a hundred precious souls have been swept into the kingdom, and more to follow. His people are taking first-class care of their preacher and want him returned. I was domiciled at the parsonage and treated like a prince. Harvell has plenty to eat, and Sister Harvell knows how to make a weary itinerant feel at home. From present indications he will bring up the banner report from his district. I am quite sure that this would be the case if it were not for a mortal Barr on the south side of his work, and this Barr can't be moved for two years."

Rev. Geo. P. White: "I have been quite sick since my return from the 'wild,' have not been able to fill an appointment. I think I will be able to preach next Sabbath. Bro. F. N. Sweeney held a meeting for us at Concord. He did good and faithful work, which was honored by the Lord. The church was revived, three joined, several children baptized, some family altars erected. Bro. R. W. Tucker, 'our beloved presiding elder,' was present at the third Quarterly Conference at Morning Star, and preached to the delight and edification of all who heard him. He preached till Monday at noon; then Bro. J. W. Crisler, of Woodville, came to my rescue and preached twice per day till Thursday night. Bro. Crisler did a good work, and the people were delighted with him. Two joined, and seven children were baptized, and the church greatly strengthened. Our church at this place is in better condition in every respect than it has been for years. May the good Lord continue the good work! My people have been very kind to us in our sickness, caring for us and sympathizing with us. The above-named meetings were held in my absence, as I was not able to attend. Thanks to the brethren for their kindness."

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The revival meetings on this work closed with the meeting held at Douglass, the third week in August. We held five protracted meetings with fairly good results at all points. We had considerable number of conversions and 36 accessions. As a whole, we consider the work deep and, we trust, abiding. At Douglass in particular the work was of a deep character. Several family altars were erected, old scores settled, and the church revived generally. We received 7 members, and four of them were past middle age. Bros. Ledbetter, Crews, Crocker and Pipes rendered us valuable aid.

It was with much reluctance and "fightings within" that we were forced to part from the good people of the Downsville circuit and return to school again; but the demands of the gospel, the rights of my church, and the dictates of my own conscience, and, I trust, the leadings of God's Spirit, compelled me to seek for a better preparation. The burning of the parsonage on the Downsville work since our leaving is a great calamity. May God bless those true, good people!

ROBT. W. VAUGHAN.

CARTHAGE CIRCUIT.

I am filling this year, as supply and assistant preacher in charge, three appointments on the Carthage circuit, of which Bro. M. L. White is preacher in charge.

I held my first protracted meeting at Pleasant Hill Church; had no ministerial help. Meeting closed Thursday. No accessions, but the church and Christians generally greatly revived, large congregations, the very best behavior, and quite a number of penitents.

My second protracted meeting was held at Rocky Point, commencing on the third Sunday in August and ending on Friday night following. Owing to a severe attack of bomaturial fever, which came near taking me to the other world, I was unable to attend, but Bro. White carried on the meeting, preaching twice a day to the delight and edification of all. His preaching was attended by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a gracious revival was the result. There were fourteen accessions and Christians were elevated to a higher and sweeter experience in the Christian life, many of them testifying to this effect from time to time during the meeting.

My third and last protracted meeting was held at Singleton, commencing on Saturday night before the fourth Sunday in August, and closing on Friday night following. I was able to attend this meeting, preaching, however, only four times during the meeting, and Bro. White did the balance. Here, as at Rocky Point, he preached with "power and demonstration of the Spirit," and we had one of the most gracious (old-fashioned Methodist) revivals I have attended in quite a while. Twenty-nine accessions to the church and Christians wonderfully blessed and built up. Our Baptist friends attended and participated in the meeting by singing and praying with us, and testifying to the power of God, and the uplifting of their own souls in Christian experience of "love, joy and peace." Bro. W. M. Sullivan organized a Methodist Church here four or five years ago with eight members, and we now number sixty-two. To God be all the glory! We are under many obligations to our Baptist friends for helping us build our church and support our protracted and quarterly meetings here since we first organized.

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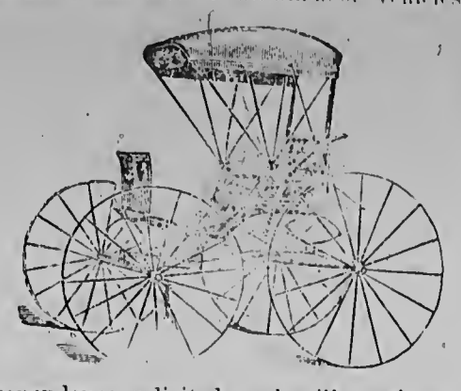
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TEMPERANCE GAINS.

Despite the fact that strong eddies in the temperance current are plainly perceivable every now and then, there are indications not a few showing that the tide of opposition to the drink-evil is steadily increasing in volume and momentum, and bids fair in the not-distant future to sweep away like chaff the long established defenses of the liquorites. The mightiest contest of the future will be between the friends and the foes of the monstrous liquor traffic, which, though long tolerated by a suffering public, is unquestionably the greatest producer of crime, poverty, and disease known to man. As one reads the sickening story of the awful ravages of rum repeated a thousand times over in every country and in every age, the blood runs cold with horror. Hundreds of thousands have fallen victims to the rum fiend, countless homes have been blighted by his fell power, and widows and orphans without number have been made by his murderous hand; yet, still the awful work of destruction is allowed to go on, chiefly because of the tremendous political influence wielded by the wide-awake and thoroughly-organized legions to whom the liquor business is a source of revenue.

A brighter day, however, is about to dawn. One commonwealth after another is beginning to outlaw the traffic, while in every civilized country it is coming to be recognized as an unmitigated evil, and is being more and more restricted.

Time was when no questions were asked about the habits as to drink of the laboring or professional man; but now a wonderful change is noticeable. One of the first questions business men ask about one who wishes to serve them is, "Does he use intoxicants?" Nearly all the great railroad corporations of our country are pursuing the safe and commendable policy of employing, as far as possible, only men of temperate habits. With them it is not a mere matter of sentiment, but a measure of prudence and of financial profit. This attitude of many of the railroads towards the drink habit has had, as we might expect, a most wholesome effect. In a recent address before the railroad branch of the Y. M. C. A. of New York City, Chauncey M. Depew made the following encouraging statement regarding the decrease of drunkenness among railroad men: "Twenty years ago, when there were about 15,000 men in the New York Central service, the average proportion of men discharged for drunkenness within a certain period was at least 20 per cent. Now, with 30,000 men employed by the company, not one per cent. is dropped from the service for that cause."

Still another cheering sign is the fact that the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific Railway Companies a short time ago issued orders prohibiting the sale of liquor in any of their eating-houses or stations, or on any of their property. The brewers, it is said, are greatly agitated over this order, and are trying to secure its repeal, but it is to be hoped that they will not succeed. The railroad companies, as well as the merchants, are finding out that prohibition greatly helps instead of injuring business. The oft-repeated cry of the saloon keeper is, "Prohibition means the ruin of trade and the abridgment of liberty." Yes, it does mean the ruin of the liquor business, but not of any other. It does abridge liberty, namely, that of making drunkards, widows and orphans, and of creating pauperism, crime, and endless disorder. What is true of the little town of Bolivar, Pa., located within fifty-eight miles of Pittsburg, is true of hundreds of other towns and communities where prohibition has had a fair trial. The principal business of Bolivar, which has not had a saloon in it for thirty years, is brick-making; the Reese Hammond Fire-Brick Company being in full control. This company has in its employ about two hundred and fifty men, nearly all of whom own their homes. There is no pauperism in the community, scarcely any suffering, scarcely any lawlessness, and no strife between capital and labor. Let the saloon, however, find lodgment there, and this ideal state of things would soon depart.

Forty-four years ago, when the liquor law was exacted, the Pine Maine Tree State was the poorest in the Union, and was burdened with a heavy debt. She supported thirty-five distilleries, a large number of breweries, and saloons and groggeries by the hundred. As the result of prohibition, there is now not a brewery, or a distillery, or an open saloon in the State. Every dollar of her public debt is paid, she has the lowest rate of taxation of any State in the Union, and ranks among the most progressive of our commonwealths. And yet some people say prohibition hurts business.

In an address on temperance in New York City, during March of this year, Congressman Johnson, of North Dakota, gave the following emphatic testimony regarding the benefits of prohibition in his own State: "Ten years ago the question was voted on and carried. The laws are so strict that it sometimes seems strange that you can get a judge to enforce them. We do, however, and we get convictions right along. The minimum for selling a glass of beer is a fine of $200 and ninety days in the penitentiary. A second conviction means a year. At first the capitalists were against the proposition, but after the law went into effect the stores formerly occupied by saloons were turned into shoe stores, at an increase in the rent. There are more pianos sold now in Dakota than in any other State of its size in the United States. The inhabitants now spend their money for pianos and silk dresses and parasols and shoes. It is a good law. We have seen it."

The Texas Liquor Dealer recently bewailed the fact that one-half of the populated area of the "Lone Star State" is under prohibition, fifty-five of the 220 organized counties being wholly so by local option.

Liquor men often try to scare taxpayers by asserting that the abolition of the saloon means a heavy decrease in revenue and a corresponding increase in taxation. But the enormous saving of the laboring classes that prohibition entails, and the increased prosperity that it brings to all lines of industry, demonstrate the fallacy of such an argument. When told that the liquor traffic meant large gains to the government, Gladstone replied, 'Give me thirty millions of sober people, and I will give you all the revenue you want, and a surplus."

The world took a grand stride forward when the Peace Conference met at The Hague to consider the question of international disarmament. Scarcely less significant, however, is the announcement that an International Congress on the drink question has been called by the French Republic, to meet in Paris in April, 1900, our government having already received an invitation to participate therein. Since the ravages of rum are even greater than the ravages of war, the holding of such a congress at the close of the nineteenth century is to be hailed as an event of mighty importance; and this proposition, coming from a nation hitherto the most backward in temperance reform, ought to meet with a hearty response from every civilized government on the globe.

"AWAY FROM ROME."

A movement which has the words above for its rallying cry is extending through the Roman Catholic countries of Europe in a marvelous manner, and bids fair to produce the most significant results. The Abbe Bonrrier is its principal leader in France. He resigned a high position in Marseilles a few years ago, and has been followed out of the church by several other abbes and very many priests. He has published since 1897 a monthly religious journal called The French Christian, which has some thousands of subscribers, fifteen hundred of them being Roman Catholic priests. He has established at Sevres a house for the "escaped ones," as the ex-priests are called, and a college at Paris to train them as evangelists. He has started an evangelization society, every member of which is an ex-priest. These men are going to every part of France and preaching, not to the Protestants—they do not call themselves Protestants yet—but to the Roman Catholic population. Their old parishioners welcome them with open arms. There is a marvelous stir among all classes of the people. It is thought, from the extensive correspondence that is being carried on, that there is definite ground for believing that when this movement is properly organized between four and five thousand Roman Catholic priests will withdraw themselves from the church. Many who have been soundly converted to a scriptural Christianity are remaining for the present in their places, hoping that the church itself may be lifted out of mediæval superstition and delivered from the political tyranny of a foreign head. Whether they will be able to establish a national church subject only to the authority of Christ is, of course, very doubtful. But there is no telling to what this matter may grow, and it is certainly one of the most striking signs of the times.

There are similar signs in other countries. There is a very large movement away from Rome in Austria, partly political, we judge, but not wholly so, and fraught with large moment. As many as eight thousand persons are said to have joined the Reformed Church during the last few months. No fewer than ten thousand persons in one district in Bohemia are prepared to enter the Protestant Church. South Germany is also getting affected, and the whole Catholic population seems likely to feel the thrill. The authorities are becoming anxious and resorting to persecution of various sorts, but this will not mend matters for them. The errors of the papacy and the immoralities of the priesthood are being denounced, and much light is pouring in.

There are still other cheering tokens along the same line. The English Wesleyan Mission in Spain is greatly encouraged by the recent addition to its preaching force of one who had been a very popular priest, and who, since his conversion, has addressed great crowds with much power. In northern Italy the Waldensian and the Free Church pastors are meeting with large success, the numbers attending their services being without precedent and very eager to hear the gospel. The organ of the Irish Presbyterian Church speaks of greatly increased interest and hopefulness in regard to the missions to Roman Catholics in Ireland, which country, it says, is becoming less and less hostile to the message of the gospel every year. In short, it is about the same story all around. Rome has suffered immense losses through the emigration from Europe and Ireland to America, will suffer largely through the recent defeat of Spain and the loss of all her colonies, and seems clearly on every side to be destined to give way to Protestantism. She has brought her decline on her own head through her obstinate refusal to learn anything and her continued acceptance of the rule of the Black Pope—that is, the General of the Jesuits, who dominates everything in the councils of the Vatican.—The Methodist Review, September-October.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In the October Cosmopolitan Magazine Mark Twain writes on "Christian Science and the Book of Mrs. Eddy." Frank Eberle contributes an article treating of the "Great Industries of the United States"—Zinc-Mining. "The Lady in the Box" is the title of a short story by Frank R. Stockton. C. P. Stetson tells "What Work Is," and J. B. Walker presents "A Plan for the Organization of a National Clearing-House."

The October number of the Pall Mall Magazine contains several articles of exceptional interest, and the usual number of stories, illustrated poems, etc. Under the title, "The American Language," Mr. William Archer discusses the question of "Americanism" with a thorough knowledge and sympathy for the subject. "Some Literary Landmarks of Paris" is an interesting paper to all lovers of good literature. "The Peace Society, and What It Has Accomplished," is an authoritative article by Dr. Evans Darby, the honorary secretary of the Peace Society.

The entire October Open Court is devoted to a consideration of the varied and manifold relations which exist between Germany and the United States. The opening article is devoted to an appreciation of the surpassing intellectual significance of Germany for civilization; the second article is on the Religion of Frederick the Great, by Prof. W. H. Carruth, of the University of Kansas, with metrical translations of some of the religious poetry of the great royal philosopher, and also with illustrations from Adolf Menzel's paintings representative of Frederick's life.

Bishop Potter contributes the first article in the October number of Appletons' Popular Science Monthly; it is entitled, "The Help That Harms," and is a discussion of the charity question from the moralist's point of view. "Christian Science from a Physician's Point of View" is the title of an article by Dr. John B. Huber. Prof. William H. Hudson, of Stanford University, is the author of an interesting paper entitled, "Bacon's Idols." Under the title, "A Feathered Parasite," L. S. Keyser describes the American "cow-bird," which has the curious habit of placing its eggs in the nests of other birds to have them hatched.

The October number of Self-Culture Magazine presents a handsome portrait of Admiral Dewey, and the Table of Contents displays a list of articles that will please all classes of readers. The "Social Salons of Our National Capital" continues the series of beautiful illustrations begun in the September number under the title of "Homes of the Diplomatic Corps at Washington." The work of the Armour Institute of Technology at Chicago is described in an interesting paper. Other illustrated articles are: "Twenty-five Years of Johns Hopkins University," "In Love's Dear Thrall," "The Old Missions of California," and "Chattanooga and Chickamauga." A lucid description of "Liquid Air: Its Nature and Possibilities," is of very timely interest; "The Truth about the Philippines" gives some personal experiences in "our new possessions."

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

We invite special attention to the following from Dr. Murrah:

MR EDITOR: Please let me say to the readers of the ADVOCATE that we are going on with our work at Millsaps College, and do not feel that we are in peril because some yellow fever has been reported in Jackson. We have cut off communication with the town, and will continue this policy while the present conditions prevail. There is no yellow fever anywhere near the college, and all precautionary measures will be adopted to prevent its introduction.

W. B. MURRAH,
President.

DATE CHANGED.

Bishop Galloway has requested me to announce a change in date of holding the Louisiana Conference—from Wednesday, Dec. 6, to Thursday, Dec. 7. JOHN T. SAWYER.

INJUNCTION DISSOLVED.

The injunction suit of the Yocona Mills vs. H. P. Gibbs, which was temporarily granted by Judge J. C. Longstreet last April, restraining the said Rev. H. P. Gibbs from writing and having published in the Methodist Headlight a series of articles styled, "The Factory and Its People," and which had already, in consequence of the nature of the case and the publicity which had been given to it, become known far and wide, and had enlisted general attention, and which concerned every true and faithful minister of the gospel of the Lord Jesus, in that the nature and scope of the work of the ministry was directly involved in the injunction, because of the certain infringement, curtailing and restricting of the rights and privileges of all agencies for good, and especially the ministry, was tried in the court-house, this city, Saturday, Sept. 2 and after a patient and full hearing and careful consideration of all the facts, evidence and the law governing the case, the motion to dissolve was sustained, and the injunction was wholly dissolved by His Honor, Judge Longstreet.

No one doubts the righteousness of the decision of the judge, it being in the interest of the rights of the ministry, the freedom of the press, and the liberty and good of all concerned. Notice was given that the case would be appealed.—Methodist Headlight.

Bishop Hendrix, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, arrived in New York last week by the steamer "Havelius" from Brazil, where he held the Brazil Conference. He spent forty days in Brazil, and was greatly pleased with the evidences of missionary progress which he observed. He regards Brazil as one of the most hopeful and promising missionary fields in the world. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has about 2,400 members in Brazil, and twelve missionaries. During his stay in Brazil Bishop Hendrix was able to visit only ten charges, but wherever he went he found devoted and enthusiastic workers. He presented the claims of the Twentieth Century Fund, and among these ten charges he secured over $10,000 in contributions, running from eight cents to $500 each. This is a remarkable record of giving, when all the circumstances are considered.—Zion's Herald.

NOTES.

The address of Dr. W. H. LaPrade has been changed to 1407 State Street.

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Rev. V. D. Skipper has removed to 937 Marengo street.

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Rev. J. F. Foster has a meeting in progress at Felicity, which will continue through this week and the next.

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The New Orleans District Sunday-school Conference will be held at Carondelet, Oct. 24-26. An interesting programme has been arranged and a good attendance is anticipated.

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Tulane University opened on Monday last with an enrollment of 140. This is a considerable increase over the opening of '98, although the opening is a month earlier than last year. It is known that the enrollment will be largely increased during the next few days.

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The Woman's College of Oxford is enjoying great prosperity. Its opening, as shown in our issue of last week, was quite large, and the prospects are that in a short while its boarding department will be full. This is a very remarkable showing for a college of high grade in its first session.

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Under date of Oct. 2, Rev. C. A. Powell, pastor of our church at Crystal Springs, Miss., writes the following cheering note: "Education Day was observed here yesterday. The programme was followed up to the points where the sermon was to come in. There we had a parenthesis. The collection amounted to one hundred and eight dollars. The matter was placed in the hands of an influential committee of seven Christian women, who will carry it forward to a successful issue."

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There lies on our table a copy of the "Minutes of the Twentieth Annual Session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Mississippi Conference, M. E. Church, South"—a neatly gotten-up pamphlet bearing the imprint of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. As a record of the proceedings of the Conference, it seems to be full. The secretarial work is apparently done with care and skill. The officers of the society for the ensuing year are: Miss Addie V. Marshall, president; Mrs. A. A. Foote, vice-president; Mrs. C. R. McQueen, recording secretary; Miss Sallie E. Smylie, corresponding secretary; Miss Mary Andrews, treasurer; Mrs. Jas. A. Gulley, auditor.

The public schools of New Orleans opened on the second with an attendance of 23,886.

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Rev. R. A. Sibley, Jr., writes: "We have just closed a meeting ... resulted in seven bright conversions, and thirteen accessions to the church, and a great spiritual uplift to the church and community."

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Rev. M. L. White, Carthage, Miss., says: "Closed meeting last Sunday at Liberty (Edenburg) which resulted in 21 accessions and seven conversions. Accessions to date, 7. The good Lord is greatly blessing us. Our school is increasing in interest and numbers."

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Greatly to the regret of the friends and patrons of Millsaps College, Prof. W. L. Weber has resigned and accepted the same chair—that of English—in Emory College. He leaves for his new field of labor last week. Emory is to be congratulated upon such an accession to her faculty.

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Rev. G. W. Gordon writes: "Ellisville circuit has made some progress this year. About 30 souls claim conversion, and 21 joined our church. The people at Marion will soon have their new church ready for use. May the spirit of church building continue until three other houses on this charge are torn down and new ones built. We hope to make a fair financial showing at Conference."

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Writing from Knox Point, under date of Sept. 25, Rev. W. G. Evans says: "At my Quarterly Conference yesterday, after a talk by the preacher in charge, Dr. Sawyer asked the congregation of 25 people (large for the work) for $200, and 15 people in a few minutes cheerfully gave $210. We have several others to see soon. ... we have only 38 members here, consider this a good start."

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Our editorial of last week, "Children and the Church," has received most hearty commendation from many sources. As a sample utterance, we present the following from the pen of Rev. J. P. Duke: "I thank you for the timely editorial on 'The Children and the Church.' This is a question demanding the trenchant handling, lest our children go utterly away from the faith of their fathers."

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Rev. L. J. Jones, writing from Walnut Grove, Miss., says: "We have gotten through with our protracted meetings. Revs. H. J. McDonald, P. L. White, P. H. Howse, T. J. O'Neal and Rev. Atwood, of the P. E. Church, assisted us. All did the work well. We had several accessions to the church. Many testified in our meetings, determined to live better lives. After all these good meetings we expect a good collection."

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Writing to the Nashville Advocate of the last session of the Brazilian Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Bishop Hendrix says: "A young lawyer, a cousin of President Campos Salles, was received on trial, and hope is expressed that the prediction of Dom Pedro may be realized when the late Emperor placed his hand on the head of the schoolboy years ago and said: 'This lad will some day be a great blessing to Brazil.' The report showed some 500 adult baptisms and 341 infant baptisms, with a net increase of 335 in the membership of our church in Brazil, which is now 2,336. The spirit of self-support increasing every year."

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On Sunday morning, at 11 A. M., Dr. W. L. C. Haunicutt ascended the pulpit and delivered a sermon of great power. The Doctor was in fine trim, and being greeted by a large audience, he seemed inspired for the occasion, and for more than an hour he swung clear—never failing in a single flight. Long the "star" preacher of the Mississippi Conference, his pulpit powers are ever on the increase. We are readily persuaded to the opinion that the lofty character and matchless scope of that sermon will intensify, magnify and multiply millennial agencies. Its worth, far beyond human calculation, above rubies and pearls and diamonds, will be known only when "the jewels are gathered up" at that day.—Rev. C. W. Scott, in Fayette (Miss.) Chronicle.

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We give space in our department this week to the publication of programme for Shreveport District League Conference, which convenes in Grand Cane, Oct. 18.

Shreveport District Epworth League Conference.

AT GRAND CANE, LA., OCT. 18-20, 1899.

Opening sermon Wednesday night, at 7:30, by Rev. H. J. Boltz.

Address of welcome at 9:30 A. M., Thursday, by Miss Della Brown. Response by C. D Hicks.

Music by the Grand Cane League.

Preparation for Christian Service, by C. D. Atkinson.

My Place in Christ's Kingdom—Miss Sadie Deming.

Consecration and prayer service, and open Conference.

Address: The Rise and Development of the Epworth League—Rev. W. G. Evans.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON.

The Qualifications of a Good President or Vice-President—Miss Bessie McCutchen.

The Committee's Work—Miss Eunice Henderson.

Music by the Stonewall League.

The League as Junior Pastor—Miss Lizzie Paxton.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT.

Recitation, by Mrs. A. S. Dale.

The Young People of the Church with a New Affection—Mrs. T. S. Sligh.

Address: The Young Soldier in Christ's War of Conquest—Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D.

SECOND DAY—MORNING.

Good Literature's Place in Character, and How to Develop the Literary Life—Mrs. R H. Horne.

Music by Miss Daisy Lambeth.

"Character"—Walter Jackson.

The Christian in the Social Life—Mrs. Richard Spell.

The Bible in the League, and How to Study it—Mrs. J. P. Ratcliff.

Address: The Leaguer a Personal Worker—Rev. P. O. Lowrey.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

The Junior League—Mrs. F. J. Frater.

The Leaguer in the Charity and Help Department—Mrs. Boyd.

Business Meeting, question box, and open council.

SECOND DAY—NIGHT.

The Practical Young Christian in the Home—Miss Katie Lear.

Music by Miss Jennie Williams.

Young People and the Providential Movements of the Age—Rev. C. D. Atkinson.

Address: The Mission Field for the Epworth League.

Recitation: "Two Pennies"—Master Robert Spell.

N. B—Please take notice that the time has been changed from Oct. 12th to the 19th. The outlook now is very encouraging, and let all pray that this coming together may mark an epoch in our League work in the Shreveport district.

P. O. LOWREY,
For Committee.

P. S—Please don't fail to notify Rev. J. M. Brown at Grand Cane who your delegates will be, when they will arrive, etc.

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Epworth League will be held Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1899, at Carondelet M. E. Church, South.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss. ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The League of Madison held a social and business meeting on Wednesday evening, Sept. 27, at the residence of the president, Mrs. Margie Cronch. Some plans were made for the season's work. Two or three hours after the crowd had disbanded thunderings, as of cannon, were heard, arousing from slumber. It was the exploding of powder cans and oil tanks in mercantile establishments, for the town was on fire. Four store-houses, including all the merchandise of two, the meat market, tailor's shop, barber's shop, mayor's office, and a law office, are in ashes.

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At the literary meetings it would be well to have an occasional reading from The Epworth Era. Sometimes also have some one to take up a certain issue of the Era, and comment upon the leading articles.

It is very rare that all the members of a chapter have the inclination to do anything like reading the course, but, if only a half-dozen will undertake this work, it is the thing to do. Have the reading circle; run this little wheel within the larger wheel. Sometimes a little wheel is very important in the operation of mighty machinery.

The editor for Mississippi will appreciate it, and it will help him in his work, if the secretary of each chapter in the Seashore, Brookhaven, Greenville and Columbus districts will, during the next two weeks, send him a short "write-up" of what literary work is being done or proposed in the chapter.

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Covington, Rev. F. G. Hocutt	8 00
Pleasant Hill, Rev. J. F. Patterson	5 00
Total	$ 79 80

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GIRLING—QUIN.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Sept. 27, at 7 P. M., by Rev. B. H. Rawls, assisted by Rev. H. H. Messenger, pastor of the Episcopal Church of Summit, Mr. Robert G. W. Girling to Miss Julia D. Quin, both of Holmesville, Miss.

JOHNSON—HARRISON.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Harriet Coffee, in Abbeville, Miss., Sept. 27, 1899, by Rev. A. W. Langley, Mr. Jeff. D. Johnson, of New Albany, Miss., and Mrs. Vinoy Harrison.

MITCHELL—SHORT.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. P. Short, Melrose, Miss., Sept. 12, 1899, by Rev. Ben P. Jaco, Mr. Tilden A. Mitchell, of Starkville, Miss., to Miss Alcie Short, of Melrose, Miss.

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Shall be, in her declining years, her lover proud
and true.

She's growing old; her cheeks have lost the
blush and bloom of Spring,
But O, her heart is proud because her son shall
be a king;
Shall be a king of noble deeds, with goodness
crowned, and own
The hearts of all his fellow-men, and she shall
share his throne.

Hoy, your mother's dreaming; there's a picture
pure and bright
That gladdens all her homely tasks at morning,
noon, and night—
A view that takes the whole of life within its
loving scope.
O, boy, beware! You must not mar that mother's dream of hope.

—Selected.

HOW GOD WORKS.

God works through persons. This is his invariable law. He links a man or woman to his purpose as a co-worker. Moses must superintend the Exodus; Deborah must lead his armies; Cyrus must issue the decree for the return of his captives; the twelve apostles must act as witnesses to his Son, and the 120 filled with the energy of his spirit must carry the gospel of salvation to the ends of the earth. Thus it is in the history inside the lids of the sacred Book; Luther must be the head and front in the Reformation in Germany; John Knox must be the soul of the Reformation in Scotland; Wesley must break the ecclesiastical shackles in England; Abraham Lincoln must pen the emancipation proclamation in the United States of America.

If God's truth is to succeed, it must incarnate itself; if God's cause is to win a victory, it must embody itself in a person. There is no substitute for whole souled, consecrated persons. Without them liberty perishes from the earth; without them abstract truth is simply principle on paper devoid of influence; and without them even the Bible itself remains forever a thing of cold type. The fifteenth Psalm needs to be incarnated in a Nathanael; when it is thus incarnated, then it walks Judea an impressive and spiritual beauty known and read in the community. The Old Testament needs to be incarnated in a Naomi; when it is thus incarnated, then it walks over into the land of Moab and converts the heathen Ruth to God and makes her a beautiful ancestress of Jesus Christ. God works through persons.

While God works through persons—and nothing in human history is clearer than this—yet the point before us at this time is this: something is requisite upon the part of those through whom God works in order to the success of his purposes and his principles and his gospel. Those through whom he works must be possessed by his purpose, and must be all on fire with his principles and must be full of his divine power. Elijah, the prophet of fire, succeeded, but he succeeded because the whole man was in his mission. The half of Elijah would have failed. The one hundred and twenty, who got their inspiration on the day of Pentecost, succeeded, but they succeeded because they kept nothing back from the cause of the gospel and shrank from nothing to which their mission called them.—Rev. David Gregg, D. D.

CHARACTER.

The best thing in this world is a good man. The greatest thing in this world is a great good man. The most blessed thing in this world is a blessed good man. The first thing that a human being should recognize about himself is that his character is his distinguishing feature. It is not the amount of money, the amount of power, the amount of brains that a man has that is his distinguishing feature, but his character. Whatever fellow-men may temporarily say or do to the contrary, this is a fact: that what separates him from others and gives him *his individuality is his goodness* or lack of goodness according to its degree. Money, power and brains have their place, and they do exert an influence in temporarily deciding a man's position and recognition. But the standard of the ages, by which anyone and everyone is tried, is character; and in God's sight, which is the final and determining sight, men are what they are in their wishes and purposes. It is not, then, too much to say that the supreme ambition of a person's life should be to secure a worthy character. Everything else, however important, is merely subsidiary. Beauty of person, brilliancy of achievement, acuteness of intellect, sway of authority, are secondary, while goodness is primary.—J. G. K. McClure.

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GRACE—Elizabeth Cornelia Grace, the daughter of Perry Humphry Hanna, was born in East Carroll parish, March 18, 1853, and departed this life at Pleasmine Bridge, Acadia parish, June 7, 1899.

After the death of her father her widowed mother moved with her family from East Carroll to West Carroll parish, and settled near Floyd. It was here she first gave her young womanhood to Christ, and united with the M. E. Church, South. To use her own language: Like many others, I was not as consistent in my life and as faithful to my church vows as I ought to have been. I did not, however, sever my connection with the church." After several years her mother moved back to East Carroll with her family, taking their church certificates, and, with her mother, gave her letter in at Lake Providence. Sister Grace said, "I resolved to be more active in the church than ever before," which resolution she kept with great pertinacity and faithfulness until she crossed over the flood.

In 1895 she was married to R. C. Grace, a member of the Louisiana Conference. She at once entered upon the duties and self-denial of an itinerant preacher's wife, endeavoring to adapt herself to her new environment and sphere of action, and most wonderfully did she succeed. It was Sister Grace's ambition to promote the happiness and ministerial usefulness of her husband; hence she shared his toil and sacrifice without murmuring at her lot and complaining about her surroundings. Having no issue, she was at liberty to travel with him, which she did extensively, and in this way was a great comfort as well as a great help in his pastoral labors. She sought her husband's approbation in all things, and, finding it, her satisfaction was complete, her domestic happiness perfect. She deferred to his judgment in matters, and, therefore, their life and association was exempt from antagonism, and acknowledged perfect immunity from domestic discord and heated controversy. Thus home became the most delightful spot on earth and joyous precinct outside of heaven. Perhaps in the instance of Bro. Grace and his little wife (as he often appellated her) the teaching of our Lord concerning the relation of marriage had the fullest exemplification, "They twain shall be one flesh." The disturbance of a connubial bliss and domestic union so full and delectations is one of the providences of the Most High and permission of our Father in heaven, which admits of no satisfactory decipheration or reasonable explanation until the disclosure of eternity and the revelation of the judgment day shall be fully known and clearly comprehended. Until then we bow with supreme submission to him who worketh all things according to the good pleasure of his will."

The closing up of such a life could not be otherwise than glorious beyond depiction. For some days before her departure her religious frame of mind was attended by great enlargement and augmentation. In conversation with a friend she said: "I have recently thought so much of heaven. It is constantly before me. In whatever direction I turn its visions break upon my gaze, and its glories fill my soul with rapturous awe." If her life was beautifully consistent, her death was a glorious triumph over the king of terrors.

When informed by her grief-stricken husband of her speedy dissolution, the intelligence was received by her with heroic calmness and serenity. Looking into the face of her husband, who was watching by her bedside eager to catch every word that fell from her dying lips, she said, "Jesus is come for me, and I must go." Her husband replied, "Dear, I don't want you to leave me." She answered: "Yes; but Jesus says I must go. It will not be long before you will follow me. Do your work, and then come home. I will meet you at the gate." She sang with a strong voice, her husband joining her,

"'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take him at his word."

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Weep not, my Bro. Grace; your loss is her eternal gain. Soon, if faithful, you will join her in realms of fadeless glory, never to part and never to suffer more. "I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

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While at home, in childhood and youth, he was a faithful member and constant attendant of the Methodist Sunday-school at Valden; and wherever his duties called him, he at once connected himself with the Sunday school, thus associating himself with the students of the Bible. At the time of his death "he was teacher of twelve bright little boys, who loved him dearly." His beautiful, simple Christian life won for him a host of Christian friends wherever he went.

In the Spring of 1893 he received a position in the Navy Department at Key West, where he labored unflinchingly during the epidemic of yellow fever. He was soon promoted to the honorable and important position of chief clerk at the naval station. Here he won to himself many admirers and friends, who speak of him, in letters to his bereaved mother, in the highest terms as a devoted Christian gentleman. One writes: "Mr. Bains lived a most exemplary Christian life, and has found rest. He suffered dreadfully, but was conscious nearly all the time; talked, sang, and prayed; said he was ready to go, and his end was like his life—beautiful in its simplicity and great faith." Another writes these words, "His death cast a gloom over the whole community, for he was loved by all who knew him."

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He was born in Valden, Miss., Nov. 21, 1872; joined the Methodist Church in 1885 when at a child; died at Key West, Fla., Sept. 4, 1899, and was laid away in the cemetery at that place to await the resurrection.

I pen these lines as his former pastor. We miss him, and I pray the blessings of God upon his weeping brothers and broken-hearted mother. J. F. Evans

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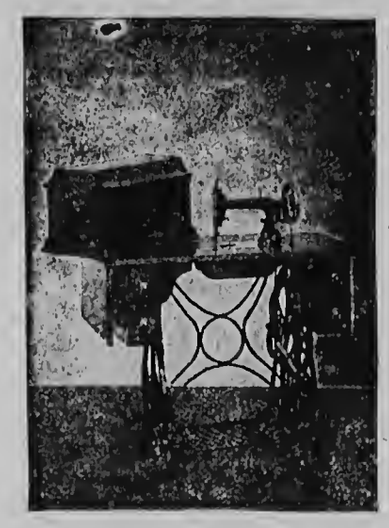

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

It is estimated that there are in the United States nearly 4,000,000 women who earn their own living.

An employers' association, representing from $7,000 000 to $9,000,000 of local capital, has been organized in Spokane, Wash., to resist any demand of organized labor which its members may regard as unjust.

William Owen Smith, who is to represent Hawaii at Washington during the coming session of Congress, was born in Hawaii about fifty years ago. He is one of the most prominent and influential men in the islands.

The Board of Trade of the city of Monroe, La, has issued a circular letter calling a convention for Nov. 8, to memorialize Congress for the improvement of the Ouachita river. The governors of Louisiana and Arkansas, and senators and members of Congress from both States, and the citizens of the parishes contiguous to the river, have been invited.

The functions and the receptions that have figured so prominently in the daily life of Admiral Dewey since his arrival off Sandy Hook have proven almost too much for his strength. The admiral has been under such a perpetual physical and nervous strain that he is now almost exhausted. Saturday's ceremonies were the most taxing on his strength of any that he has yet had to undergo.

The homecoming of Admiral Dewey—for henceforth the national capital is to be his home—was made the occasion of the greatest tribute ever paid by Washington to any individual. While the preliminary welcome in New York itself surpassed in its kind, it remained for the highest and greatest in the official world to hold out the hand of greeting to the famous admiral and to join with the people who are to be his fellow-citizens in bidding him welcome.

Aguinaldo's third attempt to shift his difficulties into the field of diplomacy is a repetition of the other one or two, with an impossible endeavor to obtain some sort of recognition of his so-called government. The Filipino envoys had an hour's conference with General Otis on Oct. 1. They brought from Aguinaldo a message that he desired peace and wished to send a civilian governmental commission to discuss the questions. General Otis replied that it was impossible for him to recognize Aguinaldo's government in any way.

The tremendous demonstration in Dewey's honor, while it has no doubt been very trying to the Admiral's strength, can not have failed to convince him of the great admiration felt for him by all his fellow-countrymen. It is not often that a great metropolis like New York devotes two entire days to honoring one man, however great, and this fact of itself is a fair indication of the great influence over the American people which Admiral Dewey's victory at Manila, and subsequent management of affairs in the Philippines, have exerted.

At a meeting of the State Board of Health of Louisiana, at which all the country members were present, the health situation was shown to be eminently satisfactory, as all the fever cases which have developed to date have been carefully guarded and there has been little inclination to spread shown. It was also developed that not a single case of yellow fever has appeared in the Charity Hospital, Hotel Dieu, Tonro Infirmary, or other public institution, this Summer or Fall, which is in marked contrast to the experience of last year and the year before last.

The War Department has given out a statement of exports of merchandise and gold coin at the port of Havana for the first eight months of American occupation. One of the most striking features of the report is the volume of products that passes month by month from the port of Havana, at a time when the agricultural resources of the island are at their minimum. If the volume of business continues for the next four months at the ratio of the past eight months, the export trade of Havana for the first year of American occupation will exceed the handsome sum of $29,000,000.

All further attempts at diplomacy appear now to have been abandoned by both Great Britain and the Transvaal Government, and both sides are devoting all their energies to hurrying troops to the Natal frontier, which is expected to be the scene of the first encounter. The preliminary steps towards declaring martial law in the South African Republic have already been taken, and the field cornets have mobilized their respective commands. A large force of Boers is reported to have been assembled close to the Natal frontier, and everybody looks for the opening act of the war within the next few days.

Agents taking the next census will not be required to offend the public by inquiring into family secrets and asking questions calculated to provoke a fight. The number of questions has been greatly reduced, and they are simpler than before.

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206 Hernando St., Memphis, Tenn.

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Clerk Superior Court Randolph Co., Ga.

NOTICE.

HOME MISSION SOCIETY, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The Annual Conference of the Woman's Home Mission Society will be held in Brandon, beginning Friday, Nov. 3, 1899. Every auxiliary is earnestly requested to send a delegate. Appropriations were made to four parsonages last year. There are already a number of applications on file. Our ability to aid these needy parsonages depends on a more general organization of the Home Mission Society in our Conference. Wherever possible, will the preachers respond to our appeal to organize at once, and send a delegate to Brandon? Every auxiliary is urged to observe the "Week of Prayer," praying especially for an increase of interest in the work of the Home Mission Society. Brandon is situated in almost the center of the State, and is very accessible. Do not fail to send delegate. We ask the prayers of God's people for the approaching Conference, and trust the result will be greater usefulness of this right arm of the church. ADDIE PURNELL,
Pres. H. M. Society.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the W. H. M. S. of the North Mississippi Conference;

Our annual meeting will be held at Maben, Miss., Oct. 28-31. Opening service at 7:30 P. M., Oct. 28.

Delegates will please notify Mrs. Irene Thomas, Maben, as to hour of arrival, etc.

Reduced rates will be secured, if possible. Bring your railroad certificates.

Let each delegate remember that a part of the responsibility of the meeting depends on her; so come prepared to do all you can, and praying that the blessing of God may rest on our labors.

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MRS. J. B. STONE, Conf. Sec.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SEASHORE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND

Americus, at Salem	Oct.	7, 8
Escatawpa, at Wilson Springs C. G.		13, 14
Purvis, at Purvis		15, 16
Vancleave, at New Prospect		21, 22
Moss Point		28, 29
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach, and Gulf Port, at G. P		29, 30
Poarlington, at Pearlington	Nov.	4, 5
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville		6
Leakaville, at Leakaville		9
Biloxi		11, 12
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Ocean Springs		12, 13
Galloway, at Ronda		18
St. John's, at John's		19
Whittington, at ——		20
Columbia, at Columbia		25, 26
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	Dec.	2, 3
East Covington, at Eminence		3
Hattiesburg		4

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Whitestown, at Whitestown	Oct.	22, 23
McComb City		23, 24
Adams, at Adams		28, 29
Summit and Tapisaw, at Summit		29, 30
Providence, at Georgetown	Nov.	4, 5
Westville, at Westville		5, 6
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Zion		7
Pleasant Grove, at Pleasant Grove		11, 12
Tylertown, at ——		18, 19
Caseyville, at ——		25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M.	
Gallman, at Gallman	Thurs., 11 A. M.	30
Hazlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M.	30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec.	2, 3
Wesson		3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia	Wed.	6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto	Thurs.	7
Brookhaven		9, 10

The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.
Brookhaven, Miss.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Porterville, at Union	Oct.	7, 8
Middleton, at Mt Carmel		14, 15
Lauderdale, at Brogan's		21, 22
North Kemper, at Mt. Pleasant		28, 29
Wayne, at Graham's	Fri..	Nov. 3
Winchester, at Winchester		4, 5
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro		5, 6
Enterprise, at Enterprise		12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's		18, 19
South Side, at South Side	Wed. P M..	22
Matheraville, at Winifred		25, 26
Shubuta, at Shubuta		26, 27
East End	Wed P. M..	30
Daleville, at Daleville	Dec.	2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M..	6
Central	Thurs. P. M..	7
Binnaville, at Scooba		9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Morton, at Pelahatchie	Sat. and Sun.	Oct. 28, 29
Clarksburg, at Clarksburg	Mon..	30
Forest, at Forest	Tues..	31
Raleigh, at Bay Springs	Thurs..	Nov. 2
Trenton, at Trenton	Sat. and Sun..	4, 5
Hillsboro, at New Providence	Wed..	8
Carthage, at Carthage	Fri..	10
Walnut Grove, at Beech Springs	Sat. and Sun	11, 12
Decatur, at Decatur	Tues..	14
Choctaw Mission, at Tulla-Chulok	Thurs..	16
Neshoba, at Pine Grove	Sat. and Sun.	18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg	Wed.	22
Chunkey, at Chunkey	Fri..	24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
N. and Hickory, at Newton	Tues..	28
Rose Hill, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	Dec. 2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose	Wed..	6
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Mt. Carmel	Oct.	7, 8
Gloster		8, 9
Washington		14, 15
Cane Ridge		21, 22
Woodville		28, 29
Percy Creek		29, 30
Fayette	Nov.	4, 5
Centerville		11, 12
Nebo		18, 19
Wesley Chapel		25, 26
Jefferson Street		26, 27
Harlow	Dec.	2, 3
Hamburg		9, 10

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Jackson—First Church	A. M.. Oct.	8
Capitol Street	P. M..	8
Sharon, at Sharon		11, 15
Canton	P. M..	15, 16
Yazoo circuit, at Anding		21, 22
Yazoo City	Sun. P. M..	22, 23
Terry, at Terry		28, 29
Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov.	4, 5
Vaughan's, at Ellison	Thurs..	11
Camden		11, 12
Tranquil, at Tranquil		18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M..	19, 20
Silver City, at Hillsdale		25, 26
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues.	28
Faunia, at Faunia	Dec.	2, 3
Brandon	P. M..	3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Wesleyana		9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Vicksburg—Crawford Street	Oct.	22
South Vicksburg		22
Mayersville, at Beulah		28, 29
Rocky Springs, at Shiloh	Nov.	4, 5
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork		11, 12
Anguilla, at Anguilla		12, 13
Satartia, at Mount Olivet		18, 19
Flora	Thurs..	23
Port Gibson		26
Hermanville		26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed..	29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs..	30
Utica	Dec.	2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed..	6
Warren, at Bradley Chapel		9, 10

E. H. MONNGER, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

First Church	11 A. M.. Oct.	8
Texas Avenue	7:30 P. M..	1
South Bossier, at Haughton		18
Mooringsport, at Blanchard		14, 15
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane		21, 22
North Bossier, at Plain Dealing		28, 29
Logansport, at Logansport	Nov.	1
Caddo, at Greenwood		4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville		8
Florien, at Holly Grove		11, 12
Wesley, at Wesley		15
Pelican, at Bethel		18, 19
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many		23
Zwolle, at Red Land		25, 26
Red River, at Campo Bello		29
Coushatta, at Coushatta		30
Mansfield	Dec.	3

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Baton Rouge and Antioch, at Antioch	Oct.	7, 8
Baton Rouge		8, 9
Baker, at Black Water		14, 15
Zachary		15, 16
Penchatoula, at James Chapel		21, 22
Live Oak, at Friendship		23
Pine Grove, at Killian Chapel		28, 29
Amite City, at Amite City		29, 30
Franklinton, at Mt. Hermon	Nov.	1, 2
East Feliciana, at Clear Creek		4, 5
St. Helena, at Darlington		11, 12
Wilson, at Manassas		18, 19
Clinton, at ——		18, 20
Slaughter, at Ethel		25, 26
St. Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec.	2, 3
Jackson		3

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lisbon and Summerfield	Oct.	7, 8
Simsboro, at New Hope		11
Downsville, at Douglass		14, 15
Ruston	preaching at night..	15
Ruston	Conference..	16
Vernon, at New Prospect		17
Gibsland, at Foster's Chapel		21, 22
Homer, at H....prea hing at night..		22
Homer, at H.....Conference..		23
Farmerville, at Ebenezer		28, 29
Bienville	Nov.	4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove		10
Haynesville, at New Salem		11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night		12
Lanesville, at Lanesville		18, 19
Valley, at Peasant Valley		25
Minden		25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville		29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec.	2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Big Cane, Melville and Rosedale, at Melville	7:30 P. M.. Oct.	4
	11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	5
Simsport, at Simsport		7, 8
Ada and Winfield, at W	7:30 P. M..	11
	11 A. M.	12
Olla and Pollock, at P		14, 15
Pineville, at Palestine		21, 22
Jena and Jonesville, at French Fork		28, 29
Spring Creek, at Spring Creek		Nov. 4, 5
Dry Creek, at ——	7:30 P. M..,	7
	11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	8
Natchitoches, at ——		11, 12
Boyce, at Boyce	11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	14
Montgomery and Colfax, at ——		18, 19
Alexandria		25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia		Dec. 2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Parker Memorial	11 o'clock A M..	Oct. 8
Felicity Street	7:30 P. M..	8
Louisiana Avenue	11 o'clock A. M..	15
Triumphantlas Mission	7 30 P. M..	15
Lower Coast		22
Dryades Street	11 o'clock A. M..	29
Rayne Memorial	7:30 P. M..	29
Plaquemine		Nov. 5
White Castle		12
Burgundy Street		19
Covington		26
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M..	Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7:30 P. M..	3

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

West Lake, at Vinton	Oct.	7, 8
Crowley		14, 15

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Harrisonburg, at Harrisonburg	Oct.	7, 8
Monroe		11

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Duncan	Oct.	7, 8
Clarksdale		14, 15
Friar's Point		10
Jonestown		21, 22
Helen		22, 23
Crews		28, 29
Greenville	Nov.	4, 5
Tunica		6
Lula		10
McLemore		11, 12
Laconia		18, 19
Gunnison		19, 20
Lebron		22
Rosedale		25, 26
Bolivar		26, 27

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Hebron	Oct.	7, 8
Crawford		14, 15
Brooksville		21, 22
Tibbee	Wed..	25
Starkville circuit		28, 29
Starkville station		29, 30
Winatonville	Nov.	2
Shuqualak		4, 5
Columbus circuit		11, 12
Columbus station		12, 13
Cedar Bluff		18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs..	23
Sturges		25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

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Arkalutla	Oct.	7, 8
Nesbit		14, 15
Coldwater and Hernando		15, 16
Orwood mission		20
Eureka		21, 22
Courtland		22, 23
Tyro		27, 29
Wall Hill		28, 29
Pleasant Hill	Nov.	4, 5
Cockrum		11, 12
Longtown		16
Pleasant Grove		18, 19

T. C. WIKE, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth circuit	Oct.	7, 8
Saltillo		14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn		21, 22
New Albany circuit		28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues..	31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed..	Nov. 1
Jacinto		4, 5
Belmont		11, 13
Brown's Creek		18, 19
Marietta		25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Abbeville circuit, at Cambridge	Oct	7
Olive Branch circuit, at Center Hill		14
Ashland, at Black Jack		21
Red Banks circuit, at Eureka		28
Hyballa circuit, at Hyballa	Nov.	4
Waterford circuit, at Souls Chapel		11
East Holly Springs cir., at Liberty		15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem		18
Connersville, at Connersville		22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahon		25
Holly Springs station		27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula	Oct.	7, 8
Tomnolen		13
Cumberland, at Long Branch		14, 15
Emora and Mahen, at Emora		15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg		21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens		26
Salem		28, 29
Belzons	Nov.	4, 5
Poplar Creek		11, 12
Chester, at Salem		16
Ackerman, at Salem		17
Louisville, at Louisville		18, 19
Durant station		20, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Indianola, at Indianola	Oct.	7, 8
Sidon, at Etta Bena		14, 15
Black Hawk, at Acona		21, 22
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem		28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Edon	Nov.	4, 5
West, at Midway		11, 12
McNutt, at McNutt		18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill		25, 26
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HOME.

BY THOMAS MOORE.

The bird let loose in eastern skies,
When hastening fondly home,
Ne'er stoops to earth her wing, nor flies
Where idle warblers roam;
But high she shoots through air and light,
Above all low delay,
Where nothing earthly bounds her flight,
Nor shadow dims her way.

So grant me, God, from every care
And stain of passion free,
Aloft through virtue's purer air,
To hold my course to thee!
No sin to cloud, no lure to stay
My soul, as home she springs—
Thy sunshine on her joyful way,
Thy freedom in her wings!

—Exchange.

Communications.

ENGLAND'S UNCROWNED LAUREATE.

Upon no living writer, perhaps not even excepting the French Zola whose "j'ai accuse" caused the reaction in the Dreyfus case, or the Russian novelist and political economist, Tolstoi, are the eyes of the literary world fastened with greater interest and with more speculation as to the final outcome, than on that strong and virile young Englishman, Rudyard Kipling, poet and novelist. Speaking of him during his alarming illness of last Winter, our own Southern writer, Thomas Nelson Page, said: "The death of Mr. Kipling at this time would prove a world-wide calamity. It is impossible to foresee what he may become. Still under the age of forty, he may, like Scott, turn from one province of letters to another, and easily become the foremost poet of his time."

Happily for his admirers, Mr. Kipling's life was spared, and we trust that he will still find, in the universe of letters, more worlds to conquer.

To those who are fond of tracing effect to cause, it is interesting to remember that Kipling is a direct outgrowth of Wesleyan Methodism, his grandfather, on the paternal side, having been a minister of that connection, strong in faith and eminent for his piety, humility, and good works. If we are to believe some of the younger Kipling's critics, whatever else he may have inherited from this particular ancestor, no grain of humility was bequeathed to him; yet even those critics must concede that the lack of that particular quality in Englishmen is national rather than individual. Certainly the low-breathing strain of the Recessional, the grandest of modern religious odes, show no lack of dependence on the Unseen Power:

"Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget!"

Many poems and hymns breathe a spirit, if not deeply spiritual, at least highly reverential.

In one of his books of short stories, entitled "Plain Tales from the Hills," he gives us a weird and awe-inspiring account of a young subaltern in the Anglo-Indian Civil Service, who died in being considered an atheist—delighting on all occasions to air his disbelief in the existence of any intelligent power higher than man. A sudden and mysterious stroke of illness came upon him in the midst of a torrent of blasphemous words, depriving him, for the time, not only of the power of speech, but of connected thought, and his eager and unquestioning belief ever after in divine interposition, shows at least the bent of the author's belief, and that he has not entirely discarded the faith of his ancestors as to the supernatural. In another of those tales he refers to the simple faith and piety of the "Methody folks at home" among the mines of Cornwall and other parts of England, one very touching sketch being of the self-sacrificing labors in behalf of the souls of the poor miners of a young "parson" whose rival in a love affair was a "red-coat," a "sojer of the widder" as he called himself, who was at last triumphantly convinced of the purity and disinterestedness of the young preacher's efforts in behalf of his parishioners. In the author's abhorrence of sham in religion and social life we are reminded of Charles Dickens when at his best, though Kipling's types have not become as familiar to the reading public as those of Dickens.

Like Dickens also, Mr. Kipling has incurred the hostility of a portion of the American people by his unsparing denunciation of some of the national vices and weakness of our country; but, no doubt, we shall profit by those strictures as did the people who read Dickens' "American Notes" and "Martin Chuzzlewit" nearly thirty years ago.

Kipling's intense loyalty to his own country has, perhaps, strengthened the conviction that he is not an enthusiastic admirer of American institutions; but when we remember that he married an American, and for a time made her home, "down-East," his own, and that he is credited with the desire to have his children reared on the "American plan"—whatever that may be—and, above all, when we read his "White Man's Burden," a noble lyric manifestly addressed to the entire American people, it is hard to believe that he does not feel that "touch of nature" which make all Anglo-Saxons feel akin. In one of his books, at least, "Captain Conrageous," he pays a magnificent tribute to American skill and enterprise when he describes the journey across the continent from San Francisco to Boston of a railway magnate in search of a son supposed to be lost.

Mr. Kipling's influence as a writer is shown by the profound effect produced by his "Truce of the Bear," which, though voicing the sentiments of only one man, and that man a private citizen, was accepted by the world as the exponent of the feeling of distrust evidenced by the English nation at large in regard to the peace proposals of the Czar of Russia. Even the Czar himself might be proud of such a tribute.

Other works of Mr. Kipling, notably the "Day's Doings" and other works of a somewhat technical nature, show the immense diversity of his talents. His "Jungle Stories" are the equal of any folk-lore literature of any country. The knowledge of the nature and habits of birds, beasts and reptiles inhabiting the Indian jungles, is second only to the knowledge displayed by the author of the human nature of that and other countries in all its varied form.

MARY V. DUVAL.

Grenada College, Oct. 3, 1899.

CONFERENCE AUDITING BOARD.

I have just read the suggestion of Bro. Bowman, in the ADVOCATE of Oct. 5, in regard to a committee to audit the financial reports of the preachers at the Conference sessions. I want to give this suggestion my hearty endorsement, and ask that the brethren of the Louisiana Conference weigh this suggestion and come to Monroe prepared to, the first thing, make this Board a part of our Conference organization. This Board will, to a large degree, simplify and facilitate the work of the pastors in making their reports, and the work of the statistical secretary. It will also be a help to the treasurers, as they will then be able to know if a brother has anything to report.

I would suggest that the treasurers of the Boards of Missions, Finance and Church Extension constitute this Board, and that to them all the preachers be required to report all their collections, with their reports for the statistical secretary, not later than the afternoon of the second day of the Conference. These three brethren can have their table near the church door, and by dividing the eleven items to be reported upon between them, and calling for the brethren a district at a time, make short work of their collections and the verifying of the pastors' reports.

Bro. Bowman sums up the good to be attained as follows: "All reports and moneys correspond; every report is verified; a great deal of confusion is averted; a considerable time is saved in announcing the meeting places of various Boards."

Surely this is what we need.

WM. G. EVANS.

Correspondence.

NOTES FROM THE DISTRICT.

BY REV. T. B. HOLLOMAN.

MR. EDITOR: This brings me to the close of the third quarter, and a busy one it has been—too much so to allow the fulfilling of that promise to send an occasional letter. During the quarter the pastors have been engaged in special meetings, and all have been unusually busy.

The one especial feature since my last was a trip by buggy through the swamp country in the district. We were forcibly impressed with the rapid settlement of this territory. Where in my younger manhood were impenetrable forests and scarcely an evidence of civilization, I found large plantations, steam gins, and machinery of most modern make, and whole colonies of tenants. Where was, only a decade or two ago, the almost undisputed home of the deer and bear, are now to be seen the domestic animals in perfect peace (indeed, in a two-days' travel I saw not even a coon or opossum); and what rabbits are to be found have been made shy by the indomitable boy and his dog.

Time was, only a few years ago, when for a stranger to adventure a trip through that section was at a great risk of turning up somewhere lost; but now, if one is led astray by some way (which was my fortune, and resulting in an addition of three or four miles to my journey), he has only to keep going, fully assured that he will soon get out of the brush. Not many whites, however, have entered, the country being owned and operated by merchants who employ negro labor almost exclusively. Formed into communities, with their own teachers and preachers, with school-houses and churches, they seem as contented and happy, yea, more so than many others who have more inviting surroundings.

In this territory, near Campbellsville (on the bank of the Sunflower river), we have a church which bears the name of "Sharborough's Chapel," which owes its origin and continued existence to the three sons of Rev. Frank Sharborough, once an honored member of the Mississippi Conference. Settling in the wild woods, and "beginning at the stump," they have each comfortable homes, and seem in all things studious to observe that command, "Honor thy father and thy mother."

From this place the schedule called me to "Phillip's," on Lake City and Lodi charge. Here we had a crowded house (school-room 12x15), and with seats for about thirty children. While this may appear small to the more thickly-settled sections, it was a larger per cent. of citizens. The pastor visits every family regardless of creed, and says if he stays in a neighborhood too long, he has to repeat. The difficulty with all this valley country is the sparcity of white people. However, in no part is the ministry more respected and honored. I have been informed of two places where our Baptist brethren preach, but none live within these borders. Methodism must do the work, and virtually has the field. May God impress us with the weight of our obligation! As Sam Jones says, it will require "grit, grace, and patience;" but the day will certainly come when the fruits of the work now being done will be "thirty, sixty, and an hundredfold."

Boarding the train for home, I was informed by the conductor that Pocahontas, sixteen miles out, was as near as they were allowed to Jackson; so I resolved to drop off elsewhere and return by other route, but, fatal step!—once on, I was told to pass on. All my arguments of long distance from the infection, continued absence from home, and immunity, were of no avail. I had been in Jackson; so on I went, and through the exceeding kindness of a Baptist brother, Bell, I reached Jackson noon of next day. Well, I have no censure and no unkind criticism to offer. Better one to be inconvenienced than a whole town to probably suffer.

Realizing the uncertainty of railroad connections, I planned to use the horse and buggy, and did, by a sixty-mile drive, get to two appointments. I was now flattering myself that I was independent, and, with my argument of immunity, could go anywhere; but, alas! for my plans! With Geo. Dewey hitched and ready to start, I am called to the "phone." "Hello! is that you, Bro. Holloman?" "Yes." "Where are you?" "At home, and will start in a few minutes for your Quarterly Conference." "Well, wait. Our people say you must not come." "But I'm immune." "Can't help that; don't come." So here I am, and all my boast of immunity of no avail. "Tied up," "sidetracked," "locked out," or rather in. I had hoped to meet every appointment, but must consent, with Robert Burns, as to the best-laid plans of mice and men. Finding my way blocked, I resolved to give what aid I could to the work in the city; but I am glad to report that the spread of the fever has been so slow—only sixteen cases to date—that there has not been any tax upon nurses or people. The expense is depressing. Bishop Galloway has been with us all the time, and just as good a leader in an epidemic as in a prohibition campaign. None escape him. He sees or knows of every case, regardless of church relations. I am certain that he was not more eloquent before that grand Educational Rally in Atlanta, only last week, than he appeared going down the street yesterday with bedding for a poor boy stricken with the fever. Mississippi Methodism has a right to be proud of such a man.

We had planned to give special emphasis to the Twentieth Century Movement on our fourth round, but can not now tell when I can get out into the field. Brethren will please give emphasis to this cause. The Jackson district should lead the Conference, if not the State, in this matter. Why not so resolve and so work?

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 4, 1899.

MORE ENCOURAGEMENT.

Bro. W. G. Harris promises a contribution from the Sunday-school at Webb. Midway Sunday-school, through H. S. Swayze, superintendent, and Miss Alice King, secretary, has forwarded two and 60-100 dollars; and Bro. W. E. Strock has sent three dollars from the Sunday-school at Orange Grove. Others will report later.

Rev. W. W. Simmons, P. E., assures me, "The Twentieth Century Fund is being looked after in the Seashore district."

Rev. H. C. Morehead, P. E., writes a most hopeful letter about the work in the Grenada district, and is confident of large success. He is in correspondence with all his preachers, and is advocating the cause through the columns of The Methodist Headlight, the Grenada district paper, of which he is editor.

Revs. J. B. Mitchell, J. B. Stone, B. F. Lewis, M. E. Tumlin, J. J. Garner, W. D. McCullough, J. H. Shumaker, D. W. Babb, J. H. Holder have given much thought to this interest, and laid wise plans for large success, and are hopeful of good results. Some of these already have money in hand; all will report amounts later.

Rev. R. E. Rutledge reports seven and 75-100 dollars from Binnsville.

Rev. J. P. Drake, Bay St. Louis, reports an additional amount of nine and 50-100 dollars. This is Bro. Drake's fourth report. His perseverance is worthy of all commendation.

Rev. P. E. Duncan, Crawford, reports twenty-one dollars from one of his churches, and thinks "we will make a good report."

Rev. D. C. Foust, Guntown, reports twenty-four dollars from Baldwyn, and "expects to observe the day at other churches on the work."

Rev. H. T. Cunningham, Carrollton, reports fifteen new names and forty dollars added to the fund.

Rev. H. P. Crowe, Arcola, reports sixty-two and 50-100 dollars, and not half the members have been seen. When the others contribute the per capita idea will not be "in it."

Rev. R. O. Brown, Lexington, reports sixty-five and 75-100 dollars, and, "of course, all the membership will be canvassed for a contribution." Of course!

Rev. E. S. Lewis, Brooksville, reports an additional amount of seventy-two and 25-100 dollars, which makes more than one hundred dollars from this charge, and the best part of the report is yet to be sent.

Rev. Thos. H. Dorsey, Cleveland, reports ninety dollars.

Rev. T. W. Lewis, Corinth, reports one hundred and fourteen dollars, and "the canvass has just begun. Have appointed a committee of ten to canvass the entire membership. Divided the roll into lots of fifty, and expect to push the work to success." Whether "nothing succeeds like success" be true, or not, none succeed better than T. W. Lewis and J. H. Smith.

Rev. W. S. Lagrone, Water Valley, had the assistance of Dr. R. W. Jones, and secured one hundred and twenty-seven dollars, and hopes to make it more than two hundred. They are putting one thousand dollars' worth of repairs on the parsonage. Good for Water Valley.

Now for reports from the "October brigade." Is there a single preacher in Mississippi who has done nothing for this great cause? I hope not. But if there be one, I ask him to read this from one of our most intelligent, consecrated, active and, of course, successful young preachers: "The trouble with most of us is that, because we can't do something handsome, we will be satisfied with doing nothing. But in this great movement, if we are to succeed, the poor, as well as the rich, must help."

Now, Bro. Do-nothing, read that over again, and then write to me.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Oct. 9, 1899.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The Durant district parsonage debt, of several years' standing, is a thing of the past, the last dollar on the same having been recently paid. It is to be hoped that this news will stir the people of Winona district to co-operate with their earnest presiding elder for a similar consummation before Conference.

The future home of the presiding elder of the Columbus district will be in the classic city of Columbus, the committee having the matter in hand having recently purchased a $2,500 house for that purpose.

Rev. H. M. Young, preacher in charge of Nettleton circuit, has been sick a month and a half, and unable to fulfill his work. He is now improving, and hopes to resume his work soon. So may it be.

Rev. T. W. Lewis, Corinth station, writes that he has received to date 118 into the church, and had during the past four weeks made 170 pastoral visits—all this notwithstanding much personal affliction and the almost constant sickness of his wife. May they soon be restored to health and vigor, and enabled to do full service in the pastorate!

We rejoice to note the improving condition of Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb. He has been two weeks under special treatment in Birmingham, Ala., where he is reported as doing well after a surgical operation for an abscess on the liver. Many hearts are burdened with prayer for his recovery.

A visit to Grenada College this week was enjoyed very much by this writer. The courtesies shown by President McIntosh and the teachers and pupils of the school were heart-cheering. All that I saw and heard in and of the work of the school was lovely, and worthy of good report. The friends of this cherished institution will be glad to hear of its prosperous condition. The student body is up with any previous record, and the management seems to be all that could be reasonably desired. The greatest need is more room and better equipments, all of which will, doubtless, be furnished in due course of time. To these ends let all plan and labor who are concerned for the Christian education of the girls of North Mississippi Methodism.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., Oct. 7, 1899.

JAPAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Japan Annual Conference met Thursday, Aug. 31, and closed Tuesday, Sept. 5. The session was very pleasant and harmonious. There was a good spiritual tone pervading nearly every meeting. One week earlier would have given us the hottest weather of the Summer; but, fortunately, a typhoon a few days before Conference had broken up the excessive heat, and we had much cooler and pleasanter weather than we could have expected at that season.

Dr. W. R. Lambuth was with us, and contributed much to the enjoyment and good of the Conference. Having been known and greatly beloved by nearly all the Japanese as well as the foreign members of the Conference, he met with an exceedingly warm reception, and his words of counsel and exhortation carried additional weight because of the high regard, personally, in which he is held.

The reports were very encouraging. Our net gain, which was 75 (our total membership being 666), is the best we have had for five or six years. There was an encouraging increase in the amount paid on native preachers' support and on the missionary collection. There was a falling off in the number of Sunday-schools and of Sunday-school scholars, but it was due principally, if not entirely, to the closing of some of our chapels on account of lack of funds.

Action was taken with reference to the Twentieth Century Fund, and I think that $500 was fixed as the amount that we would try to raise. I think we shall raise more than that. I heard yesterday that the first Japanese subscription made was for 100 yen ($50 gold). Of course, we can not expect very many like that, but it is a good omen of the spirit in which they take hold of it.

Bro. Moose and Miss Carroll, who are on their way to Corea; Bro. Whiteside, who is on his way to China, and Miss Leverett, who is over here for the Summer from China, were present at the Conference several days. We were glad to have them with us; to give to the new missionaries a hearty welcome to the mission field and a godspeed for the rest of their journey.

We begin the new Conference year in most places with good prospects. May the coming year be, by the blessing of God, the best year we have ever had! B. W. WATERS.

Osaka, Japan, Sept. 7, 1899

An old couple who glorified God by their glad lives were asked, "Have you never any clouds?" "Clouds? Why, yes, sir; else where would all the blessed showers come from?"—Exchange.

FEAR NOT.

BY REV. HENRY BURTON.

Fear not, O soul! the winds that blow
Come from the heavens, and can not harm;
They only bring the deeper calm—
His peace, who bids them "Come," or "Go."

Fear not the waves that vainly roar,
The angry surges' sullen beat;
They make a pavement for His feet,
Who leads thee to a safer shore.

Fear not the cloud that darkly lowers,
With muffled thunder, rain of tears;
It comes to bless the after years,
And make the earthly, heavenly flowers.

Fear not the fire, if thou art tried
In pain, or sorrow's furnace heat;
He seeks to make thy life complete,
As gold by fire is purified.

Fear not what future days may bring;
They only bring what He may send;
The veiled to-morrow is thy friend,
With harp beneath her angel wing.

And so I bid my craven fear
Spread her dark pinions and away!
The shadows flee at break of day,
For Love, Eternal Love, is near.

—Exchange.

Communications.

MINISTERIAL POWER.

BY REV. ELTON WILSON.

There are three distinct sources of "ministerial power," viz.: the physical, the mental or psychic, and the spiritual. These elements enter into all sermonic activity, in both study and pulpit. The two first are necessary constituents of all literary production. God has correlated the physical and mental in the constitution of everyone. There is inherent power within the psychic constitution. There is a subordinate power within the physical organism. The physical is only an instrumental factor, but a very necessary one amid material environments.

Thought is not a secretion of the brain; neither is it a chemical product of brain changes. It is the activity of an immaterial principle called the soul. The physical is the organ of soul-development. The physical and psychic are parts of a Hottentot or Shakespeare. In the Hottentot the physical dominates the psychic element, while in Shakespeare the order is reversed. The consciousness of a Hottentot is overshadowed and almost obscured by the material world. The light of nature that breaks upon his darkened consciousness is dim and vague. His strength and power resides in his body. There is a faint activity of his psychic life, while he is totally destitute of spiritual life.

Here we have a type of personality whose power is almost wholly physical. In Hume and Shelley we have a type of personality in which the psychical dominates, and the spiritual has been extinguished. In Jonathan Edwards we have a happy illustration, embodying the harmonious activity of the physical, the psychical, and the spiritual, in the unity of a ministerial personality. We find the same harmonious factors in the personality of John Wesley.

We could name a great number of historic characters whose physical and psychic power would equal either that of Wesley or Edwards. The secret and source of their power as ministers of the gospel is found in their close touch and fellowship with the Holy Spirit. Their great psychic power was subordinate to the Holy Spirit.

To what extent does the Holy Spirit enter into the personal life of the minister? The genesis of the ministerial consciousness is the work of the Holy Spirit. The continuity and permanence of the ministerial consciousness is conditioned upon the continuous access and fellowship of the Holy Spirit. This is the subjective foundation of the objective life of the minister. The Holy Spirit does not create the ministerial consciousness, nor sustain it only in a converted personality that has been made holy and acceptable to God. To each a person there is a continuous influx of spiritual power and energy. The Holy Spirit has access to the ultimate ego, and, furthermore, breathes upon the conscious activity of thought, feeling, and volition.

This is not the communication of knowledge, but the impartation of spiritual power. Some people are afraid to admit the fact that the Holy Spirit has anything to do with the generation and development of sermons, because they at once jump to the conclusion that the Holy Spirit furnishes the preacher with sermons "cut and dried," and ready for delivery. Such an assumption is mere nonsense. The Holy Spirit does not impart one iota of material to the preacher's resources.

God, in the creation of the human constitution, prescribed a uniform law in the acquisition of knowledge. The natural channels of knowledge are sensation, consciousness, and intuition. The sources of knowledge are the material world without and the subjective sphere of consciousness. All mankind are subjected to this law. There is a supernatural method of acquiring knowledge. This exalted privilege was only bestowed upon apostles and prophets. This is inspiration. It ceased with the apostolic age. None are inspired in this age. And the preacher who neglects preparation and waits for inspiration will be as a hollow drum. A preacher must have material, either conscious or unconscious, before he can recall or dispense it. He can not give that which he has not.

The law of mental association is ever operative in active thought. It is the preacher's greatest ally. A loud voice and great physical exertion can not atone for lack of intelligent thought. The Holy Spirit does not do for the preacher what he is required to do for himself. For a minister to enter his pulpit without preparation, expecting the Holy Spirit to do his thinking, is nothing short of indolent fanaticism.

Now, it is evident that the Holy Spirit exerts an influence upon the preacher's personal life. If this is not a fact, the preacher who goes into his pulpit or study, and prays for the power, guidance and assistance of the Holy Spirit, labors under a delusion, and his request is vain babbling. The Holy Spirit does not gather the material, nor do the thinking, nor put forth the necessary physical energy. This is the preacher's work, and if he does not do it, it remains undone. This is the human sphere of effort in sermonizing. What influence does the Holy Spirit exert upon the ministerial personality in its origination and development of sermons? The promise of Jesus, "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," is here verified through the Holy Spirit.

The human consciousness (using the term in its widest sense) flows on in one unbroken stream of thought, feeling, and volition. Man is sovereign in this conscious sphere. He can surrender his consciousness to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, or he can reject his gracious leadings.

Jesus is ever ready to make real the promise, "He shall guide you into all truth." This is conditioned upon a volitional surrender of consciousness in fervent prayer and earnest thought. The preacher performs all necessary activities of thought; he only surrenders those activities to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. A preacher may have a strong and well-disciplined mind, a vast accumulation of material, and a perfect physique, with the addition of all the natural gifts for a successful preacher, and after all this he may be a failure, his ministry barren, and his preaching powerless. He may be a negative and destructive factor in the church, instead of being a powerful constructive force. There are many ministers in the various pulpits of to-day who possess all the natural elements and conditions of a successful ministry, and yet they are really destructive factors in their denominations. They have thrown off the guiding influence and the conscious fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and have drifted into rationalism and the open skepticism of the age. They have a wealth of mental and physical power, but are utterly bankrupt in spiritual power.

Modern sermonic thought falls short of spiritual power. The ministry of the age needs a deeper and more vivid consciousness of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

(To be continued.)

THE LORD'S GLORY SHOWN.

It is a wonderful truth that the Lord's glory is revealed unto sinful men. I know that some Christians affirm that if one would have the Lord's glory shown to him directly, he must, first of all, be cleansed from all sin; he must be thoroughly holy; but this is evidently a mistaken notion. Read these words, "And Moses said, This is the thing which the Lord commanded that ye should do: and the glory of the Lord shall appear unto you." That thing is stated thus, "Draw near unto the altar, and offer thy sin-offering and thy burnt-offering, and make atonement for thyself and for the people." This was done, and the glory of the Lord appeared unto the people. They approached God as sinful men, confessing their iniquities, and making an atonement, through Moses and Aaron, for their sins; then the Lord showed them his glory in a direct, special manner. Through their offering of an atonement the people approached the Lord, and through that atonement the Lord revealed his glory to them. The atonement was a ritual recognition of the sinfulness of those who approached the Lord. Had the people not been sinful, there would have been no need of a present and direct use of the atoning sacrifice. They went before the Lord because they were sinful and had need of the atonement. This was a condition for the reception of the glory of the Lord.

God does not show his glory to those who do not recognize their need of the atonement. He does not reveal his glory to those who do not acknowledge that they are sinful; who do not own to the truth that they have sins to confess. It is the contrite man, feeling his need of the atonement, and imploring God to forgive him of his sins, that God shows his glory to. It is the glory of God in pardon, and his testimony to the soul that he is pardoned and delivered from the legal accusation of all past guilt.

C. H. WETHERBE.

THE AMOUNT WE SHOULD GIVE GOD.

Giving is a subject that does not engage the thoughts, prayers and practices of the masses as it should. Indeed, there are few stewards who give it the attention necessary. Many pastors are limited, and oft-times materially crippled, in their work by stewards who stand in the way of their finances. However, for all this there is a remedy, and that remedy is the regular payment into God's treasury what is due him from stewards and people. It is quite evident that all should give nothing less than the tenth, and as much over it as necessary, and especially as they can.

We give the following reasons why we should not pay less than the tenth:

1. The tenth is the only form of giving that has a history, and not only has it a history, but its history extends from Abraham to the present time—that is, its recorded history, for Abraham gave the tenth as if it had been an old practice before him, and if it were, then we do not know when its practice began.

2. God commanded the Jews to give the tenth, and it does seem that we should give as much as they, and when we remember that Christ said, "For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required," it seems quite conclusive that we should by all means give nothing less, but much more than the tenth, for a very great deal more has been given to us than to the Jews.

3. Abraham gave Melchizedek "tithes of all," and, therefore, it is quite reasonable that we should not only give Christ the tenth, but more. He is worthy of all, and more besides.

4. God prospers those who give the tenth. This is the testimony of all who have tried it.

5. The words of Christ to the Scribes and Pharisees, "Ye pay tithe of mint and anis and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." (Matt. xxiii, 23.) In this verse Christ censures them for neglecting judgment, mercy, and faith, and adds that paying tithes should not be neglected. This is a very strong reason for paying the tenth.

6. God gave us his Son to make it possible for us to have all the good possible in this life and the life in the world to come; and does it not, therefore, look quite ungrateful in us not to give him ten cents of every dollar we get—and, indeed, our all—as an expression of our appreciation of his gift, Christ our Savior? Certainly it does. We know it does. The tenth is little enough to give, and let us not give less, but more, if possible. If all would give the tenth, the cause of our blessed Lord would not be embarrassed and hindered as it is now, and we all would be much better off.

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

[The following is an extract from a private letter to Rev. P. O Lowrey from his brother, who is a soldier in the United States Army at Manila.—EDITOR]

We have just returned from hearing the usual Sunday morning sermon, which is rendered at eight o'clock in the morning, before the heat becomes so intense, because at eleven it is "mucho calliente." We are not able to tell you the text, nor the quality of the discourse, but we can testify to the sweetness of the music produced, both by the baritone singers and the nice pipe organ which they have in this land of "no-clothes-and-heathens," as a great many of the boys term it. The services here are much more impressive than those of the home Catholics. The cathedrals, of the ancient type of architecture, are of stone build and tiling roofs, the whole of which are rain-beaten, moss-covered, and, in the large crevices, vine-covered. The interiors have smooth stone floors and never a seat. There is an imaginary aisle down the center of the church, which divides the women from the men while worshiping. What time the women—who have, without exception, a head-gear of an indescribable make-up—are not kneeling they are sitting flat on the floor, while the men stand. There is one part of the spacious church reserved for the native soldiers, who march every Sunday to the church, never forgetting to bring their arms, which are of long-pointed spears. The spectacle is a fine one, especially when all the worshipers pose on their knees at the call of the bugle, and listen, with all reverence, to the litanies as they are chanted by those in each end of the church. Every Sunday we put on our kakhai suits and clean clothes, and go to see these performances. The music is sublime, and the time spent there varies the monotony of the idle hours spent in barracks. We have been detached from the regiment since November of last year, and have heard but few sermons, except those in unknown tongues. FRANK M. LOWREY,

Quarters Co. H., First Tennessee, U. S. V., Naga, Isla de Cebu, P. I., Aug. 8, 1899.

Selections.

SIMPLICITY OF SPEECH IN PREACHING.

A recent work on theology, which has made a strong impression upon many readers, numbers among its distinctive attractions the fact that it avowedly refuses to use the stereotyped and formal terms in vogue for centuries in theological writings, such as soteriology and eschatology, and instead thereof invariably employs terse and simple English words which anybody can apprehend. This method, wisely applied, helps to make the volume one to be enjoyed by the ordinary reader, while it really freshens and invigorates its contents for the clerical student, who is not often helped in his researches by the professional terms which serve to outline the different branches of theological science.

This method, perhaps, can not be applied wisely by all writers on theology, as there is still need of the philosophical and metaphysical terminology in the more elaborate works; but in the pulpit the policy ought to be followed, almost without exception. Indeed, one of the duties of the preacher is to turn the abstruse statements of scientific theology into ordinary language. This process is almost as difficult in some cases as the task of translation from a foreign tongue, but it richly rewards the man who undertakes it, and brings new visions of truth to the hearers of the Word. It is rarely necessary for a preacher to use abstract and metaphysical terms. When he does he may immediately paraphrase them so as to guard himself against being misunderstood. The expression, "pardon of sin," for example, is usually preferable in every way to the more formidable theological term, "justification," and a man may talk pompously about the "ethical principles which are involved" in a passage, without making it clear to half his audience what he means.

We admit that there are times when a man, in order to be exact, needs to use a technical term; but these occasions are rare in the pulpit. A diligent preacher will seek to enlarge his vocabulary, to make it rich, vigorous, and even exuberant; but he will be chary concerning the professional words used constantly in the standard works of theology. These terms add nothing to the sermon; they rather detract from its clearness and force, and sometimes suggest a pedantic display of needlessly big words.—Central Advocate.

WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THE CAMP MEETINGS?

Our English Wesleyan exchanges bring us pretty full accounts of the Southport Convention, which has been held in June annually since 1885, managed much after the manner of the Keswick meetings, except that it is kept somewhat more closely to Methodist methods.

It calls up the question, pertinent to this season, and no doubt much in the thoughts of many, Are we reaping from our camp meetings all that we ought? Are we not trying too pertinaciously to hold them strictly to the old lines, when the old conditions have so largely vanished? The congregations that confront the preachers on the stand are almost a solid mass of church members morning, noon, and night. They are asked to listen to a series of sermons of a very miscellaneous nature, all good in a certain sense, but rarely adapted to make any deep impression, or be remembered beyond the hour. There is no unity of plan and but little result of value.

Is this the best way? Possibly it is, but many wise judges have grave doubts. Might it not be well to give another system, something like that at Northfield, a fair trial? Is it not more in accordance with the demands of the times, better adapted to present circumstances, and likely to issue in more permanent benefit to the churches? Are there not available among us a class of teachers who could command respect, attract attention, and impart large profit by a series of addresses or Bible readings on topics connected with the higher ranges of Christian experience? Is there not among our church members generally a sufficient call for this kind of thing to give success to an attempt to organize a camp meeting around this idea? If there is anything that can be done to promote deeper spirituality among our people, to join with the increasing education increasing religious fervor—surely the two are not incompatible—we ought to know it and be about it. We can not afford to waste such opportunities as are presented by our Summer gatherings. Education has laid hold of them, and is turning them, in many instances, to good account. Let us not allow vital godliness to be put in the background, and its interests suffered to go by default, for lack of wise measures and vigorous initiative.—Zion's Herald.

A PLACE AT LAST.

It is a well-known fact that itinerant preachers, especially on the poorer charges, never accumulate property, and very often they have to add manual labor to their ministerial toils in order to get bread. Such devotion and sacrifice call for tender sympathy from the church. With children to clothe and educate, travelers to house and feed, friends to welcome and entertain, the demand upon the scanty purse is frequently embarrassing, if not painful. Yet such men are generally sweet and happy, "rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing instant in prayer," and looking patiently ahead for the reward. Mrs. Elizabeth Hawley Fenn, herself the wife of an itinerant, has drawn a little sketch of the closing scene in such lives:

"A place of my own at last!" he said,
As he stretched his limbs in his dying bed,
Then his smile grew strangely sweet and bright,
And his eye lit up with a heavenly light.

"Just a little place, six feet by two,
Is all that I need with my travels through;
To the world my grave in flowers will smile
As my dust returns unto dust the while.

"Body and spirit I am content—
The way now shines where my Master went—
Hardships forever gone with the past,
A city appointment hails me at last!"

—The Michigan Christian Advocate.

The Christian Life.

THE RELIGION THAT SINGS.

Christianity is the religion that sings itself. Atheism has no songs; agnosticism is not tuneful. We have never heard of a Brahmanic hymnal or a Confucian psalmody. The meters of heathendom or savagery, so far as paganism is vocal at all, are not once to be compared with the lively heartiness, with the freeness, fulness and depth of Christian song. There is a spontaneity and abandon to the singing of Christians that is sadly lacking in any of the music exercises of paganism. The believer in Jesus explains his own songfulness in the conclusive question, 'How can I keep from singing?' Christianity is not only a religion that sings, but also it is "the" religion that sings. No other faith has the cult of carols and the school of praise. The Christian sings because he has something to sing about. The believer's face is aglow with joy, and his speech inevitably quickens into song. When Jesus Christ put himself into the world he put song into it also. By saving men he saves their music, too. And so ever and everywhere the religion of Jesus is a cult of hope, of brave joy, of cheery optimism. Christian faith already puts the heaven to which it is going into its earthly phraseologies and psalmodies. It elevates song while it quickens it. It inspires a poetry which is peerless. Atheism is dumb, but there is music to Christianity. Skepticism is not singable, but Christ to-day is leading the grandest choruses of the world. English literature is already full of the lyrics of the Christ, while the poets are still searching for new tributes to bring to his name. The sublimest oratorios have had inspiration from the Nazarene. Christianity is a religion that can sing and that does sing.—New York Observer.

QUIET RESTING-PLACES.

There is always peace in the heart which is conscious of God's presence. "It is because we do not know that he is with us," some one has said, 'and more than half doubt that he is anywhere, that we become nervous, irritable, uneasy and unhappy." It is possible to reach such a height of faith as to find perfect freedom in the petty perplexities and daily cares and small worries which produce mental restlessness and physical disease. From these rare altitudes a man looks down on the troubles of life with calm indifference, and looks up to God with serene trust.

The experiences of life can not seriously disturb a soul to whom the Infinite seems close at hand. Heaven has already begun in such a heart. Christ's "Peace, be still," has been uttered over all the billows that threaten to toss the bark. It has its ward rest, whatever the outward commotion. Environment is a small matter to him who entemples the Almighty. Not easy of attainment is this point of vantage from which to survey the world, this perfect poise of complete faith, but it is well worth all it costs.—Zion's Herald.

WORK FOR GOD.

And do not expect immediate results. Immediate results are not worth working for. History is long and is slow, but the clock keeps ticking and the brook keeps flowing. Do something, and do it in a straight line, and if you do not at last get to finish it, God will top it out, or get some one to. Very likely your own inspiring activity will be just the influence that will create the discipleship that will take up the work and carry to completion the enterprise which you inaugurated; something as the quickening spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ endowed the twelve with the power and wisdom to complete what their ascended Lord had begun.—C. H. Parkhurst.

There is a best way of doing everything, of carving a joint, or sweeping a room, or holding a plow, or keeping books. The educated man or woman is the one who does things he or she has to do in the best way, without waste of time or force. Many of these "best ways" we have not wit enough to discover for ourselves. There is an immense stock of experience handed down to us through older people. To a child the father or mother represents the wisdom and skill of the race. If they do not, some one else does. At any rate, we enter into our heritage of the past in just so far as we learn from some one how to do the things we are called to do in the best way. Few people realize that the things that will make them efficient and skillful is just this matter of learning in some way or other how to do things in the best way. That is the difference between the raw "hand" and the trained servant, between the bungler and the artisan, between the man or woman who is always worried, flurried, and driven, and the person who does twice as much, and yet has plenty of leisure. We have made a great gain in the art of living when we set before ourselves the problem of finding out the best way of doing common duties.—Watchman.

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FROM THE WORK.

PALMER CREEK CAMP MEETING.

Old Palmer Creek Camp Meeting, on Whittington circuit, was in every se of the word a grand success. Deethe wild rumors about yellow fever, first service began on Thursday be- the third Sunday, and continued il Sunday night, the twenty-fourth. We reached Palmer on the evening of fifteenth in a pouring rain. Rev. W. Blackwell preached that night, and was evident from that first service t the Lord was present with us. h service grew better unto the end, but a short while had lapsed until heard people exclaiming on every d, "This place is none other than the e of heaven;" and indeed it was to y precious souls. Sinners got under at conviction, and, crying out in all agonies of soul, threw themselves n at the altar, nor would they leave il God spoke peace to their souls. Then y would rise up, blessing God for his t salvation, and begin telling to rs what wondrous things God had e for them. This caused the hearts hristians to break forth; some into ntiog, some singing, some praying, altogether thanking God for his rit's presence with his people.

never heard such singing. The t of it all was that it was furnished consecrated choir, whose hearts had rnly tuned to sing God's grace. I told that many of them who fured us such excellent music were converts from the Coleville and te Plains meetings, recently held on same work. It is marvelous what power of God can do for sinners. only did these young Christians for the Lord, but they rushed gladly o the altar, there to work and pray he salvation of those troubled souls rning for their sins, and, above all, seemed pleased to hear their prayin their behalf. The altar services d many times far past the hours of ight, closing only when there were more souls unsaved at the altar. faith and such a consecrated com- of young and old Christians I saw before. How I thank God I went to "Old Palmer!"

Monday, the great day of the , we commenced with a prayer ce at 9 o'clock, led by Bro. J. L. an, expecting to close in time for hing at eleven; but eleven never that day, or it seemed not to, as Lord was with us in such mighty there could be no stopping the g short of 2 o'clock P. M. Think t it—a prayer meeting lasting five , and no one was weary of it.

emed that the glory of God rested the tabernacle as upon the tabernof old—a pillar of cloud (bright luminous) by day, and a pillar of y night.

W. W. Simmons, our beloved ding elder, and Rev. G. W. Huff, both men of God and filled with oly Ghost, were present directing ork. The preaching was done by W. W. Simmons, W. L. Black- Michael Cox (L. P.), J. L. Jordan .), Dr. Hightower (L. P.), and R. ebb. Others present were Revs. J. olland, — Scarborough (L. P.), also Ruff Williams and Louie Fayerd, rter, who also rendered efficient ces. Thirty-five souls were added ur church, many backsliders re ed, and about 60 were converted. w and comfortable preachers' tent been built, and a large well dug, ding abundance of water. Every of indebtedness was liquidated. g the worthies I desire to mention ames of Bros. Smith, Below, Walker, ey, O'Neil, and others, true and soldiers of the cross, whom I found ng there with their families, walk- closely in the footsteps of the r.

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ESCATAWPA, MISS.

have been at our post since the Sunday in January, revolving with regularity once a month around and about our appointed circuit, which, geographically and territorially, is the last thing in the Mississippi Conference. On the west we are bounded by the Pascagoula river, the north by the Americus circuit, which at one time was headquarters of Jackson county; on the east by the State of Alabama, and on the south by the Gulf of Mexico.

Our people have treated us nicely ever since we came, and their appreciation shows no abatement. Nice packages of edibles have found their way to the parsonage from time to time, as evidence of their good-will toward the preacher.

We have had four protracted meetings, all of them good. At Zion (Escatawpa) Bro. N. B. Harmon, of Ellisville, did the preaching, which he did well, and to the delight of most all who heard him. Bro. Harmon is a good protracted-meeting preacher. The Lord blesses his labors. In the other three meetings I was without ministerial help. Thus far we have had 28 accessions to the church—20 of them on profession of faith. We are looking forward to our camp meeting, which is Oct. 12, as a time of refreshing from the Lord.

In the matter of finances we are doing only reasonably well for ministerial support; not quite half of assessment has been paid. We have hopes that the full assessment will be paid. We have 83 per cent. of the Conference collections in cash and pledges. I don't apprehend much trouble in getting the balance. We paid the assessment for Conference claimants in March, and recently half of our foreign and domestic missionary assessment.

The Twentieth Century rally day has been observed at Zion, and collection taken, which amounted to $18.25 in pledges, with the exception of the 25 cents, which was given by a Baptist brother. Considerable interest has been taken in the parsonage by the elect ladies of Escatawpa, who, with the assistance of the pastor, organized themselves into a Ladies' Aid Society, in March, since which time they have made a Parsonage and Home Mission Society out of it. As a result of their labor, much has been done to the parsonage. The old gallery has been torn away and built anew, the body of the house weatherboarded, and the kitchen ceiled, and the windows all repaired, and some additions to the furnishing of the inside of both house and kitchen. We now have the money in hand with which to paint the outside; then we will have a neat, respectable parsonage.

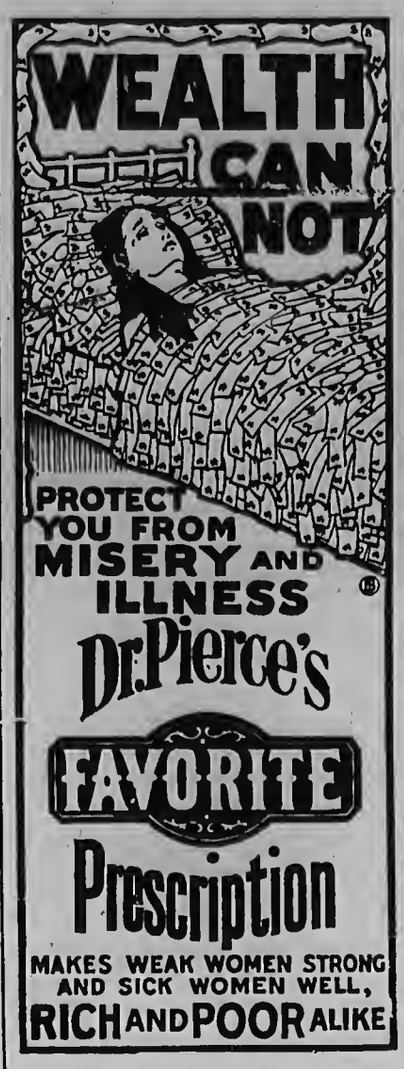
W. J. DAWSON, P. C.

Rev. H. W. Bowman, P. C., Coushatta circuit, Sept. 25, 1899: "The eighteenth of July this scribe was changed from the Mooringsport circuit to the Coushatta circuit, to take the place of Rev. P. M. Brown, who has taken charge of a school. We reached here the twenty-second, and found everything ready to move onward. The people were sad at the thought of giving up Bro. Brown, they having learned to love him dearly. It is a pleasure to hear the people talk kindly of former pastors. I feel sad when I am forced to listen to bitter complaints against my predecessors, for then I think that my turn will come for a scoring after a while. Everything is moving nicely, and we are in the midst of building a nice parsonage, which we hope to have completed by Conference. Rev. W. G. Evans is the architect, and those who know him are assured that it will be up to date. . . . . Our third Quarterly Conference convened Sept. 2 at Glen Martin, the new church that Bro. Patterson worked hard to build, with that prince of laymen, W. B. Clark, assisting. The presiding elder, Dr. J. T. Sawyer, was on hand attending to the affairs of the church, and on Sunday preached an able sermon, after which he proceeded to raise a collection to meet a debt on the church. He asked for $100, and in a few minutes it was paid, and more has been handed in since, making a total of $124. After the dedication the congregation repaired to the beautiful lawn of Bro. Clark's, where under an arbor built for the occasion a dinner was spread that was all that could be asked for. In the afternoon all enjoyed another sermon from the presiding elder, and then went to their homes with pleasant and lasting memories of that day."

Rev. D. W. Babb: "We have gotten round with our protracted meetings, which did not result as well as we had hoped. However, the church was revived at each appointment. Twenty-five additions, some new family altars erected, and one or more prayer meetings revived. We are much indebted to the following brethren for valuable aid given: Rev. V. C. Curtis, M. E. Tumlin, J. H. Hall, R. M. Evans, R. A. Clark, and P. E. Duncan. May the Lord reward them abundantly! The hand of affliction has been on my charge from the beginning of the year up to now—measles being the chief trouble—and they still prevail seriously in one part of my work. No year of my ministry has been fraught with such stubborn opposition to successful church work as this. While we have been held back much in the financial part of our work, as well as other departments, we hope to make a good showing. This winds up our four years on the Louisville circuit, which have been years of spiritual profit to us, and we also hope to others. We have made many observations by which we hope to profit, and do better church work in the future than ever before. The Lord has blessed us with good health and many very dear friends (and somebody with a few enemies—just 'a thorn in the flesh'), 'but his grace is still sufficient.' Who ever my successor may be will have the best parsonage, the most conveniently situated we have ever lived in, and a compact circuit of clever people to serve. May he be a better pastor and preacher than the present encumbent!"

Miss Callie Compton, Farmersville, La., Oct. 2, 1899: "When Bro. P. O. Lowrey came to us last October and organized our little church, just six miles from Farmersville, we felt so helpless in the midst of so much unbelief; but realizing that nothing is too hard for God, we went to work in his name, and now we have much to encourage us. We have had a series of meetings with good results, and the Holy Ghost has been with us in great power, and Christians have been built up in the faith. The Lord has wonderfully blessed the labors of our pastor, H. B. Thommason, than whom a more devout Christian can not be found. May the blessings of heaven rest upon the good works Bro. Thommason did here! Now, just a word about Bro. Lowrey, through whose agency these results have been attained. We believe the success to be part due to his implicit faith in God, his reliance on the power of the Holy Ghost, and his skillful and persistent use of the sword of the Spirit. We praise God for what he has done for us here, and take courage to do more in his name. After our meeting closed Bro. Thommason and Rev. Courtland P. Smith protracted the meeting at Farmersville. Bro. Smith did the preaching. The meeting commenced on Monday night, Aug. 21, protracting until the twenty-eighth, and closed with a fine service. May God bless the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE and all its readers!"

Rev. B. W. Lewis, Chunkey, Miss., Sept. 28, 1899: "We have just closed our round of protracted meetings—six in number—and are home for a few days' rest, feeling somewhat relieved. Were assisted at Spring Hill and Concord by Rev. J. T. Lewis, at Chunkey by Rev. B. F. Lewis, at Sageville by Rev. J. H. Foreman, and at Shiloh by Rev. H. P. Lewis, Jr. We failed to get any help for Suqualena, and the pastor did all the preaching. The people say we had a better meeting there than they have had in years—another instance showing that the people are getting rid of the idea that we can't have a meeting without a visiting brother. We have received thirty upon profession of faith, and have baptized eighteen adults and two infants. Had thirty very bright conversions and several were reclaimed. . . . . Our third Quarterly Conference was held at Concord, Sept. 9 and 10. Bro. Mellen was with us and conducted the Conference in his usual methodical manner. Sunday, at eleven o'clock, he preached a spiritual sermon on infant baptism. Bro. Harmon, of Paulding, one of our superannuates, spent a few days with us recently and filled our pulpit while here. We occasionally pick up a subscriber to the ADVOCATE, and in the meantime keep the subject and their obligation to their church paper before them."



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1899.

A SILLY CONCEIT.

The following incident related by the New York Advocate of a very conceited lady who was introdnced to Bishop Newman at a reception given the Bishop in the city where he resided, illnstrates a failing which characterizes not a few chnrch members, and also teaches a valuable lesson. After a few words with this lady Bishop Newman casnally inqnired where she attended church. She replied: "Oh, I go all aronnd among the chnrches, wherever I can hear the best preaching. Bishop, if yon preached in any of onr chnrches, I shonld attend that chnrch regnlarly; bnt nsnally I get very little ont of the sermons I hear." The Bishop replied: "Well, madam, I have traversed all lands, and wherever I happen to be, in city or connty, on the Sabbath day, I attend divine worship. I have never yet, even in the hnmblest place of prayer, heard any sermon that did not bring to me great benefit."

There are professing Christians in nearly every community who entertain the same lofty opinion of themselves as did this lady, and who, in consequence, feel little or no attachment to any particnlar church. They become vagrant worshipers, who neither know the meaning of church loyalty nor care a fig about attending church, save when their curiosity can be gratified, their fancy tickled, or when the occasion is one of more than ordinary interest. Supposing themselves too wise or too spiritual to be edified by the preaching of their own pastor, because, perchance, he is a man of but mediocre ability, they either betake themselves to some other church, or, as is not seldom the case, remain at home until a Bishop, or some noted evangelist, or some other special attraction draws them to the sanctuary. The notion is entertained by a good many that if they could enjoy the ministration of a great man like Moody or Talmage, they wonld attend church regularly and lead godly lives; but since such a privilege is denied them, they are gnilty of the inexcnsable folly of neglecting their dnty to God and to the chnrch.

The people who have itching ears have by no means vanished from the earth. Many still clamor for signs and wonders, and fancy that if an angel from heaven were sent to preach to them, they would repent and believe. Fortunately for the world, however, God is not restricted to the agency of the mighty and the learned in the execntion of his plans for the salvation of the human race. He constantly uses feeble instruments and things that are insignificant in onr eyes to show that "the excellence of the power is God, and not of ns." While we donbt not that there is some foolish preaching, we nnhesitatingly assert that the average sermon contains enongh gospel to be the means of saving every sinner who will hear and heed it. If the evangelization of the world depended mainly npon the efforts of its Spnrgeons and Talmages and Moodys, countless millions who now rejoice in the hope of the glory of God would still be wandering in the darkness of sin. The majority of believers were saved under the ministry of men of average ability and intelligence. While the average minister is neither a scientist, nor a scholar, nor a genius, his utterances are not on that account to be despised. Versed in the teachings of the Sacred Scriptures, having a personal experience of the things of God, and having his mind and heart illuminated by the Holy Spirit, he is wondronsly prepared to give spiritnal instruction and guidance to all who seek salvation. If his life be holy and his words be earnest, thongh he possess no extraordinary gifts, all who wait upon his ministry in seriousness and sincerity are snre to be greatly profited. God does not pnt a premium either upon ignorance or incapacity in the pnlpit, bnt it needs to be remembered that the chief qualification that he insists upon for service in his kingdom is love, and he who possesses this in large measure, whether he be gifted or not, is the one who will be greatly efficient.

Scarcely is anything more hurtful than for a Christian to imagine he is too intellectnal to need the spiritual instruction fnrnished by the average preacher. What a rebnke to such arrogance and conceit we find in the example of Christ, "in whom dwelt all the fnllness of the Godhead bodily," and who "needed not that any shonld teach him." Lnke asserts of him that, "as his cnstom was, he went into the synagogne on the Sabbath day." Thongh Jewish worship at that time was in the hands of leaders who were shamefully corrupt and hypocritical, and though the Master often had to listen to gross misinterpretations of the Scriptures, he absented not himself from the accnstomed place of worship. The devont disciple who goes up to the honse of God to worship will always get good, as Bishop Newman testified of himself, no matter who preaches; bnt the shallow-minded believer who is skeptical of mental and spiritnal benefits, save when listening to an Apollos or to an advocate of some favorite doctrine, is more than apt to be unstable.

Says the Wesleyan Advocate: "Daniel Webster went, on one occasion, to hear a very plain, godly man preach. After the service a consequential man said: 'Well, Mr. Webster, I suppose you learn very little from snch a sermon as the one you have just heard.' Mr. Webster replied at once: 'Yon are much mistaken, sir. That preacher may not know mnch about some things, but he knows a great deal about God.'"

Preachers of commanding ability will always be in great demand, and the church has great reason to thank God for gifted leaders; but let us not make the mistake of imagining, as some seem to do, that little of worth can be accomplished without their presence and service. Let us not despise the men of one talent, nor "the day of small things."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The October nnmber of The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine opens with "The Twin Cities of the North," by Rev. Samuel G. Smith. The sketch of Joel Chandler Harris, by Forrest Adair, is exceedingly interesting. Humorous incidents characteristic of the genial writer of Southern stories, and illustrations of Georgia scenes, are interesting featnres of the sketch. "Reminiscences of Gilbert Haven and Ephraim E. Wiley," by Rev. George C. Rankin, is an appreciative article on two representative leaders of their respective divisions of Methodism. A strong argument in favor of sacred music and its influence for spiritual good is "The Ministry of Music in the Church," by Albert H. Walker. The eighth chapter of "The Illustrated History of Methodism" is entitled, "Whitefield and the Great Awakening." The scene is New England, and the chapter deals with the ministry of George Whitefield in the land of the Puritan, where he died and is buried.

Frank Leslie's Popnlar Monthly, for October, contains the first part of a masterly review by the Hon. Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasnry, of "The Finances of Our Wars." The Mexican War, the Civil War, and the late Spanish-American conflict, will be treated in a second paper. Walter Camp writes a seasonable and sensible article upon "College Athletics." "Edgar Allan Poe's College Days" at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, are discussed in a richly-illustrated article by Jennie Bard Dugdale, apropos of the unveiling of Zolnay's famous bust of Poe, in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the poet's untimely death—Oct. 7. "Women as Farmers" are written about by W. R. Draper, who asserts that "women who own and run their farms without any male assistance, constitnte thirty per cent. of the farming population of Kansas and Oklahoma." Frank R. Stockton's wonderfnl sea yarn, entitled "The Snowflake of the Service," and capitally illnstrated by Rosenmeyer, is the leading short story.

Three notable series of articles are begnn in the October Ladies' Home Journal: "Her Boston Experiences," analyzing Bostou society; "The Theater and Its People," covering the whole theme from both sides of the footlights; and "The Autobiography of a Girl," her life from sixteen to twenty-six. Through Rudyard Kipling's glasses, "The American Girl" is a charming creature. Edward Bok writes of "The Fee of the Doctor," and points out "The South's Literary Chance." In "The Candy-Pull System in the Church," Ian Maclaren protests against turning the church into a place of second-class entertainment.

The October Century opens with a profusely illustrated paper on "Fascinating Cairo," by Frederick C. Penfield. A pictnresque view of "The Streets of Peking" is given by Miss Scidmore. Major J. B. Pond relates his reminiscences of "A Pioneer Boyhood" in Illinois. Special literary interest attaches to the announcement of the winners of the Century prizes for the best poem, story and essay by recent graduates of American colleges. Last year women gradnates of Eastern colleges won all the prizes. This year all three were won by Westerners, the prize poet only being a woman.

Scribner's, for October, contains "The Water-Front of New York," by Jesse Lynch Williams. Mr. Williams takes a new view of some of the pictnresque featnres of New York which are neglected by the nsnal sight-seer, and his vivid text is accompanied with a striking series of drawings by McCarter, Guerin, Peixotto, Leigh, and others. A new development in photography is described by Dwight L. Elmendorf, the amatenr and expert whose work is so well-known. Under the title, "Telephotography," he describes the attachment to an ordinary camera by which views are taken at a distance of twenty or thirty miles, as though the instrument were within a few hnndred feet of the object. Stevenson's letters are fuller of life and movement than any preceding instaliment. There are poems by Bliss Carman, Arthnr Colton, and Marguerite Merington. The Field of Art discusses "Art in the Schools," and "The Point of View" has something to say on how women snffer from war.

Ainslee's Magazine, for October, contains, among others, the following articles: "What Hope for the Shamrock," a conversation with Sir Thomas Lipton; "The New Dawn in Education," "The Story of Reid of Newfoundland," "The Camera Club of New York." Other timely and readable features are: "A Man and a Colony, the Story of Newfoundland;" "The Solving of the Servant Problem," and short stories by E. W. Hornung, Henry G. Catlin, Arthur J. Stringer, Howard Fielding, and Edith Robinson.

"SHAKE, JOHN, SHAKE."

It is anything but creditable to this country that only by special permission of the Secretary of the Treasury were the Chinese members of the "Olympia" crew permitted to march in the procession last Saturday at New York, and that this permission was granted on the condition that immediately after the parade they return to their ship and make no attempt to remain in this country. In Dewey's fleet there were about fifty Chinamen, who rendered efficient and courageous service in the battle of Manila Bay. In recognition of their gallant conduct Dewey addressed a letter in May, 1898, to the Secretary of the Navy, urging that they be admitted to the United States, if they so desired, but for some reason his letter was not communicated to Congress. These Chinamen have certainly won the right of residence in the United States, and he is a queer kind of American who would not extend a hand to any of them and say: "Shake, John, shake. Pigtail, or no pigtail, heathen or Christian, I am glad to welcome you to America."—Central Advocate.

REV. JOSEPH H. STONE.

Rev. Joseph H. Stone, a superannuated member of the Louisiana Conference, passed away at his home in Athens, La., Snnday, Oct. 1, at 5:15 P. M.

Bro. J. H. Brown, preacher in charge at Gibsland, writes me: "When I visited him, a few days before his departure, he said, 'I have not the ecstacy that I have often had, but a deep peace pervading my soul.'"

So our dear, venerable brother, who fought so valiantly and long, and never flinched, and who suffered so excruciatingly and patiently, "kept the faith," and has passed into the realm of the "spirits of the just made perfect," and is with the sacramental hosts. He is no stranger there.

I knew him in the early fifties in the old Tennessee Conference. I preceded him one or two years to Louisiana; so he must have come to this field in 1857. He was a fine preacher, strong and vigorous in thought, convincing in logic, true and tried and faithful—a man of God. He has two sons.

"Thus star by star declines
'Till all are passed away."

Our ranks are thinning. Oh, to be ready!

Let some brother write his memoir who has more data and points.

T. B. WHITE.

Ruston, La., Oct 3, 1899.

REV. T. B. WHITE DEAD.

On this page will be found an article from the pen of Rev. T. B. White, written since our last issue, announcing the death of Rev. J. H. Stone. Before it was put in type the hand that penned the announcement was also still in death. We are in receipt of the following note from Bro. C. H. Carson, Jr., giving particulars concerning his death:

Ruston, La., Oct. 9, 1899.

Rev. T. B. White, D. D., after preaching to the evening congregation at Siloam Camp Ground, last Saturday, was stricken with apoplexy, and died within two hours. He was 67 years old, and had been in the ministry of the M. E. Church, South, about 46 years. He transferred from Tennessee to Louisiana in 1856; from Louisiana to Colnmbia in 1872; from Colnmbia to Denver in 1881; from Denver to Colnmbia in 1882; from Columbia to Louisiana in 1884. He was the best pastor I have ever known, and the amount of work he performed during his ministry was extraordinary from any point of view.

Many hearts will be made sad by this announcement, as Bro. White's friends were numerous wherever he was known. He was a thoroughly consecrated Christian and a man of most exemplary life. Thongh he had been on the superannuate list for the last few years, he was still diligent in the Master's service, doing "whatsoever his hands found to do" up to the very last. "He ceased at once to work and live."

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

Millsaps College opened on Sept. 27. The classes are all organized and work is progressing satisfactorily. No student, however, who may come in late will be pnt back on that account. His classification will be the same as if he had been present at the opening of the session. This applies to both old and new students.

Students will be received at any time they may see fit to come.

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AUSTRIA'S GRAPPLE WITH THE JEW.

The anti-Jewish party raised the false flag of Christian socialism for political purposes, and got an immense majority in the Vienna Town Council and the Provincial Diet of Lower Austria; but they did nothing for the working classes, the destruction of the prerogatives of the nobility, the loosening of the burdens of militarism, nor for the removal of distress among the poor; they said nothing about the liberty of the press, or the right of association. All they wanted to do was to drive the Jews out, and if they could not do that, to deprive them of the rights of citizenship. They proposed to drive them from public places, and from the numerous chairs they have in the universities. Of the million and a half of the people in Vienna, one hundred and twenty thousand are Jews—not one in ten. But of the four thousand physicians half are Jews, and of the one thousand lawyers about six hundred and fifty; and the majority of the medical professors, that place Vienna in medical science at the head of the cities of the world, are Jews; while the greater part of the daily newspapers, and the bulk of the trade, wholesale [illegible]

The fight will still be long. These anti-Jews are playing, of course, into the hands of the Roman Catholics. It is affirmed that nearly all the celebrated professors from Germany are abandoning their chairs at Austrian universities, while most of the German professors who have had chairs offered them in Austria have refused them. These enormities, it is believed, will bring about a tremendous collapse in a short time.

What a testimony to the Jew's relative brain power!—New York Advocate.

NOW IS THE TIME.

The struggle is on, and both patriots and Christians must meet it. Mormonism is making an issue on the seating of B. H. Roberts in Congress. It is announced that the Mormon hierarchy will spend a half million dollars rather than see him expelled. It believes in the liberal use of money, and will buy votes, if possible, in his favor. In view of these facts, it is necessary for the constituents of our respective congressmen to be upon the alert and not be caught napping. Do not wait until your representative gets to Washington before making sure of him, but bring pressure to bear upon him in advance, and not subject him to the temptation of Mormon gold. Now is the time to give Mormonism a deadly blow. If it succeeds in its present attempt, it will claim a legal recognition, which it will press in the future for all it is worth.—Presbyterian.

CHURCHES NOT WANTONLY DESECRATED.

The charge having been made by certain Roman Catholic ecclesiastics that Catholic Churches are being seized and used for military purposes, General Otis cables that sixteen churches in different localities have been occupied by United States troops, four only partially occupied, and religious services not interfered with, also three convents occupied. He cables that these three convents and ten of the closed churches were formerly occupied by insurgents, and that church property is respected and protected by our troops. In all wars it is frequently necessary to use church property, sometimes for fortifications, sometimes for barracks, and frequently for hospitals. It has also been found advisable to use some such buildings to prevent their being a place of refuge for the enemy.—New York Advocate.

FRANCE MARVELS.

The French press marvels at the fact that the "maddening enthusiasm" shown over the return of Dewey has not turned his head and aroused selfish ambition in him. The Temps observes: "In twenty-four hours a French general in Dewey's position would be plotting to overturn the government." This assertion, which is doubtless true, emphasizes not only the difference between Dewey and the French generals, but between the people of the United States and those of France. Were there good reason to suspect that Dewey was cherishing the dream of a coup d'etat for his personal aggrandizement, his receptions at New York and Washington, which owe most of their enthusiasm to the belief that he is a simple and true man as well as a great naval officer, would have been comparatively tame affairs.—Central Advocate.

ROMAN CATHOLIC LOSSES.

Very suggestive was the remark of Rev. L. A. Delury, president of St. Thomas' College (Roman Catholic), Villanova, Penn., at the Catholic Educational Congress in Chicago the other day. He said: "There is not only a drifting of Catholic students to non-Catholic colleges, but a positive march. We admit it. We must admit it. Regarding the remedy, I would say that more attention be given in Catholic colleges to better breeding, better manners, gentlemanliness and manliness. More attention must be given to accommodate the student, and greater efforts must be made to give more instruction in the sciences."—Treasury.

NOTES.

The revival meeting at Felicity will continue during the week.

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Rev. D. W. Babb writes, "We like the ADVOCATE more and more."

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Bishop Keener and family have returned to the city in their usual health.

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The address of Rev. P. H. Fontaine has been changed to 5429 Magazine street.

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We invite attention to the special offer of President Chambers, of Whitworth College, in this issue.

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We are much gratified to learn, through Bro. Bachman's note, of the improved health of Rev. G. H. Lipscomb.

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Rev. A. T. Buck writes: "The ADVOCATE is still up to the notch with me and my people. God bless you."

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Sister W. G. Roberts writes: "The ADVOCATE improves with every issue. I look for it every week as a world for a dear friend."

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President Sligh reports that the Educational Rally at Mansfield resulted in a collection of about $30 with more to follow.

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Rev. J. C. Park, Water Valley, Miss., writes: "Everything harmonious at Main Street Church. We will close the year in good shape."

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Bro. W. G. Evans neglected to state in his note, in last week's issue, that the collection of $210 was for the Twentieth Century Fund.

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W. C. Andrews, recently deceased, bequeathed one million dollars for the establishment of an industrial school for girls at Willoughby, Ohio.

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Converse College opened with a attendance of 400, twenty States being represented. It is thought the enrollment will reach 500 during the session.

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We congratulate our readers upon the privilege of reading an article upon the great poet of the age from a pen so gifted as that of Miss Mary V. Duval.

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The death-rate in New Orleans during September, '99, was more than 25 per cent. less than during September, '98—a very remarkable difference.

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Rev. T. J. Martin is serving the Downsville charge in place of Rev. R. W. Vaughan, who is taking a course at Centenary College. His postoffice is Downsville, La.

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We invite the attention of the preachers of the Mississippi Conference to Bro. Linfield's communication on the fifth page, and especially to his request that missionary money be paid as far as practicable before Conference.

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D. E. Converse, founder of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., died a few days ago. He was a man of immense wealth, and had given largely for various benevolent enterprises. His donations to Converse College aggregate $750,000.

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Rev. W. G. Roberts, Glenmora, La., writes: "We are under many obligations to the Methodist ladies of Glenmora for a six-volume set of Matthew Henry's Commentary, which we prize very highly. We are getting on nicely on the Spring Creek circuit. The people are exceeding kind to us. We have received 8 into the church. Have baptized four adults and ten children."

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We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the marriage of Rev. H. Hawkins, of the Mississippi Conference, to Miss Annie Galloway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Galloway, of Madisonville, Miss. The ceremony will be performed in the Methodist Church at Madisonville on the eighteenth instant. We extend to the youthful pair our heartiest congratulations, and pray that prosperity and happiness may attend them through life.

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To the young men and women of to-day, with the dew of youth upon their brow, the church looks for great things in the coming days.

Our fathers were true to God and wrought gloriously. May we prove worthy sons and daughters of such noble sires!

The League work in New Orleans flourishes, and Presiding Elder Keener has good right to be proud of the host of young people in his district, who, true to God and the church, are found "instant in season and out of season."

The Shreveport district—Rev. Jno. T. Sawyer, D. D., presiding elder—comes second upon the list of districts in Louisiana in point of League work. Bro. Crews, of the Arcadia, is, however, not far behind with his faithful band.

We think the reports at Monroe, in December, will show a large increase—from many standpoints—in the work of the League in this State by the Gulf, as compared with those made at previous times.

"Tempus fugit," and the annual roll-call will soon be heard. Let the Leaguers help the pastors in all the work of the church, that "everything in full" and "many conversions" may be the response on every hand.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

Bro. D. Gordon Patton, of Jackson, who was recording secretary for the State League Conference, held at West Point in July, informs us that Bro. Spragins, of the North Mississippi Conference, was to attend to the publishing of the Minutes, and that they will be in print by Oct. 15. It is hoped that these Minutes will be widely, but wisely circulated among the League workers of the State, and carefully, thoughtfully perused. Let the host of young people see what these gatherings aim at, let them study the questions that arise in them, and be prepared to make them more and more factors in the solution of our educational, social, economic, and religious problems.

It is an object of pride with this Associate Editor that the two leading articles of the Sept-Oct. Methodist Review are by men at whose feet he has sat as student. Prof. T. C. McCorvey, of the University of Alabama, writes upon "Henry Tutwiler, and the Influence of the University of Virginia on Education in Alabama"; Prof. Joel C. DuBose, of Knoxville, Tenn., writes upon "Æschylus and the Seven Against Thebes."

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Where a church is not making other provision for the Orphanage at Water Valley, it will be in order for the League at such a church to have a special service on Thanksgiving Day, and let the collection be for the Orphan's Home.

Bro. Ellis, of the League page in the Alabama Advocate, commends the North Alabama Conference College at Birmingham for being the first college in his State to organize an Epworth League. Whilst this writer has not believed that Methodism should have two male colleges in Alabama, and that the two Conferences ought to combine on Greensboro, or else both go to Birmingham, yet we trust that the new educational enterprise will prove itself worthy of perpetuation. The church is in need of many Sunday-school and League leaders. Our colleges should give us practical help in this direction.

Preparations for literary work in the Leagues are being somewhat interrupted by the delay of the Publishing House in getting out the books. We have been expecting a set of the books every day for two weeks. But a book is not made in a day.

Workers of the Columbus, Greenville, Brookhaven and Seashore districts will please send to the Associate Editor at Madison, Miss., something about their literary departments. What have you done in the past with the League course, or of other literary work? What are you doing now? What do you propose to do?

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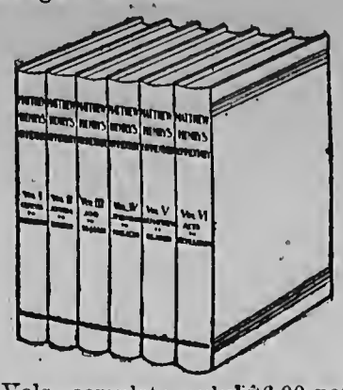

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So much for the superiority of the painter as a painter, but when it comes down to the question of painting materials, the most honest painter is not always the best authority. I have, in this series, given some information which certain painters may see cause to contradict. The fact is, however, that the best authorities support my position, and many of the most advanced painters apply in practice the principles laid down in these articles.

While the painter is always to be employed for painting when that course is practicable, it sometimes happens that, on the score of economy, opportunity or for some other reason, the alternative for amateur painting is no painting. Now paint is essential to the preservation of property, and amateur painting, while not as desirable from an æsthetic point of view, serves the purpose of preservation almost as effectively as professional painting.

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That know what to do and to say;
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The girls that are wanted are good girls—
Good girls from the heart to the lips;
Pure as the lily is white and pure,
From its heart to its sweet leaf-tips.

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THE DETERMINED MAN.

A constant struggle, a ceaseless battle to bring success from inhospitable surroundings, is the price of all great achievement. There is scarcely a great man in history who has not had to fight the way to his eminence, inch by inch, against opposition, and often through ridicule, and abuse of friends as well as enemies.

Even Washington was threatened by a rude crowd because he would not pander to the clamor of the people; the Duke of Wellington was mobbed in the streets of London, and his windows broken while his wife lay dead in the house. Dr. Priestley, the discoverer of oxygen, had his house burned and his chemical library destroyed by a mob, and he was forced to flee from his country. Bruno was burned in Rome for revealing the heavens, and Versalins was condemned for dissecting the human body. Roger Bacon, one of the greatest thinkers the world ever saw, was terribly persecuted, his books burned in public, and he was kept in prison for ten years.

Barnum began the race in business life, barefoot. At the age of fifteen he was obliged to buy on credit the shoes he wore to his father's funeral. His museum was burned several times, and he met with reverses which would have disheartened most men; but he had that grit and pluck which know no defeat.

Robert Collyer brought his bride to America in the steerage. He worked at the anvil in Pennsylvania nine years. By dint of hard work and great determination he became one of the greatest preachers.

Columbus was dismissed as a fool from court after court, but he pushed his suit against an incredulous and ridiculing world. Rebuffed by kings, scorned by queens, he never swerved a hair's breadth from his great purpose. The "New World" was engraved upon his heart; and reputation, ease, pleasure, position, life itself, if need be, must be sacrificed. Threats, ridicule, ostracism, storms, leaky vessels, mutiny of sailors, could not shake his mighty purpose.

Seven shoemakers sat in Congress during the first century of our government—Roger Sherman, Henry Wilson, Gideon Lee, William Graham, John Halley, H. P. Baldwin, and Daniel Sheffey. Galileo with an opera glass made greater discoveries than has anyone since with the most powerful telescope.

John Brighton, the author of "The Beauties of England and Wales," used to study in bed because too poor to afford a fire.

The great founder of Boston University left Cape Cod for Boston to make his way in the world with only four dollars. But he was not afraid of hardships and obstacles. He could find no "opening for a boy" any more than Horace Greeley could, so he made one. He found a board and made it into an oyster stand on the street corner; he borrowed a wheelbarrow, went three miles to an oyster smack, bought three bushels of oysters and wheeled them to his stand. Soon his little savings amounted to one hundred and thirty dollars, with which he bought a horse and cart. This poor boy kept right on until he became the millionaire, Isaac Rich.

See young Disraeli, sprung from a hated and persecuted race, without education, without opportunity, pushing his way up through the lower classes, through the middle classes, through the upper classes, until he stands self-poised upon the topmost round of political and social power.

Scoffed, ridiculed, rebuffed, hissed from the House of Commons, he simply says, "The time will come when you shall hear me." The time did come, and the boy "with no chance" swayed the sceptre of England as prime minister for a quarter of a century.

Thomas Carlyle and Hugh Miller were masons. Dante and Descartes were soldiers. Jeremy Taylor was a barber. Andrew Johnson was a tailor. Cardinal Wolseley, Defoe and Henry Kirke White were butcher's sons. Faraday was the son of a blacksmith, and his teacher, Humphrey Davy, was an apprentice to an apothecary. Kepler was a waiter boy in a German hotel; Bunyan was a tinker; Copernicus, the son of a Polish baker; Claude Lorraine, the son of a pastry cook; and the boy Herschel played the oboe for his meals. Marshal Ney, "the bravest of the brave," rose from the ranks. Richard Cobden was a boy in a London warehouse. His first speech in Parliament was a complete failure; but he was not afraid of defeat, and soon became one of the great orators of England.

How can you keep a determined man from success? Place stumbling-blocks in his way, and he takes them for stepping-stones, and climbs to greatness. Take his money away, and he makes spurs of his poverty to urge him on. Cripple him, and he writes the Waverly Novels. Lock him up in a dungeon, and he writes the "Pilgrim's Progress;" leave him in a cradle in a log cabin in the wilderness, and in a few years you find him in the White House.

Teach youth that labor is the great schoolmaster of the race, and that industry and perseverance are the price which all must pay for distinction: show that it takes courage to persist in an undertaking which everybody ridicules as foolish and visionary; that it takes courage to wear threadbare clothes, while one's schoolmates and companions dress in broadcloth; that it takes courage to say "No," when all the world says "Yes."

Show young men and women that, to succeed, they must pour their whole hearts and souls into their work; they must be fired by a determination which knows no defeat, which cares not for hunger or ridicule, which spurns hardship and laughs at want and disaster; and that he who would get the most out of life must fight his way up to whatever worthy prizes he would win.—Success.

IDLENESS.

There is no danger so great for man and boys as idleness. If mothers and fathers would save their boys, they should give them something to do. Let them saw up the wood. Let them keep the tall grass from the garden, and the tall grass from the lawn, the dirt from their clothes and the dust from their shoes. Don't do everything for them. It pays to teach the boys to work—not so much for what they can do, but what it will do for them. If more boys could have a piece of ground, a shop, or a place of some kind where they could work off their superfluous energy, we would hear less of truants and reform schools. In the matter of reading, too, if you do not wish the boys to read worthless and trashy books, you must put into their hands good, well-written books, and not those of a dull type which will discourage a young man.—Exchange.

HOME COURTESIES.

A correspondent gives us this experience: "I am one of those whose lot in life has been to go out into an unfriendly world at an early age; and of nearly twenty families in which I made my home in the course of about nine years, there were only three or four that could be properly designated as happy families, and the source of trouble was not so much the lack of love, as the lack of care to manifest it."

What a world of misery is suggested by this brief remark! Not over three or four happy homes in twenty, and the cause so manifest, and so easily remedied. Ah! in the "small, sweet courtesies of life," what power resides! In a look, a word, a tone, how much of happiness or disquietude may be communicated! Think of it, dear reader, and take the lesson home with you.—The American.

CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER CASES.

A young lady of Martinsburg played a cruel joke on her mother recently. She accidentally found a love letter that her father had written to her mother. Substituting her own name and that of her lover for the names in the letter, she handed it to her mother to read. The old lady raved with anger, stamped her foot in disgust and indignation, and forbade her daughter having anything to do with a young man who could write such sickening, nonsensical stuff to a girl. The young lady then handed the letter she had found to her mother to read, and then the house became so quiet she could hear the grass grow in the back yard. Moral—Circumstances alter cases.—Exchange.

HOW TO SUCCEED.

Boys, the world is wide. If you wish to be somebody, "pitch in." The brave always have friends. Where others have gone, you can go. If the old track don't suit, make new ones. Success is not obtained without effort. If you fail once, try it again. If it's dark, strike a light. Are you in the shade? Move around—for if there's shade on one side, there is sunshine on the other. Take time, boys; don't hurry too fast. Go slow, especially till you know the road or become acquainted with your team.—India Witness.

The native Christians of the South Sea Islands are model Sabbath-keepers. On Saturday they prepare all their food for Sunday; not a fire is lighted, nor flesh nor food is cooked; not a tree is climbed, nor a canoe is seen on the water, nor a journey on land is undertaken on God's holy day.—Central Methodist.

Hygiene.

OVER-EXERCISE.

Interference with digestion is a by no means uncommon effect of excessive exercise, and so far as training is concerned, it is one of the most destructive. The blood can not flow in full stream to every part at once. As Dr. Brunton says, "Everyone knows that while moderate exercise tends to produce appetite, a long and exhausting exertion tends to destroy the appetite, and even to produce actual sickness, as one finds in mountain climbing." People differ greatly in this respect, but in some—great, ponderous men as they may seem—the digestion is so easily upset by muscular exercise that, although they may be giants for a momentary exertion, anything like a sustained effort disturbs digestion, and outs at the very root of their nutrition. In many cases, however, the limit to exercise lies in diminished excretion. Unless the excretory organs are thoroughly efficient the tissues become crowded with products which can not be got rid of, the senses become dimmed, and effort becomes a mere automatism in consequence of a self-poisoning by the products of muscular waste. Interference with digestion so lowers nutrition, while accumulation of waste products so poisons the system that in either case further exertion becomes impossible—the very will to make it passes away. But it is different in regard to the heart. The heart, although strained, may yet be driven on to its own destruction. Every muscular effort not only demands from the heart an increased flow of blood, but also drives an increased quantity toward it. So long as the heart can pass this forward all is well, but when it fails not merely is the circulation of the blood rendered imperfect, but serious damage is done to the heart itself. If when the heart was overdriven it merely struck, the enfeebled circulation would soon put a stop to further effort. The willing heart, however, taking at each beat a wider sweep, and driving into the vessels a larger quantity of blood, so meets the call that the athlete can struggle on, perhaps to win his race. But the strained heart suffers, the stretched muscle does not quite come back, the dilated cavity does not quite close at each contraction, and permanent mischief is set up. Thus it is that exercise, driven to the limit imposed by the heart, is over-exercise in the most serious sense of the word. If it is the heart that stops it, the chances are that it has already gone too far.—London Hospital.

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Yes, we miss our little darling;
God in heaven only knows;
But he has gone to join the angels
Over on the other shore.

Yes, he has gone to join the angels
Up in heaven, so pure and fair;
Cheer up, friends and parents,
And meet our darling there.

He has crossed the waves of Jordan,
And is safe with Jesus there;
Beckoning to papa and mama
To meet him over there.

Christ is calling his little ones to him;
One by one they pass away;
In a land of joy and happiness
Many a darling has gone to stay.

AUNT LUCY.

HAYES—Death comes to every home, and always takes us by surprise. How truly so on the morning of June 1, 1899, the peaceful home of our friend, Mr. F. M. Hayes, was visited by the death angel, which took from them the loving companion and affectionate mother, Mrs. SALLIE HAYES, the daughter of J. E. and Sarah Parker. She was born in Hinds county, March 5, 1843; made a profession of faith and united with the Baptist Church (Damascus) in 1858; was a consistent member to her death; was married to Mr. F. M. Hayes, Aug. 16, 1860; departed this life June 1, 1899.

Sister Hayes was a sufferer several years, yet she bore her afflictions with great patience without murmuring. She was a woman with a bright mind, always ready and willing to give good advice; helpful to the sick or distressed; a woman who looked well after her own household. She was the mother of ten children. Of these eight survive her, some many miles from the parental roof, and the sad message was flashed over the wires, "Your mother is dead." What a heart-rending sentence! How full of deep sorrow! Yet we must all taste the cup which Destiny has mixed for us.

Sorrow is indeed a crown of thorns, but it often becomes a wreath of light to the brows which it has lacerated. The bereaved ones have the comfort of knowing that their devotion and tender care smoothed her declining days. She is gone, but her pious influence still lives. When you see the vacant chair by her favorite window we know your hearts say:

We miss you from our home, "dear mother;"
We miss you from thy place;
A shadow o'er our life is cast;
We miss the sunshine of thy face.

We miss thy kind and willing hand,
Thy fond and tender care;
Our home is sad without thee;
We miss thee everywhere.

Sweet be thy rest, and peaceful thy sleeping;
God's way is best—thou art in his keeping;
O blessed sleep, where ills ne'er molest thee,
Why should we weep?—for heaven hath blessed thee.

Sweet be thy rest; no more we may greet thee,
'Till with the blest in heaven we meet thee;
O union sweet, that death can not sever,
There we shall meet where sad tears fall, no, never.

A TRUE FRIEND.

FERGURSON—JOSEPH A. FERGURSON was born in Jasper county, Ga., in 1803; came to Mississippi in 1810; was married to Miss Elizabeth Haley, daughter of Jacob Haley, of Copiah county, Miss., Dec. 23, 1824; died July 1, 1899, at the Price House, in Jackson, Miss., where his son, J. T. Fargurson, was providing for his temporal necessities.

"Uncle Joe" Fergurson was one of the oldest and best-known landmarks in our State. He knew more about the history of the State than any man with whom I ever conversed. He felled the first tree where the capital of the State now stands. When he first came to Jackson it consisted of one log hut. He was an eye-witness to the laying of the foundation of the old capitol building. His life would fill a good-sized history of interesting events. He was circuit clerk of Rankin county for twenty-two years. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church when he was eight years old.

I have known "Uncle Joe" since I was a boy in Rankin county. I have never heard aught against him. For the last two years he has been with his niece, Mrs. William Thompson, near Mt. Pleasant Church, on the Gallman charge. Most of the time he was confined to his bed. I have never seen greater devotion and care to anyone than was given by Sister Thompson to her invalid uncle. I visited him often during his last illness. I always found him cheerful and resigned to his condition. He had abiding faith in God. He said to me, "I am ninety-seven years old, and have been serving the Lord since I was eight years old, and find God's promises true, and his service more delightful than all else in this world." His life was in keeping with his profession. He said to me, "I am just waiting for the summons." He was a loyal Methodist, yet he was ready to aid the cause of Christ through any denomination. He gave thirty acres of land to the County Line Baptist Church, in Copiah county, and hewed the logs with his own hands to make the seats for the first church built there. Everyone said he was a good man. We buried him at County Line Church by the side of his wife and many other relatives. This writer felt honored that "Uncle Joe" should request him to perform the last sad rites. He has gone to his reward.

W. M. WILLIAMS.

VEST—Mrs. REBECCA JANE VEST, wife of Bro. J. A. Vest, of Bethesda Church, Gallman circuit, and daughter of W. C. Enochs, late of Steen's Creek, Rankin county, and sister to Judge J. R. Enochs, of Brandon, and Rev. K. S. Enochs and Samuel Enochs, of Jackson, Miss.

Sister Vest was born April 16, 1850, in Rankin county, Miss.; married Dec. 18, 1872, to Mr. J. A. Vest; died at her home Aug. 19, 1899.

Sister Vest leaves a sorrowing husband and eleven children to mourn their loss. To say that Sister Vest was an affectionate wife and a tender, loving, and painstaking mother, only faintly expresses her devotion to her family. My wife has often remarked, after a visit to that home, that that was one of the happiest homes we ever visited.

Sister Vest was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, when about fifteen years old. While modest and retiring, yet she was positive and aggressive in her Christian character. She loved much; therefore, she did much. No pastor or parsonage ever had a better friend than Sister Vest. Surely "she hath done what she could." Her life was a sacrificial life, as that of her Lord's. She has followed her Master, she has finished her course, she has kept the faith; therefore, she has received the crown of everlasting life at his right hand. Thank God for such witnesses of his power to save.

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CARR—Sister MARY CARR was born Oct. 5, 1837, in Noxubee county, Miss., and died Aug. 26, 1899.

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Below are some resolutions prepared by her Sunday-school class, which she taught for many years. E. S. LEWIS.

Death has again visited our ranks, and this time has taken from us our beloved teacher, Mrs. Mary N. Carr. We realize our great loss, but we are thankful that she has left with us the memory of her beautiful example. Truly she was one who dwelt in high altitudes, mentally and morally; one who could say to those whose feet she strove to guide in paths of righteousness, "Follow me, even as I follow Christ." Be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we, her pupils, mourn most tenderly for our departed teacher, and that we are determined to profit by her example, and follow more closely in the steps of Jesus than we have done before.

Resolved, That to her sorrowing family we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and we would point them in their bereavement to Him "who knoweth our frame, and remembereth that we are dust," and who has promised never to try us beyond what we are able to bear.

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TEDDLIE—Little IDA CECILE TEDDLIE was born July 31, 1898, of Bro. and Sister A. C. and Nena Teddlie, and died at Ebenezer, La., Sept. 19, 1899.

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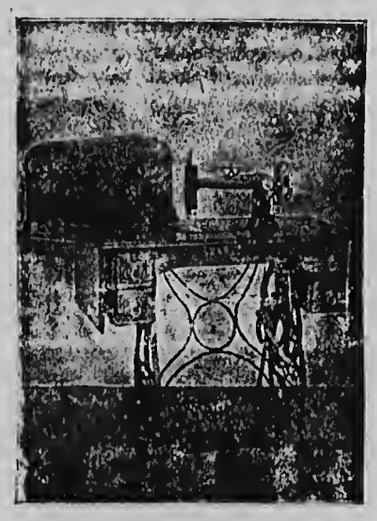

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The transport "Indiana" sailed from Manila, Sunday, with the officers and men of the First Tennessee Regiment.

It has leaked out at Washington that the press censorship established at Manila by Otis was discontinued Sept. 9.

English reports say that the natives at Johannesburg have been reinforced by the lawless element, and anarchy is threatened.

Gen. Otis has adopted a comprehensive scheme of local self-government for municipalities in Luzon nnder American occupancy.

Lord Salisbury hesitates to enter upon a war with the Transvaal, and there is now talk about the ignominy of beginning hostilities.

The corner-stone of the new Federal building in Chicago was laid on Monday by President McKinley, Premier Laurier of Canada and Minister Mariscal of Mexico assisting.

The employment bureau of the U.C.V. recommend the purchase of Beauvoir, Miss., for an indnstrial farm to be cnltivated by ex-Confederate soldiers who are nnable to do hard work.

After a long and patient struggle, the women physicians of Rnssia have secured a decree placing them npon an eqnality both socially and politically with the male physicians in the empire.

Admiral Dewey believes that the frightful sitnation in the Philippines can be cnred by striking the leaders of the Tagalos a hard blow and then giving the Filipino people the fullest liberty and self-government.

The Chicago department of the Volunteers of America, the organization which separated from the Salvation Army some time ago, has decided to discontinue the nse of tambourines and other noisy instruments hereafter in its religions services.

Steps are being taken in Hartford, Ct., for the erection of a free library building in memory of Noah Webster, the lexicographer. A memorial association has been formed, with Charles Dndley Warner as president. It is proposed to raise $50,000, whioh is to be abont equally divided between the building and a fnnd to maintain it.

The summoning of the British Parliament, and the calling out of 25,000 reserves to fill regiments intended for service in Sonth Africa to their full war strength, must be accepted as indications that Great Britain has abandoned hopes of a peaceable settlement of the trouble with the Sonth African Republic, and is seriously preparing to resort to the sword.

General John B. Gordon, of Georgia, has declined the offer of Confederate veterans to aid in rebnilding his home, which was recently destroyed by fire. He says he is grateful to them, but can not permit them to carry out this generous pnrpose. "With the land on which my home stood free from incnmbrance," he adds, "and with my health somewhat improved, I hope to be able by my own efforts to rebnild my home before a great while."

President McKinley's trip to the West, for the purpose of assisting at the laying of the corner-stone of the new Government bnilding in Chicago, is being made the occasion for a series of political speeches. At many of the towns through which his train has passed, the President, as well as other members of his party, have briefly addressed the people who assembled to greet him, and all the speeches inculcated the same idea, namely, the necessity for retaining our new possessions.

Notification has been sent by cable to both General Otis and Admiral Watson at Manila of the intention of the Navy Department to re-enforce the navy in the Philippines to a considerable extent, and stating that the "Brooklyn" and several other vessels would be dispatched at the earliest possible moment to the islands. So far the only orders issned are to the "Brooklyn," the "Nashville," the "New Orleans" and the "Badger," bnt in the course of a few weeks others will be added to the list in the shape of some of the smaller gunboats. The Navy Department is not aware of the use to whioh Admiral Watson and General Otis will put this force, but undoubtedly it is the purpose to make a snpreme effort to crush the insnrrection at an early day.

Admiral Dewey has elected to accept a honse in Washington, already constrncted, instead of having one built for his occnpation. In accordance with the plan of the committee which has had in charge the Dewey home work, he called at the office of Assistant Secretary Allen, at the Navy Department, to indicate his preference in the matter of a residence. The admiral was formally informed of the pnrpose of the people of the United States to present him with a home in Washington. He frankly expressed his gratification. He said had the proposed home been the gift of a wealthy man he should feel indisposed to accept it, but he noted that the fnnd had over 43,000 subscribers, indicating that the home was to be really the gift of the American people, and as such he would accept it with as much pleasure as he had the sword bestowed upon him by Congress.

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MARRIAGES.

DEAN–TRIMBLE.—At the Trimble residence, in Farmerville, La., Sept. 20, 1899, by Rev. H. B. Thomason, Mr. William Evans Dean, of Portland, Ark., to Miss Anna Laura Trimble, of Farmerville, La.

GRIFFIN–PARDUE.—At the residence of the bride's mother, D'Arbonne, La., Oct. 5, 1899, by Rev. H. B. Thomason, William Perry Griffin, M. D., to Miss Iv Pardue.

TROUSDALE--CISSNA.—In the M. E. Church, South, in Patterson, La., Oct. 4, 1899, by Rev Jno. A. Miller, Mr. Jas. K. Trousdale, of Crowley, La., to Miss Cynthia Cissna, of Patterson, La.

DUVALL—SCADLOCK.—At the residence of the bride's brother in-law, Oct. 5, 1899, by Rev. Jno. A. Miller, Mr. Robert Duvall to Mrs. Cevilia Scadlock, all of Patterson, La.

DUNLAP—BALFOUR.—At the residence of the bride's father, Capt. Balfour, in Abbeville, Miss., Oct. 5, 1899, by Rev. A. W. Langley, Mr. E. H. Dunlap, Jr., of Como, Miss., and Miss Kattie E. Balfour.

FULTON—McLEOD.—At the residence of Mr. Murry McLeod, Coopwood, Miss., Oct 1, 1899, by Rev. D. W. Babb, Mr. J. T. Fulton and Miss Laura V. McLeod.

KIRKPATRICK—TOLBERT.—At the home of the bride's mother, Sept. 19, 1899, by Rev. W. G. Roberts, Mr. Lewis Kirkpatrick and Miss Lydia Tolbert, all of Rapides parish.

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Raleigh, at Bay Springs	Thurs..	Nov. 2
Trenton, at Trenton	Sat. and Sun..	4, 5
Hillsboro, at New Providence	Wed..	8
Carthage, at Carthage	Fri..	10
Walnut Grove, at Beech Springe	Sat. and Sun	11, 12
Decatur, at Decatur	Tues..	14
Choctaw Mission, at Talla-Chulok	Thurs..	16
Neshoba, at Pine Grove	Sat. and Sun.	18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg	Wed.	22
Chunkey, at Chunkey	Fri..	24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
N. and Hickory, at Newton	Tues..	28
Rose Hill, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	Dec. 2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose	Wed..	6
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Disalpline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 31. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Jackson—First Church	A. M..	Oct. 8
Capitol Street	P. M..	8
Sharon, at Sharon		14, 15
Canton	P. M..	15, 16
Yazoo circuit, at Anding		21, 22
Yazoo City	Sun. P. M..	22, 23
Terry, at Terry		28, 29
Madison, at Pucahontas		Nov. 4, 5
Vaughan's, at Ellison	Thurs..	9
Camden		11, 12
Tranquil, at Tranquil		18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M..	19, 20
Silver City, at Hillsdale		25, 26
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues.	28
Faunin, at Fannin		Dec. 2, 3
Brandon	P. M..	3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Weeleyana		9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Vicksburg—Crawford Street	Oct.	22
South Vicksburg		22
Mayersville, at Beulah		28, 29
Rocky Springs, at Shiloh		Nov. 4, 5
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork		11, 12
Anguilla, at Anguilla		12, 13
Satartia, at Mount Olivet		18, 19
Flora	Thurs..	23
Port Gibson		26
Hermanville		26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed..	29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs..	30
Utica		Dec. 2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed..	6
Warren, at Bradley Chapel		9, 10

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

First Church	11 A. M..	Oct. 8
Texas Avenue	7:30 P. M..	1
South Bossier, at Haughton		18
Mooringsport, at Blanchard		14, 15
Grand Coue, at Grand Cane		21, 22
North Bossier, at Plain Dealing		28, 29
Logansport, at Logansport		Nov. 1
Caddo, at Greenwood		4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville		8
Florien, at Holly Grove		11, 12
Wesley, at Wesley		15
Pelican, at Bethel		18, 19
Fort Jessup and Many, at Many		23
Zwolle, at Red Land		25, 26
Red River, at Campo Bello		29
Coushatta, at Coushatta		30
Mansfield		Dec. 3

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Baton Rouge and Antioch, at Antioch		Oct. 7, 8
Baton Rouge		8, 9
Baker, at Black Water		14, 15
Zachary		15, 16
Ponchatoula, at James Chapel		21, 22
Live Oak, at Friendship		23
Pine Grove, at Killian Chapel		28, 29
Amite City, at Amite City		29, 30
Franklinton, at Mt. Hermon		Nov. 1, 2
East Feliciana, at Clear Creek		4, 5
St. Helena, at Darlington		11, 12
Wilson, at Manassas		18, 19
Clinton, at ——		19, 20
Slaughter, at Ethel		25, 26
St. Francisville, at St. Francisville		Dec. 2, 3
Jackson		3

R. W. TOOKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lisbon and Summerfield		Oct. 7, 8
Simsboro, at New Hope		11
Downsville, at Douglass		14, 15
Ruston	preaching at night..	15
Ruston	Conference..	16
Vernon, at New Prospect		17
Gibsland, at Foster's Chapel		21, 22
Homer, at H	preaching at night..	22
Homer, at H	Conference..	23
Farmerville, at Ebenezer		28, 29
Bienville		Nov. 4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove		10
Haynesville, at New Salem		11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night		12
Lanesville, at Lanesville		18, 19
Valley, at Pleasant Valley		25
Minden		25, 26
Ganaville, at Ganaville		29
Arcadia, at Arcadia		Dec. 2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques. 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Morgan City		Oct. 18
Patterson		19
Franklin		21
Jeanerette		23
Abbeville		25
Lafayette		26
Indian Bayou		Nov. 1
Prudhomme		4
Plaquemine Brulee		8
Lake Arthur		11
Grand Cheniere		15
Lake Charles		18
West Lake		22
New Iberia		25
French Mission		25
Opelousas		28
Crowley		Dec. 2

Let everybody be ready to answer the questions as soon as they are asked.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Floyd, at Floyd		Oct. 14, 15
Oak Ridge, at Mer Rouge	Wed..	18
Bastrop, at Bastrop	Thurs..	19
Girard, at Little Creek		21, 22
Harrisonburg		28, 29
Tallulah	Tues..	31
Bonita, at Bonidee		Nov. 4, 5
Winnsboro, at Winnsboro		11, 12
Gilbert, at Gilbert	Tues..	14
Waterproof, at Waterproof		18, 19
Providence, at Providence		25, 26
Delhi, at Delhi		Dec. 2, 3
Monroe		4

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Parker Memorial	11 o'clock A. M..	Oct. 8
Felicity Street	7:30 P. M..	8
Louisiana Avenue	11 o'clock A. M..	15
Tchoupitoulas Mission	7.30 P. M..	15
Lower Coast		22
Dryades Street	11 o'clock A. M..	29
Rayne Memorial	7:30 P. M..	29
Plaquemine		Nov. 5
White Castle		12
Burgundy Street		19
Covington		26
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M..	Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7:30 P. M..	3

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Arkabutla		Oct. 7, 8
Nesbit		14, 15
Coldwater and Hernando		15, 16
Orwood mission		20
Eureka		21, 22
Courtland		22, 23
Tyro		27, 29
Wall Hill		28, 29
Pleasant Hill		Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum		11 12
Longtown		16
Pleasant Grove		18, 19

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Corinth circuit		Oct. 7, 8
Saltillo		14, 15
Guntown and Baldwyn		21, 22
New Albany circuit		28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues..	31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed..	Nov. 1
Jacinto		4, 5
Belmont		11, 13
Brown's Creek		18, 19
Marietta		25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Abbeville circuit, at Cambridge		Oct 7
Olive Branch circuit, at Center Hill		14
Ashland, at Black Jack		21
Red Banks circuit, at Eureka		28
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia		Nov. 4
Waterford circuit, at Souls Chapel		11
East Holly Springs cir., at Liberty		15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem		18
Connersville, at Connersville		22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahon		25
Holly Springs station		27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lexington and Tchula, at Tchula		Oct. 7, 8
Tomnolen		13
Cumberland, at Long Branch		14, 15
Enpora and Maben, at Enpora		15, 16
Rural Hill, at Plattsburg		21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens		26
Salem		28, 29
Belzona		Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek		11, 12
Chester, at Salem		16
Ackerman, at Salem		17
Louisville, at Louisville		18, 19
Durant station		26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Indianola, at Indianola		Oct. 7, 8
Sidon, at Elta Beua		14, 15
Black Hawk, at Acona		21, 22
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem		28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Edon		Nov. 4, 5
West, at Midway		11, 12
McNutt, at McNutt		18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill		25, 26
Greenwood		28

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Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

The attitude of this government towards Great Britain and the Transvaal Republic, the two governments which seem to be so near war, is not determined by sympathy, but by international law and well-defined rules. The State Department declined to recognize Col. O'Beirne, of New York, as a diplomatic agent of the Transvaal Republic simply because he was an American citizen, and there is a rule prohibiting the recognition of an American in that capacity. But it is doubtful whether any diplomatic agent from that government will be recognized by the State Department, because of the existence of a treaty between Great Britain and the Transvaal Republic, which gives the former control of foreign relations of the latter, except those with the Orange Free State. Recognition of a diplomatic agent from the Transvaal Republic, while that treaty is in force, would be considered an unfriendly act towards Great Britain, and, although Germany is said to have already done so, it is not likely that this government, which has unofficially announced its strict neutrality, will do so. Officials say that under existing circumstances an offer of mediation on the part of the United States is out of the question.

Admiral Dewey is a regular church-goer, as well as a church member. He is a member, and was, when he was stationed in Washington, an officer of St. John's P. E. Church. Last Sunday he attended services in that church, and Dr. Mackay-Smith, the pastor, offered the following special prayer: "Most gracious Lord, whose mercy is over all works, we praise thy holy name, that thou hast been pleased to conduct in safety, through the perils of the great deep, this thy servant, who now desireth to return his thanks unto thee in thy holy church. May he be duly sensible of thy merciful providence toward him, and express his thankfulness by a holy trust in thee and obedience by thy laws, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Dr. Randolph McKim preached a notable sermon this week on "The National Crisis—Our Danger, Our Unity, and Our Destiny," with special reference to the results of the war with Spain. His text was from Deut. viii, 11, "Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God," and it was a key-note which was not departed from in the sermon. He incorporated the Lest We Forget "Recessional," thought by many to be the best thing ever written by Mr. Rudyard Kipling, in his sermon, and said, "I think we may well take up the strain of this Recessional, and make it ours at this critical juncture in our national history." He said so much that might be repeated with profit that it is difficult to make selections in the space of an ordinary letter, but the following quotations give an idea of how he sought to impress upon the large congregation that it is the hand of God which has been making use of the United States: "Just in proportion as we realize that it is the hand of God which is placing the scepter of dominion in our keeping, and the voice of God that is calling us to take a larger place among the nations, just in that proportion should we look up in the spirit of humility to the Supreme Governor and Ruler of the universe, invoking his help for the work he is calling us to do, either as guides or governors, in our new island possessions." . . . "God has planted our feet in the Philippines not that we may exploit those islands for any selfish ends, but that we may lift them up into the light of liberty and justice and humanity, which he, in his goodness, has shed upon us. The greatness to which he is calling us is not the greatness of mere bigness, of mere material wealth and power, or mere vastness of territorial dominion, but the greatness of leadership in the best ideals of liberty, of law, of order, of civilization, of education, of immortality."

The admiration of Washington people for the philanthropy of Mr. Andrew Carnegie was increased, if that were possible, by the announcement that he had added $50,000 to his previous donations of $300,000 to build a free public library at the National Capital, because the increase in the cost of building material had made it impossible to carry out the plans adopted by the committee in charge.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church began its annual session of three days at Hamline Church to-day, with a good attendance of delegates.

Two women who have distinguished themselves in special lines of work for the betterment of the world spoke to Washington audiences this week. Mme. von Finkelstein-Mountford, of Jerusalem, who is a prominent member of the World's W. C. T. U., and who has a wide reputation as a temperance orator and worker and a lecturer on oriental subjects, talked interestingly to the Ladies' Missionary Society of Calvary Baptist Church one afternoon, and the next evening was one of the principal speakers at a large meeting held under the auspices of the District W. C. T. U., at Hamline Church. Miss Jessie A. Ackerman addressed the same meeting, and received her usual warm Washington reception.

Washington, Oct. 11, 1899.

SOUTH CAROLINA LETTER.

We are on the "home-stretch" in the South Carolina Conference, and the preachers are all on the go winding up the year's work. We shall soon be assembling at Orangeburg for our annual review, and to receive the appointments and disappointments for another year. In some respects we have had a successful year. In many places there have been gracious revivals, and the evidences are that there will be a considerable increase in membership this year. So mote it be.

We are expecting a gracious time at our Conference. There seems to be a growing disposition among the brethren to have more of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and less of useless discussions. Many feel it a fortunate thing that we are to have with us this year Bishop Key, whose deep spirituality is known throughout the church. He will surely receive a hearty welcome at the hands of the South Carolina Conference. We are earnestly praying that his coming may prove a benediction to everyone of us. We understand, too, that the Bishop has some strong convictions as to the limitation of the terms of the presiding elders. We hear that he believes in having a change even among the "beloveds" occasionally. So mote it be. Amen. Salah.

Death has invaded our ranks recently. Bro. W. B. Verdin, a consecrated and promising young preacher, after battling with the dreadful disease of consumption for some time, passed to his reward. Bro. D. Z. Dantzler was another to fall. He was one of our purest and most lovable preachers. He was indeed a scholarly and sweet-spirited Christian.

Our camp meetings are in full blast. Most of them are in the Charleston and the Orangeburg districts, there being four in the Charleston district alone. One of them was held last week. It was the famous "Indian Fields" meeting, which is situated only a few miles out of the town in which your scribe lives. The great trouble here is that the social feature overshadows everything else. Our zealous and consecrated presiding elder, Rev. A. J. Stokes, D. D., used every means to make the occasion one of great spiritual power. Unfortunately he was called away to the bedside of his sick wife right in the midst of the meeting. We believe he will do much in turning the tide in favor of more spirituality. Many of us are praying that he may be successful.

By the way, the mention of Dr. Stokes reminds me of my promise to let you know how the new elders appointed at our last Conference turned out. As to Dr. Stokes, let me say that he has made a very fine impression all over the district. I have never known a presiding elder more concerned about all the interests of the church. He is a friend to both preachers and the people, always looking to the highest interest of each. The old Charleston district, under his wise administration, will make a splendid showing at Conference. As to the other two, Rev. Darion Dargan and Rev. H. Bascom Browne, let me say that I hear the very best of reports. Not having been associated with either, I can not speak from experience; but those who have been associated with them speak in high terms of their preaching and administration. Their districts will make fine showings at Conference. Bro. Browne is the secretary of the Twentieth Century Committee, and has been abundant in labors along that line.

Our colleges have all opened with increased attendance, and, in fact, everything points to better days for South Carolina Methodism in the near future. For this we devoutly pray.

We have had some unfortunate occurrences in our Conference in the past few years which have worked detriment to our Zion, but we are trusting the great Head of the church to lead us to harmony and victory.

WATSON B. DUNCAN.

St. George, S. C.

Communications.

A VENERABLE SOLDIER FALLEN.

After preaching Saturday night, Oct. 7, 1899, at a camp meeting on the Gansville circuit, Rev. T. B. White went to his reward. He had expressed a desire that he might go to God just after preaching at a holiness camp meeting. The desire was realized. He left the pulpit with a headache, and within an hour, or two, had fallen on sleep—"the sleep that knows no waking." The end was peace, the transit beautiful, and he rests. He fell at his post, and from the din of battle he went to his reward. He had fought his fight, and God took him. We submit to his providence, and say, "Thy will be done." After comforting many he himself rests.

In his reverence for sacred things Bro. White was exceptional. As a pastor, he was most remarkable, and in zeal he was abundant. He was in many ways an exceptional man. If he made mistakes, those who know him best know that back of all there was a deep conviction of right, and a never-yielding loyalty to God and his truth. His faults grew small when his heart was known. He believed in the old Methodist doctrines of grace, and delighted to testify, not of self, but of Christ dwelling in him through faith. Being converted in childhood, he knew nothing but Christ among men, and to him the gospel was "the power of God to salvation to everyone that believeth."

When the end came Sister White and all their children were present to see him laid to rest. His desire for a simple funeral service by a Methodist preacher, according to the Methodist ritual, was given him; and in accord with his wish for his "son in the gospel" to minister the last Christian rites over his remains, the writer joined with the pastor in this sad duty of laying his body to rest. The concourse of people and the school en masse that assembled at the Methodist Church bears witness to the love and esteem in which he was held in Ruston and adjoining towns. The choir sang beautifully three of his favorite songs: "Asleep in Jesus," "How blest the righteous when he dies!" and, "Where he leads me I will follow." Some simple talks were then made, and we "sowed in weakness" what will be "raised in might."

"Soldier, rest; thy warfare's o'er;
Dream of battle-fields no more.
Days of danger, nights of waking;
Sleep the sleep that knows no breaking."

P. O. LOWREY.

Shreveport, La., Oct. 11, 1899.

20th C. E. F.

Rev. J. H. Bass, Webb, is giving constant attention to this interest, canvassing his membership privately, and confidently expects to make a good report at Conference.

Rev. C. A. Powell, Crystal Springs, writes: "Our people made a commendable start here on Education Day. The matter is in good hands, and will be carried forward. The collection is in good subscriptions, ranging from one to twenty dollars."

Bro. J. G. Irving has sent four dollars from the Sunday-school at Weir. Other superintendents should follow his example, and lend a helping hand.

Rev. R. Selby, Hazlehurst, has secured twenty-seven dollars, and will secure more.

Rev. W. W. Cammack, South Vicksburg, reports: "We made a second effort, and secured thirty-four and 45-100 dollars. I will continue to agitate the subject and to secure subscriptions till Conference."

Rev. M. M. Black, Gloster, has secured ninety-seven and 50-100 dollars. "The roll has been divided into lists of twenty, and placed in the hands of a committee of active and consecrated young ladies, who will see every member who has not already made an offering to the fund, and, if possible, obtain a contribution. They are also furnished with literature for distribution."

Rev. T. W. Adams, Brookhaven, has secured one hundred seventy-seven and 50-100 dollars, and the canvass has not been completed.

Let every brother who has raised, or who will raise, any amount report to me. We must succeed, and to that end the motto must be, "All at it, and constantly at it."

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Oct. 16, 1899.

A DEARTH OF PREACHERS.

MR. EDITOR: "Gilderoy," in your issue of last week, on the subject of the scarcity of preachers, has struck oil, and if he will bore deeper, he will reach the fountain. I know it to be true, as he says, the well-educated preachers, as a rule, "will not stay in some sections of this Conference, and if they were to go and stay, they would not be largely useful. The margin between them and the people would be too great." "It is urged that the preacher must be one of, and one with the people." Hence Christ called his preachers from among the common people, and the church which pursues this course is the church which will bring the masses to Christ.

Thousands of young men are converted in our highways and hedges, and feel that it is their duty to preach, but, in their ignorance, do not think that they can ever reach our educational standard, and join some other church, or fail to make an effort. There are many of them, if they could once be encouraged to begin work, would become sons of thunder.

These poor sections are the tributaries from which our church must be supplied in the future, and if we do not hold this class, our loss will be great in the next generation. It is already telling on our increase, and is one of the causes, if not the main cause, of our small increase, compared with what we did in the past.

Dr. Hoss has said that the time will never come when we will not need all the educated men we can educate, and it will not come soon that we will not need the uneducated from among the people. We have made no mistake in trying to educate our preachers, but we have made a very serious mistake in driving from our ranks many who would have entered but for the fear that they could not succeed. Many of them would have become educated, and others would have remained in these hills to preach to the people as in the days of yore.

J. W. HONNOLL.

Holly Springs, Miss., Oct. 11, 1899.

Selections.

IS CHRISTIANITY MAKING PROGRESS AMONG THE JEWS?

In many Jewish circles it is regarded as a well-established fact that no Israelite becomes a Christian except for sordid reasons. Christians, on the other hand, point to such cases as Neander, Pick, Philippi, and others prominent in Church and State, as evidence of the fact that the gospel is a power also among "the lost sheep of the house of Israel." A careful statistical study of this problem is found in Nathanael, the mission journal published by Prof. Strack, of the University of Berlin. The article, which covers nearly fifty pages, is from the pen of Pastor de le Roi, himself a convert, who has published a three-volume work on the subject. The substance of his article is as follows:

"In the present nineteenth century the attitude of Israel toward modern civilization has been completely changed, and this change has been of a kind that paved the way for a recognition of the claims of Christianity among this people. Before the present century, both by choice and by necessity, Israel sought absolute isolation from the rest of the natives, and did not seek to enter into the life and development of the peoples in the midst of whom they lived, preferring to remain a religious commun ion by themselves, not influencing others nor being influenced by them.

"Largely through the efforts of the philosopher, Moses Mendelssohn, this attitude has been changed, and the whole modern Jewish type of life has become something new. Mendelssohn demanded of his fellow-religionists that they should become a part and portion of the peoples among whom their lot had been cast, and be not only Jews, but also Germans, French, or English. It was thought that such a union could be effected without any detriment to the religious views of the Israelites; but in this respect those who advised the innovation were seriously mistaken. Modern civilization is essentially a product of Christianity, and participation in its best work is possible only by recognition, to greater or less extent, of the principles of Christianity. Moreover, the new attitude of the Jews could not but make them more susceptible to the same influences that have given to other peoples their unique type of culture and civilization. In this way the ground was prepared for a greater influence of the gospel on the Israelites, and this influence has been at work all along with good results.

"The only reliable basis, however, for a computation of the extent to which Christian principles have become a factor in modern Jewish life is that of actual statistics. Such statistics are accessible from the Protestant, the Roman Catholic and the Greek Catholic Churches, as also from the many special mission societies and from the official lists of converts as reported by the statisticians of Germany. Taking all these sources together, and putting only a conservative estimate on their data, we have the remarkable fact that gospel work among the Israelites has, from the point of numbers, been relatively more successful than among any other people of the world. The summary of the accessions made to the Christian church from the Israelites since the beginning of the present century, as collected from all the reports of baptisms, are as follows:

"Received into the Protestant Church	72,700
"Received into the Roman Catholic Church	77,300
"Received into the Greek Catholic Church	54,500
"Total	204,500

"Then, too, in the case of 'mixed marriages'—i. e., marriages between Jews and Christians—it has been demonstrated a hundred times over that the gains in conversion of parents and children are in nearly all cases in favor of Christianity, and the accessions from this source have been during the past hundred years nearly 20,000, making in round numbers nearly 225,000 additions to the Christian churches from the Jews during the present century. These baptisms are, as far as the leading countries are concerned, distributed as follows: Russia, 84,500; Austro-Hungary, 44,760; Great Britain, 23,500; Germany, 22,500. A regular proportion has not been maintained in these additions, the lowest numbers being in the sixth and seventh decade. At present the average additions per year number:

"Protestant Church	1,450
"Roman Catholic Church	1,250
"Greek Catholic Church	1,100
"Mixed marriages	1,450
"Total	5,250

"These figures are increasing each year, and it is becoming more and more apparent that the Protestant type of Christianity is proving more attractive to the Israelites than either of the Catholic Churches."

These conclusions are in part corroborated by the figures published in the new annual, the well-known Jahrbuch for 1899, of the Church of Germany, edited by Pastor J. Schneider, of Elberfeld, which (pages 201–210) enters fully upon the question, supplementing to a considerable extent the account of Nathanael. From this source we extract the following data:

"The number of conversions from Judaism to Christianity in Germany has increased right along. Twenty-five years ago the average number was about sixty-five, but of late years it has been about 500, or more, most of these taking place in Berlin. Among these converts are many philologists, jurists, and other educated men."—Northwestern Advocate.

HIS BEST PARISHIONER.

"Which sort of man is most helpful to you?" asked one clergyman of another. "I mean to you, personally and individually."

His friend looked puzzled, and the questioner went on. "Is it the man who agrees with all your views, and so helps you with his sympathy and comprehension, or the independent thinker, who argues with you and stimulates you to write convincing, stirring sermons?"

"If you really want to know," said the older man, with symptoms of a smile at the corners of his mouth, "it isn't either of those men who helps me most. It's the man who may, and may not, agree with my views, but who cares enough about my sermons to come to church on stormy Sundays, when most people stay at home. He's my best helper!"—Exchange.

NOT FORSAKEN.

BY MARTHA SHEPARD LIPPINCOTT.

I thought I was forsaken,
But Jesus heard my call,
And led me to the Father,
Who loves and cares for all.
Oh, if we all would trust him,
And lay our burdens there,
And ask his help and guidance
He'd lighten every care.

Our hearts would be less weary,
More hopeful would we be,
And look upon life's bright side,
Instead of misery.
We'll never be forsaken
When trusting God for all,
For he is always listening
To hear his children's call.

Then surely we can trust him,
And turn our hearts that way,
For God will ne er forsake us,
But with us dwell each day.
Then we will call upon him
And his protection ask,
And all his loving service
Will never be a task.

—Exchange.

Communications.

MINISTERIAL POWER.

BY REV. ELTON WILSON.

(Continued.)

No preacher can afford to enter his study or pulpit without a deep sense of the Divine Presence. There is a sense of strength in the consciousness that he is not alone; that his finite personality is in touch with the Infinite Spirit. The ultimate analysis reveals the fact that "it is in Him we live and move and have our being." An entire dependence upon the Holy Spirit for the power of life, for the power that sustains action and thought, and the power that continues us in existence. The power of volition is accorded unto man in order that he might make the best uses of his God-given resources.

The Holy Spirit does not do the preacher's thinking, but only exercises a gracious influence upon his conscious activities when there is a surrender of personality. This power, energy, influence and guidance that is the result of conscious communion with the Holy Spirit can not be described as we describe the qualities of a concrete material object. The deep things of the Spirit are not like the tangible entities of the material world; but they move in that deep and fundamental channel of the invisible and immaterial far below the short vision of the senses. We can not form an image of such spiritual quantities; we can not hope to describe them. We know them best in our consciousness of subjective effects; we know that such communion with God is the great source of power in the ministerial personality.

Take away this definite element generated in the ministerial consciousness by the Holy Spirit, and there remains no spiritual power. This is the great source of power. This definite element through the grace of God is superadded to the natural elements of psychic and physical power. In the natural order the psychic and physical come first. Grace can not make a preacher without them. The psychic and physical are the foundation pillars upon which God rears the structure of ministerial character. The strength and durability of this structure will depend upon the strength and power of its foundation. Natural qualifications taken alone can not make the minister. The natural elements and the supernatural must meet in the same person. There is neither an increase or decrease in mental capability, but there is given an energizing stimulus to those existing capacities. The pulsations of the Spirit's power thrill the psychic energies, awakening, arousing and quickening the latent capabilities into action.

There is the element of spiritual illumination, an unconscious discernment of truth, the swift and rapid intuition of some mighty thought crossing the threshold of consciousness. The great and lofty flights of genius are somewhat akin to this state of consciousness. The genius leaves the beaten paths of humanity, and treads alone the highest path of mental exaltation possible to man without the assistance of the Holy Spirit. All this stuff that is often written to show that genius is the ordinary mind, exhibiting eternal concentration and perseverance, is ignorant prattle. It is the highest type of mind; presents the highest type of mental activity and the highest type of mental production. This is true notwithstanding the "insane theory" of Lombroso and the various other degenerative theorists of his tribe.

But this is not spiritual illumination. It is the human consciousness under the illumination of truth. In spiritual illumination we not only have the light of truth, but also the light of the Holy Spirit. If the Holy Spirit does not illumine, energize, arouse, guide and impress the ministerial consciousness, then Rationalism and Unitarianism is true. Some seem to think that the Holy Spirit only operates through the truth. The creation and sustenance of the Christian, as well as the ministerial consciousness, is dependent upon the word of truth. There can be no consciousness of any truth without first having an intellectual perception of that truth.

But there is a direct operation of the Holy Spirit upon the human consciousness co-existent and co-active with the truth. Oftentimes the Spirit moves upon the face of the preacher's consciousness when all is darkness, and the Spirit breathes, "Let there be light, and there is light," and the germ-thoughts of a sermon come forth out of chaos. And under the Spirit's guidance thought after thought is marshalled together, and presently a sermon is the result.

The Holy Spirit does not interfere with the constitutional characteristics of individuality. There is no change in mental constitution or personal peculiarities. The ideal, all around mental constitution is a dream. There is a certain angularity about every man. Without it all men would be alike, and this would destroy the variety of individuality and plunge society into the gulf of an awful monotony. The conventional, all-around minister is not a philosophical reality. He is the subjective product of preconceived notions, that fancy transmutes into its ideal.

Psychic power is a personal acquisition, the product of education. The minister stands upon the same level with all other students. There is no royal road for the "gum-log." He must pay the price that all pay for admission into that circle of earth's choice spirits.

Knowledge is not psychic power, but it is the means of its attainment. Mental power is primary, knowledge is secondary. Knowledge is the tool of the thinking power. The three elements of thought, feeling and volition each have their appropriate function to perform in the evolution of the psychic life of the preacher. The spontaneous activity must be converted into voluntary activity. The whole mental machine must be made to render obedience to the command of the will. The single machine that we term soul is composed of three parts—the thinking part, the feeling part, and the willing part. Three parts, yet one indivisible apparatus—a trinity in unity.

There is great disproportion and inequality in the great mass of thinking machines; inequality in the three elements of thought, feeling, and will. This is the result of training along special lines. The spiritual is an ethical quality, or state, predicated of the psychic elements.

The one-sided development of preachers is often expressed in phrases; he is a "feeling preacher," or he is an "intellectual preacher," or he is a "powerful, active preacher." These expressions indicate three distinct types of ministerial character. Each have their natural sphere, for these mental types run through every audience. The preacher has more influence with that mental type that corresponds with his own peculiar mental constitution, because they move on a common mental plane. The isolation of greatness is almost proverbial. The preacher is only able to move men as he enters their sphere of thought and experience.

A mutual sphere of thought and experience is necessary to mutual understanding and sympathy. This is a law of mind. A community of thought, experience, feeling, observation, mental training and interest is the basis of sympathy, understanding, and friendship.

(To be continued.)

SOME GRATIFYING SIGNS OF PROGRESS.

MR. EDITOR: The field notes from the preachers this year have the old-time ring about them. Quite a revolution has been witnessed during the past quadrennium. Three, or more, years ago nearly all the revivals were under the leadership of self-constituted specialists. Now the preachers are helping one another, and when they can not secure help from a brother pastor, they sensibly proceed to help themselves, relying upon the Holy Spirit and the co-operation of the church.

This revolution, which is a reformation, means more to the future of Methodism and to the cause of Christ, in my judgment, than the raising of millions of dollars with which to enlarge the circle of usefulness, and make permanent our educational institutions. Reinstating the pastor in Episcopal Methodism makes the Twentieth Century Educational Movement an assured success.

Bishop Galloway, in his appeal to the church, in the February number of the New Century Education, strikes the key-note when he alludes to the pastor in his relation to any and all forward movements in the church. Let us quote his eloquent words: "Upon the pastors rests most heavily the success of this movement. What they ordain will surely come to pass. . . . The preacher in our Methodism is the key to every situation, the determining factor in every equation, the condition of every success or failure."

These eloquent words, uttered twenty years ago, would have saved us from many hazardous divergencies and many jack-o-lantern pilgrimages into the quagmire and swamps of delusive hallucination.

One fact of monumental importance is the number of conversions which have taken place among all classes and throughout the entire connection. I mean conversions to pastor-evangelism. Why, some of our head-lights, our D. D.'s, have been reconstructed and seemingly transformed. This is gratifying to the highest degree. It augurs a luminous future and a forgotten past.

It was with feelings of no ordinary interest that I noted the closing sentences of the article by Rev. J. A. Parker, D. D., anent the affairs of Alexandria district, Louisiana Conference. This article appeared in last week's issue of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. These are his words: "I desire to say right here that without an exception, known to myself (and I think I am informed fully), the pastors who have helped one another have been far more successful in winning souls than the evangelists have been as helpers."

I should like to shake hands with the Doctor and offer my congratulations for this eminently fitting and, in all respects, discriminating utterance; and I would not so much as even hint at an examination of the files of the ADVOCATE of a few years ago.

The outlook for universal Methodism and the M. E. Church, South, was never brighter and more cheering than now. The croaking pessimist has been thrown from his pedestal by the electrical, conquering march of the church. His case is well-nigh hopeless if he can not catch enthusiasm enough from transpiring events to see light flashing upon the aggressions of the church in all departments of her activity.

The impetus gained by the agitation of the subject of education will be cumulative, and will continue to broaden and deepen the channels of progress for millenniums to come.

The long-meter Doxology should be sung with more zest now than at any time within the past hundreds of years.

Fraternally yours,

C. A. POWELL.

Crystal Springs, Miss.

FROM "A PARSONAGE."

I have just overheard my "present occupant" read to his family from the ADVOCATE, of Oct. 5, "Some Suggestions" by "A Parsonage Supporter." I appreciate the interest expressed in my welfare, but in justice to myself and my present occupant, a brief reply is necessary.

1. I am horrified at the suggestion that I commit suicide and thus "stop the disgrace." Two wrongs will not make one right. I did not create myself, and can only legitimately be uncreated by my creators. While I am destitute of many conveniences, and most willingly would give place to another of larger dimensions and more compatible with "civilization and enlightened Christianity," I am still better than none at all. The reproach is not so much my own as it is those in whose charge I am.

2. My "complaint" has been placed in the hands of successive occupants from time immemorial. Through them it has repeatedly "reached the ears of those whose duty it is to see that I have better existence."

If "wind and air-pudding" were conducive to my longevity, my condition to-day would be healthy in extenso.

"Those whose duty it is to see that I have better existence" have not visited me this year to see if my "complaints are based on facts or imaginations." A list of interior things needed have twice during the year been given by my present occupant to my warders, but without success. Surprise was only expressed that "things at the parsonage wear out so soon."

On account of some recent environment I have agreed to cease my complaint temporarily anent my exterior deficiencies. But it is an ultimatum.

My general debility and long-neglected condition, perhaps, can be attributed in part to a few of my occupants. One, at least, in recent years expressed satisfaction with my condition. He was more humble than all his predecessors and successors combined by preaching that he did not care for a better home, a better bed, a better plate, better food, et cetera, than the poorest of his parishioners. The doctrine was pleasing indeed, took immediate root, and is bearing an abundant harvest. The reaping has been to my hurt, and it has been harder since to successors who desired a more comfortable home with necessary domestic conveniences. When this particular occupant gave place to his successors I took my hands off my nose, drew a breath of relief, gave myself a thorough scrubbing, and burned up some of my interior effects. Such was the outcome of my most humble occupant who did not care to live better than the poorest of his poor.

3. In my "autobiography," of July 20, I did not intend that everything should be received literatim; however, my belongings enumerated were not underestimated. If "Parsonage Supporter" thinks to the contrary, and desires to make a purchase, and will pay express charges, he can have my "four knives and forks" for seventeen cents, or at the rate of "fifty cents a dozen." I will put in one of the "wash pans" and an "iron spoon" for good measure. He will be at liberty to put them in his museum and label them "relics of antiquity."

4. There is no Parsonage and Home Mission Society within the bounds of the charge where I am existing. Efforts were made in the past to organize one, but it died with the organization. My present occupant will again stir up their "pure minds" by way of remembrance. If I do not follow your advice by suiciding, I will inform you of the result.

DIFFICULTIES.

I see there is a good deal said now in reference to the uplifting of our Zion, both in reference to the all-important revival and a call to the ministry, or rather that of making the sacrifice of joining the traveling connection; but, so far as I am able (from an experimental point) to judge, the tap-root of the whole matter has not been touched in a single instance. In the first place, what is a revival, if it is not a deep spiritual interest pervading a community? Is it not an active, stirring excitement on the question of personal salvation? But some will say times have changed, and that we do not need these all-animated seasons just at this time. But where is the argument at this point? Is not the world as sinful to-day as it has ever been? Indeed it is, and what the church needs just at this time is more men, women and children that are willing and ready to make some sacrifice for the salvation of the world.

There is possibly an Achan in the camp. Have we found him, or have we searched, or have we tried and failed? Probe deep if you will drive the core from its hiding-place. Methodism is said to be the mother of revivals, but where is she to-day? I fear the mother is dead and buried in the pond, deceitful hearts of her children.

What was Methodism back in Bates' time or Honnoli's younger days, when the preacher, with wardrobe and library, went riding over the country, visiting from house to house, preaching the gospel and praising God for his goodness? These men were not fishing for compliments or positions. What they wanted was a place, and they went to work. Furthermore, the church was religious back in those times. The family altar blossomed as the rose, and they all rejoiced to be in the class meeting. Why, then, are we so stagnant? Has time changed that much? Has religion been altered, or has the Father changed the plan of salvation? Nay! The plan of salvation, of which all have a right, has not been changed, and religion is the same love to God and to all men; therefore, let us come to a halt, and get back on the same principles that have characterized the lives of our fathers, and I think that it will not be long before our Conference will be filled with men who will be a power for good, and our revivals will mean a Sunday-school, Epworth League, and prayer meeting, as well as receiving members in the church. We do not only need a consecrated ministry and prayer, but a consecrated church and life.

R. S. LAWSON.

Tatum, Miss., Oct 6, 1899.

THEY WERE TEMPTED.

In recently thinking of the list of Old Testament worthies, to whom particular reference is made in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, I was especially impressed by the phrase, "They were tempted." I had passed over these words from my childhood to this time, but had not had my attention riveted to them till now. In connection with these words the apostle records the facts that some of those faith-heroes "had trial of mockings and scourgings; yea, moreover, of bonds and imprisonment: they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword." I have been asking myself, Wherein were they tempted? What were they tempted to do, or not do? I apprehend that they were tempted, most strongly tempted, to abandon their faith in God and to give up following Christ. When we consider the fact that many Christians in these days, under comparatively small trials and ordinary discouragements, are tempted to quit faith in God, to cease living a Christian life, we may well believe that those ancient Christians, while enduring tortures, scathing mockings, venomous persecutions and galling imprisonment, were most sorely tempted to give up their Christian warfare and cease professing faith in Christ. What are the trials and afflictions of the most of Christians in this country to-day, as compared with those of the Lord's children in the dark ages of history—at least, many of them? They are mere trifles. And yet, when some of us have our plans thwarted, our pet wishes denied, or meet with the loss of some loved treasure, or can not have some position in the church which we covet strongly, are often inclined to yield to the temptation to quit the Christian course and return to the world.

Ah, me! what a contrast do we present to those stalwart faith heroes of former years who, though mightily tempted, while under the severest tortures and tribulations, to desert Christ, yet clung to him with a purpose which carried them steadfastly to the gates of death. Brave men and women!

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The Christian Life.

ABIDING JOY.

Every pastor can remember at least a few Christian people whose joy was so deep and abiding that it pervaded even their greatest sorrows. There is an emotional gladness which is delightful so long as it lasts, yet is comparatively valueless because evanescent. Unlike this is true spiritual joy, which originates in strong faith and is sustained by the open vision of eternal realities. This joy can triumph even when the heart is wrung by the anguish of loneliness, persecution, or bereavement. There is such a thing as being "sorrowful, yet always rejoicing." To those enduring a great trial of faith and "in heaviness through manifold temptations" Peter says, "Believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." Those who are strong in faith are as susceptible to physical pain, or mental distress, or the agony of bereavement as any, and yet deeper than either or all of these, and co-existent with them, is their abiding joy. A sick child, though in pain and fear, is calm and happy in the arms of its mother; so the suffering, tempted and bereaved believer can be happy when conscious that around and underneath are the everlasting arms.

The light of infinite love shines in darkness. Heaven's steadfast stars cheer earth's midnights. Christians can be cheerful in sorest calamities. It is recorded of the apostles that "they departed from the presence of the council rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name." The lonely, the persecuted, the poor, the bereaved can "soothe their wounded hearts with balm from the amaranths of heaven." Those who live near to God know the mystery of "being strengthened with all might, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness."—Exchange.

"The Lord was not in the wind." In a sense, this is true of all natural phenomena—in the spiritual sense, no amount or kind of study of the physical world can be a substitute for the spiritual apprehension of God as the Father. It was only "the still, small voice" that reached the inner ear of the prophet, and was recognized as the speech of the Infinite. Then the prophet wrapped his face in his mantle, and went and stood in the entrance of the cave—to hear what God would say to him. Duty is always inwardly learned; no external study will make it clear what we ought to do. We must commune with our own hearts; we must hear the still, small voice. How feeble that voice in comparison with the strong wind, the fire, the earthquake! And yet the prophet heard that small voice, and knew the Lord was in it. Why? Because he wanted to hear it. Because he was acquainted with it. Because his whole heart and life were perfectly surrendered to duty. We are not compelled to hear this still, small voice. We may mistake the strong wind for the Lord's commanding order. We must learn the language of God—the still, small voice in which he calls us to duty. To learn this spiritual speech is the occupation of a Christian life. To go forth covered with the mantle of reverence when that voice speaks to us—that is, to go where God wants us to go, and to do his work in perfect confidence that it is his work.—Selected.

The world has been astonished at the sight of the aged, the afflicted, the poor, being in a perfect state of quiet and peace. Looking out into a future which, in the eyes of the world, was dark and forbidding, they were calm, cheerful, and sweet-spirited. Why? Because the "springs and foundations" of their happiness were within. They were sustained by an immortal hope. They knew whom they believed, and were persuaded that he is able to keep that which they had committed unto him against that day.

In this sweet, calm, peaceful state of mind they went down to the brink of the Jordan of death, and while friends heard the splash of the muffled oars and, with eyes dimmed with tears, vainly strove to pierce the mist and see what was on the other side, the boatman pushed out, and they were gone. The world wondered; but the believing friends left behind, comforted with the same immortal hope, rested their bereaved hearts on the bosom of the world's Redeemer. The source of their comfort was from within, not from without. These things the world can not understand, for "they are spiritually discerned." But they are, of all things, the most important. They, and they only, put the soul in possession of true happiness.—Religious Telescope.

That life is but a poor, fragmentary one which seeks God by fits and starts; and that seeking after God is but a half-hearted and partial one which is only experienced in the moments of pain and grief. It is well to cry for him in the wilderness, but it is not well that it should only be the wilderness in which we cry for him. It is well when darkness and disaster teach us our need of him, but it is not well when we require the darkness and the disaster to teach us our need.—Alexander MacLaren, D. D.

If some men had killed Goliath, they would remind the Lord of it every day in the week.—Exchange.

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Charles Kingsley says of Turner, the great painter, that he spent hours and hours in the mere contemplation of nature without using brush or pencil. An authentic story is told of how Turner was once known to have spent a whole day sitting upon a rock, throwing pebbles into a lake. When evening came his brother painters showed him their sketches and rallied him upon having done nothing. He said, "I have done this, at least: I have learned how a lake looks when pebbles are thrown into it."

None of his fellow-students could ever paint the ripples as Turner painted them.

Many men and women find to their sorrow and dismay that when the opportunity of a life-time is presented to them, they are utterly unable to grasp it because of lack of preparation. They are not ready for the hour of opportunity when it comes. They have not that keen discernment, that mastery of details, that ripened judgment, that only preparation can give.

When a great man achieves a great triumph in art or literature, or even in business or war, it is often said of him that he is a genius. So he is. He has the sort of genius Carlyle had in mind when he wrote that "Genius is an immense capacity for taking trouble." Genius and work go hand in hand.

The man who is ready when the hour of opportunity comes, and who sees that opportunity and uses it, has so trained his powers as to compel them to obey his will. His self-reliance is based on good judgment and not on vaunting egotism. The man who is ready is the man who has a profound sense of the responsibilities and possibilities of life. He sets no limit to his own development, and yet his ambition does not exceed his powers of achievement.

The man who is ready is the man whose life takes on its appointed honor and glory.—Zion's Herald.

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THE DYSPEPTIC BROTHER.

The "whey-faced brother," whom Dr. Holmes scored in severe, but fitting language nearly half a century ago, is still alive, a troubler of the churches, a breeder of pessimism, a helper of infidelity, a stumbling-block in the way of every good cause, and all in the name of the betterment of the church, the condemnation of laxness of living, and bold testimony against the evil which abounds in the world and which he pretends to believe has taken possession of a large section of the church. He is a horribly persistent fellow, and bores editors of religious and even of secular journals with his doleful lucubrations concerning the desperate and increasing formality of the modern church. Sometimes he almost succeeds in persuading himself that he is the only righteous man left on earth. He has all of Elijah's pessimism, without any of that grand old prophet's courage or self-sacrifice. The only thing he is willing to sacrifice freely is advice, which costs him nothing, and of which his supply is never diminished, no matter how much he manages to give away from day to day. Sometimes his conduct is such as to lead to the suspicion that he feels convinced that the world would long ere this have been shattered into millions of fragments had it not been that he has not yet been translated.

This brother is a great trial, and something worse. He has acquired a certain insolent and dogmatic manner, the result partly of natural disposition and partly of long immunity from deserved punishment. How would it work, think you, if some other brother should line the "whey-faced brother" up against the church wall and proceed to unfold the plain and unadorned truth to his inner consciousness? How would it do to tell him what everybody has been thinking and many have been saying under their breath? And then, after the whole truth has been unfolded in his own brutally direct manner, the experiment might be brought to a healthful and highly satisfactory conclusion by telling him that you have treated him as he has treated others.—Central Advocate.

"It is a bad idea for a pastor to be constantly finding fault with his people. He can fuss at them for this thing and that thing until his scolding becomes an irksome song. They go to church to worship and get instruction and not to be nagged at every service. A fussy preacher will soon thin out the occupants of the pew, and when a real reproof is needed it amounts to nothing from him, because he has indulged the censorious spirit until his complaints go in at one ear and out at the other."—Texas Christian Advocate.

FROM THE WORK.

Rev. A. D. Miller, P. C., Hermanville, Miss., Oct. 9, 1899: "Our third Quarterly Conference has come and gone, and with it came our beloved Rev. E. H. Mounger, D. D. We enjoyed his visit and preaching very much. He preached us three very fine sermons, which we are sure did much good. My people are very fond of Bro. Mounger, and so am I. We have a good people on this, the Hermanville, circuit, Vicksburg district, and we hope, though now very much behind, to bring up a good report at Conference. God bless all the people."

Rev. A. T. Buck, P. C., Sallis, Miss., Oct. 6, 1899: "Our fourth Quarterly Conference is a thing of the past. In the absence of Rev. J. S. Oakley, P. E., whose afflictions prevented him from being with us, Rev. N. G. Augustus, of Durant, gave us both pleasure and profit by his presence and two strong, masterly sermons. He is a good substitute for a presiding elder. This has been a pleasant and profitable year with us. Have had gracious revivals at nearly all the churches, resulting in more than seventy conversions and forty five accessions to the Methodist Church. For valuable services rendered in revival work we are indebted to Revs. Robt. A. Clark, student in Millsaps College; T. H. Porter, local preacher of Coldwater, and W. M. Commander, of this charge, and assistant preacher of the same. Since the close of our meetings we have organized two prayer meetings and a promising Epworth League. This League is in the country, where we have as fine a class of Christian young people as can be found anywhere, and we hope for and expect great results from them. We expect to make the best report at Conference that has gone up from this charge in years. Have one meeting to hold, viz.: at Sallis."

Rev. H. A. Gatlin, P. C., Beauregard, Miss., Oct. 9, 1899: "We have closed our round of protracted meetings, four in number. We had very good meetings at all the churches. Bro. C. McDonald was with us at Martinsville, and did some good preaching. We had two accessions to the church; membership revived. We next went to Pleasant Ridge. Bro. J. A. Parker was with us there, and did some faithful preaching. We began our meeting at Mathews Chapel the first Sunday in August, and ran on six days. The writer did the preaching. We had a fine meeting; one of the best meetings they have had in years. They had paid scarcely anything up to the meeting; since then they have paid the preacher's salary up in full, and will pay up the other collections. God is graciously blessing us at Mathews Chapel. We began our meeting at Beauregard the second Sunday night in September, and continued ten days. God was with us in great power. We had a gracious refreshing from the Lord. All say we had the best meeting they have had in ten or fifteen years. We had twenty accessions to the church, and the membership wonderfully revived. The attendance was good. Men came who had not attended church in several years. Bro. Rawls, of Tylertown, Miss., was with us six days, and did some faithful work. Bro. Rawls is a good preacher, and good help in a meeting. We have just held our third Quarterly Conference. Dr. Featherstun was with us; preached two fine sermons, which were highly appreciated by my people. He dedicated our church yesterday at Pleasant Ridge, and organized an Epworth League. We now have two Leagues on the charge. We hope to be able to pay up everything in full on the Beauregard charge this year. We have our parsonage very near paid for. They have furnished the parsonage very nicely. We have some good people on this charge."

WHITTINGTON CIRCUIT.

"Palmer Camp Meeting began Sept. 14, and closed Monday, Sept. 25. The Lord was with us in every service, and the oldest tenters and members of our church say this was the best and most successful meeting ever held at Palmer. Sinners crowded the altar, and most of them refused to leave it until they were converted. Some of the penitents remained at the altar for several hours before they found peace, but every earnest seeker was happily saved. One poor fellow came to the meeting drunk; he was gloriously saved, and worked earnestly for the salvation of his friends. Some of the "I-hope-so" crowd object to Methodist altars; but they can't prevent this work of saving souls.

Rev. W. W. Simmons, P. E., was with us Saturday and Sunday, and preached to the delight of all who heard him. R. L. Webb was with us in great power and gave us some strong sermons. Webb's sermon on the "Prodigal Son" can not be excelled by any living preacher.

Dr. W. L. Hightower, the biggest little man in the State of Mississippi, was with us throughout the meeting. A better preacher and a more successful worker is hard to find. Hightower asked a man if he had religion, and the old fellow said, "No I'm a Baptist, and I don't believe in that altar business, and I have Scripter to prove my pint." "No, you haven't," said the Doctor; "you have no 'Scripter' to prove your 'pint.' You don't know anything about the 'Scripter;' you don't know how many chapters there are in the Book of Hezekiah; whether there are 15 or 16." "Yes, I do, too; it's got 16 chapters." It is useless to say the laugh was on in full force. Our deep-water friend decided at this stage of the game to hunt more comfortable quarters, which he did with a vengeance.

Bro. Blackwell, from Vanoleave, the sweet singer, earnest preacher and consecrated Christian, was with us, and rendered most efficient service in the pulpit and choir.

Revs. Mike Cox, Jordan and Scarborough, local preachers, and Fayard, Williams and Ballew, exhorters, and Bro. James Smith, a class leader, rendered most excellent service. We can not praise the men too highly for their untiring energy in bringing about this revival.

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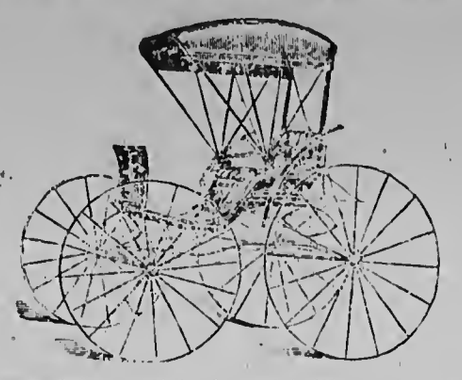
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S. S. KEENER, Sec.

THE NEED OF CONSECRATED POCKET-BOOKS.

While such a statement often provokes a smile and sometimes resentment, there is no little truth in the saying that a consecrated heart means a converted pocket-book. One of the surest tests of loyalty to God and love for humanity is the liberality or illiberality we manifest in the handling of whatever money the Lord permits to come into our hands. Since money is the thing that the average man loves most and strives hardest to obtain, need it appear strange that there should be hesitation about counting a man a Christian who puts dollars before duty and self-interest before the interests of Christ's kingdom? How exceedingly slow Christians are to learn and put into practice the teaching of Christ that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." While liberality of purse is largely a matter of education—of enlightenment as to the needs of humanity and as to the stewardship of property—there are multitudes in the church who are ungenerous and close-fisted, simply because they esteem the riches of this world more than the riches of the kingdom of heaven. Paul was not mistaken when he said, "They that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition." Neither was he fanatical when he uttered the caution, "If riches increase, set not your heart upon them."

A loud wail is heard every now and then about worldliness in the church; nor would we seek to make the evil appear less great, or the danger therefrom less real than it is. Our deliberate conviction, however, is that covetousness is an evil of far greater magnitude among us. This is the sin that is eating the heart out of the spirituality of no small number in every church and community. Professing Christians by the hundreds seem to act upon the belief that all contributions made for religious purposes are so much dead loss, and, consequently, they pay as little as possible to the church, giving the steward or other collector the dodge whenever they can. Such persons evidently have little conception of the turpitude of the sin of robbing God, "who gives us richly all things to enjoy," and who will hold every man to a rigid account for the use made of this world's goods, not one particle of which can be carried away. Is it not a marvel that believers in Christianity are some of them so foolish as to imagine they can cheat God out of tithes and offerings with impunity? Has he not declared that they who rob him are cursed with a curse? Has the Master not said, "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you withal"?

The difficulty with the average disciple is that he is so much for self that he fails to perceive how dwarfed in soul he is. His affections have become so set upon this world's goods that it costs him a severe pang to part with a single cent that does not promise a return in earthly coin. While not every liberal man is a Christian, on the other hand, every consecrated, God-loving, humanity-serving disciple is liberal with his means, whether he have much or little. The poor man who, out of his hard earnings, contributes a quarter or a half dollar to the Lord's cause, is as generous in the eyes of God as the capitalist who, out of his abundance, contributes his hundreds or his thousands. The New Testament injunction is for every man to contribute "according as God has prospered him," bearing in mind that "he that soweth sparingly shall reap sparingly."

Never before, perhaps, in the history of Christianity has there been so great need of self-denying liberality for the spread of the gospel as now. From every heathen land, with scarce an exception, the loudest and most heart-penetrating appeals are coming to us for the Word of Life, for more missionaries, for the blessed gospel that has made ours a delightsome land. The fields are indeed "white unto the harvest," and from every mission-field station comes the most encouraging news of success and conquest. As one of our hymns fitly expresses it:

"Each breeze that sweeps the ocean
Brings tidings from afar,
Of nations in commotion
Prepared for Zion's war."

The Master's command to disciple all nations rings in our ears. Hundreds of consecrated and splendidly trained young men and women now stand ready to carry the gospel to the unevangelized millions of the earth, if the church will only send them; but, alas! because of the lukewarmness and shameful stinginess of vast multitudes in the church, the Lord's treasury is often empty, and the workers are forced to tarry at home.

It is estimated that the average contribution per year of the men in Southern Methodism to foreign missions is fifteen cents per capita, while that of the women is seven cents. A writer in the January (1899) Review of Missions calls attention to the startling fact that "the men of America spend more in one year for tobacco than the whole church—Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, and all—has given in eighteen centuries for the spread of the gospel." When we call to mind that, though we boast of this as a Christian nation, there is spent in this country every year fifteen dollars a head for intoxicants, and only eighteen cents a head for the conversion of the heathen, are we not amazed at the forbearance of God? Is it not enough to bring the blush of shame to our cheeks, and cause us to repent in sack-cloth and ashes? Says Mrs. Isabella Bird Bishop: "When we remember that every minute five souls pass into eternity—1,400 dying every hour in India and 1,600 in China—it seems to me that the time has come when we should adjust our expenditures at the foot of Christ's cross. We must choose whether we must spend upon ourselves or give to Him." It is stated that Judge Tucker, who served for some time as official in India, gave $2,000 a month for missions. His reply to those who thought him too liberal was: "There are 86,000,000 adult population; 5,000 die daily; every day's delay means 5,000 souls."

We have seen hundreds hurt by over-generosity to fashion, folly, and self; but over-generosity to the church, where is it to be found? Who has suffered injury thereby? There are well-to-do Methodists who spend more money on a single party, dinner or reception than their contributions to the church amount to in ten years. How exceeding generous most of us are to ourselves, yet how niggardly towards the Lord's cause! In Christian service one thing is plain: if we serve our pocket-books, then we might as well reserve our hearts, for the only acceptable consecration is that of all we have and are.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

Why should our people who are unable to send to our institutions of learning be required to support this fund? Thousands of our people are asking this question. We answer, Because they have an interest in the Methodist Church, and are benefited indirectly. As well ask, Why should we, as citizens of the United States, be required to support its institutions? We must have educated men at the head of our church, and we should encourage Christian education, and furnish as many men for high places in the nation as possible who have received a Christian education, and we will all reap the harvest of good results. The only way to encourage Christian education is to support our church schools. What is learning without religion? What did it do for France a little over one hundred years ago? It was not the want of education that led to the Reign of Terror, but education without religion. Educated women could stand by the blood-stained block on which a neighbor's head was severed from the body, and thrust their fingers into the warm blood as it ran from the neck-veins, and laugh and chatter like demons from hell. Infidelity had gone to seed.

J. W. HONNOLL.

Holly Springs, Miss., Oct. 11, 1899.

Bro. Honnoll speaks wisely. We wish to emphasize what he says about contributions from the rank and file of the church. Every member of the church, the poor as well as the rich, should contribute to the Twentieth Century Education Fund. No good citizen objects to the appropriation of a part of the revenues of the government for the maintenance of government schools. On the contrary, good citizens, rich and poor alike, feel an interest in our national institutions of learning. Every American citizen feels a pride in the Naval Academy at Annapolis. Why? Because it turns out Deweys, Sohleys, Hobsons, and their like. Everybody glories in West Point. Why? Because it produces Grants, Lees, Stonewall Jacksons, and their like. In like manner every Methodist ought to feel a pride in our Methodist institutions of learning. Vanderbilt ought to be to Southern Methodism what West Point and Annapolis are to the American people. And every Methodist Conference ought to feel a deep interest in the schools of his own Conference. What West Point and Annapolis are to the nation, that our colleges are to us as a church. Does anybody believe that Methodism would have to-day occupied the high ground she does occupy without these institutions of learning? Who can estimate the beneficent influences that have gone forth from these radiant centres of spiritual light and power? And the value of these higher institutions of learning increases with each revolving year. The world is astir. Civilization is advancing. Progress is the watchword in every realm of human activity.

In order to keep abreast of the times, the church must educate. And in order to do this, we must have proper facilities. Our institutions of learning must have equipments in keeping with those of their competitors. As a denomination, we need ampler educational facilities. These can be supplied if every member of the church will contribute according to ability to the Twentieth Century Fund. Let everybody give something—the poor as well as the rich. Let us have done with this twaddle about leaving it to the rich to do this work. The poor, as well as the rich, ought to feel a deep interest in our educational institutions as well as in every other department of church enterprise. Let it be remembered that God values a gift, not according to its monetary value, but according to the self-sacrifice it represents. The mite of the poor widow, though insignificant in pecuniary value, is worth more in the sight of God than a large contribution which represents no sacrifice on the part of the donor. Let everyone give according as God hath prospered him.—EDITOR.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The Review of Reviews, for October, contains several important articles on the commercial and industrial conditions and problems of the moment. The Hon. Thomas L. James, formerly Postmaster-General of the United States, and now president of the Lincoln National Bank in New York, writes on "The New Era of Prosperity." Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, of Chicago, gives an economist's impressions of the recent conference in that city on the subject of "trusts," while the presiding officer of that gathering, the Hon. William Wirt Howe, of New Orleans, states the conclusions to be drawn from the deliberations of the conference as to desirable legislation. The editor also treats this topic in "The Progress of the World." There is a brief article on the National Export Exposition now in progress in Philadelphia, and Mr. Curry M. Stadden reviews our diplomatic relations with Nicaragua, with reference to the prospective canal and other commercial developments.

The October number of the Critic contains a paper on William Morris' Printing and Art Works. Other features of the number are reviews of the latest works, and a list of the publications announced for this Fall.

THE EDITOR OF THE CENTRAL BAPTIST ON A CURRENT CRAZE.

The movement which moves under the banner of "Christian Science" is growing. Whatever may be its power of winning followers, it has not yet drawn all who are susceptible to its fascinations. This is a free country, and any body has a right to call itself by any name it chooses, unless, in so doing, it wrongs others who bear that name, or unless the name it selects for itself is deceptive. With all due regard to the few good people who have taken up with this latest and most foolish of all the modern fads, we do not hesitate to say that the name which they have adopted is a slander on science and Christianity; and we further affirm that the name is misleading and deceptive to those who are thoughtless enough to be caught by a respectable title. Christianity is well known now in all the world. It stands for a definite kind of faith and doctrine and philosophy. Jew and Gentile, Mohammedan and Buddhist all adopt their own titles, and choose to keep themselves apart from Christianity in the popular mind. But this new delusion—for it is not a faith—clothes itself in the title of respectability which has been made honorable by others and appears under a purloined name. It is not Christian. We say this without bitterness or malice. Christian Science, so-called, possesses almost nothing in common with the religion of Jesus. It denies that there is any such thing as sin, for which he claims to have suffered and died. He professed to have come in the flesh, and to have undergone the limitations and humiliation which belong to the popular conception of material and physical life. What he did was to die on the cross in a deep agony of pain as atonement for the sins of men. In all this he was deluded, or was guilty of gross deception, if this heresy which sails under his name is true. The Son of God did not become flesh, if there is no flesh; he did not suffer hunger, if there is no hunger; he did not come to save men from a mistaken belief that there is sin, but to save them from a sin which is real; he did not suffer and die on the cross, if there be no real suffering. The story of the cross is a delusion, a fancy, a blasphemous fraud, if there is no such thing as suffering and sin in this world. This heresy has no place for redemption, no place for atonement, no regeneration, no removal of penalty, no future condemnation of the impenitent—in fact, it has nothing which Jesus believed and taught. If these deluded, possibly well-meaning, folks want to indulge a craze of self-righteousness, let them do so, remembering they are answerable to God and not to men therefor; but they have no right to assume a name which means something definite, and palm off their contradictory and unchristian dreams under that sacred and well-known banner. In business circles the man who collects money under the name of another man is treated accordingly. It is deception, gross and unpardonable. And then as to the name "science," its inappropriateness is seen in the jargon and meaningless phrases which contradict the first principles of science. Again we say, let them have their beliefs, let them choose a name to please themselves; only do not let them start out filching the good name of Christ's disciples, with whom they hold nothing in common, and do not let them mislead the unsuspecting by that pious plagiarism.—Central Christian Advocate.

STEREOTYPED PHRASES.

With regard to specific teachings of every kind a few suggestions may be helpful to some of our readers. Whoever devises peculiar words to express spiritual truth becomes a slave to the letter, or else in a short time will use the words and illustrate something out of them or into them, changing the original meanings of the said words. If he has the capacity to be a leader, his peculiar words will become shibboleths, and a generation enslaved by cant will be developed. Form without power is in many instances as sure to follow either a temporized or set words for spiritual truth as it is to accompany an obligatory liturgy. We have carefully watched the discussions in the M. E. Church on entire sanctification. At least seven sorts of phraseology have been developed by partisan teachers, who have sometimes contended over the words to the complete demonstration that they possessed not the thing.

The subject of conversion has been treated in the same way. There is a book known as "The Crucible," that at one time attracted many readers and drove some people into insanity.

What the church needs is a straightforward, simple declaration of the fundamental principles of redemption, regeneration, conversion, justification, "growth in grace," and "being perfected in love." If one were to take these very words and adhere to them, as if he were giving a lesson in mathematics, he would confuse the mind. The new birth has been materialized by many Christians, in their treatment of it, as blindly as it was by Nicodemus, the difference being that he did not accept it, and they do. We think it would be difficult to find in the history of the Christian church any class of special teachers that in the end do not develop, either by ignoring or unduly emphasizing, unsymmetrical Christian characters.

Upham's "Interior Life," Madame Guyon, and Fenelon's meditations, literal and figurative, seemed to be for a time well suited to certain classes of minds, and they contain much that is profitable; but the result in many, if not in all, cases clearly illustrates what we are endeavoring to set forth. Between such speculations, and the rhapsodies of Santa Theresa, and the splendid vagaries of Swedenborg, the difference is much less than might be imagined, all being fruits of abnormal abstraction.—New York Advocate.

PREFERS THE FAITH OF HIS MOTHER.

Dr. Charles A. Briggs, who was so long "a thorn in the flesh" of the Presbyterian Church on account of his latitudinarian views concerning the inspiration of the Scriptures, is also causing trouble in the Protestant Episcopal Church. As a result of his ordination to the ministry of that church, Dr. B. F. De Coss, rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, in New York City, has not only resigned his pastorate, but also withdrawn from the ministry. From his published deliverance on the subject we quote as follows:

"The Bible, so far as Episcopalians are concerned, has met with its Sedan. This diocese and the Episcopal Church at large is dominated by what the ruling factions call 'the spirit of the age.' They forget to say 'what' age. The 'spirit' that they talk about is simply the belated ghost of the age of Arianism. It recalls the words of one who spoke of the Georgian as a period when things were shelving down into a well-written, able, moral, gentlemanly deism. The Episcopal Church has made a new departure, and I can not go along with it. Consistency requires a repudiation of the whole scheme, and I think I have adopted the best method. I prefer the faith I learned at my mother's knee to the inventions of sociologists. If any of my old friends are grieved, I shall feel very sorry."

NOTES.

The Felicity meeting is still in progress.

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Centenary College has an enrollment of 130.

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Rev. W. T. J. Sullivan has been ill, but is now convalescing.

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Rev. E. N. Evans' Twentieth Century sermon is highly spoken of.

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The postoffice address of Rev. H. H. Ahrens has been changed to Gretna, La.

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The postoffice address of Rev. R. A. Breland has been changed from Bewelcome to Liberty, Miss.

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Last Sunday was observed as Education Day by the churches in this city. We hope to be able to report results in our next issue.

The New Orleans District Sunday-school Conference will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week at Carondelot Street Church.

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Helen Gould—always on the right side in yielding her influence to the movement to shut the door of Congress in the face of the Mormon polygamist, Roberts.

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Something new under the sun has happened: a superannuate has been elected to the General Conference—Rev. A. M. Hough, of the Southern California Conference, M. E. Church.

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Rev. W. F. Floyd, late president of the Texas Polytechnic College, Fort Worth, has been transferred to the Louisville Conference, and stationed at Walnut Street, Louisville.

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Mrs. Alice M. Corbin, having purchased the "Ten Books," writes: "The books have arrived. I am more than pleased. One of them—'Many Thoughts of Many Minds'—worth the money."

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Dr. S. S. Keener preached at Louisiana Avenue last Sabbath in the interest of the Twentieth Century Education Fund. The sermon was appropriate, forceful and spiritual. He also presented the same cause at night at Tchonpitoulas.

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The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine states that Belfast, Ireland, with a population of less than four hundred thousand, has more Methodist Churches than St. Louis, Mo., with a population of seven hundred thousand. How is that for a Catholic country?

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Rev. W. D. Bass writes: "I am now assisting Bro. Martin in a meeting at Douglas, La. I have just closed a good meeting with Bro. Wafer at Calhoun. Please say to the brethren that if anyone desires my assistance in November, let him write to me at Calhoun, La., care of Rev. T. M. Wafer. I can assist in two more meetings before going home."

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From a private letter from Rev. R. M. Standifer, pastor of Oxford station, we quote as follows: "Our subscriptions and cash collections for the Twentieth Century Fund up to date amount to about $1,000, making nearly, or quite, $5 per member from Oxford station. Oxford Woman's College is doing splendidly, about eighty in boarding department; between fifty and sixty from the city. You are giving us a thoroughly good paper."

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Rev. Geo. D. Anders, Columbia charge, Louisiana Conference, writes: "Yesterday we closed a meeting at Bouff River Church, which surpassed anything that I have witnessed for a long time in the manifestation of God's saving power. We had bright conversions and reclamations from beginning to close. We had fifteen accessions; six joined the last service. The hardest sinners in the community were converted and joined the church."

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We are pained to chronicle the death of Sister Mary G. Bancroft, wife of Rev. George Bancroft, of the Mississippi Conference, which occurred at their home at Forest, Miss. Her pastor, Rev. D. Scarborough, writes: "She had been sick several weeks, and the sad end had been expected for more than ten days. She passed sweetly away in the triumphs of a living faith, Oct. 11, 1899." She was interred at Forest, the funeral service being conducted by Rev. T. L. Mellen and Rev. D. Scarborough. She was a most excellent woman, and greatly beloved wherever she was known.

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As will be seen in our news columns, the threatened war between Great Britain and the Boers has become an actuality. As usual, both parties are to blame. England's demands, we think, were not altogether just. Yet the responsibility for the commencement of hostilities rests upon the Boers. What the result will be it hardly takes a prophet's eye to foresee. A pigmy in the grasp of a giant is the picture before us. That the Boers will gain a few small victories before England can concentrate her forces is quite within the range of probability, but that will count for little in the end.

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The Leagues of Pearl River Church and of Pocahontas Church have paid the amounts asked of them for the Jackson district parsonage.

The Epworth League, with its characteristic enterprise, will not be behind in the Twentieth Century Movement. Who can doubt that when it once takes hold it will do the work in a flash? Who that knows the League can doubt that it will take hold? Already there are heard calls from different quarters for an Epworth League Twentieth Century organization. The League could not be better organized than it is for such a movement. A little effort in distributing amongst its members suitable literature, and in getting the matter on their hearts, will do the work. No work of the church is more in line with the highest ideals of the League than the movement which has for its object the highest Christian culture of the youth of the church.—New Century Education.

And it comes to pass that the average college graduate is not any more a lover or inteiligent student of the Bible than any other average man. And the writer believes this to be true concerning the students in our church colleges, omitting those who are preparing for the ministry, as it is of those who have attended secular institutions. Even our candidates for the ministry take their baccalaureate degrees, ofttimes, without having received any direct tuition in the Holy Scriptures, so far as their regular college work is concerned. . . . If the great Twentieth Century Movement now sweeping through Methodism, and throughout the world, may be made to include the elevation of the Sacred Scriptures to their proper place in our systems of culture, will it not be of greater final import to the church than even the collection of the millions of money that is so wisely and ardently proposed?—C. M. Bishop, in Methodist Review.

It is impossible to come into contact with an uncommon man without receiving some sort of beneficial and moral stimulus.—Nashville Advocate.

Bishop Keener's book, "Bible Truths," which is in the reading course for 1899-1900, has five chapters: "The Creative Glory in Its Two Distinct Realms—The Natural and the Moral;" "Job, a Prince of the East;" "The Apocalypse of Jesus Christ," "The First Resurrection," and "The Ascension of Our Lord." Dr. Hoss, of the Nashville Advocate, says of these chapters: "Every one of them is a piece of keen and penetrating thought clothed in a vesture of transparent English, and the whole atmosphere which they carry with them is distinctly devout, showing that the closet, as well as the library, has had to do with their elaboration."

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A HOME FOR REV. M. C. MANLY.

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No subscriptions will be received, as it is desired that no debt shall be created. Let contributions be sent either to Bro. Manly, at Rayne, La., or to myself, at Lake Arthur, La., and the same will be acknowledged through the ADVOCATE.

Up to date the following amounts have been received and are in Bro. Manly's hands:

Mrs. Girard, Lafayette, La.	$25 00
F. A Daniels, Algiers, La.	25 00
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Total	$72 00

We hereby thank our good friends for their cheerful contributions, and pray the Lord to prosper them.

Let other dear friends of Bro. and Sister Manly send in something at once, that they may have a home of their own, as he is blind and is a superannnate member of his Conference. It will be remembered that only a few years ago the good people helped us to secure a home for our now sainted Bro. Faust and family in Rayne. Now that he is gone home to heaven, they are comfortably situated. We can not afford less for this worthy cause.

Yonrs in Jesus,

R. M. BLOCKER.

Lake Arthur, La., Oct. 10, 1899.

A GOOD RULE.

It is a good rule to never write a letter when angry. One is always sure to say something that he ought not to say, and that he will one day wish he had never said. He is not himself, and generally betrays his weakness. He puts himself in another's hands. He loses, to a certain degree, his independence, and is at the mercy of the one whom he assails or abuses. The wise man, recognizing the force of these considerations, cools off before putting his pen to paper, and then says as little as possible, and in the most guarded terms.—Presbyterian.

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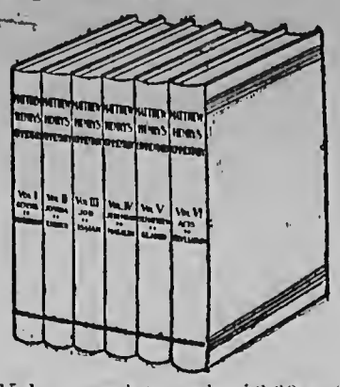

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MRS ROBERT SOMERVILLE.
Rec. Sec.

ENCOURAGING

All petitioners for the unseating of Mr. Roberts can find encouragement in the private information from Salt Lake City, reported in the Northwestern Christian Advocate, as follows: "Last week Heber J. Grant, one of the twelve apostles of the Mormon Church, pleaded guilty in open court to the charge of unlawful cohabitation, that is, living in polygamy, and paid a fine of $100. A few weeks ago Angus M. Cannon, president of the Salt Lake stake, a high position in the Mormon Church, pleaded guilty to a similar charge and paid his fine of $100. On Sunday, Sept. 3 George Q Cannon, the premier of Mormonism, one of the presidency of the whole church, defended the practice of polygamy in a large meeting at Mount Pleasant. Polygamy was preached in the Mormon tabernacle here yesterday." These convictions of high Mormon officials show that the law against polygamy is not a dead letter, and may be effectually used by the people in their efforts to have the House of Representatives refuse to admit Mr. Roberts to a seat in Congress.—Christian Intelligencer.

WHEN WE FACE THE PAST.

A rich landlord cruelly oppressed a poor widow. Her son, then a little boy of eight years, witnessed it. He afterward became a painter and painted a life-likeness of the dark scene.

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DEWEY.

It is doubtful if history has any counterpart to the fame and career of George Dewey.

A youth of 28, commissioned as Lieutenant Commander at the close of the war of the rebellion, in which he served with courage and distinction, he passed the next thirty-three years in unconspicuous bureau service and routine sea duty in honorable obscurity. He had nearly reached the age of compulsory retirement.

Assigned early in the year to the command of the Asiatic Squadron, the first American Commodore in those waters since Perry, it is said that he was averse to the station. War with Spain was imminent, and, like all naval experts, he felt the Atlantic would be the theatre of active operations, in which he wished to participate.

To the mass of the people he was unknown. At sunrise Sunday, May 1, 1898, his life had not been of consequence enough to find a place in the Century Cyclopædia of proper names, which rescues from oblivion so many insignificant celebrities.

By noon that day he had inscribed his name indelibly in the list of the world's great Admirals. No cyclopædia will omit his biography hereafter till there is no more sea.

In six hours he changed the geography of a hemisphere.

Subig and Cavite and Corregidor, unknown when he entered the harbor of Manila, the next day were prononnced by nations. In that brief interval he closed one epoch for Spain and opened another for America.

When Dewey left Mirs Bay the odds were against him. The modern warship was as yet an untried experiment. The charts of the channels were worthless. The location of the mines, torpedoes and shore batteries was unknown. The position of the Spanish fleet itself was uncertain until daybreak.

That mysterious night voyage at slow speed, beneath dark and alien skies, with the tremendous possibilities of the morrow, will rank with the most impressive episodes of undaunted and indomitable fortitude. With no reinforcement, nor base of supplies, nor friendly haven or refuge, defeat meant hopeless and irremediable ruin to this forlorn hope of the seas.

That the unprecedented triumph was achieved with so small sacrifice does not, as some carping critics claim, disparage, but rather enhance the genius and heroism with which it was won. Neither Dewey nor his men knew that half his ships would not be sunk and half his crews be slain. It was not till the battle was over that the infirmities of their antagonists were disclosed. Their only presage of success was that their intrepid souls contained the prophecy.

We all remember the week of silence and apprehensive suspense after the cables were cut and direct communication ceased. The final result of the battle was for days unknown. Vague and ambitious rumors of disaster to our fleet came from Madrid. The tension was extreme. Even the most sanguine were conscious of a shadow of dread and solicitude.

None can forget the sense of relief and exultation and gratitude with which, after delay that seemed interminable, Dewey's brief, terse, laconic bulletin was read by millions of his countrymen:

"The squadron arrived at Manila at daybreak this morning. It immediately attacked the enemy, destroyed the Spanish fleet and a water battery at Cavite.

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With no land forces to occupy Manila, and in the presence of unfriendly fleets, he blockaded the harbor and held possession of the Philippines, while the administration, perplexed by the new problems, hesitated through weary weeks of indecision before sending reinforcements, and in the conflicts that followed he exhibited neither jealousy nor hesitation in the discharge of his duty.

The world has never found the meat on which its Cæsars feed, and there is no prescription for renown. Greatness can not be analyzed. Success does not always come to those of whom it might be predicted.

The fame of Dewey perhaps seems incredible to himself, but he is the one colossal figure of the Spanish-American war. He has no rival nor any competitor on land or sea. He is so much the first that the rest are nowhere.

In these days of push and pull, of posing and advertising, it is refreshing to contemplate this correct, cold, calm Vermonter, who is indifferent to the interviewer and the photographer, who stands four square to all the winds that blow, and has found the path of duty the road to glory.

American citizenship needed no lustre, but Dewey has made it a prouder title. We fear no foe, but his life and example will give courage a warmer glow and patriotism a higher pulse wherever the flag floats, and there are human rights to be enforced and human wrongs to be redressed.—New York World.

THE GREATEST MAN.

Many are the standards of greatness. Very diverse are the ideas as to what constitutes a truly great man. And because most of the ideas are mistaken, much harm results, for people strive after that which, when achieved, is a mockery. As we conceive the matter, the greatest man is he who possesses the greatest receptivity for God, who manages to embody the most of Deity. It is not largeness nor fineness of intellect any more than of body that takes the first rank. It is not the sage nor the soldier, but the saint, that has pre-eminence. It is the measure of faith and love and holiness that grades men. He that humbleth himself, that puts self out to take in something better, shall be exalted—nay, he is exalted in the very act. The farther he goes down the farther he goes up. The smaller he grows, the greater he gets. This is a standard not often recognized on earth, but sure to be sanctioned in heaven.—Central Advocate.

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Hygiene.

The hygienic value of fruits and vegetables in the general dietary of people in health seems to be only partly recognized, as is evidenced by the large variety of meats on our ordinary bills of fare and the quantity served, as compared with that of the vegetables. The albumins have long been considered the ideal foods of a highly nutritive diet, and their value is undoubtedly great, but it is now a well-known scientific fact that an even greater amount of starchy food is essential to the nutrition and development of the body. But besides this, our body has need of certain mineral salts in small quantities, it is true, but still the demand is imperative, and the supply of potassium, sodium, calcium, and other salts, and of iron, phosphoric acid, phosphates, etc., must be furnished, and is best furnished, by a diet containing an abundance of fresh vegetables. We are not aware that anyone has given a complete explanation of the way in which fresh fruits act to prevent scurvy, but the fact is too well known to need mention, as well as the favorable influence of many fruits in preventing constipation and aiding digestion. The special value of certain vegetables is now becoming generally known; for example, the action of celery and lettuce on the nervous system, the easily assimilated small quantity of iron contained in spinach, the slightly stimulating effect of asparagus on the kidneys, and so on almost ad infinitum. These effects are no doubt too slight to be of any great value in treating pathologic conditions, but still sufficient to be of decided value in maintaining the healthy balance. We have no desire to take sides either for or against vegetarianism, but we believe that an increase of the number of well-cooked vegetables on our bills of fare to that usually found on European menus would add not only to the pleasures of eating, but to the health of the eaters.—Health Journal.

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In the passing from earth to heaven of Mrs. Martha Henry Dameron, April 20, 1899, the church and country sustained a loss of no ordinary magnitude. Born in North Carolina on the twenty-eighth of May, 1822, of Joseph and Martha Peebles, she lived to the ripe age of seventy-seven years, lacking only three weeks. Of her early life we know very little, except that she had a happy and rather frolicsome girlhood and young womanhood.

In Decatur, Ala., Feb. 16, 1844, she was married to Dr. George P. Jones. He lived only till 1849, leaving her with several children. Of these the survivors are Dr. Chas. H. Jones, of Greenville, Miss.; Mrs. Sykes, of Aberdeen, and Mrs. Pattie P. Pond, now living in Jackson.

In the month of March, 1854 she was married to Dr. Robert C. Dameron, whose death in November, 1867, left her widowed for the second time, and with two little girls of the last marriage. These are now Mrs. J. H. Powell and Mrs. J. H. Williams, both of Bolton, Miss.

Soon after the Civil War she removed from her beautiful country home in the Brownsville neighborhood to "Bolton's Depot," now the stirring, thriving town "Bolton," in Hinds county, Miss. She was one of the original settlers of this place, and to her progressive spirit it owes much of its lively history, for she was ever awake to whatsoever things were truly good. She cast in her lot with the people called Methodists near the time of her coming to Bolton, and under the ministry of Rev. C. G. Andrews, for whom she retained through life a reverential love.

Her religious life was one of steady growth. In doing the will of God she learned to know more fully of the truth of his Word. Her later years were marked by deep spiritual insight, coupled with eminent practical sense and to unusual freedom from anything approaching "cant." Hers was a wholesome, active, every-day religion. She loved the house of God; 'twas as the "gate of heaven" to her soul. A more intensely interested listener to the preached Word I've seldom had the privilege of ministering to. No preacher could afford to speak flippantly with those deeply-searching eyes looking up to him from one of the front seats, where 'twas her constant habit to sit when any kind of service was had in that church, which was "dear as the apple of her eye." She had donated the lot on which it stands; had given liberally towards its upbuilding and improvement; had been among the first to welcome and to cheer each new pastor, to aid in purchasing, enlarging and furnishing a parsonage at a suitable distance. What wonder that the tones of the bell she also gave were to her ears like music stealing from "the bright world far away." She is now listening to the ringing of harps that are strung by angel hands, and participating in that mighty threnody of song "unto Him that loved and redeemed us," while we who remain must often sigh for "the sound of that voice which is still" on earth. Yea, while she rests from her labors, "her works do follow her." Not only do her children to the third generation (numbering about twenty-seven) rise up to call her blessed, but a whole community mourns the loss of one who, for so many years, was a ministering angel to all the sick and suffering. For whole nights and successive days did this genuine "sister of mercy" nurse the sick of every class and condition; and usually back to health again. Who will, or can, take the place of "Grandma Dameron" to that bereaved community? As a mother in Israel, she will probably be missed by pastors of that work more than any within the circle of our acquaintance. Her warm-hearted welcome, coupled with substantial tokens, made each new preacher feel he was among friends; and this was no evanescent interest. Her hospitable home was wide open to the pastor and to "the visiting brother." Her interest in all the affairs of the church was abiding. Of quick intelligence, she grasped and held every vital concern in Church and State. For a little while she is separated from us. May we and all her loved ones meet again "where the faithful part no more!" A bereaved friend,

J. P. D.

Bay St. Louis, Miss.

WOOTTEN—A memorial adopted by the Quarterly Conference of Brookaville circuit, at X Prairie, July 15, 1899, in memory of R. K. WOOTTEN, who, for many years, was a member of this body.

Bro. R. K. Wootten, though dead, will ever live in the memory of his friends. He was born Dec. 8, 1838; married Miss Annie Wilkinson, Sept. 25, 1860. When he was young he joined the church [illegible] than all his life. He was an ardent Methodist; served for many years as one of the stewardbearers of the Brookaville Church. He had a genial disposition, and numbered his friends by the score. His pleasant country home, the ornamental and fruit-bearing trees which gave shade and food to many a tired pilgrim, give evidence of his taste, enterprise, and thrift. By industry and economy he had reached the stage of life where prosperity smiled upon him. When he went away he left his widow and four children well provided for. He will be greatly missed by the community and by the church. He was always in his place on Sunday, and the preacher never had a truer friend. We are grieved because of his loss, but we believe that the accomplishment of God's will is for the good of all his children. When he was laid to rest his presiding elder said of him, "He was a man." To have the qualities of broad manhood, and then have added the graces of the Christian religion, is the highest point a man ever reaches in this world. May we all meet him in heaven!

Committee: D. Hardin, Walter Price, E. S. Lewis.

BRITT—Little Art, infant daughter of F. M. and Mittie Britt, died at their home in Hanghtoo, La., July 8, 1899. She was nine months and thirteen days old. She was sick thirteen days. All was done for her that devoted parents and the kindest of friends and the doctor knew to do. The good Lord saw fit to take little Art to himself. While we do not understand the dispensations of Divine Providence, we do know that he doeth all things well; that he is too wise to err and too good to be unkind. We realize that our loss is her gain. Precious little jewel, her mission on earth was not long. She was the light and sunshine of the home.

Sisters and brothers, let the memory of her who has been such a blessing and comfort to the home ever remain a blessing by encouraging you to work more zealously to win souls for Christ.

Precious little one, she is watching and waiting for mama and papa and sisters and brothers. She is not so far away as we think, and parents can go to little Art, though she can not come to them. Only be faithful to God, and you will see little Art again in the land of Beulah, where the flowers bloom forever.

H. J. BOLTZ.

OVERHULTZ—Sweet little ones gone, MARY HILDA and ETTA PEARL OVERHULTZ. The first died July 30, 1898, aged five months and ten days, little Etta following her sister in one year and one month, at the age of four months and seventeen days.

Although these dear little ones tarried with us but a short time, they so endeared themselves to their parents and friends that the parting seemed like tearing vital cords, leaving home and hearts desolate. The memory of their sweet baby ways will remain always until united with them in their home with their blessed Savior, who wipes away all tears and changes tears of sorrow to songs of joy. Sing on, sweet ones, in your home above; we can almost see your little baby hands beckoning come. Bless God we are on the way, and will soon meet you. A FRIEND.

Rosedale P. O., La.

STEVENS—LAURIE MCLAUNIN, infant daughter of W. F. and Daisy M. Stevens, was born Aug. 16 1898, and passed away Oct. 3, 1899.

This little span of life seems short to the busy world, but in that year were crowded devoted love, fond hopes and bright plans for the future that will last forever in the loving hearts of father and mother. A little soul that never forgot a friend, always happy and loving even in the most painful and protracted suffering, sensitive as the plant to every unhappy influence, requires so little change to be an angel that we expect to find her just as we gave her up; and who can say we will not know her there? AUNTIE.

Carrollton, Miss.

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C. C. GRIFFIN.

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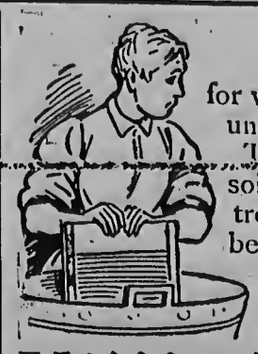

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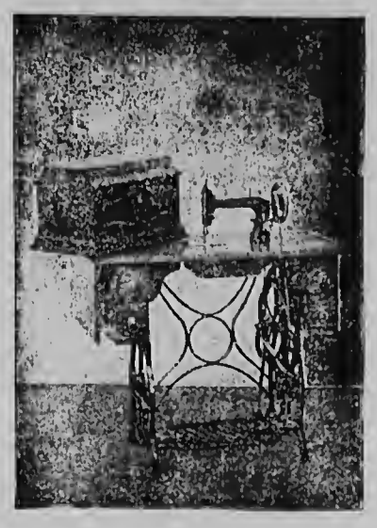

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

An epidemic of dysentery in Japan killed 12,000 persons.

A plot to assassinate President Jiminez of San Domingo has been discovered.

Bryan has begun his campaign tour of Kentucky in support of Goebel, the Democratic nominee.

A mass meeting in Jackson, Miss., has protested against a continuance of the quarantine of that town.

The two main parties in the British Parliament will unite in voting supplies for the war in the Transvaal.

Boston's gift to Admiral Dewey will be a jeweled gold watch with chain and charm, to cost from $700 to $1,000.

Aguinaldo's brother is held by the Filipinos, and will be shot for high treason in embezzling the public funds.

Gen. Otis will have 70,000 men and 45 war vessels to use against the Filipinos when all the reinforcements arrive.

The Filipinos attacked Angeles and attempted to retake the place, but were driven off after three hours of fighting.

Twenty-five carloads of mules for the British army in the Transvaal are on their way from Kansas City to New Orleans.

Kimberley is probably invested by the Boers, but no accurate news is obtainable owing to the cutting off of outlying points.

Since the withdrawal of the British agent at Pretoria, all interests in the Transvaal have been committed to the care of the American Consul.

A Franco-Russian syndicate has been formed, with $50,000,000 capital, to raise hogs in Siberia and sell pork to Europe in competition with the American farmer.

James Dickson Carr, a young negro lawyer of New York, has been appointed deputy assistant district attorney by Colonel Asa Bird Gardner. He is the first negro ever to receive such an appointment in the State.

The National Bank of Mexico, which has a capital and surplus of some $20,000,000, is about to build a magnificent edifice, probably adopting the plan, now becoming popular, of a steel frame structure, with stone facing.

A five-year-old boy of Brentwood, England, has received the Royal Humane Society's diploma for jumping into the water and saving the life of his baby brother. He is believed to be the youngest certified life-saver on record.

The "Columbia" won the first of the trial races for the America's Cup on Monday, leading the "Shamrock" all the way. Owing to a breakage of one of the sails of the "Shamrock" on Tuesday, she withdrew from the contest. The "Columbia" went over the course alone, and is entitled to the race.

Attorney-General T. S. Smith and Assistant R. H. Ward, of Texas, are in Washington to appear before the Supreme Court to oppose the petition for injunction which Attorney E. H. Farrar will bring against the State of Texas for maintaining an embargo on interstate commerce between Louisiana and Texas, operated under the guise of quarantine.

The New England Sugar Beet Company has announced that a sugar beet plant, believed to be the largest in the United States, to cost $300,000, would be built for operation next season at North Judson, Ind. The location of the plant at North Judson was conditional on securing 5,000 acres of land to be devoted to beet culture. The acreage has been secured.

Although the cables bring all sorts of rumors and reports as to the progress of events in South Africa, there is very little reliable information available, and practically nothing official. Not a single one of the many reports of skirmishes have been confirmed, with the exception of the derailing and destruction of an armored train sent out from Mafeking, and even in that affair, there seems to have been no loss of life, the British detachment having been taken prisoners.

All Europe is watching Great Britain at this crucial moment of her military affairs. Foreign statesmen and military men regard the result of the war with the Boers as a foregone conclusion. What they scan with such anxious interest is England's tremendous preparations for the contest. By the result of these efforts will her strength be gauged. By assembling an army considerably greater than Wellington's force at Waterloo, England is offering an illustration, for the first time in many decades, of her ability to fight on land.

Congress has already authorized the Navy Department to contract for the construction of the great floating dock to be located at Algiers. A dock without repair shops and store-houses would be of absolutely no value for naval purposes; hence the investment of $850,000 in the dock made a further investment for the construction of a naval station absolutely necessary. The Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair of the Navy Department, in his annual report, calls attention to the need of a naval station at Algiers, if the new dry dock now building is to be utilized. He recommends that an appropriation be made for the construction of the necessary shops and warehouses.

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A Card.

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Clerk Superior Court Randolph Co., Ga.

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MARRIAGES.

WRIGHT—JONES.—At the residence of the bride's father, Sept. 7, 1899, by Rev. T. W. Lewis, Mr. J. W. Wright and Miss Sarah Jones, all of Corinth, Miss.

JONES—CHILDRESS.—At the residence of Mr. Willis Nash, Sept. 10, 1899, by Rev. T. W. Lewis, Mr. Whit W. Jones and Miss Mittie Childress, all of Corinth, Miss.

LEES—ABBEY.—At the parsonage in Corinth, Sept. 19, 1899, by Rev. T. W. Lewis, Mr. W. E. Lees and Miss Irene Abbey, all of Corinth, Miss.

WATTS—JONES.—At the residence of the bride's father, Sept. 28, 1899, by Rev. T. W. Lewis, Mr. C. E. Watts and Miss Bettie Jones, all of Corinth, Miss.

JONES—SADDLER.—In the Methodist Church, Corinth, Miss., Oct. 12, 1899, by Rev. T. W. Lewis, Mr. Hugh K. Jones and Miss Emma Saddler, all of Corinth, Miss.

MARSHALL—ENOCHS.—At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. J. Beasley, Hazlehurst, Miss., on the afternoon of Oct. 9, 1899, by Rev. Robt Selby, assisted by Rev. W. M. Williams, of Gallman, Mr. C. E. Marshall, of Chatawa, Miss., to Miss Kate Enochs, of near Hazlehurst, daughter of Capt. Jim Enochs.

RAWLS—WILLIAMS.—In the Methodist Church, Monticello, Miss., Oct. 8, 1899, by Rev. C. McDonald, Mr. Wm. R. Rawls to Miss Bertha B. Williams.

Notice.

To the Members of the Louisiana Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: Please observe the disciplinary requirement, and hand a report to the Joint Board of Finance, the first day of the Conference session, as to the number and state of the superannuates residing within your bounds. Let your report set forth their actual condition, number and ages of children, etc. If any property is owned, let that be noted also. And, brethren, let us all do our best on this noble collection.

H. S. JOHNS,
Sec. Jt. Bd. Finance.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

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FOREST DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Morton, at Pelahatchie, Sat. and Sun.	Oct. 28, 29
Clarksburg, at Clarksburg	Mon.. 30
Forest, at Forest	Tues.. 31
Raleigh, at Bay Springs	Thurs..Nov. 2
Trenton, at Trenton	Sat. and Sun.. 4, 5
Hillsboro, at New Providence	Wed.. 8
Carthage, at Carthage	Fri.. 10
Walnut Grove, at Beech Springs	Sat. and Sun.. 11, 12
Decatur, at Decatur	Tues.. 14
Choctaw Mission, at Talla-Chnlok	Thurs.. 19
Neshobe, at Pine Grove	Sat. and Sun. 18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg	Wed. 22
Chunkey, at Chunkey	Fri.. 24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun.. 25, 26
N. and Hickory, at Newton	Tues.. 28
Rose Hill, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. Dec. 2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose	Wed.. 9
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lauderdale, at Brogan's	Oct. 21, 22
North Kemper, at Mt. Pleasant	28, 29
Wayne, at Grehem's	Fri..Nov. 3
Winchester, at Winchester	4, 5
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro	5, 9
Enterprise, at Enterprise	12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's	18, 19
South Side, at South Side, Wed. P M.	22
Mothersville, at Winifred	25, 29
Shubuta, at Shubuta	26, 27
East End	Wed P. M.. 29
Daleville, at Dalcville	Dec. 2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M.. 6
Central	Thurs. P. M.. 7
Binnsville, at Scooba	9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Cane Ridge	Oct. 21, 22
Woodville	28, 29
Percy Creek	29, 30
Fayette	Nov. 4, 5
Centerville	11, 12
Nebo	18, 19
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Jefferson Street	29, 27
Barlow	Dec. 2, 3
Hamburg	9, 10

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Vancleave, at New Prospect	Oct. 21, 22
Moss Point	28, 29
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach, and Gulf Port, at G. P.	29, 30
Pearlington, at Pearlington	Nov. 4, 5
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville	6
Leaksville, at Leaksville	9
Biloxi	11, 12
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Ocean Springs	12, 13
Galloway, at Bonds	18
St. John's, at John's	19
Whittington, at ——	20
Columbia, at Columbia	25, 26
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	Dec. 2, 3
East Covington, at Eminence	3
Hattiesburg	4

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Whitestown, at Whitestown	Oct. 21, 22
McComb City	22, 23
Adams, at Adams	28, 29
Summit and Topisew, at Summit	29, 30
Providence, at Georgetown	Nov. 4, 5
Westville, at Westville	5, 6
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Zion	7
Pleasant Grove, at Pleasant Grove	11, 12
Tylertown, at China Grove	18, 19
Caseyville, at Bethel	25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M.. 29
Gallman, at Gallman, Thurs., 11 A. M.	30
Hazlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M.. 30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec. 2, 3
Wesson	3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia	Wed.. 6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto, Thurs.	7
Brookhaven	9, 10

The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.
Brookhaven, Miss.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Yazoo circuit, at Anding	Oct. 21, 22
Yazoo City	Sun. P. M.. 22, 23
Terry, at Terry	28, 29
Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov. 4, 5
Vaughan's, at Ellison	Thurs.. 9
Camden	11, 12
Tranquil, at Tranquil	18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M.. 19, 20
Silver City, at Hillsdale	25, 29
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues. 28
Fannin, at Fannin	Dec. 2, 3
Brandon	P. M.. 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Wesleyana	9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Vicksburg—Crawford Street	Oct. 22
South Vicksburg	22
Mayersville, at Benlah	28, 29
Rocky Springs, at Shiloh	Nov. 4, 5
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	11, 12
Anguilla, at Anguilla	12, 13
Satartia, at Mount Olivet	18, 19
Flora	Thurs.. 23
Port Gibson	26
Hermanville	29, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed.. 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs.. 30
Utica	Dec. 2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed.. 6
Warren, at Bradley Chapel	9, 10

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pineville, at Palestine	Oct. 21, 22
Jena and Jonesville, at French Fork	28, 29
Spring Creek, at Spring Creek	Nov. 4, 5
Dry Creek, at ——	7:30 P. M.. 7
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	8
Natchitoches, at ——	11, 12
Boyce, at Boyce, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.	14
Montgomery and Colfax, at ——	18, 19
Alexandria	25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec. 2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

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Pleasant Hill, at Mertlaville	8
Florien, at Holly Grove	11, 12
Wesley, at Wesley	15
Pelican, at Bethel	18, 19
Fort Jessup and Many	23
Zwolle, at Red Land	25, 26
Red River, at Campo Bello	29
Coushatta, at Coushatte	30
Mansfield	Dec. 3

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Ponchatoula, at James Chapel	Oct. 21, 22
Live Oak, at Friendship	23
Pine Grove, at Killian Chapel	28, 29
Amite City, at Amite City	29, 30
Franklinton, at Mt. Hermon	Nov. 1, 2
East Feliciana, at Clear Creek	4, 5
St. Helena, at Darlington	11, 12
Wilson, at Manassas	18, 19
Clinton, at ——	19, 20
Slaughter, at Ethel	25, 29
St. Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec. 2, 3
Jackson	3

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Gibsland, at Foster's Chapel	Oct. 21, 22
Homer, at 4	preaching at night.. 22
Homer, at 11	Conference.. 23
Farmerville, at Ebenezer	28, 29
Bienville	Nov. 4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove	10
Haynesville, at New Salem	11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night	12
Lenesville, at Lenesville	18, 19
Valley, at Pleasant Valley	25
Minden	25, 26
Gansville, at Gonsville	29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec. 2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Patterson	Oct. 19
Franklin	21
Jeanerette	23
Abbeville	25
Lafayette	28
Indian Bayou	Nov. 1
Prudhomme	4
Plaquemine Brulo	8
Lake Arthur	11
Grand Cheniere	15
Lake Charles	18
West Lake	22
New Iberia	25
French Mission	25
Opelousas	28
Crowley	Dec. 2

Let everybody be ready to answer the questions as soon as they are asked.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Bastrop, at Bastrop	Thurs..Oct. 19
Girard, at Little Creek	21, 22
Harrisenburg	28, 29
Tallulah	Tues.. 31
Bouita, at Bonidee	Nov. 4, 5
Winnsboro, at Winnsboro	11, 12
Gilbert, at Gilbert	Tues.. 14
Waterproof, at Waterproof	18, 19
Providence, at Providence	25, 26
Delhi, at Delhi	Dec. 2, 3
Monroe	4

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lower Coast	Oct. 22
Dryades Street	11 o'clock A. M.. 29
Rayne Memorial	7:30 P. M.. 29
Plequemine	Nov. 5
White Castle	12
Burgundy Street	19
Covington	26
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M..Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7 30 P. M.. 3

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Jonestown	Oct. 21, 22
Belen	22, 23
Crews	28, 29
Greenville	Nov. 4, 5
Tunica	6
Lula	19
McLemore	11, 12
Laconia	18, 19
Gunnison	19, 20
Lehrton	22
Rosedale	25, 29
Bolivar	26, 27

J. W. DOSMAN, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Brooksville	Oct. 21 22
Tibbee	Wed.. 25
Starkville circuit	28, 29
Starkville station	20, 30
Winstonville	Nov. 2
Shuqualak	4, 5
Columbus circuit	11, 12
Columbus station	12, 13
Cedar Bluff	18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs.. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Toccopola, at Salem	Oct. 21, 22
Water Valley cir., at Pine Flat	28, 29
Minter City, at Strathmore	Nov. 4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Tues.. 7
Paris, at Spring Hill	11, 12
Banner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues.. 14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed.. 15
Slate Springs, at ——	Thurs.. 19
Elizey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring	25, 26

H. C. MORRHEAD, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Black Hawk, at Acona	Oct. 21, 22
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem	28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Edon	Nov. 4, 5
West, at Midway	11, 12
McNutt, at McNutt	18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	25, 29
Greenwood	28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Orwood mission	Oct. 20
Eureka	21, 22
Courtland	22, 23
Tyro	27, 29
Wall Hill	28, 30
Pleasant Hill	Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum	11 12
Longtown	16
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. C. WEIR, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Guntown and Baldwyn	Oct. 21, 22
New Albany circuit	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues.. 31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed..Nov. 1
Jacinto	4, 5
Belmont	11, 12
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Ashland, at Black Jack	Oct. 21
Red Banks circuit, at Eureka	28
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	Nov. 4
Waterford circuit, at Souls Chapel	11
East Holly Springs cir., at Liberty	15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem	18
Connersville, at Connersville	22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahon	25
Holly Springs station	27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Rural Hill, at Plattsburg	Oct. 21, 22
Pickens, at Pickens	26
Salem	28, 29
Belzona	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
Chester, at Salem	10
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
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ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Montpelier	Oct. 21, 22
Buena Vista	28, 29
Fulton	Nov. 4, 5
Trement	11, 12
Shannon	18, 19
Okolona circuit	25, 26

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A CALL TO SERVICE.

Oh, thou who wouldst a laborer be with God,
Win others to the path thy feet have trod;
Advance, advance, and keep thee to the task,
Give first, thyself, the service thou wouldst ask.
Let God speak through thee. Who would not rejoice
To be the trumpet for a leader's voice?
Of such a temper, all of beaten gold,
That his true signals may through it be told;
Of such a form, without a fleck or flaw,
That it shall rightly sound his righteous law,
And shout, in clarion tones, distinct, afar,
"Enlist, enlist, and rally to this war."
Strive not to sound thine own poor human words.
Remember that the message is the Lord's.
—Selected.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washingtonians are proud of the extraordinary growth of the Young Men's Christian Association, which everybody recognizes as a powerful factor for the betterment of the community by influencing for good the young men of the city. How great this growth has been may be judged from the following extract from the report of the secretary, made at the annual meeting held this week: "On Jan. 1 the total membership of the Association was 164. On March 31, six weeks after the occupancy of the new building, it had grown to 929. On Sept. 30 it was 1,510, and up to 5 o'clock to-day (Oct. 16) it had reached the splendid mark of 1,660. When we entered the building 300 lockers sufficed for the members desiring to use the gymnasium. To-day 830 are in use, and more will be immediately installed to meet the demand." The officers, prominent business and professional men, who have brought about this very gratifying condition, were naturally re-elected for the coming year, during which everything points to a continuation of the growth of the association. The Y. M. C. A. has staggered under a series of misfortunes, including two fires, for some years, but it has at last emerged into the sunlight of prosperity, and bids fair to stay there.

This week the Commissioner of Indian Affairs heard a second protest from a delegation of Creek Indians against the enforcement of the Dawes treaty and the Curtis Act, in Indian Territory. Commissioner Jones heard the delegation patiently, and then informed them that what they asked for could only be done by Congress.

When the ten army chaplains now under orders to proceed to the Philippines reach there, there will be a total of eighteen chaplains for an army of 65,000 men. That this is a totally inadequate provision for the spiritual welfare of the men in that army is fully recognized by the authorities, but the fault is chargeable to Congress, which failed to make provision for the appointment of a sufficient number of chaplains in the act authorizing the enlistment of volunteers.

Miss Florence Maskell, who has been a missionary in India for eleven years, and who is now on a leave of absence, is spending a few days in Washington; addressed a large audience in Metropolitan M. E. Church, Monday evening, talking mostly of the customs, habits and dress of the people among whom she has been doing missionary work, and of her personal experiences. She said that the Mohammedans were very careful about whom their wives associated with, which is by no means a fault, and told of some more or less amusing experiences she had in getting audiences with them. After getting acquainted with one of them, the wife of an official, she asked the official to allow his wife to visit her, and after much coaxing and the solemn promise that no male eyes should be allowed to see her, the Mohammedan consented.

The Central Union Mission celebrated its fifteenth anniversary this week, with services at the E Street Baptist Church in the morning, at the Mission in the afternoon, and at the First Congregational Church in the evening. At the first service Dr. J. J. Muir, pastor of the church, preached a home missionary sermon, his theme being, "Jesus and the Masses," and his text, Matt. ix, 36, "But when he saw the multitude he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd." The sermon was a strong plea for increased zeal in carrying the gospel to the masses. He said: "Humanity can never be studied at long range. The masses are not now reached by the gospel. The fringes of the multitude are reached, perhaps, but not the great body. The Central Union Mission represents all the evangelical churches of Washington. It is an agent of the churches, and dependent upon them for support, both in workers and means. During the fifteen years of this mission, through straightened conditions and enlarged life, there has been a prayerful regard for the mission by the churches. The mission has had its perplexities and perils, and has been embarrassed by conditions, but it closes its year with thankfulness to God and the churches, whose servant it is. Help, so far as is consistent with absolute church engagements, the mission in its up-hill and frequently discouraging toil, prove in a way that you possess the compassion and concern of Jesus for the masses, for their salvation by the grace and power of God." The afternoon meeting was addressed by Dr. H. R. Naylor, Dr. J. G. Butler, and Dr. J. T. Kelly, and the evening meeting by Dr. S. H. Greene, Dr. J. J. Muir, Dr. J. J. Heisse, Dr. Alexander Mackay-Smith, Dr. Wallace Radcliffe, and Dr. S. M. Newman.

The congregation of Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, which is the mother of all the Southern Methodist Churches in Washington and of one in a Virginia suburb, celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of the occupancy of the present church-building Sunday. The building has just been thoroughly renovated.

Communications.

A STUDY OF THE MINUTES.

MR. EDITOR: Your last article from the pen of "Gilderoy" suggested a review of the Minutes of the Mississippi Conference. While our file of Minutes run back to 1870, we date from 1878 only in our review. In the decade from '78 to '88 there were received on trial 58, and in the same time 44 were received into full connection. During the next decade, from '88 to '98, received on trial 87, and admitted 60 in full connection, making for the twenty years a total of 145 on trial and 104 into full connection—an average of nearly six annually for first decade on trial and more than four into full connection. During the last decade the annual average has been nearly nine applicants on trial and just six into full connection. Thus we see a healthy condition as to the supply of the ministerial ranks in our Conference. Of the 149 on our Conference roll, 112 come within these two decades, and of this number not more than 12 are transfers. Of the 87 admitted on trial during the past ten years, 64 are with us to-day, showing a loss of only about 25 per cent. for transfers, deaths, and removals otherwise.

In 1878 there were seven districts and ninety appointments. In 1888 these seven districts embraced 119 appointments, and in 1898, notwithstanding the Louisiana territory, which composed nearly one entire district, had been ceded to the Louisiana Conference, we still have seven districts and 120 appointments, thus showing a healthy and steady development in our territory.

In 1878 the seven districts paid to the presiding elders less than 6,000 dollars, and the ninety pastors received little more than 32,000 dollars. In 1888 these same districts paid their presiding elders 7,313 dollars and their 119 pastors 50,348 dollars. In 1898, with a loss of all our Louisiana territory, our seven districts report 7,904 dollars for the elders and 54,364 dollars for the 120 pastors.

These figures show a gradual, but not a commensurate increase in salaries paid. Our highest figures (1898) show an average salary to our pastors of about 460 dollars, which, as an average, is not equal to our strength, and which, considering that we have twenty appointments which paid $1,700 and over, brings the average to the remainder exceedingly low—too low for comfort. "The laborer is worthy of his hire," and our Official Boards should see that the wages are better, or appeal for extension of territory—larger circuits—more work for the pastor and better pay.

While I repudiate the idea that any of our preachers enter the ministry for a money consideration, I can appreciate the depression which must follow when there is failure at this point. A young man whose education will secure to him a thousand dollars in the school-room or behind the desk can but hesitate when he compares this with the meagre salary—scarcely a living—which comes in the ministry. Solomon says, "There is that withholdeth more than is meet, and tendeth to poverty," and this applies as forcibly to the church as to the individual. An intelligent, educated ministry will command and demand more for their living. If we would compete successfully with our sister denominations, we must educate more liberally and support more freely. Let the Conference door be discreetly guarded, and let those who are unprepared take advantage of the educational facilities offered at our schools, and tarry for a season with our educators. During the past four years two young men have appeared before the Committee for Admission on Trial, and each was refused the second time. When they were finally admitted both stood creditable examinations; they had given time to preparation. T. B. HOLLOMAN.

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 18, 1899.

GEO. HARRIS LIPSCOMB.

Geo. Harris Lipscomb, son of Dr. W. L. and Talula H. Lipscomb, and my personal and life-long friend and Conference class-mate, is dead. He was born in Columbus, Miss., June 27, 1864; was converted in early childhood and joined the M. E. Church, South; was licensed to preach at Columbus and recommended to the Annual Conference for admission into the traveling connection, Sept. 25, 1889; was admitted on trial at Holly Springs, Dec. 5, 1889; was admitted into full connection at Macon, Miss., and ordained deacon by Bishop Hendrix in 1891; was ordained elder at Columbus in 1893 by Bishop Hargrove. He served the following appointments: Indianola and Faisonia, 1890; Jonestown, 1891 and '92; Carrollton, 1893 and '94; Como, 1895 and '96; Booneville, 1897; Winona, 1898 and '99, where his labors were ended. Such is the brief sketch of a life that was "hid with Christ in God."

1. Bro. Lipscomb was conspicuous for his piety from early childhood. It might be said of him more truthfully than of anyone I have ever known, "He was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb." "From a child" he had "known the Holy Scriptures," "which were able to make" him "wise unto salvation." From the age of five years till death called him home he had been a worker in the Master's vineyard. His testimonies and prayers in the services of the church in Columbus and in time of special revivals, his zeal and solicitude for the salvation of others, causes a feeling of devout gratitude to God in the heart of this writer that such a man has lived and wrought his influence on my life. I doubt if he ever knew when he was converted, so faithfully had he been "brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," and taught to seek the direction and follow the guidance of that Spirit whom the Father giveth to all who ask.

2. Bro. Lipscomb was a "man of fiery zeal for righteousness." Like the prophets of old, and like the forerunner of the Master, he would "cry aloud and spare not." It is to be expected that such a man should make some enemies. "The servant is not above his master." Every saint is a disturber of the careless and indifferent in Israel. While as fearless and bold in denouncing sin as was John the Baptist, he was as loving and kind as the "beloved disciple" in pointing the way back to the loving Redeemer. Errors he may have made in his zeal for righteousness—and who of us makes them not?—but they were errors of the head, and not of the heart. He was one of the most conscientious men I ever knew.

3. Bro. Lipscomb was a successful and useful man in the pastorate, and a good preacher. His preaching was designed to be helpful and fruitful in bringing souls to Christ; hence was mainly practical. He wrought well, and the fruit of his labors are seen in the advancement along all lines of the charges he has served, the enterprises brought to completion in the face of difficulties, and the numbers who "rise up and call him blessed," to whom he has been helpful in the Christian warfare. Many were the sheaves he gathered for the Master's garner, and no work was so pleasant to him as engaging in special effort for the salvation of souls.

I have no particulars of his death, save the statement sent me a short time previous to his death that he was joyously awaiting the summons. It could only be so, for he had "so lived that when the summons came to join the innumerable caravan that moves into the pale realms of shade, where each shall take his chamber in the silent halls of death," he went, "not like the quarry slave at night, scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed with an unfaltering trust, approached his grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

May God's grace be sufficient for the bereaved ones in their great affliction!

Thou art gone from us, companion of my youth, friend, class-mate, brother. May God grant us a happy meeting bye and bye!

R. O. BROWN.

Lexington, Miss., Oct. 20, 1899.

THE PASTOR'S EXAMPLE.

Peter, in addressing ministers, tells them these words, "Making yourselves ensamples to the flock." The apostle knew that a pastor's preaching did not avail much to his hearers unless his example before them, during the time when he was not preaching, was fairly in accord with the truths of the gospel which he declared. I doubt not that Peter believed that a pastor's good example in every-day life was quite as effective in impressing the truths of the gospel upon the hearts of his people as his preaching was. He knew that if the pastor's example were particularly faulty, his people would thereby be so prejudiced against him that his formal sermons would be seriously ineffectual. And just so it is now, and it always will be so. It is not to be expected that a pastor's example shall be faultless. Allowances must be made for some degree of weakness in the pastor. He is liable to say some indiscreet words. His temper may not always be under judicious control. He may repeat the words of others in such a way and in such places as to lead to trouble among the flock. A wise pastor will constantly seek to guard himself against such a practice. He may, however, unwittingly do such a thing occasionally. But reasonable people will quietly bear with the pastor whose general aim appears to be to avoid causing trouble to others. If, however, a pastor repeatedly forfeit his word, if he make a practice of prying into other people's affairs, if he be habitually in debt, making no strong efforts to pay his debts, but, rather, acts indifferent about them, he sets an example before his flock and before the world which no preaching of his, however biblical and instructive and pathetic it may be, can neutralize or dissipate. I once knew a pastor who, both personally and through his children, repeatedly got goods from a store on Sunday. Of course, that example hurt him immensely. Above all things, pastor, set a rightly-moulding example to your flock; then you may ask them to follow you.

C. H WETHERBE.

THE COLLECTIONS.

MR. EDITOR: I am enjoying the privilege and pleasure which has been denied me for two years past—that of attending the quarterly meetings on my fourth round without interruption from yellow fever. Cotton has risen, and our people are cheerful, in happy contrast with their feelings a year ago, when four-cent cotton and yellow fever combined to afflict them. We are thankful for health and better prices. I have actually found a steward who has already collected all that is due from his list for pastoral support. I will not give his name, lest I should not be able to publish the names of all others who are going to do the same. Heretofore most stewards have proceeded on the plan of getting some money for the preacher, acting on the method of "catch-as-catch-can," the whole Board often falling nearly fifty per cent. behind with the pastor's salary. The plan of giving each steward a definite list, from which he is expected to raise a specific amount, works much better. By this plan a steward may know when he has done his duty; by the old plan the shortcomings of one or a few were counted against all.

If our pastors will now use due diligence to get a contribution from every member for their collections, they will aid, rather than hinder, the stewards in doing the same, and each will help the other in bringing about the financial millennium, when every professor of Christianity shall habitually contribute to its support. Can the preachers expect the stewards to do for them what they can not do for the missionaries in the field, and for all the other great and worthy causes for which they collect? Let us all press the collections. The causes are worthy, and the people are able to pay all assessments.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.

MISS LILY WHITMAN.

Last Monday morning our beloved friend and co-laborer, Miss Lily Whitman, left our home for her new field of labor in Cuba. As the Southern ports were closed on account of yellow fever, she went by way of New York, thus avoiding all infected points. Her assistant, Miss Best, of Maysville, Ky., will join her in New York, from whence they will sail direct to Matanzas.

It has been our privilege to have her an inmate of our home for several months past, and to have known her intimately for several years, and her whole life has been a beautiful mission spent in the service of others. She has only stepped out on a higher plane by severing the ties of blood and friendship to go labor for a strange people in a strange land. But with the sweet assurance that she goes not alone, that the Lord shall preserve her going out and coming in from henceforth, we send her bearing the message to the children of that blood-bought land, that Christ alone can make them free.

Since her friends have known of her plans, many loving remembrances have come to her that will cheer and brighten her new home. A handsome watch and chain presented by the W. F. M. S. of the North Mississippi Conference, a generous outfit from the Greenville district, a beautiful Oxford Bible from her Gunnison "children," a flag of her native land—its stars and stripes never before so dear—books, periodicals, and much else of use and beauty.

The last meeting of our auxiliary was given in her honor at the parsonage. The sweet songs, the chain of precious promises, the deeply spiritual prayers, the feast that followed, the bravo words of appeal instead of a farewell—all will make the occasion a precious memory always.

The last ten days spent in our great metropolis has been a treat she hardly anticipated. Even a bird's-eye view of that great city is a privilege not to be despised.

Miss Whitman is sent out by the Woman's Board to open a mission school in the city of Matanzas. To her many friends I will say that her present address is No. 56 Contreras street, Matanzas, Cuba.

ANNETTE B. GLADNEY.

Oct. 21, 1899.

VICTORY

Is assured if we will all do our best. Since my last report encouraging letters have been received from Revs. J. A. Poe, J. F. Evans, R. H. B. Gladney, Ira B. Robertson, Geo. H. Thompson, R. W. Bailey, E. P. Craddock, M. D. Fly, J. C. Mimms.

The Sunday-school at Stonewall, through T. W. Alexander, secretary, has forwarded two and 26-100 dollars. Another superintendent will report a collection next week, and others later.

Rev. E. S. Lewis, Brooksville circuit, makes an additional report. X Prairie Church has given sixty-one dollars, and forty members have not yet contributed.

Rev. Jno. H. Mitchell, Greenwood, reports "more than one hundred dollars, and this is just a beginning. Our people take to it well." Greenwood has just completed a twenty-thousand-dollar church. They will do the handsome thing for the Twentieth Century Thank-offering.

Rev. H. S. Spraggins reports one hundred and ten dollars from Mayhews and Tibbee.

Other preachers and superintendents are at work, and will be heard from. Why not you, brother?

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss.

REV. GEO. H. LIPSCOMB.

The death of Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb in Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 19, removes from the itinerant ranks of the North Mississippi Conference one of its bravest, boldest, truest men. He was a loyal Methodist preacher, and will be greatly missed by us all.

T. W. LEWIS.

Corinth, Miss., Oct. 21, 1899.

The worst thing that ever happened in Methodism was the adoption of the five-year limit. Five years is too long for a man to remain in any charge, unless he can remain longer. The man who is capable of remaining five years, doing good work all the while, could do better work every year after. A five-year term is neither short enough nor long enough; it is too short to allow the man anything of the strength and influence of the settled pastor, and too long for him to exercise merely the functions of an evangelist. The next General Conference should either remove the time-limit altogether, or return to the three-year rule.—The New York Advocate.

GOOD BYE.

Good-bye, good-bye! it is the sweetest blessing
That falls from mortal lips on mortal ear,
The weakness of our human love confessing,
The promise that a love more strong is near—
May God be with you!

Why do we say it when the tears are starting?
Why must a word so sweet bring only pain?
Our love seems all sufficient till the parting,
And then we feel it impotent and vain—
May God be with you!

O may he guide and bless, and keep you ever,
He who is strong to battle with your foes,
Whoever fails, his love can fail you never,
And all you need he in his wisdom knows—
May God be with you!

Better than earthly presence, e'en the dearest,
Is the great blessing that our partings bring;
For in the loneliest moments God is nearest,
And from our sorrows heavenly comforts spring,
If God be with us.

Good-bye, good-bye, with latest breath we say it,
A legacy of hope and faith and love;
Parting must come, we can not long delay it,
But, one in him, we hope to meet above,
If God be with us.

Good-bye—it is all we have for one another;
Our love, more strong than death, is helpless still;
For none can take the burden from his brother,
Or shield, except by prayer, from any ill—
May God be with you!

—Christian Work.

Communications.

PRIMITIVE PHYSICS.

Water is the most ancient of all remedial agents for disease. The ancient Egyptians, Hebrews, Greeks, Persians and Hindus all employed water in this way. A Chinese record dating back several hundred years before Christ records a similar use of water. In Japan the cold bath has been in use nearly eight hundred years. Cold bathing among the Spartans of Greece was required by law. Hippocrates evidently had a good idea of the physiological properties of water, both hot and cold, which he employed in the treatment of fevers, ulcers, hemorrhages and other troubles. He directed that cold baths should be of short duration and should be followed by friction. He records the observation that, after a cold bath, the body quickly recuperates its heat, while a hot bath produces the opposite effect. Among the ancient ruins at Rome and Pompeii, bath equipments have been found to be very complete. The famous baths contained facilities for taking hot and cold baths, also hot-air and vapor baths. According to Pliny the bath was the almost exclusive method of treatment employed in Rome during five centuries.

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, wrote a book of which the present day knows little, if anything, but which might be reprinted with profit to the people. This forgotten volume bears the title

"PRIMITIVE PHYSICK"

It was published in 1747. This little book indicates that the people in Wesley's day understood how to use water in the treatment of disease. A few of the directions which he gives are as follows:

For ague or intermittent fever, 'Go into the cold bath just before the cold fit, or drink a quart of cold water just before the cold fit and go to bed and sweat.'

In cases of tertian ague, it is recommended to use the cold bath, save in persons of advanced age, or who are in reduced strength. A few of Wesley's simple directions for using the cold bath are well worth repeating. He says:

"Do not enter the water while the body is overheated, remain in only two or three minutes, never bathe on a full stomach.' "To prevent apoplexy, use the cold bath and drink only water." Wesley's remedy for asthma was "to take a pint of cold water every morning, bathing the head in same, and using the cold bath once a fortnight. For convulsive asthma, he recommended the cold bath three times weekly." "To prevent swelling from a bruise, immediately apply a cloth five or six double, dipped in cold water, and newly dipped when it grows warm." "To cure a swelling from a bruise apply cloths dipped in very hot water, morning and evening."

"For a burn or scald, immediately plunge the part into cold water. Keep it in an hour, or if not well, perhaps four or five hours."

"To prevent rickets, tenderness and weakness in children, dip them in cold water every morning, at least until they are near one year old." "For whooping-cough, use the cold bath daily."

"For a cold, drink a pint of cold water lying down in bed."

"For colic, drink a pint of cold water, or a quart of warm water, or apply hot water in a bladder, or steep the legs in hot water fifteen minutes."

"For chronic headache, keep the feet in warm water for fifteen minutes before going to bed, this to be kept up for two or three weeks."

"For headache from heat, apply to the head cloths dipped in cold water, renewed when warm and kept up for an hour."

"For rheumatism, use the cold bath, with rubbing and sweating."

Dr. J. H. Kellogg says: "Although Wesley was not a physician, one can not but note the sagacity and wisdom displayed in any of these recommendations, which, in many instances, could scarcely be improved upon at the present day."

The action of water when applied to the body is not difficult to understand. In case of a bruise, sprain, laceration or wound, cold water applied to the part contracts the blood vessels and thereby prevents congestion. After inflammation has set in the application of hot water dilates the blood vessels, accelerating circulation and bringing the part under the restorative influences of fresh blood.

Water acts as a stimulant to the nerves. An application of hot and then of cold water by means of the spray is a powerful stimulant to the circulation and a resultant tonic to the nerves. By first applying hot water the blood vessels are dilated and a free circulation induced. To immediately succeed this by an application of cold water is to contract the blood vessels and force the blood back into the large vessels, by which means the circulation is quickened and many sluggish corpuscles forced into circulation that were previously dormant in some of the internal organs. It is estimated that the average human body contains two hundred and thirty quadrillion, five hundred billion blood corpuscles, and that many of these are constantly losing their activity. It is estimated that a million inactive corpuscles will be forced into renewed circulation by means of a cold bath.

The use of water as a remedial agent is growing apace in this country. Hot and cold alternately applied to the spine is a standard remedy for weak nerves. This treatment consists of applying to the spine a piece of blanket folded in several thicknesses, about three feet long and six inches wide. This blanket is wrung out of very hot water, then wrapped in one thickness of dry blanket and applied to the spine. This is usually repeated three times, the duration of each being about five minutes. During the intervals between the changes ice, or very cold water, is rubbed along the spine.

The pail douche is a splendid tonic treatment. To apply it, provide three pails of water, one warm, one tepid, and one cold. Pour each of these on the patient, beginning with the warm and ending with the cold water. The patient should stand erect and receive the water on the head and shoulders, and allow it to run down over the body. A dry rub should follow the pail douche. This treatment can be taken with good effect an hour before breakfast by all persons whose vitality is not greatly reduced. The reaction produced by the water, applied in this way, is a great stimulant to circulation, and acts as a tonic to the internal organs. As an emergency remedy in cases of wounds, water is without a peer.

Dr. J. H. Kellogg relates an incident worthy of repetition. While traveling in Mexico, some time ago, the doctor was in a railway wreck. A number of persons were badly burned. The victims were in great agony until the doctor wrapped them in sheets procured from the sleeping-car, and then poured water, taken from the engine tank, over their bodies, saturating the sheets which covered them, and keeping them so for hours. The pains of the patients disappeared as if by magic, and they slept well through the ensuing night. The cool water contracted the blood vessels and prevented congestion.

Not long since the writer sprained an ankle quite badly. The ankle was quickly swollen to double size. Hot water applied for an hour reduced the swelling and relieved the pain, so that walking was not overly difficult the following day. Such soreness and congestion as remained were removed by alternate applications of hot and cold. Twice each day the foot was first held in hot water and then in ice-cold water.

To relieve heat headache, the head and hair should be thoroughly wet with cold water, and afterwards a wet cloth, dipped in cold water, wrapped around the head and neck. As soon as the wet cloth has become warm from the heat of the body, it should be fresh-dipped in the cold water. Fresh wounds should at first be treated with cold water, and in the ensuing days of inflammation hot and cold should be used alternately. An ordinary bad cold may be cured by applying hot and cold water to the body, which has the effect of increasing circulation and removing the congestion. Aches and pains of well-nigh all descriptions may be relieved in the same way. For burns, pin-sticks, cuts, stone-bruises, tooth-ache, ear-ache, sprains, cramps, and nearly all painful maladies, hot and cold water applied freely will give relief.

JOHN M. BISHOP.

MINISTERIAL POWER.

BY REV. ELTON WILSON.

(Continued.)

There are but few preachers who are so many-sided as to enter into the varied types of intellectual life, and move with them upon a common plane. "The manifestation of the Spirit is given unto every man to profit withal." No one man has such a wide variety of gifts and knowledge as to be able to enter all spheres of knowledge and action; but among the most diverse types of character there still remains a few points in mutual possession. These constitute the mutual bond of communion. Two individuals without anything in common are completely isolated from each other. The power of the intellectual life is obtained through self-activity. This implies environments and teachers to stimulate and arouse this self-effort.

Sir William Hamilton, whose knowledge of the mental life has never been surpassed by any thinker of modern times, says: "That it is not by anything done by others for you, but what you alone do for yourselves, that your intellectual improvement must be determined. Reading and listening to lectures are only profitable inasmuch as they afford you the means and the occasion of exerting your faculties, for these faculties are only developed in proportion as they are exercised." Aristotle says, "The intellect is perfected not by knowledge, but by activity." Thinking is power. There are degrees in the culture of the mental life, but few minds ever attain development in all the stages of complete psychic evolution.

We can illustrate by examples of preachers. We have the acute observer. Nothing escapes his keen observation. All the details of events, scenes, images, features of people whom he has met, and the continuous chain of external things that have impressed themselves upon his memory, are accurately at his command. His is the practical mind. It deals with objective nature. It will reach the stage of rational knowledge, but will never reach the higher regions of critical analysis. Analytical insight will be wanting. It is the mind that deals only with phenomena and their relations. Bob Ingersoll possessed such a mind. He was utterly unable to enter into the regions of causal thought. His vision was confined to the sphere of the senses; he had no philosophic insight at all. This makes the orator, the word-painter, but not the thinker. The middle type of intellectual culture is, doubtless, the most common and the most useful. It combines the observative and rational development in harmonious proportions with a feeble development of the critical analytical powers. The higher analytical mind is combined with the rational, but with a deficiency in the observative and imaginative powers.

How often do we see these intellectual types in the pulpit?—the observer, the thinker, and the analytical, or critical, thinker. There is not one man out of every thousand who has attained the ability to think freely, easily and clearly in each sphere of thought. It is possible for an individual to be a walking encyclopedia of facts, dates, and events, and then be a mere child in the strength of the higher intellectual powers. The preacher needs something more than the accumulation of the mere material of knowledge. He must have those activities that assimilate, arrange, generalize, and formulate the material into a rational system. Material is a necessary element of all vigorous thinking. This is the "full man." All knowledge is valuable to the preacher. The pulpit, to command the leaders of thought and action, must give evidence of its ability to command; ability to demonstrate, enforce, defend and make clear the truths of Scripture. Extensive knowledge is necessary for this great work. This knowledge can be gathered from a thousand sources. From books, nature, men, and general observation; from books of theology, history, biography, science, literature, poetry, fiction, philosophy, and metaphysics. In this age of extensive information the preacher can not afford to confine himself to any single channel of information. His mental culture must have breadth as well as depth and height. His culture ought not to be confined to his "dusty barrel" that an automatic memory dispenses, like unto a mechanical automaton. The book of nature is ever open, with an infinite variety of objects, revealing transcendent beauty and profound wisdom. Her resources are inexhaustible.

The preacher should study men, for he must classify them. Many types and phases of character are found. The intuitive analysis of character can be brought to a high state of cultivation. This means, first, an analysis of our individual consciousness. Each individual is an epitome of the whole. The preacher who has observed his own flowing consciousness, as thoughts, images, emotions, motives and incidents are brought up from the depths of his soul according to the law of association, is better able to approximate the nature and character of those whom he comes in contact with than if he was ignorant of his own consciousness. Men usually know more of others than they do of themselves.

Knowledge and vigorous mental activity are complementary elements of the intellectual life of the preacher. The minister is not the channel through which certain opinions of a definite number of his charge find expression, but he is an "ambassador for Christ." He must "declare the whole counsel of God" in intelligent and manly thought, clear, strong, and accurate thinking, without sentimentalism or sensationalism. A scholastic gospel of glittering generalities and word-paintings can not take the place of a strong, heart-searching, sin-convicting gospel. Plain, honest preaching can only restore to the consciousness of the church the biblical estimate of sin.

The religious life has its genesis in a personal consciousness of guilt. The enormity of sin is a gospel picture. This element of the gospel has almost perished by absorption in certain quarters. A sermon on "National Expansion," or a sermonette on "The Man with the Hoe," never will crowd an altar with anxious penitents. A weak, diluted gospel is powerless. When we have correlated the spiritual element, the psychic element and the physical element in the unity of a ministerial personality, there emanates from this personal nucleus a source of wonderful power—the practical application of thought, knowledge, ability, and energy. Without application all resources are in vain.

This is a practical age, intensely blunt and materialistic. It demands living facts. So intense is the tendency that it desires to include everything—mind, spirit, and the Christian consciousness—within the narrow circle of scientific investigation. The so-called scientific-practical hides much that is shallow, false, illusive, and superficial. The practical that is not based upon the sound philosophy of truth and common sense is worthless. Truth, thought and theory must precede the practical; they are the foundation of all that is practical.

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A cheering note comes from the Okolona Auxiliary. The writer, Mrs. Mattie Davis [in writing for our column, please state distinctly Mrs. or Miss, to avoid errors.—Ed.], forwards the appended letter from Etelvina Benavides, saying: "Miss Holding has sent some very encouraging reports of our 'special,' and we look up with glad hearts, rejoicing in our Master's work, and feeling encouraged to go forward in his name."

As we read the earnest words of this truly Christian woman reclaimed from idolatry, and turned by the grace of God into a zealous worker for Christ, let our hearts send forth a prayer that the lives of our home workers—yes, of every woman of the church—may be consecrated to the Master's service even as is the life of this useful woman.

"During the time I have been in the mission work under the supervision of our dear Sister Holding, it has been a time of blessed experience in my Christian life. In my daily work I have met with souls who hunger and thirst for the bread and water of life, which is the Word of God. I have seen persons under the influence of Satan, who are bound to infidelity, ignorance and superstition, who reject the Word of God. This causes sadness in my heart, but, at the same time, it shows to me the fact of the struggle between Satan and the gospel of Christ. When I see this I say, 'My Savior's gospel shall triumph, because it is the power of God unto salvation.' This gives me comfort and encouragement, and inspires me to work patiently and with hope against the evil influences, and keep trusting that the light which darkness comprehendeth not will shine in the hearts and souls that are darkened and stained with sin.

"The plan of my work is as follows: I go out visiting daily in the morning and afternoon. Wherever I am permitted I pray with the people, and read to them a portion of the Bible. I invite families to our church, and sometimes take them with me. I give religious tracts and sell books, such as copies of New Testament and Psalms. Sometimes I make a present of a Testament to parties who are not able to buy, but are willing to read it. Thus many are being instructed, and I hope they will be converted."

"ETELVINA BENAVIDES."

Laredo, Texas.

The following from the pen of our president, Mrs. M. I. Hoskins, will give pleasure to many:

VALE! VALE!

On Monday, Oct. 9, Miss Lillie Whitman, our young lady missionary en route to the Pearl of the Antilles, stopped over in Grenada to bid her sister and friends at the college a long farewell. She goes to Mantanzas, and is the first missionary sent out by the Woman's Board to that point. In the afternoon she addressed the "May R. McIntosh Society," composed exclusively of college girls; also the woman's auxiliary. Her talk was about her mission in life and the wonderful "story of love." In the still hush of the dying day, when the brilliant rays of crimson and gold illumined old Theobald Chapel, crept in through the open door, tenderly touching and baptizing the peaceful hour with a glory supernal, making an open pathway of light from earth to heaven, her loving words of admonition fell upon eager, waiting hearts, and those hearts were lifted in prayer for the brave, sweet woman who stands to-day upon the threshold of a divine work, and, with a determination born of a higher power, grasps the precious promises, and "presents her body a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God."

Her last message to the girls of Grenada College was to find their mission in life, and fill it according to the great plan that was formed and shaped for them when this glad old earth of ours was rocked in the cradle of its infancy.

As the train left the depot, bearing Miss Whitman away from her loved ones, the student body, in charge of Miss Mabel Morehead, waved a long farewell, and more than one heart breathed the sweet promise, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Amid the trials and disappointments that our brave missionary may be called upon to meet in that priest-ridden island, may she hear the tender, loving voice of her Savior speaking unto her soul:

"Child of my love, lean hard,
And let me feel the pressure of thy care.
I know thy burden, child; I shaped it,
Poised it in mine own hand; made no proportion
In its weight to thine unaided strength;
For even as I laid it on I said,
'I shall be near, and while she leans on me
This burden shall be mine, not hers;
So shall I keep my child within the circling
arms
Of my own love.' Here lay it down, nor fear
To impose it on a shoulder which upholds
The government of worlds. Yet closer come;
Thou art not near enough; I would embrace thee
here,
So I might feel my child reposing on my breast.
Thou lovest me? I know it; doubt not then,
But, loving me, lean hard."

M. I. HOSKINS.

The Christian Life.

THE DIGNITY OF SUFFERING.

There is an ennobling quality in suffering. Pain, trial, discipline, bereavement—these are the experiences which write lines of spiritual dignity and strength upon human faces, which deepen and sweeten human hearts, and make life silently serious and purposeful.

Even physical suffering has a dignifying power. Who does not feel touched with a sense of reverence and humility in the presence of one who lies in bodily pain or weakness? Note the face that is thinned and scored by years of physical suffering. What a strange, sweet nobility it has! Pain's refining chisel has been at work there. Though the outlines of an invalid's face lack the rounded beauty of health, they possess another and more abiding kind of beauty—that which grows out of the fortitude and the patience and the love and the faith of long years of physical suffering and dependence. The kings and queens of the sick-chamber are nobler oftentimes than the kings and queens of courts. There is that which unconsciously moves one to uncover the head, almost to bend the knee, in the wards of a hospital. Stretched on these white cots are the brave children of the house of pain. They are fighting grand, but silent battles—battles which demand all the courage and the endurance and the faith of which humanity is capable. Theirs is a true bravery, a true dignity, a true nobility.

But there is a still greater dignity in spiritual suffering. The soul which has been wounded by disappointment, stricken by bereavement, torn by trial, assailed by misconception, crushed by the sense of sin, even in the depth and darkness of its suffering, is nobler and stronger and more god-like than when it basked in life's sunshine. Out of that pain and sorrow God is fashioning something finer and purer than common metal; and the dignity, the nobility of the divine process writes itself upon that which is purified. The outcast, in the pain and tears of his degradation, is the man to be profoundly pitied rather than to be blamed. The greatness of his suffering serves to dignify him. Through pain and tears God is seeking to restore his image in that heart.—Exchange.

DIFFICULTIES OF SCRIPTURE.

Making difficulties out of Scripture is a very useless thing for a practical Christian to do—and there is no other kind of Christian. He wants two things—salvation and a rule of conduct. There are no mysteries or perplexities about either in the Bible. And men who are intent on being saved from their sins, and knowing how to behave themselves, never have any trouble over the Scriptures. They find their plain ways of faith and duty, and following these highways of the Lord keeps them busy and happy. The man full of doubts about the meaning of this or that in the Book is a man evading by intellectual fencing the dictates of conscience and the teachings of a plain gospel. Many a one has confessed it after surrender to duty. And so it is waste of time to follow a doubter into his fence-corners to argue him out of doubt; better far to appeal to his conscience about the plain duties of faith and obedience. Until that is awakened, and hurts him, and stings his self-complacency out of him, he will find pretexts in things too deep for him for neglecting things which are as clear as the sun at noon-day.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

It is not the bulk, but the quality of work that God looks at. He needs Jacobs as well as Isaacs, but he does not want faint copies of either. He requires men in the ranks as well as men in command, and his rewards are determined by the degree of fidelity, not by the accident of one's place. If you have great gifts, hold them humbly and use them ungrudgingly. If your gifts are few and meagre, despise them not, but use them faithfully.—Rev. Charles A. Berry.

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FROM THE WORK.

CALHOUN, LA.

We have been in the midst of revival ...etings on this circuit for several ...eks.

...ur first meeting was held at Fran... Chapel. This appointment for...rly belonged to what was known as ...pine mission, but was placed on the ...lhoun circuit this year. In the be...ning of the year we found the church this point in a desperate condition... ...ism and division of almost every ...d had gotten into the community, ...d the membership of the church was ...re or less distracted thereby; but ...ring our protracted meeting the old ...mbers were greatly strengthened and ...lt up in the "faith," glad shouts of ...ise were heard from them, as sinners ...re seen repenting and accepting the ...at Son of God by faith as their ...vior. Eight precious souls united ...h the church on profession of faith. ...r about one-half of the time spent ...e we were ably assisted in dispensing ... Word by two of our faithful local ...achers—Revs. W. B. Inahnet and N. ...ker.

The next meeting we shall speak of ...e held in a new church that is being ...lt at Morgan Springs. It was also a ...t of Lapine mission. Efforts have ...n put forth at this place for the last ... or fifteen years to consolidate the ... churches, called Sardis and Pine ...ve, which stood in four or five miles ...ach other, without succeeding; but ... trust the efforts now being made ... be successful. Rev. W. D. Bass, of ...th Mississippi, did the preaching. ...y and courageously did he persuade ...ers to become reconciled to God ...ough our Lord Jesus Christ, and well ...he succeed. He was just the man ...ed. No clap trap sensationalism in ... message to our people, but great ...s of gospel truth were given them ...ch a manner that Christians were ...ed and strengthened, and many sin... were constrained to seek salvation. ... organized at this place a church ... twenty-six members, and after...ds received ten on profession of ..., making in all a membership of ...ty-six, and a prospect for others to ... soon.

...ur next protracted meeting began at ...oon on Friday, Sept. 29, and con...ed for ten days. The enemy of ... was strongly entrenched here. ... preaching was done by Rev. W. D. ..., with the exception of one able ...on by our esteemed presiding elder, ... B. T. Crews. Right royally again ... our Mississippian hold up the han... of our Lord, and great things were ...e in his name. Quite a number of ...versions were had. Six accessions ... profession of faith, and many of the ...r members got upon a higher plane ...hristian experience.

...e also had revival services at Indian ...ge in August. The preaching was ...e in this meeting by two of our local ...chers—W. B. Inahnet and N. ...ker—and the pastor. Quite a num... of the brethren and sisters were ...le to rejoice in the love of God. ...ee persons united with the church ...profession of faith. We are indebted ...ev. T. W. Pipes, of the Douglas ...rch, for help in our Calhoun meet...

... conclusion, I wish to say, No pastor ... hesitate to invite Bro. Bass to as... in meetings. He is strictly loyal to ... great church. I feel he has bene... us here in every way.

TATUM M. WAFER.

GANSVILLE, LA.

...y lot had been cast this year ...ngst a very kind people, though a ... people, financially. Yet, to take ... as a whole, I have never seen a ...er or truer people to their pastor. ... since our camp meeting, which ...n on the fifth instant, has closed, we ... that the good "Lord has done great ...gs."

...owever, there was one of the saddest ...ts took place during the meeting ... any present had ever witnessed, ...h was the very sudden and unex...ed death of Bro. T. B. White, of ..., La. Bro. White preached the ...noon sermon on Saturday, and ... to his tent and complained of a ...en attack of the severest headache ... he ever had in all his life. Willing ...s and loving hearts administered ..., but to no effect. A physician being very near at hand, he was called in at once, but to no effect; he was dead—crossed over Jordan in less than two hours. He fell at his post. Our sympathy is with the bereaved family. God grant them the consolations of grace. Though shocked by the sudden death of dear Bro. White, it seems to have done its part in helping others think seriously of the necessity of preparing to meet death.

The results of the meeting were far-reaching. The church was greatly edified and strengthened, backsliders were reclaimed, and one hundred and twenty professed faith in Christ as a present Savior from sin, declaring their purpose to serve God and get home to heaven. There were twenty-eight received into the church on profession of faith, twelve children baptized, and more to follow. The Baptist Church will increase its membership as a result of the meeting.

I now record my faith in the providence of God in leading us to secure the aid of Bro. H. R. Singleton, recently transferred to us from the St. Louis Conference. Though Bro. Singleton is like the writer in one respect ("little of stature"), he will meet the demand of pulpit and altar work anywhere. Bro. Singleton preached on an average of three times a day from beginning to the close of meeting. I wish to say that if I had an unbroken series of meetings from now until Conference I would want Bro. Singleton with me. He is a man of power, full of the Holy Ghost. He will be without work until Conference, and brethren who need help will do well to get him. He has endeared himself to this entire charge as well as to the pastor.

Much valuable service was rendered by Bro. J. H. Brown, the former pastor of this charge. No preacher will ever serve this charge who will be more highly esteemed and respected than he. May God bless both these dear brethren and keep them in his love! May the consolations of grace be given to Sister White and the entire family!

H. M. BANKS, P. C.

P. S.—We are under lasting obligations to Bro. W. A. Clark, of the Vernon charge, for his visit to camp, who stayed just long enough to give us two much appreciated sermons.

H. M. B.

VERNON CHARGE.

Bro. W. A. Clark closed his round of protracted meetings on Vernon charge, Louisiana Conference, the second Sunday in August. There was not that marked success attending his meetings at his other three appointments as at New Prospect. The trouble lay at the door of the church in a great measure, depending upon the individual efforts of the assisting brother to arouse sinners and bring them in the fold over a spiritually dead church. Bro. Clark had, as he thought, secured assistance at New Prospect; but when the day arrived for the brother to put in his appearance, a postal card came instead bearing the news that sickness would hinder his attendance. It was like shutting out the light of the sun at midday to preacher and people, like a covering for the dead. No evangelist. Bro. Clark saw and felt its effect and thought it best to close the meeting; but at the earnest solicitation of a brother or two he concluded to continue, but not without a further effort to secure the assistance of another preacher. Another partial collapse. But he rallied and realized if help come, it would be from above; so to the wilderness he repaired and, like Paul, came forth and preached the gospel in the power and demonstration of the Spirit. Sinners of long years' standing quaked and trembled. The church was aroused and began itself to a more lively and active faith. Another instance proving that the success of a meeting does not depend upon a visiting brother.

There were five accessions to the church, several family altars erected; all in all, there was much good accomplished. We learned to love our dear Bro. Clark better, the people closer united, and we all have learned to trust more implicitly in the power and mercy of a great and gracious heavenly Father, who does give bountifully out of his unwasted fullness.

J. W. D.

M'COMB CITY STATION.

This charge has enough work to keep a preacher busy all the time. Indeed, it has more than one preacher can possibly do, and besides, it is building up all the time. There are no vacant houses, but there is an increasing demand for more. We have two telephone systems which are doing much work. A company has been formed to build a cotton factory soon. We have an ice and soda-water factory which does large business during the Summer. I suppose nearly everybody knows that the I. C. railroad shops are located here. Just out of the southern corporate limits of this place on this railroad Capt. J. J. White has a very large saw-mill which does an extensive business. I suppose he has about three hundred employees.

Our church work does not progress as I desire. Since we came here about the middle of last January we have had 111 accessions to our church, and we have baptized seventy-one infants. I have held twenty funeral services and assisted in four besides. I have married nine couples and assisted in another. The ladies have painted our parsonage, and, of course, it looks much better than it did. We have not held our protracted meeting yet, but hope to begin to-morrow night, and we shall expect Bro. Powell on Monday to do the preaching for us next week. Before it closes we hope to have with us Bros. Selby, Adams, Boen, Morse, Thurman and Rawls. Dr. Belbea has conducted our prayer meetings this week, and will likely remain with us during our meeting. We are hoping, praying and working for great results in the name of our blessed Jesus.

The editor and the brethren generally will please to pray daily for our unconverted members to be converted, and backslidden ones to be reclaimed, and for sinners to be saved. We shall have our Rally Day services to-morrow morning.

ISAAC L. PEEBLES.

Oct. 14, 1899.

WATER VALLEY CAMP MEETING.

The Water Valley Camp Meeting, commencing Sept. 8, and ending the fifteenth, of this year was from some points of view a great success. First, that we could have a camp meeting at all was a surprise to many, because of the stampede with which it closed last year. Second. Notwithstanding the small number of tenters, it was well attended. Third. The preaching was with power and demonstration of the truth, and sinners were converted up to the number of 25 or 30.

An enthusiasm was created for a great camp meeting next year, and arrangements to that end by appointing committees—one, a Finance Committee; the other on Arrangements—this committee to look after the improving of the grounds and the tents. We are going to make the whole camps an inviting place, so that big editors like yourself will come to us. We have been having a big colporteur in the person of Rev. G. W. Bachman, but we want a big editor, too.

Now, let all the friends of Water Valley Camp Meeting rally to its support and make of it a great institution for the glory of God.

We have organized a church there of some thirty-odd members.

E. H. ROOK.

CANTON, MISS.

The Canton Methodist Church has taken on new life. Our prayer meetings are well attended, and Bro. McLaurin, our dear pastor, in his quiet way, has gotten the men to attend prayer meeting. We never have less than four, and whenever they are asked to pray or lead the prayer meeting they do it cheerfully. Our Sunday-school is well attended, and all of the pupils, old and young, love Bro. McLaurin.

The Epworth League is working with bright prospects with our pastor's help. Work was begun this morning to repair the church. This was badly needed. With a quiet and earnest plea from the pastor, the money has been collected, and we hope soon to have our church one of the prettiest in Canton. Pray for the Canton Methodist Church.

X X.

Tap, tap all day at the machine until the head throbs with every tap. And when the machine stops for the day the throbbing still goes on. More than any other class of women the large army of women clerks needs to closely watch the health of the organs peculiarly womanly. For the general health will be disturbed just in proportion as the local health of the delicate, womanly organs is disordered. With irregularities there will come pains in the head, the back or side, nausea and general misery. The happiness of the future life of the wife and mother may be entirely ruined by neglect of the health at this critical period.

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ENGLAND'S WAR WITH THE BOERS.

The whole civilized world is watching with deep interest, as well as with feelings of genuine regret, the contest now going on in South Africa between Great Britain and the Transvaal Republic. War, no matter how honorably conducted, is always a cruel and deplorable thing; but it is doubly so when the occasion thereof seems so ill-founded as in the present instance. That the Uitlanders, as they are called, have considerable grievances, can not be denied; but that they are of sufficiently grave a character to justify England in the course she is pursuing towards the Boers, whose paramount aim is the preservation of their national independence, is, to say the least, questionable. It seems to us, at this distance, that the Boers have acted with undue and, perhaps, unwarranted and foolish haste in precipitating the war, and for this reason they will lose a large measure of the sympathy which a weaker power would naturally receive in such a struggle. As matters stand, the Boers having thrown down the gauntlet, Great Britain has been obliged, for honor's sake as well as for the protection of her interests and the lives of her subjects in South Africa, to resort to arms, and seek to maintain her supremacy in that quarter of the globe.

The war has resulted from British aggression and arrogance, on the one hand, and from the conservatism, stupidity and stubbornness of the Boers on the other hand. We think that neither party to the war can claim to have done its utmost to preserve peace and bring about perfect agreement. As the first settlers of the country, as the pre-emptors of the soil and the subjugators of the savages who thronged the country before their arrival, the Boers claim the right to control in governmental affairs, and to exist as an independent State, though they now constitute only about one-third of the total population, the country having rapidly filled up with foreigners and adventurers immediately upon the discovery of gold and diamond mines. The Boer is by nature a hunter and agriculturist, and looks with disfavor upon town life, the construction of railroads, the exploiting of mines, and the hustle of modern civilization. As one writer asserts, "He is, in fact, the backwoodsman of the last century in the United States, come to life again in Africa." The Uitlanders, the majority of whom are English, have built the towns, developed the mines, and introduced all the essential features of an up-to-date civilization, and since they pay the bulk of the taxes, they have for some time been demanding a voice in the government and in legislation. As they have persistently refused, however, to renounce allegiance to England, the Boer government, not without reason, has firmly denied this request.

Though the Boers are narrow and non-progressive, we should not condemn them too harshly, lest in doing so we cast reproach upon our patriotic forefathers, who, in their struggle for independence, might also have been called "stubborn and bigoted and non-progressive."

The following graphic picture of the grievances of the Boers is drawn by Olive Schreiner, an English South African writer of considerable note, in her book on "The South African Question." She says: "Rightly to understand the problem before the little Transvaal Republic to-day, it is necessary for Englishmen to imagine not merely that, within the space of ten or twelve years, 40,000,000 Russians, Frenchmen and Germans should enter England, not in driblets and in time extending over half a century, so that they might, in a measure, be absorbed and digested into the original population, but instantaneously and at once; not merely that the large bulk of them did not intend to remain in England, and were there merely to extract wealth; not merely that the bulk of this wealth was exported at once to other countries, enriching Russia, France and Germany out of the products of English soil—that would be comparativoly a small matter—but that the bulk of the wealth extracted was in the hands of a few persons, and that these persons were opposed to the continued freedom and independence of England, and were attempting by the use of the wealth they extracted from England to stir up Russia and France against her, that through the loss of her freedom they might the better obtain the command of her wealth and lands."

On the other hand, the Uitlanders are discriminated against and oppressed in a variety of ways, and are so completely ignored in politics and legislation as to make submission to Boer authority extremely galling. The charge is made—and it seems to be well substantiated—that the Boers are guilty of no little cruelty towards the Kaffirs, or the natives. Mr. Wm. Hosken, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce in Johannesburg, and also chairman of the Uitlander council, says in a letter to the London Methodist Times: "The same spirit of injustice and tyranny is shown toward the British people here. We are overwhelmingly the majority in number, we bear nine tenths of the taxation, we own one-half of the surface of the country, and beyond the crudest forms of agriculture we carry on all the trade and industries of the country. We are taxed under a most inequitable and unjust system, a policy of monopolies and industrial concessions is placed upon us, and corruption and maladministration everywhere obtain."

Evidently, then, both sides have had considerable grievances, but taking all things into consideration, it does seem an unrighteous and unnecessary war.

Diplomacy ought to have been competent to the task of averting war But upon whom rests the responsibility for the failure of diplomacy and the commencement of war? Some say, "Upon Great Britain." Says Mrs. Schreiner: "The greatest empire upon earth, on which the sun never sets, with its 500,000,000 subjects, may rise up in its full majesty of power and glory, and crush 30,000 farmers. It may not be a victory, but at least it will be a slaughter. We ought to win. We have the ships, we have the men, and we have the money. May there not be something else we need? The Swiss had it when they fought with Austria; the 300 had it at Thermopylæ, although not a man was saved; it goes to make a victory. Is it worth fighting if we have not got it? . . . Today the women of the Transvaal are demanding guns, that they may take their part in the last stand. We may crush the little people with the aid of Australians and Canadians, since the British isles seem unable to crush them alone. We may take their land and lower the little flag of his independence, so dear to the Boer, but we shall have placed a stain upon our own that centuries will not wash out."

This view of the matter, however, is not accepted by the British public. Sir Joseph Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, through whom the negotiations with the Boers were carried on, in a speech in Parliament, a few days since, said: "I challenge anyone to show a sign of blood-guiltiness, of desire for war, in the negotiations. . . . I have been as anxious for peace as any man, but the government held that there are other considerations which are even more important than peace, and one of these is the maintenance of equality between the white races in South Africa. In its endeavor to maintain peace the government has shown endless patience. It was President Kruger who settled the issue. He appealed to the God of battles. If I may say so with reverence, I say we accept that appeal, believing our quarrel just." Parliament, by an overwhelming majority, sustained the administration. And in this matter Parliament undoubtedly voices the sentiments of the people. War was initiated by the Boers.

That Great Britain will triumph in the not-distant future seems to be the consensus of enlightened public opinion throughout the world. That British rule in the Transvaal, as well as in the rest of South Africa, would be more beneficent than that of the Boers, is hardly to be disputed, and "manifest destiny" seems to point to the complete triumph of Anglo-Saxon civilization in that region. It seems a pity, however, that blood should be the cost thereof. Christians everywhere should pray that wise counsels may prevail, and that the land now being baptized in blood may soon enjoy once more the blessings of peace and prosperity.

REV. GEORGE H. LIPSCOMB DEAD.

Our Conference is again under a cloud of deep sorrow, because of the death of our dear brother and fellow-laborer, Rev. George H. Lipscomb, which occurred in Birmingham, Ala., at 7 P. M., the nineteenth instant. He had been sick eight weeks, during the last three of which he had been under wise medical treatment in the Copeland Institute in Birmingham. For awhile he improved, so as to inspire hope of recovery, but on the ninth instant a violent change in his condition was manifested, which resulted fatally, as above stated.

His remains were brought to Columbus, the home of his nativity and rearing, and tenderly laid away in Friendship Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Appropriate funeral services were held in the Methodist Church in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives, including ten preachers of the Conference and a good delegation from Winona, his pastoral charge. The exercises were participated in by Revs. Shipman, Burroughs, Bowen, Woollard, and the writer. By the grace of God we will meet our dear brother in "the promised land." A suitable memoir will be furnished later.

G. W. BACHMAN.

The above, from Bro. Bachman, will be read with painful interest throughout the North Mississippi Conference. Bro. Lipscomb was thoroughly consecrated to the work of the ministry. He was a diligent, faithful pastor. Under any and all circumstances he was true to his convictions of right. How sad that he should be stricken down in the prime of young manhood! We hope to meet him bye and bye. A sketch from the hand of one who knew and loved him will be found on our first page.

Since the above was put in type we have received the following from Rev. J. A. Bowen:

The funeral of Bro. G. H. Lipscomb took place from our church here last Friday, Oct. 20, at 2:15 P. M. All Columbus feel bereaved by the death of our ascended brother. No man ever exerted a greater influence for good in Columbus among all classes of people than he. There will be memorial services next Wednesday night in Winona.

A GOOD CONTAGION TO SPREAD.

Only a few days ago the daily papers contained accounts of a most enthusiastic meeting of the Christian Missionary Alliance in Carnegie Hall, New York City, during which the sum of $68,000 was raised for foreign missions. So high did the tide of interest rise that women took off their jewels and threw them to the collectors, shouting "Glory to God!" and "Hallelujah!" as they responded to the appeals for offerings. While the leaders of the Alliance are guilty of some follies in their methods of raising missionary funds, depending too largely, it seems to us, upon extraordinary appeals and to spasmodic giving, an unwholesome reaction frequently following thereafter; yet there would be a grand move forward if all the cold and selfish churches in our Zion (and they are numerous) could catch the contagion of liberality which seems to pervade the Missionary Alliance. There is little danger that any of our churches are going to be killed by excessive contributions to the missionary cause, or to the Twentieth Century Fund.

AN INSPIRING EXAMPLE.

Some weeks ago the following encouraging letter appeared in the Wesleyan Advocate from Rev. S. R. Belk, the Methodist pastor at Elberton, Ga. The liberality of our Methodist people at Elberton and the generous gift of the young Chinaman mentioned are most eloquent testimony to their interest in the cause of missions. Says Bro. Belk:

"Last Sunday, after a sermon on missions, I presented the Conference assessments, and called for seven hundred and sixty-four dollars. The Good Spirit was present, and the congregation responded liberally. While the contributions were coming in, Joe Lee, a young Chinaman, walked to the front, and laid down five dollars for missions. The congregation was thrilled by the Chinaman's liberality. Joe Lee is a young Chinaman who has recently joined our Sunday-school, and seems to be much interested in the church. We only called for seven hundred and sixty-four dollars, but our collection went beyond nine hundred dollars. The power of God rested upon the people, and many pronounced this one of our most spiritual and helpful services."

WISE WORDS FROM A GREAT WOMAN.

Here is what Helen Gould has to say anent the seating of Roberts, the Mormon polygamist. We hope many of our readers will act upon her suggestion about writing to their representatives in Congress protesting against the recognition of the head of an oriental harem as one of the law makers of our land.

"I feel that the principle of polygamy for which Mr. Roberts stands strikes at the root of what is sacred and beautiful in our home life, and I am glad to lend what little influence I may have to oppose it. I am glad to have an opportunity to protest against the seating in the House of Representatives of a man who advocates and practices polygamy. Our country has been noted in the past for the beauty of its home life, and the chivalry and respect shown by men to women. It would be sad, indeed, to see a man who stands for the oriental harem seated among our law makers. I earnestly hope that men will feel willing to write to their congressmen, urging them to rise in protest against Mr. Roberts when the House opens."

A NEW BOOK.

POLITENESS ON RAILROADS. By Isaac L. Peebles, of the Mississippi Conference. Nashville, Tenn: Publishing House M. E. Church, South. Barbee & Smith, agents.

The aim of the above-named work is thus stated by the author in the preface: "Having observed too great laxity of true politeness on the railroads, the author of this booklet has written it with the hope of doing something toward correcting the evil."

The aim thus stated, the author keeps steadily before him through out the forty pages of the book. The author's idea of what constitutes politeness is given in the following quotation: "Genuine politeness grows out of an assiduous self-denial and a constant consideration for the happiness of others. The forms and usages of etiquette derive all their beauty and significance from the fact that each of them requires the sacrifice of one's own ease and convenience for another's comfort." A noble ideal truly. The work can be had in either cloth or paper from the publishers.

RELIGIOUS PANICS.

The extraordinary furor raised by what is called higher criticism is lamentable evidence of the weak faith good people may have in the ability of the Word of God to vindicate itself. We do not mean that no opposition should be offered to the destructive criticisms of rationalist critics, but we do think that Christian people should have confidence enough in God's Word not to get into hysterics every time an assault is made on its integrity. No attack on the Scriptures lasts longer than a generation, and lovers of the Word should remember that God's anvil has worn out many a hammer, and will wear out many more. The trouble, however, is not so much with the Bible as it is with people's theories about the Bible. They think their theories are infallible; they do not derive these theories from the Bible, but they try to make the Bible square with their theories; and then, when their theories are dissipated by the heat of criticism, the cry is raised that the Bible is in danger, and a general panic ensues. There is nothing reasonable in this. We should in all candor draw a line between the Bible and our theories. Our readers will remember what a panic struck the public last Spring over certain utterances in the New York Preachers' Meeting. For some weeks we received letters and newspaper clippings requesting some explanation of the dreadful affair. Many of these panic-stricken folks forgot that Methodism was no stranger to higher criticism, and that many of the statements relating to discrepancies and to authorship were old, very old, to Methodist scholars.

A well-known Methodist work on the shelves of most Methodist preachers has more objections, more criticism, more suggestions as to change of text in the Holy Scriptures than may be found in many works professedly opposed to popular views. . . From this author, whose great work has been and is accepted by English-reading Protestants the world over, we could glean any number of instances showing that they exist. . .

But, who is this Methodist author that handles so freely the text of Scripture and who was so far ahead of his time in higher criticism? Adam Clark! Take down his commentary, even to-day equal in much to the best, and carefully read it through, especially his introductions to the various books, and let it no more be said that Methodists are panic-stricken at the new revelations of higher criticism. They are not "revelations," for we have them already, and they are not "new," for Methodists have had them since 1810. The Word of the Lord abideth forever. There is no ground for anyone being alarmed at the results of Christian scholarship.—Methodist Advocate-Journal.

BREAKING COMMERCIAL RECORDS.

This has been a year of record-breakers in New Orleans from a commercial point of view. We have had bumper shipments of grain, tobacco and almost every other article dealt in here; and we have also broken the record in imports on several occasions.

The British steamer "Knight Bachelor" broke the record Monday, Oct. 16, with the largest cargo of sugar ever imported into New Orleans, 73,567 bags, or 8,109 tons, which came from Hamburg. This resulted in another record-breaker yesterday, when the New Orleans Custom House received $304,906.51 in duty, the largest receipts for a single day in its history. The cargo itself was a remarkable one, for if the duty be added to its invoiced value, it will amount to the splendid total of $663,703. It ought to be a big commercial year for New Orleans, in spite of quarantine and other adverse conditions.—Times Democrat.

SEED-SOWING.

Much of the crime among boys and young men is easily traced to the reading of sensational literature, and not infrequently the victim can designate the particular book which sowed the evil seeds in his mind which afterwards yielded the inevitable harvest of evil deeds. In like manner it will be often found in the life of a great man that the reading of some good book was the largest factor in settling his faith and determining his career. The book which your boy or girl borrows from a friend may seem a matter of little moment to you, but it may be the influence which shall determine their present and eternal destiny.—Literary Life.

"LAMBASTING" THE CONGREGATION.

If two or three people go wrong in the matter of cards, or dancing, or theaters, the preacher has no right to lambast the whole congregation on account of the acts of the few. Let him go in person to the offenders and talk to them kindly about the matter, and in nine times out of ten he can remedy the trouble without calling even public attention to it at all. The people generally do not infract the rules of the church in this way, and they ought not to be made to suffer on account of the few.—Texas Advocate.

BUSINESS AND INTEMPERANCE.

Excessive drinking is being slowly stamped out by other agencies than legislation. Society does part of the work, the church another, but among the more potent new factors is the attitude of large employers toward intemperate men. Railroad companies will no longer have them, and that means more than 1,000,000 men compelled to abstain from intemperance. Large manufacturers are falling in line, and the siege is being tightened about the topor. He will soon have disappeared from honorable and profitable employments, and his departure will cause no regret.—Minneapolis Times.

NOTES.

As will be seen by notes in this issue, the giraffes are swapping stalls.

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Our new church at Port Vincent, La., was dedicated last Sabbath by Rev. T. B. Clifford.

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Rev. J. J. Kelly, of the Louisiana Conference, was present at the New Orleans Preachers' Meeting on Monday.

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Rev. J. P. McFerrin has been transferred from the Louisville Conference to the Western North Carolina Conference.

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Sister Emma Siebe, of Crystal Springs, Miss., writes in hearty commendation of our editorial on "Temperance Gains."

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Rev. J. R. D. King, Courtland, Miss., writes: "I am winding up for Conference. Will have good reports all round."

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Rev. J. M. Martin, of the Louisiana Conference, has been transferred to the Pacific Conference, and stationed at Hanford, Cal.

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By a turn of the itinerant wheel Rev. S. H. Werlein has been removed from Troost Avenue, Kansas City, to Central Church, in the same city.

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Rev. C. C. Griffin, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "Satartia is moving along nicely. We expect to make a good report to the Conference."

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Oxford's contribution of five dollars per member for the Twentieth Century Fund has not been surpassed in this section, so far as we know.

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Rev. F. R. Hill, Sr., has been transferred from the Southwest Missouri Conference to the Louisville Conference, and stationed at Broadway, Louisville.

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The New Orleans churches are responding freely to calls for Twentieth Century Thank-offerings. The response will be liberal. The pastors will furnish definite reports later.

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Sister Mary Mayes Green, of Meridian, Miss., renewing her subscription, writes: "I can not afford to keep house without the ADVOCATE. It is a splendid paper under your editorship."

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Rev. M. B. Chapman, D. D., has been transferred from the Louisville Conference to the Southwest Missouri Conference, and stationed at Troost Avenue, Kansas City. His address is 2524 Troost avenue.

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Under date of Oct. 17, Rev. G. W. Hiveley writes: "Rev. Benjamin A. Beeson, the only local preacher on this large circuit, died at his home near Pleasant Grove Church about two o'clock this morning. He died as he lived—in the faith. He had reached the ripe age of eighty-six years. A good man has gone to his reward."

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Miss Belle Kearney is carrying on a brilliant temperance campaign in the East. This Fall she has spoken in Rhode Island, Connecticut, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, West Virginia, Delaware and New Jersey. By special invitation she has delivered addresses before four State W. C. T. U. Conventions. The papers give glowing accounts of her work. Large audiences greet her everywhere and great enthusiasm is manifested. In Philadelphia, Saratoga and other cities immense auditoriums are filled to overflowing. She has engagements ahead which will occupy most of her time until Christmas.

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The League in the country is a success in many places. Why should it not be? From the rural districts has come some of the best material the Church and State have had in the past.

Many of the great preachers of our Methodism have come from "the log meeting house with puncheon floor." The League of to-day ought to be a great training-school in the interior, helping to prepare young men for the ministry.

The fact seems to be assured that two League Conferences will be held within our (Southern) bounds next year—the Tri-State at the Seashore, and the Conference of Southern delegates at a place yet to be selected.

Dr. DuBose is in high favor as a General Secretary, and his work upon the Era is hard to beat. Never before has there been as much interest manifested concerning the training and development of the young life in our church.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

Sister Parker reports that every member of the Caseyville League will pray in public. Praying, or asking to be prayed for, bespeaks a humility that shall be exalted.

Miss Sallie Kilpatrick, of Verona, secretary for the Aberdeen district, writes that there are eight Senior and two Junior Leagues in her district, the most of them doing active work. We will hear from the Aberdeen district again, too.

We gladly give space this week for the notes sent by our State secretary:

EPWORTH LEAGUE NOTES.

The State League directory, compiled by the secretary, shows 157 Leagues, with a membership of 4,436.

Our State president reports the organization of two new Leagues in the Brookhaven district—one at Beauregard, and the other at Pleasant Ridge. Rev. R. A. Gatlin is pastor in charge of both. I request the pastors to report all new Leagues promptly to me.

We are glad to learn that Bro. Bradley has brought to life the dead League at Booneville. Let us have other resurrections.

We regret the delay in regard to the publication of our State Conference Minutes, but it was unavoidable, and they shall be promptly issued from this office when received.

Joe M. Ramsey, the "blind boy preacher," who was the life of the West Point Conference, will be in Columbus on the last Sunday in October, and will stop at Tupelo on his way down.

The Senior Leagues at West Point and Bahala are reported to be in a flourishing condition, while the Junior Leagues at Sardis and Starkville are both claimed by the pastors in charge to be the best in the State.

Many Mississippi Leaguers are glad to know that Mr. Gus W. Thomasson is now domiciled in the Epworth Era office. Mr. Thomasson, while secretary of the Texas State League, did much for the systematizing and promotion of the State work generally; besides, was ever ready to kindly and courteously assist the officers in other States. The Mississippi secretary is much indebted to him for assistance rendered her.

A call has just been made from this office for the prompt payment of the State assessment. Last year this fund was not called for till just before the State Conference; but we are working and praying for this to be the best year in the history of the Mississippi State League; consequently, we are putting on foot plans which require the printing of circulars, blanks, records, tracts, pamphlets, etc. These must be paid for, and that right away. The State officers can do nothing without an expense fund, and we trust each League will do its full share.

President Featherstun has called for a meeting of the State officers at Greenwood during the session of the North Mississippi Conference, on Friday, Dec. 1, at 3 P. M., and again at 7 P. M. The object of this meeting is to plan the State work at large, and to allow the officers from the Mississippi Conference to come in touch with the League and Mission Boards of the North Mississippi Conference.

At the last session of our State Epworth League Conference it was resolved to undertake, instead of the "Special Work," the aiding of our pastors in raising the regular assessment for missions in full, or the "Holston Plan," as it is becoming rapidly known throughout our church. In this plan the Leaguers are pledged to the presiding elders and pastors, as their commanding officers, for a faithful work. It remains to be seen whether they will lead to the glorious victory which has been realized in the Holston Conference, or not. Circulars and tracts, explaining in full the plans adopted from the Holston workers, have been issued from this office to the district secretaries, presiding elders, League presidents, and pastors having Leagues on their charge. President Featherstun earnestly requests the co-operation of all parties concerned. We Leaguers in Mississippi can not afford to lose one inch of ground in this missionary movement which is proving the very life of the Epworth Leagues.

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The preacher in charge must be the moving spirit in all. If he should be listless, indifferent, uninformed, the membership will be so likewise, and the movement will fail.

How can the preacher succeed? First, by much prayer. "Except the Lord conduct the plan" all will fail. The presence, power and guidance of the Holy Spirit must be invoked. The church must acknowledge her utter dependence upon Him.

Next, a study of the situation What hath God wrought through us? Our history is inspiring. Methodism is the religious marvel of the century. Under divine leadership she has conquered vast territories. How may she garrison her holdings?—how adjust herself to the conditions and needs of the new century?

"To spread Christian holiness over the land" will always be her God given mission; but how best do this? The day of the pioneer preacher is well-nigh gone. Methods must change with changing conditions. We constitute now an army of occupancy.

Methodism has hitherto been so busy seeking to occupy the waste places that little time or thought, save here and there, could be given to moulding into permanent form the society she has created. Training processes have not kept pace with the rapid movement of conquest—possibly could not have done so. Not that these have been wholly neglected, but the work has been too largely tentative. Here must be broad foundation, large provision, ample furnishing. Without abating one jot her spirit of conquest; without losing sight for a moment of her holy mission; with an ever-increasing sense of dependence on the Holy Spirit, she must adjust herself throughout all her borders to Twentieth Century conditions. She has built her log meeting-house side by side with the settler's cabin; has erected her modern church building in the centers of wealth and culture; now she must establish, on ample foundation, her college and her university in the midst of the world's best culture. Methodism will not have accomplished her mission until she shall have dominated the thought of the age.

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Cano, Cuba, Aug. 10, 1899.

Home Circle.

'TIS THE LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT.

Just a little here and there, boys;
Such a trifling thing, you think;
A dime for a yellow novel,
And another one for drink;
A little spent in the card-room,
A nickel for a cigar,
But, oh, do you ever think, boys,
'Tis the little things make or mar!

Just a little while from the home, boys,
And, ah! your unwary feet
Will be lured to sin-stained by-paths
That will lead to ruin's broad street;
It is just the first wrong thought, boys,
Just a few vile words, ah me!
And your current of life is changing,
You are drifting out to sea,

Where no human hand can save you,
Rudderless, hopeless, and lost:
Don't you think these boasted pleasures
Are bought at a fearful cost?
'Tis the little things that count, boys,
That make up the mighty whole;
'Tis the little thoughts and deeds, boys,
In the balance against your soul.

—Our Young People.

THE LOVE THAT BINDS.

It is remarkable "on what various trifles hang the momentous things of our lives" oftentimes. It is the "common tasks and daily cares" that really make up our lives, and yet how lightly we hold their significance at times, losing sight of the fact that to our peace and well-being small things are more necessary than great ones.

Mrs. Hawthorne, in one of her letters, says, "If there is anything immortal in life, it is the home relations," and is there not danger in these days of so many outside interests for women, that the mother, wife, daughter and sister may drift from the moorings of home life? Is it not of vital importance that the home should be the place of all others in the world that the growth of character into "whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are lovely," should be cultivated?

How often a trifling thing may mar the whole day's happiness—sometimes the happiness of a life.

A husband and wife had an unpleasantness at the breakfast table one morning over some matter of minor importance. "Some words," as the young woman who waited on them would express it. It had been the husband's custom to give his wife a good-bye kiss when he left her for the work of the day. But he went off that morning without giving it. He stopped on the steps a moment after he had closed the door, for a good impulse came to go back and speak the kindly word and give the farewell kiss. But it would look as if he acknowledged himself in the wrong, and a foolish pride stayed his feet. He passed down the street to the busy mart of life. As he turned away, the sad-hearted wife remembered the couplet her mother had so often repeated in her hearing,

"It takes two to make a quarrel,
But one can always end it;"

and she moved aside the portieres to pass into the hall and lift her face for the kiss, but that would be making concessions. Why should she give in to her husband's opinion? She closed the portieres, but through the blinds watched the one she loved best on earth go down the street. That same foolish pride overpowered her good impulses.

The husband had not gone far before he met a hearse with a white coffin in it, covered with flowers. Somebody's young, sweet wife had gone out of the home forever. What if such a terrible sorrow should come to him! He was passing a florist's window at that moment—it was filled with fresh-cut flowers. His wife loved flowers, especially roses, which were displayed in profusion. He went into the shop and bought a bunch, and sent them, with his card, by a messenger, to the wife he had left without the good-bye kiss.

Ever since the parting that morning the home-keeper had been wretched. What a little matter to make such an outcry over! How could she have been so angry, so unreasonable! She would be so glad when the day was over and her husband would come home again. But what if anything happened to him before the home-coming time!

"For some go out in the morning,
Who never come home at night."

She hurried about the duties of the home and finished her rounds, with the thought in her heart that she would go to her husband's office, "I will not speak of the morning's unpleasantness, but I will just go in, as I often do, and let him know by my manner that all is forgotten and forgiven." She was putting on her wraps when the roses came. They were so suggestive of his thoughtful love that the tears came into her eyes. She put a bunch of them on her gown and went to his office.

He might think he was the first to make the wrong right, and just because of the roses she had come to smile on him and speak the loving words. She could not help whispering in his ear, "I was so sorry, dear, for my unpleasantness even before you left the house, that I had put on my things and was just ready to come down and see you when the roses came."

As Miss Sedgwick says in one of her old-time New England stories, "It is such love as this in the sanctuary of home that binds all in 'one bundle,' sustains the old and prepares the young for conflict." But O, the pity of it all! So many such trivial beginnings do not result as this one did. "It is so much easier for some to begin a coil than to end it." Some of the most momentous things in life hang on the results of such small beginnings. The getting on with some members of the home circle is not always an easy matter. All are not so willing to forgive and forget. But what says Jeremy Taylor, "It is no great matter to live peacefully and lovingly with humble and meek persons, but he that can do so with the peevish and perverse hath the true spirit of love."

Some people do not speak unadvisedly, or say unkind words, but they show in their faces the disagreeable state of the weather in their hearts. As Sydney Smith would say to such, "Your very face is a breach of the peace." They make all those about them uncomfortable and constantly weary of what they do, or say, lest they offend.

Some one has said: "Two people or sets of people meet at a given point in life, much as two trains meet at a station. That they may run together for awhile, however brief, there must be an interval of switching, and in life, as in railroad management, so much depends either for safety or danger upon the working of those switches."—Selected.

EARNESTNESS.

The one secret of success in any undertaking is that a man put his whole soul into it. He who performs his duties in a careless, dilatory, perfunctory manner, makes life a burden to himself and all who have to do with him. Smiles tells the story of a professor in one of the technical school in Paris who, hearing that a friend was thinking of buying an estate in a certain district in France, went to him and urged him not to settle there. "Do you know the district?" his friend asked. "No," replied the professor, "but I am sure the people there are a poor, miserable set. The boys who come to us from that section do not strike hard on the anvil." It is this striking hard on the anvil that makes all the difference between a happy, useful life and an ineffective one. The world owes all the progress it has made under God to earnest men. The man who takes a pleasure in his work, who tries to do it well, whether it be obscure or conspicuous, is the man who succeeds and who helps his fellowmen. There is a tendency, especially in religious work, to the feeling that only in certain offices can successful effort be made. "If I were a minister, or if I could go as a missionary, or could be an evangelist, I could do good service," is a remark often made. But the really earnest soul does the work nearest to his hand and uses the opportunities God has placed within his reach. He can not be idle, and he will not spend in reverie or in vain repining the time that he might use in Christ's service. And it is astonishing how many opportunities come to the man who is really looking out for them. The one question for everyone is whether he is in earnest in his desire to work. If he is, his unconverted friends, his business associates, and the sick and poor people in his neighborhood will soon become aware that there is some one near them with the spirit of Christ in him, ready for service. Much of the depression of the spirit and the painful self-questioning, which depress many Christians, would disappear if they were really in earnest in this Christian activity. Earnestness is a cure for many ills which afflict the soul.—Christian Herald.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM GOD.

Who doubts that, times without number, particular portions of the Scripture find their way to the human soul as if embassies from on high, each with its own commission of comfort, of guidance, or of warning? What crisis, what trouble, what perplexity of life has failed, or can fail, to draw from this inexhaustible treasure-house its proper supply? What profession, what position is not daily and hourly enriched by these words which repetition never weakens, which carry with them now, as in the days of their first utterance, the freshness of youth and immortality? When the solitary student opens all his heart to drink them in, they will reward his toil, and in forms yet more hidden and withdrawn, in the retirement of the chamber, in the stillness of the night season, upon the bed of sickness, and in the face of death, the Bible will be there, its several words how often winged with their several and special messages, to heal and to soothe, to uplift and uphold, to invigorate and stir. Nay, more, perhaps, than this; amid the crowds of the court, or the forum, or the street, or the market-place, where every thought of every soul seems to be set on the excitements of ambition, or of business, or of pleasure, there, too, even there, the still small voice of the Holy Bible will be heard, and the soul, aided by some blessed word, may find wings like a dove, may flee away and be at rest.—William E. Gladstone.

WHOSE PLACE WILL YOU TAKE?

You are looking for a place. You may make a place for yourself. By some invention or wise management you may originate some work which no one ever did before, and so have a place which is all your own. But in most cases boys, as they grow up, take the places which other men occupied, and do work which other men have done. It is quite important, therefore, for boys to consider what places they will take when they grow up.

"I read," says one writer, "of a boy who had a remarkable dream. He thought that the richest man in town came to him and said: 'I am tired of my house and grounds; come and take care of them, and I will give them to you.' Then came an honored judge, and said: 'I want you to take my place; I am weary of being in court day after day. I will give you my seat on the bench if you will do my work.' Then the doctor proposed that he take his extensive practice and let him rest, and so on. At last up shambled old Tommy, and said: 'I'm wanted to fill a drunkard's grave. I have come to see if you will take my place in these saloons and on these streets.'"

Every boy should be preparing himself for the place that he is to fill. The boy who is studious, honest and true is fitting for a good place. The boy who runs the streets nights, who lies and swears, smokes cigarettes, drinks beer, and keeps bad company—what kind of a place will he fill?—The Little Christian.

CONSIDER THE LILIES.

During Napoleon's reign, Charney was imprisoned as the enemy of the government. He neither knew God nor believed him. "All things come by chance," was a favorite word of his. One day, while pacing the small yard into which the prison opened, he saw a tiny plant just breaking through the ground by the wall. It was the only green thing there and he spent hours watching it. When its beautiful white, purple and scarlet flower began to unfold he was delighted. He made a frame to support it, and "All things come by chance," he had written on the wall above it. Its gentle reproof as it unfolded shamed the man's unbelief. He erased the lying words and said, "He who made all things is God." In the same yard was an Italian prisoner, whose daughter was permitted to see him. The little girl, pleased with Charney's love for the flower, told the story of this prisoner and his flower, which went from lip to lip until it came to the Empress Josephine. "He who so loves a flower can not be a bad man," she said, and persuaded the Emperor to release him. Charney carried the flower home and carefully tended it. It had taught him faith in God and been his deliverer in prison.—Homiletic Review.

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COKER—Bro. J. H. COKER was born in Madison county, Miss., Dec. 14, 1804, and died Oct. 20, 1898. He was the eldest son of Dr. J. E. Coker, known to all the preachers who have served Madison station charge as the faithful steward of Livingston Church, whose house was the preacher's home, and where a warm welcome always awaited him.

Bro Coker's death was indeed sad. In the prime of young manhood, strong and healthy, with every prospect of long life, he was cut down by the hand of an assassin while in the discharge of his duty, leaving a heart-broken wife and two little children.

It seems to me that I was never so shocked as when, on Sunday morning, Oct. 30, I entered the church in Yazoo City and heard some one whisper, "Mr. John Coker was killed last night at Belle Prairie." I immediately left the church and went to the telephone station to call up his brother, Dr. Chas. Coker, to know if what we had heard was true; but, sad to say, in a voice trembling with emotion, he confirmed the report.

He was manager of a plantation, and on Saturday evening, as was his custom, left the house and went over to the store, a short distance away, to settle with the hands, and while sitting on the counter was shot and almost instantly killed by one of the negroes, and his lifeless body was taken back to the young wife whom he left only a few moments before, happy and hopeful, and in the best of health.

Bro. Coker was a man of great physical strength and wonderful energy. He was the most industrious and successful farmer I have ever known. He built with his own hands a handsome residence on the old home-place, much of the work being done by lamp-light after his day's work on the farm.

He joined the Methodist Church when a boy, and was always a liberal supporter of the institutions of the church and a faithful friend to his pastor.

He was married, May 2, 1894, to Miss Maude Myers, of Rolling Fork, Miss., who, with two children, one brother and two sisters, are left to mourn his untimely death. His wife writes: "The saddest part of his terrible taking off is that it was so sudden. He had not time to assure us that all was well with his soul, but he had told me that he loved God." The first and great commandment is to "love the Lord thy God with all thy heart," and we trust that this was fixed in his soul.

Our brother, who was ever ready to hasten to those in any trouble, will be sadly missed by his friends and neighbors. The hand that was ever open to the distressed and needy will no more offer unto them the token of sympathy and love of the heart that directed it.

In his death the church at Livingston has sustained a great loss, and will be keenly felt. His sisters have lost a kind, attentive, and affectionate brother; his wife a devoted, true, and faithful husband; his children a fond and indulgent father.

May the God of all comfort throw around each one his everlasting arms, and comfort their hearts as he only can give comfort in such sorrow!

We carried his body back to Madison county, and laid it to rest in the family burying-ground near Livingston to await the second coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

JAS. G. GALLOWAY.

FLOWERS—THOMAS M. FLOWERS, son of Rev. E. A. Flowers, of the Mississippi Conference, was born in Franklin county, Miss., Jan. 16, 1851, and died Sept. 10, 1899, in Wilkinson county, Miss., from getting his hand and arm cut off in a gin. Medical aid was secured as soon as possible, but to no avail. He joined the church in 1871, and was married to Miss Mary A. Jacobs, Nov. 6, 1873. Nine children were the fruit of this union, seven of which, with his wife, survive him. No man has ever died in this community leaving a better record than T. M. Flowers. In all relations of life he was a true man. As a citizen, he was held in the highest esteem by all that knew him. His strong mind, in connection with his sense of justice and right, made him a wise counselor and true friend. As a Christian, he was regular in attendance at the house of God. He was true to every trust committed to him. Honor, honesty and integrity were the marked features of his noble character. He never refused to work whenever called upon. He served as class leader, Sunday-school superintendent, steward and church secretary, and teacher. In the Sunday-school he will be greatly missed. He died in the triumph of a living faith in Christ. His remains were laid to rest in the Mt. Carmel Graveyard, Sept. 17, 1899. The funeral services were conducted by the writer at Mt. Carmel Church, attended by a large congregation. It was the most affecting funeral that I ever witnessed. We shall miss him in the community. We feel deep his loss to the church, not only because he was one of its most liberal supporters, but because of his exemplary life and the influence for good which he exercised over others; but nowhere is his loss so greatly felt as in the family circle, where, as husband, he was a model, and as a father he was so kind and gentle. His home was the preachers' home. He was the preachers' friend. We commend the sorrowing to Him who only is able to sustain them. His pastor, C. C. GRIFFIN.

BROWN—Bro. WM. R. BROWN was born Dec. 13, 1827, in East Baton Rouge parish, La., and died June 18, 1899, in Livingston parish, La., near Live Oak Church. He was twice married,—first in 1849 to Miss Sarah Campbell, who died about one year after marriage. This union was blessed with one child, who still survives. His second marriage was to Miss Hanna Goodrich in 1862, who died six years ago—Nov. 4, 1893. To them were given nine children, four of whom preceded them to the better land.

This faithful servant of God united with the Methodist Church when ten years of age, at old Salem Camp Ground. He remained a faithful member and consistent Christian until his Master called him to his reward.

Bro. Brown was a typical Christian character. It was a benediction to be with him, especially in his last days, when he was "enduring affliction as a good soldier of the cross." He lived the gospel before men while in health. He was over thirty years a Methodist steward. He leaves one brother, Rev. Wiley Brown, a local preacher, who has been in the service twenty years. His eldest son, Rev. H. Newton Brown, is on trial in the Louisiana Conference. All his children are

"Traveling home to God
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May God bless, cheer and comfort those whose sad lot it is to give him up!

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PHILLIPS—CLARENCE W. PHILLIPS, son of H. A. and E. I. Phillips, was born Feb. 1, 1884, and died June 25, 1899.

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To his brothers, sisters and young companions I would say: Live for God, for you know not how soon death may come; and if you are ready, it will be a joyful day. Parents, mourn not; Clarence is not dead, only gone before; and if you be faithful, it will only be a "little while," and you will meet your darling boy in that city whose builder and maker is God.

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Resolved, That we meekly bow to Him who doeth all things well, for He hath said, "Thou hast fought the good fight, and kept the faith; come to the place prepared for you."

Resolved, That we who survive her should be the better for the memory she has left us a memory laden with the perfume of kindly and generous deeds.

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NEWMAN—WALTER CALVIN NEWMAN, son of Bro. F. W. and Sister Estelle Newman, of Gallman, Miss., was born Oct. 27, 1897, and died Oct. 2, 1899.

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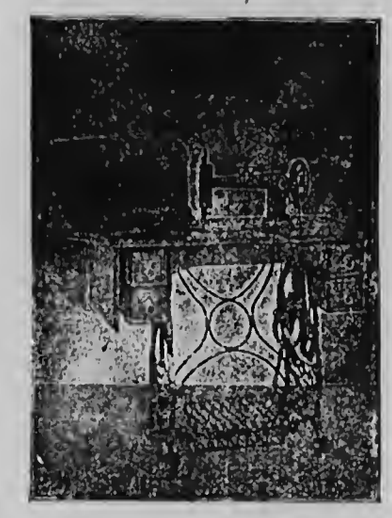

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

It is reported that Krueger favors unconditional surrender.

England's Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children examined 28,000 cases last year.

Seven hundred Boers are said to have been killed or wounded in the recent battles in the Transvaal.

Four American officers have been detailed to South Africa to take observations in the Transvaal war.

Eight thousand men are engaged in mining lead and zinc in Missouri. The total output for 1898 was 71,000 tons of lead and 110,000 tons of zinc.

Nearly every citizen in Springville district, Greenup county, Ky., was arrested recently for refusing to work on the roads, as required by the Kentucky road law.

In the International yacht race, sailed on last Friday, the "Columbia" beat the "Shamrock," the English champion. This makes the third successive defeat of the "Shamrock" by the American yacht, and closes the series.

The Boers shelled the camp at Glencoe from the heights, but the British bravely climbed the hills, took the guns and won a great victory. The British lost nearly three hundred killed. The Boer loss believed to be thrice as many. General Symons was seriously wounded while leading his column.

The clergymen of the Methodist, Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Church of Christ and Lutheran denominations of Ann Arbor, Mich., have entered into an agreement not to marry divorced persons, except in cases where the innocent party is granted a decree for scriptural reason.

It is announced from London that Hiram Maxim, the great inventor and manufacturer of guns and other war supplies, has taken out a certificate of naturalization as a British subject. He was born in Maine, but since 1884 has maintained an establishment in London, which now employs 14,000 workmen.

The fight at Elandslaagte, in the Transvaal, was a great British victory, though 150 British fell. Among the dead is Gen. Jan M. H. Kock, of the Boers, who was captured and died of his wounds. General Jonbert's nephew was also captured and reported dead. The Queen expresses sympathy over the casualties.

Another unusual cargo soon to go from New Orleans will be the shipment by the British steamer "Meridian," now at Chalmette, of 70,500 bags of flour, equal to the weight of 4,406 tons. This flour is destined for London, England, and will be the largest cargo of flour which has ever left this port in a single ship. No other cargo will be taken.

The aspect of affairs in Samoa is indeed far from reassuring. There is trouble brewing, and it will come soon if the powers do not come to aid the government and the distracted officials. The three consuls who were left there are finding their position by no means a bed of roses. It is a matter of "report that the feeling between the members of the provisional government is strained."

The war in Africa has afforded New Orleans some little prominence as a shipping point for mules and other supplies destined for the campaign against the Boers in South Africa. Several days ago a British transport left here with a consignment of 750 mules for Cape Town, and on Saturday the large British steamer "Montezuma" cleared with 2,029 head of mules also for Cape Town. These shipments of mules are but the forerunners of other equally as extensive shipments.

Archbishop Chapelle arrived from New Orleans on Oct. 21, and at noon went to the White House, where he had an extended interview with President McKinley in regard to his mission to the Philippines. The archbishop was seen, but he declined to discuss his visit to the White House, except to say that the administration found no fault with his mission as apostolic delegate to Cuba and Puorto Rico. He will return to New Orleans some time next week, and will prepare to leave there for the Philippine Islands, where he goes as apostolic delegate, about the last of November. During his stay in Washington he probably will consult with the Philippine Commission, which meets here the first of next week.

General Frederick Funston, of Kansas, lectured to the student body of Stanford University, in California, on Oct. 20, on the Philippines. He blames the friars as being at the bottom of the insurrection. The general unmercifully attacked the church, not, as he insisted, because it was the Catholic denomination, but for the influence it maintained upon that class of people. "If Congress would drive out the friars," he said, "and confiscate every inch of church property, the bottom would drop out of the insurrection within a week. Some people returning have spoken of the brutality of our soldiers in the Philippines. I say to them that they are unmitigated liars. Our soldiers never touched the wounded enemy, except to drag them out of the fire into the shelter."

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206 Hernando St., Memphis, Tenn.

A Card.

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Clerk Superior Court Randolph Co., Ga.

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MARRIAGES.

HAWKINS-GALLOWAY.—In the Methodist Church, Madisonville, Miss., Oct. 18, 1899, by Rev. Jas. G. Galloway, Rev. H. G. Hawkins, of the Mississippi Conference, to Miss Annie Galloway, of Madisonville.

LAND—THARPE.—At the home of the bride, near Goshen, Richland parish, La., Oct. 15, 1899, at 10 A. M., by Rev. Jas. M. Martin, Mr. John Land and Miss Eliza Tharpe.

MARTZ—DUNNING.—At the residence of Dr. S. T. Dunning, in the city of Canton, Miss., Oct. 19, 1899, by Rev. F. M. Williams, Miss Mattie J Dunning and Mr. Philip Martz, all of Canton, Miss.

CRAWFORD—MORRISON.—In the Methodist Church at Shaw, Miss., Sept. 20, 1899, by Rev. J. E. Cunningham, Mr. E. B. Crawford, of Leland, Miss., and Miss Annie Morrison, of Shaw.

DONALD—TUCKER.—In the public road, near Tucker's store, Oct. 12, 1899, between 9 and 10 o'clock P. M., by Rev. P. H. Howse, Rev. W. P. Donald to Miss Pearl Tucker, all of Noshoba county, Miss.

STINGILY—BENNETT.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dr. J. W. Bennett, Oct. 22, 1899, by Rev. W. L. Linfield, Mr. Carl C. Stingily and Miss Ola Bennett, both of Pelahatchie, Miss.

OVERTON—SMITH.—At the bride's residence, 306½ Washington street, Vicksburg, Miss., Oct. 16, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Cammack, Mr. J. M. Overton to Mrs. L C. Smith.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

FOREST DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Morton, at Pelahatchie,	Sat. and Sun.	Oct. 28, 29
Clarksburg, at Clarksburg	Mon..	30
Forest, at Forest	Tues..	31
Raleigh, at Bay Springs	Thurs..	Nov. 2
Trenton, at Trenton	Sat. and Sun..	4, 5
Hillsboro, at New Providence	Wed..	8
Carthage, at Carthage	Fri..	10
Walnut Grove, at Beech Springs	Sat. and Sun	11, 12
Decatur, at Decatur	Tues..	14
Choctaw Mission, at Talla-Chulek	Thurs..	16
Noshoba, at Pine Grove	Sat. and Sun.	18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg	Wed.	22
Chunkey, at Chunkey	Fri..	24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
N. end Hickory, at Newton	Tues..	28
Rose Hill, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	Dec. 2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose	Wed..	6
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun..	9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co operate to bring up all collections in full.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

North Kemper, at Mt. Pleasant	Oct. 28, 29	
Wayne, at Graham's	Fri..	Nov. 3
Winchester, at Winchester		4, 5
Waynesboro, at Waynesboro		5, 6
Enterprise, at Enterprise		12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's		18, 19
South Side, at South Side	Wed. P M..	22
Mathersville, at Winifred		25, 26
Shubuta, at Shubuta		26, 27
East End	Wed P. M..	30
Daleville, at Daleville		Dec. 2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M..	6
Central	Thurs. P. M..	7
Binnsville, at Scooba		9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Quos. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Woodville	Oct.	28, 29
Percy Creek		29, 30
Fayette	Nov.	4, 5
Centerville		11, 12
Noho		18, 19
Wesley Chapel		25, 26
Jefferson Street		26, 27
Barlow	Dec.	2, 3
Hamburg		9, 10

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Moss Point	Oct.	28, 29
Bay St. Louis; Long Beach, and Gulf Port, at G. P.		29, 30
Pearlington, at Pearlington	Nov.	4, 5
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville		6
Leaksville, at Leaksville		9
Biloxi		11, 12
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Ocean Springs		12, 13
Galloway, at Bonda		18
St. John's, at John's		19
Whittington, at ——		20
Columbia, at Columbia		25, 26
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	Dec.	2, 3
East Covington, at Eminence		3
Hattiesburg		4

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Adams, at Adams	Oct.	28, 29
Summit and Topisaw, at Summit		29, 30
Providence, at Georgetown	Nov.	4, 5
Westville, at Westville		5, 6
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Zion		7
Pleasant Grove, at Pleasant Grove		11, 12
Tylertown, at China Grove		18, 19
Caseyville, at Bethel		25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M..	29
Gallman, at Gallman	Thurs., 11 A. M.	30
Hazlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M..	30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec.	2, 3
Wesson		3, 4
Magnolia and Oeyka, at Magnolia	Wed..	6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto	Thurs.	7
Brookhaven		9, 10

The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTON, P. E.

Brookhaven, Miss.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Terry, at Terry	Oct.	28, 29
Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov.	4, 5
Vaughan's, at Ellison	Thurs..	9
Camden		11, 12
Tranquil, at Tranquil		18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M..	19, 26
Silver City, at Hillsdale		25, 26
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues.	28
Fannin, at Fannin	Dec.	2, 3
Brandon	P. M..	3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Weeleyana		9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Mayersville, at Beulah	Oct.	28, 29
Rocky Springs, at Shiloh	Nov.	4, 5
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork		11, 12
Anguilla, at Anguilla		12, 13
Satartia, at Mount Olivet		18, 19
Flora	Thurs..	23
Port Gibson		26
Hermanville		26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed..	29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs..	30
Utica	Dec.	2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed..	6
Warren, at Bradley Chapel		9, 10

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Jena and Jonesville, at French Fork	Oct.	28, 29
Spring Creek, at Spring Creek	Nov.	4, 5
Dry Creek, at ——	7:30 P. M..	7
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.		8
Natchitoches, at ——		11, 12
Boyce, at Boyce, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.		14
Montgomery and Colfax, at ——		18, 19
Alexandria		25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec.	2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

J. A. PARKER, P. E.

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CHREVEPORT DIST. FOURTH ROUND.

North Bossier, at Plain Dealing	Oct.	28, 29
Logansport, at Logansport	Nov.	1
Caddo, at Greenwood		4, 5
Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville		6
Florien, at Holly Grove		11, 12
Wesley, at Wesley		15
Pelican, at Bethel		18, 19
Fort Jesup and Many, at Many		23
Zwolle, at Red Land		25, 26
Red River, at Campo Belle		29
Coushatta, at Coushatta		30
Mansfield	Dec.	3

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pine Grove, at Killian Chapel	Oct.	28, 29
Amite City, at Amite City		29, 30
Franklinton, at Mt. Hermon	Nov.	1, 2
East Feliciana, at Clear Creek		4, 5
St. Helena, at Darlington		11, 12
Wilson, at Manassas		18, 19
Clinton, at ——		19, 20
Slaughter, at Ethel		25, 26
St Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec.	2, 3
Jackson		3

R. W. TUCKER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Farmerville, at Ebenezer	Oct.	28, 29
Bienville	Nov.	4, 5
Flat Lick, at Pine Grove		10
Haynesville, at New Salem		11, 12
Preaching at Homer at night		12
Lanesville, at Lanesville		18, 19
Valley, at Pleasant Valley		25
Minden		25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville		29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec.	2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 26 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Lafayette	Oct	28
Indian Bayou	Nov.	1
Prudhomme		4
Plaquemine Brulo		8
Lake Arthur		11
Grand Cheniere		15
Lake Charles		18
West Lake		22
New Iberia		25
French Mission		25
Opelousas		28
Crowley	Dec.	2

Let everybody be ready to answer the questions as soon as they are asked.

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Harrisonburg	Oct.	28, 29
Tallulah	Tues..	31
Bonita, at Bonideo	Nov.	4, 5
Winnsboro, at Winnsboro		11, 12
Gilbert, at Gilbert	Tues..	14
Waterproof, at Waterproof		18, 19
Providence, at Providence		25, 26
Delhi, at Delhi	Dec.	2, 3
Monroe		4

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Dryades Street	11 o'clock A. M..	Oct. 29
Rayne Memorial	7:30 P. M..	29
Plaquemine		Nov. 5
White Castle		12
Burgundy Street		19
Covington		26
Carondelet Street	11 o'clock A. M.	Dec. 3
Carrollton Avenue	7:30 P. M..	3

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Crews	Oct.	28, 29
Greenville	Nov.	4, 5
Tunica		6
Lula		10
McLemore		11, 12
Laconia		18, 19
Gunnison		19, 20
Lehrton		22
Rosedale		25, 26
Bolivar		26, 27

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Starkville circuit	Oct.	28, 29
Starkville station		29, 30
Winstonville	Nov.	2
Shuqualak		4, 5
Columbus circuit		11, 12
Columbus station		12, 13
Cedar Bluff		18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs..	23
Sturges		25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Water Valley cir., at Pine Flat	Oct.	28, 29
Minter City, at Strathmore	Nov.	4, 5
Tatum, at Cascilla	Tues..	7
Paris, at Spring Hill		11, 12
Banner, at Pleasant Hill	Tues..	14
Pittsboro, at Pine Ridge	Wed..	15
Slate Springs, at ——	Thurs..	16
Elizey, at Young's Chapel		18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gore's Spring		25, 26

H. C. MORELAND, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Winona circuit, at Bethlehem	Oct.	28, 29
Carrollton circuit, at Eden	Nov.	4, 5
West, at Midway		11, 12
McNutt, at McNutt		18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill		25, 26
Greenwood		28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Red Banks circuit, at Eureka	Oct	28
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	Nov.	4
Waterford circuit, at Souls Chapel		11
East Holly Springs cir., at Liberty		15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem		18
Connersville, at Connersville		22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mabou		25
Holly Springs station		27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Tyro	Oct.	27, 28
Wall Hill		28, 29
Pleasant Hill	Nov.	4, 5
Cockrum		11, 12
Longtown		16
Pleasant Grove		18, 19

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

New Albany circuit	Oct.	28, 29
Ripley circuit	Tues..	31
Jonesboro circuit	Wed..	Nov. 1
Jacinto		4, 5
Belmont		11, 12
Brown's Creek		18, 19
Marietta		25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pickens, at Pickens	Oct.	26
Salem		28, 29
Belzoni		Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek		11, 12
Chester, at Salem		16
Ackerman, at Salem		17
Louisville, at Louisville		18, 19
Durant station		26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.

Durant, Miss.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Buena Vista	Oct	28, 29
Fulton	Nov.	4, 5
Tremont		11, 12
Shannon		18, 19
Okolona circuit		25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.

Aberdeen, Miss.

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Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb, deceased, was a member of the Ministerial Relief Association of the North Mississippi Conference. All assessments ($5 from each ministerial member and $1 from each lay member) are now due.

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Secretary and Treasurer.

Water Valley, Miss., Oct 19, 1899.

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Hermanville, Miss., Oct. 22, 1899.

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NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

The Sunday-school Conference for the New Orleans district was held in Carondelet Street Church, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Oct. 24, 25, and 26. This was the first effort made to hold such a Conference, as is contemplated by the Discipline, in New Orleans, and its success was very gratifying to those having the movement in charge.

The New Orleans District Sunday School Union, composed of workers of all the Methodist schools in New Orleans, has been in existence for over fifty-two years, having been organized in 1847 by the late W. H. Foster, so long and favorably known in our church in this section.

Early in June, last, the presiding Elder, Rev. Dr. S. S. Keener, asked the officers of the Union to co-operate with him in providing for a regular District Sunday-school Conference, and the gathering just held was the result. An instructive, as well as attractive, program was prepared, the subjects and speakers being as follows: "What Is the Sunday-school?"—Rev. W. H. LaPrade, D. D.; "What Is the Sunday-school For?"—Rev. P. L. Fontaine; "The Relation of the Epworth League to the Sunday-school"—Mrs. Alma S. Wynn; "The Unity of the Church to the Sunday-school"—Rev. E. N. Evans; "The Home Department of the Sunday-school"—Mr. Allen F. Godat; "Music in the Sunday-school"—Mr. Walter J. Carre, and "Reaping the Results" Rev. Geo. D. Parker. There was also a free-for-all discussion on the question of, "How Can Our Sunday-Schools Be Made More Attractive and Effective?"

The music at the Conference, under the direction of Mr. T. O. Adams, the leader of Rayne Memorial choir, was exceptionally fine.

The papers and addresses were forceful presentations of the subjects chosen, and were attentively listened to.

Dr. LaPrade, in his address, held that the Sunday-school is not primarily and exclusively a place for little children; that it is not "the nursery of the church" (that time-honored phrase is to the contrary, notwithstanding); that the Sunday-school is the church teaching herself the Word of God."

Mr. Fontaine, in his paper, stated that the Sunday-school exists for the threefold purpose of "teaching its members the Word of God," of getting "its members converted," of keeping its members converted by applying them with Christian work."

Mrs. Wynn, in her paper, brought out the fact that the Epworth League and the Sunday-school are not rivals, but that "both the Sunday-school and the League are missionary societies, and only differ in that the latter affords a larger field for study and work. Both are arms of the same body, streiched out to save the young people before the blight of sin is upon them."

Mr. Evans advanced the view that the Sunday-school is to the church what the public school is to the State." The State feels its need of educated citizens; the church can not do its best work without members enlightened by the study of the Scriptures.

Mr. Godat, in his paper, said that the "ideal of Sunday-school work which meets the approval of the best workers in it is, 'All the Sunday-school in the church, and all the church in the Sunday-school.'" To meet some of the obvious difficulties in the way of such a consummation, the Home Department has been devised. It is, briefly, a class, or classes, composed of those who can not, or will not, attend the sessions of the regular school, but who will pledge themselves to spend a half hour a week in the study of the regular Sunday-school lesson, and to keep a record of their work.

Mr. Carre advocated plenty of singing in the Sunday-school, selecting the hymns beforehand, beginning with the first in the book, and learning a new hymn every Sunday until every one in the book is known. He considered music in the Sunday-school as second only to the work of teaching the Word.

On the topic assigned him, Rev. Geo. Parker stressed the necessity of special efforts and occasions for the ingathering of the souls of the children by having special days known as Decision days. All the work of the farm looks to the harvest; all the work of the Sunday-school should have the same end in view. Decision days should be preceded by much prayer, but also by adequate preparation.

The general discussion brought out many valuable points: the need of consecrated teachers, the necessity for schools progressing, punctuality of teachers and scholars, teachers' meetings, and individual reponsibility of each member of the school.

The matter of fixing a special day, to be observed as Decision Day in all schools throughout the district, was referred to the Executive Committee, with request that they give it earnest consideration. A resolution was also passed embodying a request to the Sunday-school Board of the Annual Conference to call a Sunday-school Conference for the entire State at such time and place as would be thought best.

The meetings were well attended, and there is every reason to believe that such gatherings will be a feature of New Orleans Methodism in the future.

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"A DEARTH OF PREACHERS," AND ELSE.

Bro. Honnoll, in your issue of Oct. 19, quoting approvingly from "Gilderoy," in your issue of Oct. 5, says: "The well-educated preachers, as a rule, will not stay in some sections of this Conference, and if they were to go and stay, they would not be largely useful. The margin between them and the people would be too great,'" etc.

After reading Bro. Honnoll's article I re-read "Gilderoy's" with careful interest. In the main, I heartily agree with it, but in the passage quoted above there lurks an error that deserves to be exposed. I beg pardon of Bros. "Gilderoy" and Honnoll for dissenting from their view—if I do, for I may not correctly interpret them.

In closing his article "Gilderoy" says, "In all this talk no one has uttered a word against a better-educated and more highly-cultivated ministry," etc.

Apropos to this, "Layman," in the Richmond Christian Advocate, of Oct. 19, says: "The pew is thinking and reading more than ever before, and a preacher must be a man of ability to have the respect of his hearers. We often tolerate, but feel ashamed of our preacher and blush when there are strangers present." Again: "Every profession, and nearly every trade, demand a higher standard than the ministry of our church. Four years at college should be required before application for entrance into a Conference."

This is a voice from the pew. Without commenting upon the last sentence of the above excerpt, we wish to make this point: It is not less education, but more of the mind of Christ that our preachers need to qualify them to minister to the common people of our rural districts. If it be true that education disqualifies a minister for ministering to the common people, then, I maintain, there is something wrong about our schools. Said a lady to me, with tearful eyes, whose daughter had just graduated from a Methodist college, "When my daughter went to college she was a religious girl, but she has come back to me worldly-minded and irreligious." If our colleges, male and female, are what they ought to be, they will develop the faith and quicken the Christian zeal of our boys and girls who attend them while they unfold the powers of their minds and advance them in their learning. Such education as this will not disqualify a young preacher to preach to the poor and ignorant; on the contrary, it will fit him more completely for such work. In our rural districts there are to be found many educated people. Teachers and professional men are there, merchants and the children of well-to-do farmers, and not infrequently the farmers themselves, whose scholastic training has refined their manners and taste. What can an uneducated ministry do among them? There is where the "margin" becomes "too great." But an educated man, with the mind of Christ in him, can lay his hand more efficiently upon the humble and illiterate classes to minister to them and lift them up, and at the same time he can preach acceptably and successfully to the more cultured of his congregation. There was no hindering margin between Mr. Wesley and the poor, ignorant colliers of England in his day. So I am forced to the conclusion that the trouble is not too much education, but too little religion. We need to stress more than we are doing the necessity of the baptism of the Holy Ghost as a qualification for the Christian ministry. W. B. LEWIS.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

"The Saloon Must Go" is the most conspicuous motto in the auditorium of Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, where the fourth annual anti-saloon revival is being held. Rev. A. J. Wheeler, of Maine, is in charge of the meetings, and, although the church is one of the largest in the city, its seating capacity is being taxed every evening. Mr. Wheeler takes the ground that the three things necessary to combat intemperance are education, isolation, and fumigation—a higher moral education to enable the people to fully appreciate the evils of intemperance in its effects upon moral character; isolation, which he interprets to mean prohibition of the liquor traffic, and to fumigate by cleaning away the rubbish of the saloon in politics and society. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beveridge, of Nebraska, the well known temperance singers, participate in all the meetings.

State Department officials say they have no official knowledge of any concerted action to be taken by European powers to stop the war in South Africa, and that, consequently, there is no foundation whatever for publications which have been made as to contemplated action by this government.

So seldom is a Washington pulpit occupied by a minister from the "Seceders," that few, even among intelligent church-goers, know by that name the Scotch, or Associate Reformed, Presbyterians, although that is the name by which they are best known in the South, where they are more numerous than in any other section of the United States. Rev. Oliver Johnson, who is pastor of the "Seceder" Church at Leslie, S. C., which was established in 1787 by Scotch-Irish forefathers of many of the present members, occupied the pulpit of the Central Presbyterian Church at both services Sunday, preaching on "Christian Help and Sympathy" in the morning, and in the evening on "Afterwards," the latter being a forceful argument upon the certainty of punishment afterwards for every sin committed. After his morning sermon Mr. Johnson received a practical compliment upon the force and simplicity of his preaching in the shape of an invitation to speak at the afternoon open-air gospel meeting of the Central Union Mission, where force and simplicity are not only appreciated, but absolutely necessary to catch and retain the interest of the average street gathering.

Rev. T. Miyagaeva, of Osaka, Japan, widely known in his own country as a successful missionary, delivered an interesting address on the spread of Christianity in Japan at the Autumn meeting of the Congregational Club, held this week. He said, among other interesting things, that the civilization of Japan was largely due to three causes: First, the Japanese are always satisfied with the conditions assigned them; second, they are obedient to their parents; third, they are gentle and kind-hearted, and devoted to learning.

The presence in Washington, and at the White House, of Archbishop Chappelle, Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines, who, it is announced, will shortly proceed to the Philippines for the purpose of using his influence with the Filipinos to aid in bringing about peace, has aroused much interest, which has been intensified by a letter published over the signature of the archbishop. It has so far been impossible to ascertain the nature of the conference between the archbishop and President McKinley, of which the letter mentioned said: "I see the press of the country said that the object of my visit to the White House was to protest against the looting and desecrating of the churches in the Philippines. This was not the case. As to the looting and desecrating of these churches, I am informed by a person whose word I can not doubt that this looting was not done by our American soldiers, but by the insurgents and the Chinese." The main object of the letter was to reply to the assertion of Gen. Funston that, if the friars were driven out of the island of Luzon and the church property confiscated, the bottom would drop out of the insurrection at once. In his effort to refute that assertion the archbishop made a showing which indicates that his church has no influence whatever with the insurgents. If that be correct, what can the archbishop's visit to the Philippines do towards bringing about peace? According to him, the insurgents are the bitter enemies of his church, having its priests and friars in prison, and favoring the confiscation of all its property. Perhaps he has proven too much.

Col. A. S. Frost, an officer of the regular army, who commanded the South Dakota Regiment which has just returned from the Philippines, had an extended conference with Secretary Root this week, during which he said of two widely-published charges against American soldiers: "The stories of American soldiers looting churches is false. As Gen. McArthur advanced, the principal churches were set on fire by Aguinaldo's men, notably the churches at San Fernando and Malolo, and the looting was done by insurgent stragglers and Chinese. It has been said that inhumanity was shown to Filipino prisoners. On the contrary, the American soldier is the kindest-hearted man in the world. I have seen him share his canteen and give shelter to wounded Filipinos, and the Filipino wounded are sent back to the hospitals on the same trains with our own."

Washington, Oct. 25, 1899.

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

The Pacific Conference was held in Asbury Church, Oakland, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 4, and closing Sunday night, the eighth. Bishop Duncan presided, and Rev. L. C. Renfro was secretary. There was a full attendance of preachers, and the number of visitors was greater than ever before. Perhaps every part of our territory was represented. The preachers, generally, were in good spirits, and the reports were hopeful. Preachers' salaries and all the collections were in advance of last year's reports. However, salaries are considerably lower than formerly. This is the case in churches of every denomination. In the M. E. Church they declined 25 per cent. in ten years. Two or three new churches and as many parsonages were built, and some old debts were paid. Salaries here average a little more than in the Mississippi Conference, but the cost of living is, perhaps, 30 per cent. greater.

A very unpleasant feature of the Conference was the expulsion of two of our number. Revs. W. D. Taylor and S. T. Reeve were among our most successful and popular pastors. They had been led astray by the teachings of one Alex. Dowie, of Chicago, an advocate of many vagaries and enemy of the church, and persisted in disseminating his doctrines and distributing his publications. Their presiding elder and other brethren labored with them in vain, and, as a last resort, they were cut off. The verdict of the committee is generally approved.

We received several transfers, most of whom come highly recommended. As usual, we may expect some of them, ere long, to retransfer East, disappointed and discouraged, while others will become acclimated, and do us good service.

We also lose by transfer some of our best men. H. M. McKnight goes to the Los Angeles Conference to succeed H. C. Christian on the Los Angeles district. Jos. Bule and C. C. Black, both young men, go, the former to Holston and the latter to East Columbia. Jas. Healey, my predecessor, a good man and true, returns to Los Angeles Conference, and is stationed at Lompoc.

Changes were more numerous than usual, though I do not believe the charge that the fact is attributable to Bishop Duncan's mania for making changes.

This scribe leaves Oakland for Salinas. The necessity of economizing in missionary appropriations brought about the change. Rev. P. L. Cobb, of Nashville, a man without family, is to supply Oakland. It is a hard field. All things considered, I regard my year's pastorate there as a decided success. We had 26 accessions, a net gain of 11, and the real financial strength of the church increased fully 33⅓ per cent. Still my successor will face discouragements, and have need of much grit and grace.

I will not use the stereotyped phrase, and say, "Bishop Duncan was the right man, coming at the right time," etc. He did some fine preaching, and held his scepter with a firm hand, but it would be folly to say that he understands the situation better than some of his colleagues who have seen more of us. Bishops, like the rest of us, are men, and gain knowledge as other men do.

Salinas City is a sea-coast town of about four thousand population, and is the county seat of Monterey county. The church here has seen better days, but we hope for their return, and for even greater prosperity than we have hitherto known. In God we trust. W. P. ANDREWS.

Salinas, Cal., Oct. 18, 1899.

FROM CHINA.

MR. EDITOR: I hardly know whether you will believe it or not, nevertheless it is certainly true, that degeneration—heathenism, if you please—may be as truly asserted of the productions of this country as of the people themselves. Not all of them, perhaps, but in the case of the more prominent and indispensable crop plants, as wheat, cotton, etc., it is most evident. These have been cultivated from time immemorial, and having a strong tendency to reversion from having been "bred in and in" so long, they seem to have become confirmed heathen in their character. This has recently been observed by some of the leading Chinese reformers, and there is now a movement on foot to establish a new kind of mission in China by the Chinese themselves, for the purpose of converting the products of this country into something like the results attained in Christian America. In this behalf a few days since a Chinese friend of mine, son of the late minister to England, applied to me to assist him in procuring some cotton seeds from the United States for his projected experimental farm not a great way from Shanghai. He is not a communicant in any church, but he is a great believer in Christianity, particularly in its power to improve things, and it is his idea to establish a series of practical tests with a view to improving the cotton products of his country. China has had the cotton plant for thousands of years, and nearly all her 400 millions of people are clad in garments of that material, but its cultivation is not properly understood, and the product is generally very coarse and short in its fibre, and altogether unfit for the finer qualities of goods. The whole system and its outcome mark the cotton product of the country as degenerate and seriously in need of restoratives. This is to be effected after the manner of Christian missions—by a Christian conversion, or the introduction of Christian seed from America. Who will now say that missions are not making headway? And what is more to the point just now, who among the friends of missions in America will refuse to send me a handful of seeds from the best varieties of cotton known in the South, in behalf of this new departure? The editor, I am sure, will endorse it, for he can not but know that the enterprise of missions, even in China, already has done no little toward the improvements of various field, garden and orchard products, and now that a new era of reform, based on strong conviction among the more intelligent classes, is beginning to express itself in acts and efforts for the betterment of the people's welfare, the missionary can not withhold his help, nor will his constituency and the home-land, I am sure, fail to respond to such a call and opportunity as this, which, though it seem so small and insignificant, may ultimately affect the comfort and well-being of the millions of China, which is certainly a noble Christian object, in which any layman might worthily sympathize.

I now leave the suggestion in your hands, my dear Dr. Black, and should you feel disposed to encourage some of your subscribers in the cotton regions to send me a few seeds, they can easily reach me through the mail in an unsealed paper package, the expense amounting to hardly more than the postage on a single sealed letter. They can address me at Shanghai. Yours obliged, etc.,

YOUNG J. ALLEN.

Shanghai, China, Sept. 26, 1899.

GRAND CANE, LA.

On arriving at Grand Cane, I found everybody talking about the very successful Epworth District Conference that closed the night before. The young lady who had charge of the badges said that about eighty Leaguers had been present. There was great enthusiasm throughout, and a number of excellent papers were read and practical talks made. A district organization was had, and at the head of it was placed a young Grand Cane Epworthian, a man of piety, ability, zeal, and judgment. The paper of Miss Sadie Deming, the city missionary of Texas Avenue Home Mission Society, was highly praised. Her subject, "My Place in Christ's Kingdom," she handled with ability and to the edification of all who heard it. The Home Mission ladies of Bro. Lowrey's church have done well in securing for their work in Shreveport this consecrated young woman, and rich results are confidently expected from her labors. The Grand Cane pastor, the Rev. Jno. Marshall Brown, is greatly beloved by his people, and is winding up his fourth year with credit. He will have a good report for Conference, and be ready to go anywhere, as has been his way ever since he came to us from Alabama. Large congregations came out to the preaching on Saturday and Sunday, and Bro. Bennett, of Keatchie, was expected to take hold on Monday night, and preach twice a day for a week. The pastor and people are anxious and praying for a good meeting, and, the helping brother coming "in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ," they are apt to have it.

JOHN T. SAWYER.

Oct. 25, 1899.

LIFE'S INTERPRETER—CHRIST.

BY LUCY LARCOM.

The secret of life—it is giving;
To minister and to serve.
Love's law binds the man to the angel.
And ruin betalls, if we swerve.
There are breadths of celestial horizons
Overhanging the commonest way;
The clod and the star share the glory,
And to breathe is an ecstasy.

Life dawns on us, wakes us, by glimpses;
In heaven there is opened a door!
That flash lit up vistas eternal;
The dead are the living once more!
To illume the scroll of creation,
One swift, soul-ful vision sufficed;
Every riddle of life worth the reading
Has found its interpreter—Christ.
—Exchange.

Communications.

MINISTERIAL POWER.

BY REV. ELTON WILSON.

(Continued.)

The practical application of the gospel to local conditions is very necessary. But in certain quarters it has "gone to seed" in secularism, sensationalism, and superficialism. A star preacher recently announced his subject as follows, "Paul's Double-Barreled Gun." A recent writer tells of a camp meeting where the service consisted of reading the description of the crucifixion from "Ben Hur," followed by the administration of the Lord's Supper. The Institutional Church with gymnasium, smoking-room, billiard and pool attachments, and all this in the name of Christ. It is worse than surpliced operatic choirs on High Steeple avenue; an emasculated form of Christianity, as powerless to save sinners as the appliances of modern club life. All this, with many things just as foolish, done in the name of Christ.

The right use of agencies, means, methods and organizations endorsed by the wisdom and authority of the church for reaching the masses and making the gospel more effective, is acting the part of wisdom. But this so-called progressive way of doing things not based upon right doctrine, right thought and right character, is pernicious. I have no sympathy for the creedless practical. The gospel must come first in all its old-time purity and power. There is no substitute. Institutional Churches, University Settlements, Humanitarianism in all its varied forms, can not take the place of the gospel. It is pre-eminently above all other agencies in the salvation of men. This is the verdict of history. "It is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

The power of the gospel does not reside in its intellectual presentation. An intellectual ministry who possess a corresponding degree of spiritual power are a priceless blessing to any church. But when culture is separated from emotion, action, character, and the Holy Spirit, it is dangerous. The so-called 'Higher Criticism" is only radical intellectualism "gone to seed." It is placing rationalism above spiritual power. The spiritual consciousness can not rest upon the narrow foundation of a barren intellectualism. Intellect, nor feeling, nor action, can not be confounded with that supernatural power that builds upon the whole nature of man the structure of spiritual character. The German ministry represents the highest and most acute form of intellectualism. They made the gospel powerless; they destroyed its vitalizing power, and fed the people on intellectual husks.

Schleiermacher, the preacher of Germany, who was more of the embodiment of spiritual power than any of his contemporaries, says: "I found everybody devoted to the intellect, worshiping the intellect, and I saw the bodies of young men dangling from the trees." The spiritual nature had been starved, and there was no comfort and peace in a barren rationalism. This resulted in self-destruction among theological students. Logic, though its links be as strong and massive as great iron cables, can not make an individual a Christian. It will secure an intellectual assent, but what is this? The devils have surrendered an intellectual assent to the great truths of the gospel.

It is said of President Finney that he used to hold special meetings for the lawyers of Rochester, N. Y., and that he never failed to carry their intellectual assent. But here his power ended. The preacher who possesses the greatest power is not of necessity an intellectual giant. The ideal preacher, in this sense, is the man who combines in the unity of his personality the harmonious activity of intellectual, emotional, volitional and spiritual power. This varied activity must find expression through a suitable physical organism. The most marvelous example of personal power in a preacher is found in Whitefield. The secret of his transcendent power can not be explained in the light of intellectualism. He was neither a thinker nor a theologian. He was not great in intellect, but was great in power. "He was a living dynamo on two legs." He thrilled and overpowered men who were vastly his superiors from an intellectual point of view. Such enemies of Christianity as Bolingbroke and Hume marveled at his power. This power characterized the ministry of all those evangelical co-laborers of Wesley, but not in such a marvelous degree as attended the preaching of Whitefield. As a natural basis of his power he possessed an emotional nature of great depth, breadth and strength, and great physical magnetism—an undefinable something that some one has called "presence." Superadded to this natural power, there entered into his personal life a spiritual power. He dwelt long and often in that unseen realm of communion and fellowship with God, where the spiritual forces and activities that move the world are born and nurtured under the life-giving influences of the Holy Spirit.

(To be continued.)

MEMOIR OF REV. WM. A. DOLLAR.

The announcement of the death of this faithful itinerant preacher in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, of Aug. 31, last, awoke a thrill of sympathetic sadness in the responsive hearts of numerous brethren, friends, and acquaintances, both among the ministry and laity of the North Mississippi Conference. The promise of "a more extended notice" has been delayed because sufficient data was not in the hands of the writer. Now, having this, and at the request of "loved ones" of the deceased, I offer the following as a faithful tribute in loving service.

Rev. Wm. A. Dollar, son of Lemuel and Margaret A. Dollar, was born in Morgan county, Ala., July 19, 1851, whence he emigrated with his widowed mother to Eudora, DeSoto county, Miss., at the age of sixteen. He was educated in his adopted State, where he was converted in August, 1869, and joined the M. E. Church, South. Three years later he was licensed to preach, and was received on trial in the traveling connection of the North Mississippi Conference at Sardis in November, 1876. He was ordained deacon at the same place and time by Bishop Geo. F. Pierce, and two years later was duly received in full connection. He was ordained elder at Columbus, Miss., in December, 1880, by Bishop Robert Paine.

He received the following appointments, which he filled with great acceptability, viz.: Jonestown circuit, 1877-8; Sunflower circuit, 1879; Jones Bayou circuit, 1880; transferred to White River Conference in 1881; located in 1882; readmitted into the North Mississippi Conference in 1884, and appointed to Attala circuit in 1884-5; New Port circuit, 1886; Ebenezer circuit, 1887-9; Weir circuit, 1890-91; Mathiston circuit, 1892, and Kosciusko circuit, 1893. During the latter part of his active connection his health waned, in consequence of which he embraced the supernumerary relation in 1894, which he retained to his death, Aug. 24, 1899. During this interval of rest he was often active in assisting in his loved employ in revival meetings, and was ably assisting this pastor on Chester charge when stricken with his last illness. His general health was seemingly much improved, and he had repeatedly expressed the intention to take work at the coming Conference at Greenwood.

Above all things, Bro. Dollar loved the Lord, and loved to proclaim the sacred message of his divine love. No uncertain sound ever went forth of his heart. He had a clear-cut, experimental knowledge of the gospel, and spoke from the depths of his own feelings and convictions. Our observation was that he was "moody"—i. e., at times he seemed to have infelicity of subject, which may have been owing to physical fatigue, and would enjoy but little liberty. Again (and much more frequently), he seemed to have full possession of the mind of the Spirit. At such times he was not inferior to any preacher within our acquaintance in the flow of sacred eloquence. He was verily on fire with divine fervor, and succeeded in inspiring his audience with kindred emotions.

His ministry was often sealed by vivid conversions in his congregations. On this subject he often dwelt with much tenderness and humility, and from the fact drew much wholesome comfort to his own soul. His parishioners, who survive him, in his former charges are able to afford abundant testimony to his fidelity to the high calling as an under-shepherd in Israel. His sympathies were deep and spontaneous.

He was happily married on May 18, 1879. To the blissful union were born eight children, four of whom preceded him to the glory world, and four remain, with the devout, sorrow-stricken widow, to mourn their irreparable earthly loss. Into no happier family was this humble scribe ever welcomed than was theirs; nor into a sadder scene was I ever ushered than was their home on the evening of his demise.

Being away from home in a revival meeting, I was not with Bro. Dollar in his last illness, which lasted about ten days. The family sent for me the second time to go to his bedside. When I did quit the meeting to go to him it was too late to see him alive. He had quietly and triumphantly passed away, amid a circle of his weeping family and neighbors, two hours before I reached his bedside.

Other preachers being out of reach, it fell to my sad, but inspiring, duty to attend his funeral obsequies. It was sad to me because it was a personal bereavement, and also because it was the first and only preacher's burial I have witnessed. How deeply I felt the need of other ministerial presence! How deeply must have felt the family the desire of more members of the itinerant brethren!

After the impressive service of our ritual was read the Masonic fraternity took charge of the remains, and imposingly deposited them in South Union Cemetery, on Chester charge, there to be tenderly guarded till the resurrection powers shall call them from their peaceful slumbers. This sacred spot is thus becoming more endeared to the hearts of the ministry, two of whom already have each a precious child buried there.

He lived and died bravely, showing, as well as teaching, men how to be men. And from his lofty joys he smiles back to his loved ones in the sentiment of the faithful poet:

"Farewell, friends! yet not farewell!
Where I am ye, too, shall dwell.
I am gone before your face,
A moment's time, a little space;
When ye come where I have stepped,
Ye will wonder why ye wept;
Ye will know by wisdom taught,
That here is all and there is naught."

WM. L. ANDERSON.

Chester, Miss., Oct. 20, 1899.

Nashville Advocate please copy.

REV. B. A. BEESON.

The Rev. Benjamin Abbott Beeson was born near Covington, La., Aug. 16, 1813, and died at his home near Pleasant Grove Church, in Lincoln county, Miss., Oct. 17, 1899. February, 1837, he was married to Miss Hannah Lee, and after her death he was married to Miss Eveline Collins in 1847.

He was a man full of the Holy Ghost and of good works, and the influence of his consecrated life will abide in his home and community. While he was a plain, unpretentious man, everyone had confidence in him as a man and a Christian, and he not only left his own house in order, but had contributed largely to the conversion and the stability of the homes in his community. Nature dealt liberally with him in intellectual endowment and strength of conviction, yet he was never self-assertive nor offensive in the advocacy of his peculiar views. Those who knew him best loved him most, and he is not only mourned as a great loss to his home and to the Methodist Church, but to the community as well.

His religious life was long and constant, flowing with the depth and breadth of the great river, and in sweet peace and gracious triumph he has entered into the holy calm of that "rest that remains to the people of God." J. M. WEEMS.

Correspondence.

VERNON, LA.

MR. EDITOR: Perhaps in some of your many peregrinations you may, "once upon a time," have found yourself at Vernon, La. It is the county seat of Jackson county. It has a court-house, four stores, doctor's office, gin house and jail, with a dotting of houses on the everlasting hills, with a parsonage that commands the view of all the aforesaid structures. "That Parsonage" has a history, but this writer knoweth it not. It stands on a beautiful hill sloping all around with an avenue of oaks down the front to the road. The lawn is carpeted with Bermuda grass, with a few trees dotting the whole. The parsonage is a large old-fashioned house that has been repaired and repaired and needs another repairing. If it could speak, it might tell me something that would be interesting to jot down. As it is, I can only imagine what tales it could tell.

The church was blown down by a cyclone some years since and has not been rebuilt. The town seems to be in statu quo. A lady told the writer that a commercial traveler said it was "the first finished town he had seen, that it did not look like a nail had been driven in it for forty years." He was mistaken; every preacher that ever lived here has driven some nails in this parsonage from the looks of it, and there are places that need more nails. The present heroine of this parsonage said that Bro. Johnson and wife "hung up their clothes on some of those nails and lived in their buggy." The circuit is all around about Vernon, and is bringing in the sheaves quite well this year.

Bro. Crews held Quarterly Conference at New Prospect yesterday. There was a fine attendance and a fine dinner; some of the good things even reached the parsonage and made glad the inmates.

Rev. W. A Clarke and wife have quite a home feeling for the parsonage, having been here two years. But the Conference time is coming, and the ever-changing homes of the "heroines of the parsonage," as Bishop Galloway calls them, may land the little heroine of this one with her two bright children in "some little hut among de bushes" on the other side of the State. Such is the itinerancy.

Among the pleasant homes in Vernon we met Mrs. Lane and her daughters, who are relatives of Rev. John Lane, of noted piety and blessed memory, mentioned in Bro. Jones' "History of Methodism in Mississippi" as a pioneer preacher in connection with Abraham Hewit, and having the whole State as their district. From that little beginning of Methodist doctrine, as they preached it with Holy Ghost fervor, one can but exclaim, behold, "What hath God wrought!"

Louisiana Methodism holds its own and gains a little in its much diversified conditions and geographical situations. So the writer is told.

A railroad through this region would bring about wonderful things. Beautiful for situation are the many hills around Vernon, and some day the great iron horse may plow its way through the hills and dales and bring prosperity and joy to its people. May God bless the work that has been done on Vernon circuit the last two years by the present pastor and continue it to his successor!

MRS. L. CRARY SADLER.

FROM BRO. TINNIN.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me the privilege of replying to Rev. H. W. Featherstun's article of the seventh ultimo. Among many other things he said was the following: (1) That I was the real cause of the disaffection of the people of Butler School-house; (2) the reason why he failed to get a deed to the new church at Whitestown was on account of a bargain that I had made with the owner (Capt. J. J. White). I enclose you statements from the people referred to in his article; also from Capt. White. Fraternally,

J. W. TINNIN.

McComb City, Miss., Oct. 21, 1899.

(Duplicate.)

Whereas, The Rev. H. W. Featherstun published, or caused to be published, in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, of Sept. 7, that Rev. J. W. Tinnin was the cause of the disaffection of the undersigned, formerly members of Adams Church, living in the community known as Butler's School-house, wish to say that Mr. Tinnin had nothing to do with our disaffection or withdrawal from said church: E. W. Gerald, R. J. Gerald, Martha Gerald, Wm. Gerald, J. D. Gerald, J. D. Gerald, E. A. Gerald, J. J. Gerald, Janie Gerald, N. Wells, George Wells, Mrs. Joseph-ine Wells, Mollie Wells, Della Wells, Minnie Wells, Tannie Wells, W. R. McDowell, E. E. McDowell, M. E. McDowell, L. B. McDowell, Ethel D. McDowell, D. R. Butler, J. E. Gerald, Addie Gerald, Eugene Gerald, Howard Gerald, Maude Gerald, Carrie Gerald, E. D. Gerald, E. J. Gerald, Emmit Gerald, Jr.

McComb City, Miss., Oct. 14, 1899.

Capt. J. J. White, McComb City, Miss.—

MY DEAR SIR: In a communication to the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, of Sept. 7, Rev. H. W. Featherstun alleged as the reason why he failed to get a deed to the new church in Whitestown was on account of a bargain that I had made with you. Please state if we had ever entered such a bargain, or if I ever asked you to enter such a bargain with me, or if I ever insinuated that I wanted this property deeded to any other church previous to my withdrawal from the M. E. Church, South.

Respectfully, J. W. TINNIN.

(Duplicate.)

McComb City, Miss., Oct. 14, 1899.

Rev. J. W. Tinnin, McComb City, Miss.—

DEAR SIR: Yours of this date received, and in reply wish to say that no such bargain ever existed between us; neither did you ever ask me to enter such a bargain.

Your friend, J. J. WHITE.

W. F. M. S.

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A PLEA FOR THE MISSIONARY HOUR.

It was some wise man—Mr. Wesley, I think—who apportioned the hours of the day thus: eight for sleep, eight for study, and eight for manual work and recreation, giving the average man sixteen waking-hours in the twenty-four.

We will make our estimate for women on a more liberal basis, and allow ten hours for sleep, thus leaving fourteen hours for the multitudinous cares and duties of mothers and housewives; fourteen hours a day, four hundred and twenty a month, and five thousand and forty waking-hours in one year.

The W. F. M. S. asks the women of the church to devote one hour of the four hundred and twenty, or twelve hours of the five thousand and forty, to the missionary meetings. Does this seem exacting? It is a lamentable fact that only a few who have promised to give even this moiety of time to the society regard the hour as no obligation. If one-tenth of our time belongs to the Lord, how does one hour in four hundred and twenty comparo with the obligation?

"Freely give as ye have received." Let us consider calmly what we have received. We profess the name of Christ, and rejoice in the light of immortality; we have God's promise for grace in every hour of need in this life, and we rejoice in a lively hope of an abundant entrance hereafter into life eternal; we enjoy the peace and security of happy homes under the protection of a Christian government; we are surrounded in health by kind friends and in sickness by the tender ministry of sympathizing, loved ones. The blessings which environ the humblest, poorest, weakest woman in this Christian land are superlative when compared with the wretchedness and hopelessness of heathen women.

Manifold mercies crowd our lives from the cradle to the grave, and all, all are fruits of the blessed gospel which our Savior gave to us, and through us to the race, the greater part of which, alas! have never heard of this gospel. If we love the Savior, who has shed so much bright ness along our pathway, we should remember that it is our duty to take the "tidings of great joy" to those who have never even heard whether there be a Savior.

God gave salvation to the world through faith by grace—"a free gift"—but he willed that the gift should be proclaimed to "the uttermost" by men. Dr. David Gregg says, "God links a man or woman to his purpose as co-worker, and his truth must incarnate itself to succeed."

We know that when the plan of salvation was perfected, he sent the message through his Son—Jesus, the incarnate Christ. Those who received the message were commissioned to take it to others, and these to still others, and thus on and on and on until the ends of the earth should be reached. Women who have been redeemed from the lowest to the highest position by the gospel have a peculiar interest in spreading the good news, and we should eagerly embrace the work which duty makes so plain.

To this end the W. F. M. S. has been systematically formulated, and now presents the opportunity for "work for Christ" at the door of every Christian woman's heart. To study missions in all its needs and aims, the society has set apart one hour out of every four hundred and twenty of our waking existence. Does it seem too much?

We have often felt our sympathies going out to poor Martha, who was bent on serving to the verge of exhaustion; but I fear she was letting the golden opportunity slip by while she imposed unnecessary cares on her woman's strength. The heavenly Guest was present "not to be ministered to, but to minister." His humanity, doubtless, appreciated the need for temporal necessities, and it was not the serving and necessary things for which he reproved Martha, but for the "much serving" and "many things" which absorbed all her time and energy.

It is sometimes wholesome for us to retire from our own service, even for the Master, and let our souls be lost in contemplation of his service for us. Many of us—overzealous Marthas—are so occupied with our own methods of service that we forget the marvelous ministry which we can only learn "at his feet." However much we may feel for overburdened Martha, we must remember that it was the Savior himself who commended Mary's chosen part, and if we will take the lesson home, we will, doubtless, find that there is time for all our domestic duties "as unto the Lord," and still opportunity left for a rest at the feet of the Great Teacher.

In view of our great obligation to the benighted ones who are waiting for the light, and dying while they wait, let us make an effort to honor the Lord by giving this one little hour every month to the missionary meeting. With every member in her place promptly, giving even her presence as a cheerful, free-will offering, there would soon sweep over the church such a revival of missions as would speedily bring all the world to Christ.

MRS. T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

The Christian Life.

When God has a great work for anyone to do in the world he usually gives him a peculiar training for it; and that training is just what no earthly friend would choose for him, and sometimes it is so long continued that there seems to us to be but little time left for him to work. We should not have led Moses into Midian to prepare him to guide a nation, and certainly we should not have left him there forty years. But God knew that the life of the humble shepherd, and in the desert, too, would best fit him to lead his people like a flock, and that he needed to be in that school no less than forty years to be the truly meek Moses. . . . He must have long years of quiet, under the shadow of Sinai, for meditation on the character of God before he could meet that God on the top of the mount, and there receive the holy oracles to give to us.—Mary Lyon.

What a vast proportion of our lives is spent in anxious and useless forebodings concerning the future—either our own or that of our dear ones! Present joys, present blessings slip by, and we miss half their sweet flavor, and all for want of faith in him who provides for the tiniest insect in the sunbeam. Oh! when shall we learn the sweet trust in God that our little children teach us every day by their confiding faith in us—we, who are so mutable, so faulty, so irritable, so unjust; and he, who is so watchful, so pitiful, so loving, so forgiving!—Phillips Brooks.

Kind words do not cost much. They never blister the tongue or lips. We never have heard of any mental trouble arising from this quarter. Though they do not cost much, yet they accomplish much. They make other people good-natured. They also produce their own image on men's souls, and a beautiful image it is. We have not yet begun to use kind words in such abundance as they ought to be used.—Pascal.

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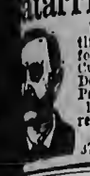

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FROM THE WORK.

COURTLAND CIRCUIT.

Courtland circuit comes ont on top is year. We have had n hard pull, t a strong one, and there has been a ghty upheaval. The dead have come life again and old things have passed ay. A new spirit and a new people. e Holy Spirit has been with us in wer and blessed our labor as to the arts of all. None failed to receive t those who closed their hearts against im." We have had about 150 converons and restorations, have added 112 the churches, with n few more to foiw. Baptized 92 adults and 7 infants. Bros. C. H. Moore and Tom Porter, o local preachers, full of the Holy host and preachers of power, assisted some of the work. Two worthy and ble sons of God.

To our heavenly Father belongs all aise. JNO. R. D. KING.

WESLEY CHAPEL.

This week marks an epoch in the hisry of our little church. Although ly one was added to our membership, e earnest interest manifested by these s and daughters of the piney woods d the tears that rolled down their nest faces showed plainly that their arts were touched to the core, and t God has a harvest of souls here to reaped at the appointed time. Rev. L. McManus came to the assistance of pastor, Bro. J. H. Montgomery, and ve us a five days' service, in which we ld find no fault except the shortness time, the approaching Quarterly Conence at James Chapel interfering. . McManus is an earnest, pathetic acher, in whom the Lord has vested eat power for good to human souls. has impressed us so favorably that would be glad to have him with us rmanently.

Our people are a thirty-day people, o need time to feel their way and ke up their minds; but the writer pictured for them a great gathering nmerical strength among the scenes eternity where all mankind shall harmonize in ecstacies; and we believe that Bro. Mack will come among us again termined to stay until these people saved, this picture will soon be filled in so far as our earthly conduct ncerned. W. E. HICKS.

Conchatoula Ct., Oct. 20, 1899.

ROSE HILL, MISS.

am now through with my protracted tings; had some very fine meetings, ers not so good. Our first was at Hill, embracing first Sunday in gust; was assisted here by Rev. Ira Robertson, who did us faithful and cient service. Second week in Aug we are at Hopewell hard at work the salvation of souls. Bro. B. F. is was with us until Monday evenwhen he was called away to his er's sick-bed. We regretted very ch to give up Bro. Lewis, but the d was with us. Its pastor took rge and held the fort until Wednesnight. The third Sunday in Aug we commenced a meeting at Pleas Grove; was assisted at this point Bros. J. W. Harmon, D. D., and B. Lewis, of Chunkey. We had a d victory at Pleasant Grove. Our t meeting was at Missionary, as by Bro. Massy, L. P. Our fourth last protracted meeting was held at iding, fourth Sunday in September through first Sunday in October; was sted by Rev. W. M. Sullivan from first. Our presiding elder, Rev. T. Mallen, came to our assistance Thurs night, and preached us five very sermons to the edification and de of all who attended. He held our Quarterly Conference, Saturday rnoon. Have just closed a two days' ting at Pleasant Grove with fine es.

Received on profession of faith this , 13. Adults baptized, 6; infants tized, 20. Hope to be able to make od report at Conference on finances. ray for us.

J. H. FOREMAN, P. C.

DOWNSVILLE CIRCUIT.

We have just closed a very fine meetat Douglass Church on this, the nsville circuit. The membership of church was drawn nearer to God and t up religiously, except some that ld not attend on account of sickness nnd a few others that failed to avail themselves of the benefits of the meeting. There were some persons that had a doubting and halting religion that confessed that the doubts and fears were gone, and that they loved God sincerely and expected from henceforth to obediently keep his commandments. Some of the members say it was one of the best meetings ever at old Douglass. At some services there were numbers shouting the praises of God. Fifteen and twenty young people would get happy and shout and shake the hands of the older members and all would rejoice together. We received a class of ten bright boys and girls into the church. The meeting continued eight days.

Rev. W. D. Bass, of Corinth, Miss., conducted the meeting upon the invitation of the proper authorities. He did the preaching, and did it well. He preaches a plain, straight, true gospel, and it tells for itself. He is loyal to his church and her interest. Crowds waited on his ministry towards the close and manifested an eager interest in the way they listened. Some of the members worked with the pastor about the altar from start to finish. Bro. B. T. Crews, our beloved presiding elder, preached two able sermons.

To God be all the praise.

THOS. J. MARTIN.

LONG BEACH, MISS.

After delays and postponement by quarantine, sickness, etc., we have been able at last to hold our revival meeting at this interesting place. Beginning Sunday A. M., Oct. 1, we closed on the night of the fifteenth. For more than a week no ministerial aid could be had. Most of this time the weather was unfavorable—the nights dark and damp. Some human agencies, such as dancing parties, obstructed. Yet a faithful few encouraged by constant coming and attentive listening. To these is specially due the success of the meeting.

On Tuesday, the tenth, we secured the presence and able assistance of Bro. C. F. Emery, of Edwards. He risked being caught from home; came around by Meridian and Mobile (a distance of more than 300 miles) to avoid breaking through quarantine lines, and reached us safe and happy. Of course, the congregation continued to increase steadily. His well-prepared, finely illustrated and earnestly delivered discourses were appropriate to the occasion. They dealt with vital themes. Repentance, faith and obedience formed the warp into which he wove fine threads of argument and exhortation, illuminated with apt illustration. To say that the congregations were greatly pleased and stirred is putting the truth very mildly. Many came to the altar of a fuller consecration, and many others who were seeking pardon and peace. Weeping penitents and rejoicing believers made the hearts of all to burn within us. Seven adults united with our church, while several promised to join other Protestant denominations. At our last service the house was full. Nearly everyone came forward to express love to God, or gratitude for blessings received during the meeting. "It was good to be there." The singing from our "Young People's Hymnal" was specially well rendered by our own young people and a few from other communions. Moral: Let every Methodist Church and home secure and sing these sweet songs of Zion.

On Sunday morning a delightful "communion" was participated in by all the Christians present. Many devout Episcopalians met with us around the Master's board in truly catholic spirit.

J. P. DRAKE, P. C.

Bay St. Louis, Miss., Oct. 18, 1900.

MANY, LA.

Bro. R. P. Howell's camp meeting on the Zwolle circuit closed last Sunday night, and was a great victory in the salvation of souls. The camp was six miles from Zwolle, at the end of the Allen Lumber Co. tram. The company were kind enough to run their train three and four trips per day, and charged men ten cents per round trip, and women and children went free; and after paying their actual expenses, the balance of the money was turned over to Bro. Howell to defray the expenses of the camp meeting. The income on their train amounted to $67.05. The expenses of the company were very small, as the most of the men who ran the train would not charge for their services. The meeting was held under a large tent, and the people came from every direction. The preaching was done by the pastor, Rev. R. P. Howell, A. W. Hodges, of Marshall, Texas; S. S. Holliday, Martin Hebert, J. F. Patterson, and the writer.

The preaching was done in the power of the Spirit, and God honored the word. We had a hard fight with sin, and a great victory followed. A number of souls were converted and sanctified every day, but the great victory came on the last Saturday and Sunday. Great conviction came on the people, and the altar and aisles were jammed with seekers, and the altar services would last sometimes for more than an hour. Souls would be converted or sanctified, and rise to tell what God had done for them, and others would take their places.

The workers were all among the congregation leading their friends to the altar, and the work moved on in the most earnest and business-like way I ever saw. There were many things that occurred that were remarkable. One old man, 70-odd years old, who had been in the Master's field for years, came forward seeking sanctification. He had been forward several times, and came this time to get through. He was asked to give up his tobacco, but hesitated for quite awhile. He seemed to get no relief; finally he ran his hand down in his pocket and pulled out a long piece of tobacco and handed it to Bro. Howell. He hesitated a little, and down in his pocket he went and out came another piece; then into another pocket and a sack of smoking tobacco came out, then an old pipe, and the old brother hardly got quiet before up he bounded and his walking cane went into the air, and a shout of victory and a scene followed that will not soon be forgotten. So many men were saved—railroad men, mill men. One Irishman who had backslidden said: "The devil overcame him one time, but the next time, by the grace of God, I will be more than a match for the devil." Bro. Barney Cassity, son of Rev. J. B. Cassity, of our Conference, was gloriously reclaimed on the last Sunday evening and preached for us that night, and a great altar service followed.

Last Sunday was the greatest day I ever saw on a camp ground. It was indeed a day of the Son of God on that ground. Bro. Howell is at home in a camp meeting, and knows how to lead the hosts. He stood like a general in the army giving orders, and led on the victory. He asked for one hundred dollars on expenses and his Conference collections, and in a few minutes he had one hundred and twenty-five. He had nineteen accessions to the church, with more to follow. We are sure that one hundred souls were converted, and at least seventy-five sanctified wholly. The work of the Lord is abounding in these parts. J. S. SANDERS.

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One of the things for which we ought to be most grateful is that God will not give us what he knows is not best for us, even if we ask for it over and over again. And one prayer that we can always pray in all sincerity and faith is that God will refuse to give us what is not good when we do ask for it.—Sunday-school Times.

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GUARD THE SABBATH.

It is evident to every student of the times that numerous influences are at work tending to undermine the sanctity and peace of our Christian Sabbath. Sunday trains, Sunday picnics, Sunday newspapers, Sunday markets, and other noticeable forms of Sabbath desecration, indicate plainly enough how rapidly we are drifting toward the abolition of the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship. It is a deplorable fact that in multitudes of instances professing Christians, instead of setting a wholesome example in matters of Sabbath observance, conform on the Sabbath day to the customs and practices of the godless and unbelieving. Instead of endeavoring to mould sentiment in the right direction, they drift with the tide of worldly influences. The truth is, nothing is of more vital importance to the welfare of the church and the perpetuity of Christianity than this matter of the proper observance of the Sabbath. The destruction of the Sabbath means the closing of our churches and Sunday-schools, the silencing of the pulpit, the rapid destruction of public morals, and the decay of religion. Some of the communities in this country where the Sabbath is hardly respected at all are experiencing the sad state of affairs above portrayed. It is high time for Christian people everywhere to awake to the significance of the inroads being made upon our day of worship, and to bestir themselves in behalf of a reformation.

In most of our States we have excellent Sabbath laws, but, alas! in not a few of our cities they are "more honored in the breach than in the observance." Owing to the repeated agitation of the Sunday question and to strong pressure brought to bear by the churches upon the police and public officials, marked improvement in Sabbath observance over former years is noticeable, however, in some of the great centers of population.

While some other forms of Sabbath desecration are more prevalent, we think it advisable to call attention to the shameful abuse by many druggists of a special Sabbath privilege granted by the law and by public opinion. Druggists everywhere are permitted, no matter how strict the Sabbath law, to sell medicines on Sunday, or anything else necessary for the sick. But it has come to pass that, with rare exceptions, almost anything a drug store contains, whether it be notions, cigars, jewelry, or confections, can be bought on the Sabbath day. Not only so, but instead of keeping open a few hours for the accommodation merely for those seeking medicine for the sick, drug stores are frequently kept open all day long for the benefit of the well no less than the afflicted. In consequence, the average drug clerk has no Sunday, and rarely has an opportunity to attend church. If it be not a violation of law and of Christian ethics for apothecary shops to sell other things than medicines on the Sabbath day, why should it be thought wrong for other shops to do so? Without doubt, the public conscience needs arousing and enlightening upon this point. Why should a church member excuse himself for purchasing some unnecessary article at a drug store on Sunday when he would condemn the opening of a dry goods or grocery store? While financial considerations have a great deal to do with the policy thus pursued by many druggists, the public must share a large part of the blame. As long as custom sanctions such violation of the Sabbath, we may expect the proprietors of such stores to continue the same course. We are not only too lax in our views regarding buying and selling on Sunday, but the trouble is that the average church member seems to have no conscience at all when it comes to the Sunday purchase of newspapers, cigars, soda water, confections, fruit, and other needless articles.

If it be right to buy a newspaper or a cigar on the Sabbath, why should it not be right to buy a coat or a pair of shoes, in case one desires them?

The teaching of the New Testament plainly is that only "works of mercy and necessity" are to be done on the Sabbath. Hence, anything that does not come under this category is a violation of its spirit and purpose, and is, therefore, not to be countenanced. If Christians will but measure every Sabbath practice and custom by the standard Christ has given, they will soon see that it excludes all business and buying except that of an absolutely necessary character.

Returning again to the drug store, we express it as our conviction that, in general, every such place could be closed on the Sabbath during the hours of worship with little or no inconvenience to the public. On account of their being open on the Sabbath, pharmacies often prove a temptation to loungers and amusement hunters.

The bare mention of the need of reform as regards Sabbath observance causes some to speak warmly and sarcastically on "Puritanism" and "old-fogyism." Unless Christians of every denomination stand more firm in opposition to Sabbath desecration, the Continental Sabbath, with all its train of evils, will soon darken our land and bring ruin to our civilization. While Sunday trains may not stop all at once because we cease to ride in them, and Sunday newspapers may still be issued though we cease to buy them, we will, by such action, maintain our own integrity and also help to set in motion currents of influence that will widen and deepen as the years go by. The fact that the godless and worldly desecrate God's holy day is no reason why professing Christians should do so. Wrong practices are never righted by being conformed to.

Time was when people scorned the idea that slavery would ever be abolished, and so it has been with other evils that now are things of the past. Though at present some forms of Sabbath desecration seem too strongly intrenched ever to be driven out, yet, whenever the Christian world becomes thoroughly aroused to the enormity of this evil and resolves upon a reformation, it is as sure to come as that slavery and the gladiatorial combats are now no more.

FROM BISHOP GALLOWAY.

MR. EDITOR: I have just returned from Flora, whither I had gone on a special train with Dr. Haralson, to visit those sick with yellow fever. It will be gratifying to the brethren of the Mississippi Conference to know that our pastor there, Rev. J. G. Cammack, is improving, and will doubtless soon be well again. One of his neighbors, Mrs. Goodloe, has died, and I had the sad duty of seeing that she had Christian burial, and speaking words of brotherly sympathy and religious comfort to the broken-hearted husband. Bro. Cammack's family have all been sick, but are now convalescent. Two noble young ladies from Madison Station, and a faithful brother there, all praise is due for going so promptly to the afflicted ones in Flora. Fortunately but few cases have appeared, but there were enough to depopulate the village and the regions round about. At such a time the appearance of a brave friend is better than the vision of an angel.

Conditions here in Jackson have not been so serious as last year. The cases have been few, the number of citizens to "go North" has been smaller, and the business has been less interrupted. The work at Millsaps College has gone right on, all communication with the city having been promptly and properly cut off. Cold weather has now come, and all anxiety will, in a few days, be only an unpleasant memory.

In view of conditions here and the appearance of the fever at Flora, I felt constrained to cancel some important engagements in Georgia and remain with my people. And then Savannah was afraid of me, unless I was thoroughly fumigated, disinfected and otherwise purified. But my honored colleague, Bishop Candler, shall have at another time double service, if he needs it.

Truly and fraternally,

CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 28, 1899.

WORK THAT WILL TELL.

The following associated press dispatch reports the inauguration of a movement that will make itself felt:

"New York, Oct. 27.—Miss Helen Miller Gould has given $6,000 to the League for Social Service, to be used in a crusade against Mormonism. The League has issued pamphlets in pursuance of Miss Gould's directions, aimed directly at Mormonism and Brigham H. Roberts as congressman, and will distribute them by millions. The pamphlets and blank petitions will be sent to fifty thousand clergymen, and to hundreds of clubs and societies. These, together with a varied assortment of other printed matter, are printed to enlist the cooperation and financial support of people of all classes throughout the country. The clergymen will be asked to preach on the subject of Mormon practices, and also to take up collections for use in the crusade against them."

A NEW BOOK.

THE SON OF MAN: STUDIES IN HIS LIFE AND TEACHINGS. By Gross Alexander, S. T. D., professor of New Testament Exegesis in Vanderbilt University. With an introduction by John J. Tigert, D. D., LL.D., Book Editor M. E. Church, South. Nashville, Tenn.; Dallas, Texas: Publishing House M. E. Church, South; Barbee & Smith, agents. 1899. 380 pages. Price, $1.

The above-named work is not a life of Christ, or an exhaustive treatise on his teachings, but—to quote from the preface—a study "of some of the more important phases of his life and teachings." It deals with large themes—the very ones concerning which a philosophic mind desires light. The author shows no disposition to shun difficulties, or dodge issues, because of their profundity. It is a work of vast erudition. While there is nowhere anything like an ostentatious display of learning, the author's intimate acquaintance with the best theological literature of the world is apparent throughout. Moreover, the work shows much independent thinking. No doctrine is accepted simply on the dictum of a great name, or because it is hoary with age. The tone of the work is pre-eminently praiseworthy. Its pages are nowhere marred by a spirit of censoriousness. In every line the author writes like the high-toned, sweet-spirited Christian gentleman that he is. The work is a model as to style. In those prime qualities of the rhetorician—simplicity and clearness—it commands the highest admiration. In every sentence the author makes his thought as clear as a sunbeam. Its precision and conciseness are equally noteworthy. The author always uses exactly the right word to convey his meaning. We do not remember to have noticed a single redundant word or phrase in the whole book. Its diction is elegant. The author seems to have all the resources of the English tongue at his command.

Without endorsing every position the author assumes, we most heartily commend the work to our preachers and our reading, thinking laymen as one that is worthy of careful study.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE.

We had a profitable and impressive memorial service for Rev. G. H. Lipscomb, here, on last Wednesday night. After an appropriate song service and prayer by Rev. J. A. Bowen, Bro. Bachman presented a brief sketch of his ministerial life. The Sunday-school sat in its own room facing the auditorium. Bro. W. R. Witty, the superintendent, told of Bro. Lipscomb's faithful and interested labors in and for the Sunday-school. He spoke in a frank and manly way of a difference that had arisen between Bro. Lipscomb and himself, but expressed his joy at having all misunderstandings removed before Bro. Lipscomb went away. Miss Lee Grider then read a beautiful paper as a representative of the Sunday-school. Prof. S. Ritchey had been selected to represent the church, which he did well in a most excellent paper. Opportunity was then given for all to speak who would. The writer, Rev. Cobb, of the Presbyterian Church; Bro. Shipman, Bro. Bingham, of Carrollton; Sister Shipman, Bro. Munger, Bro. George, of Carrollton, and Bro. Reagan bore testimony to his excellence in the order named. Bro. F. O. Reagan represented the Official Board in a suitable paper. Rev. H. T. Cunningham, of Carrollton, spoke to the point of his Conference standing. Bro. Bowen told of his early life in Columbus, and brought special messages to this church from his dying bed, he having visited Bro. Lipscomb in Birmingham.

We closed with general good feeling, singing, "We'll never say goodbye in heaven." R. I. ALLEN.

Winona, Miss., Oct. 27, 1800.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

It will be gratifying to the friends of Millsaps College to know that our work is progressing most satisfactorily. The yellow fever in Jackson has caused no interruption whatever in our work, and students who have stayed away on this account should come on at once. The weather conditions now prevailing remove all apprehensions of any further spread of the disease.

W. B. MURRAH, Pres't.

Oct. 30, 1899.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

Brig.-Gen. Charles King, late Captain U. S. A., returning from the Philippines, where his unexampled conrage received for him the brevet of Brigadier-General of the Volunteers, is the subject of a very interesting sketch in Ainslee's, for November. Mrs. Stanford, of California, and the University—built by the Stanfords in memory of their son—is another contribution of remarkable value, illustrated with some rare family portraits. Other contributions are: Through the Pygmy Forest of Africa; Coru is King, by Albert B. Lloyd; The Story of the Fast Express.

In the November Ladies' Home Journal the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon emphasizes the teachings of his famous book, In His Steps, asking and answering the question, Is Christianity Practical in Worldly Affairs? Sir Henry Irving writes on The Study of Shakespeare in Small Communities, Ian Maclaren on The Mutineer in the Church, and Franklin Fyles on How a Play Is Written. The Anecdotal Side of Robert E. Lee and How the Next Census Will Be Taken are interesting features. Those Stately Homes of Old Virginia and The New American Girls (Porto Rican) are the interesting pictorial features. Every phase of home life and home work are considered in the November Journal.

The Real Problems of Democracy is the subject of the leading article in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly, for November. Under the title, An English University, Mr. Herbert Stoteshury describes Cambridge. He gives an interesting account of its history and present methods. Prof. William Keith Brooks, of Johns Hopkins, reviews in a very able way Dr. Wallace's recent work, entitled The Wonderful Century. The principles of Wireless Telegraphy are explained and illustrated, in as untechnical a manner as the nature of the subject admits, by Prof. John Trowbridge, of the Jefferson Physical Laboratory, Harvard University. The topics of the Editor's Table are, Home Burdens and Specialization.

In the November Scribner's President Hadley, of Yale College, one of the best-known authorities on the subject in the United States, writes an article on The Formation and Control of Trusts. He gives a clear statement of the motives and conditions that lead to their organization, and points out with reassuring emphasis some of the causes that are already tending toward their limitation as mere speculative enterprises. He believes that the question of State ownership or control will become less and less acute as a political issue. The concluding instalment of the Stevenson Letters deal with his life in Samoa, one of the most romantic and busy periods of his career. The Man on Horseback, by William Allen White, is one of this writer's strongest and most vivid pictures of life and politics in a growing Western city.

St. Nicholas, for November, is a number of unusually varied interest. The frontispiece by Jay Hambidge illustrates a true story by Ian Maclaren of the rescue of a horse by one of his father's farmhands, at the expense of the gallant rescuer's own life. Our Miniature Navy, consisting of models of the twenty-three best ships of the American navy, is accurately described by Whitman Osgood and George P. Conn. General Tom Thumb is the seventh in the series of Historic Dwarfs whose stories Mary Shears Roberts has retold. The Monkeys of Amber introduces the young American reader to a very ancient city in India, which for nearly two centuries has been given over to monks and monkeys. Short stories, verses and pictures abound in this number.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, for November, contains Stephen Crane's new story, West Pointer and Volunteer. Among the Boers is one of the most interesting magazine articles yet published upon this timely topic. Its copious illustrations include views in Johannesburg, and a full-length portrait, from life, of Oom Paul Kruger, the grand old man of the Transvaal. Clifton Johnson, the well-known artist author, contributes a profusely and beautifully illustrated article upon The Old Folks at Home in New England, which is full of tender character-study. The marvelous story of the November meteors is told by H. P. Powell Rees, with the aid of illustrative diagrams by the author. The Hon. Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury, continues his admirable review of the Finances of Our Wars, including the Civil War, and the late Spanish-American conflict.

The November number of the Self-Culture Magazine is unusually attractive. The student of current events will welcome the paper entitled, The Transvaal—Boer versus Briton, with its review of the warlike situation in Africa and its accompanying map; also the discussion of Have We a Duty to the Philippines? The university man and the educator will take a lively interest in the article on Yale University, with its superb illustrations. An Architect's Plaint may set some to wondering why the names of the designers of our finest buildings are almost unknown to those who daily view their magnificent productions. A charming historical paper is that entitled, Greenwich: Its Kings, Queens, and Heroes, and interesting articles on American history are found in Civilizing Indians, and Chickamanga and Chattanooga. The editorial pages cover, as usual, some of the leading topics of the current history of the world.

TWO SUGGESTIVE TYPES.

Rev. S. B. Osborn, lately our pastor in Spearville, Kan., withdrew some weeks ago from our ministry and membership to ally himself with the faith-healing craze of the so-called "Doctor" Dowie, of Chicago. He has returned to Spearville, where he has been supported by our church for three years, to organize a body of faith-healers. Mr. Osborn has been for two years using his opportunities as a Methodist pastor to circulate among his people tracts and papers furnished from the Dowie headquarters in Chicago. This he has done to the neglect and disadvantage of our own denominational literature.

We call attention in connection with this case to another somewhat similar, which ought to evoke some serious reflection, if not some radical action. Rev. N. L. Hoopingarner, who for six years, or more, has been an evangelist, trusted by many pastors and successful in some fields, has within the past year or two set up as a magnetic healer. He has been until a month ago a supernumerary member of the Nebraska Conference, and at the recent session he was allowed to locate, without apparently any question being raised against him. So he retains a place in our denomination as an ordained local elder, and yet poses before the public, and advertises in various city dailies, as an expert in magnetic healing, offering, moreover, to teach that "science" for ten dollars! Those charged with the denominational oversight of this man should not allow him to carry on his delusions and perpetrate his follies in the guise of a Methodist local preacher. Methodism is a pretty broad church and it manages to hold a great variety of characters, but we ought to draw the line at "faith doctors" and "magnetic healers."—Central Advocate.

NOTES.

On Sunday night, at Carondelet, Prof. Carter preached a sermon with which the people were much pleased.

Dr. W. C. Lovett, of the South Georgia Conference, has been elected assistant editor of the Wesleyan Advocate.

Bishop R. K. Hargrove passed through the city last week en route to Texas, where he will hold several Conferences.

On another page Dr. Keener reports the contributions of the New Orleans churches to the Twentieth Century Fund.

Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Black are afflicted in the death of their second son, Nathaniel, which occurred at Natchez on Oct. 27.

Rev. J. G. Cammack, of the Mississippi Conference, stationed at Flora, has been quite ill with yellow fever, but is now convalescent.

Rev. W. O. Waggener, of the North Alabama Conference, has been transferred to the Pacific Conference, and stationed at Santa Rosa, Cal.

The New Orleans District Sunday-school Conference was a success both in attendance and interest. A report of the proceedings appears on another page.

The distinguished poetess, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, is wielding her vigorous, influential pen in opposition to the lax divorce system now prevalent in America.

Literary Life continues to maintain the high standard of its first issue. Let those who have not seen it send for a copy. Address W. C. Everett, Dallas, Texas.

Rev. Wm. Schuhle, writing from Bastrop, La., under date of Oct. 24, says: "This is the fourth week of my protracted meeting here. Hope to have good news to tell later."

Rev. J. W. McLaurin, Canton, Miss., says: 'Our congregations continue good, and we are now beginning to renovate our house of worship from top to bottom, inside and out."

The numerous friends of Rev. H. H. Ahrens will be glad to learn that he has been promoted to a more lucrative and responsible position in the service of the Southern Pacific railroad.

Rev. A. S. J. Neill, writing from Winnsboro, La., Oct. 25, says: "We began a meeting at this place Monday night, assisted by Rev. E. T. Denson. I believe we will have a great revival."

On the seventeenth ultimo, in Hays Street Methodist Church, Jackson Tenn., Miss Lemelia Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lewis, of this city, was married to Dr. George W. Robinson, of Magnolia, Miss., Rev. W. B. Lewis, of the Mississippi Conference, officiating, assisted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Evans. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the happy pair. May prosperity and happiness attend them through life!

Rev. H. R. Singleton, Jr., writing from Arcadia, La., under date of Oct. 25, says: "Bro. C. F. Staples held a meeting at Sibley last week, Oct. 15-20. Bro. C. P. Smith preached once, and I preached three days and nights. There were 25 conversions and 20 accessions. The Lanesville work is in good condition. I am putting in the time until Conference helping some of the brethren, and in the three meetings I have held since transferring have seen 225 conversions. I go to Ruston next week."

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Since the organization of the Mississippi State League the plan of collecting a yearly assessment of five cents per member, from each Leagner, for defraying the current expenses of the State work, has been followed. For several years the collecting of this fund was deferred till during the session of the State Conferences; consequently the Leagnes not represented in these meetings were not called on for their pro rata share. Last year, however, by order of the State Conference, a communication, urging the prompt payment of this assessment, was sent from this office to each League president, two months before the State Conference. Only seventy-two Leagnes responded to this call, and in consequence thereof the treasurer only has in hand now funds sufficient to meet the expense of publication of the Minutes. Money is needed for the distribution of these Minutes over the State. Plans which have recently been put on foot for the promotion of our "Holston Mission Plan," have required money.

The vice-presidents are now formulating plans also for the systematizing of the State work, under their separate departments, which will require a great deal of printing and postage.

In consideration of these claims, our worthy president has ordered a call from this office for dues to be remitted at this time, in order that *the* progress of the work may not be hindered because of a lack of funds. The payment of your dues now will pay you up to the time of the next State Conference, to be held at Vicksburg, some time next Spring or Summer. My directory shows 157 Leagues in the State, and we believe that each Leagne in the State has the interest of the cause too much at heart to withhold needed help. Besides the fair and equitable way is for each Leagne to pay its share. This assesment only calls for a small sum from each Leagne—too small, we believe, to be crowded out by other claims.

The Starkville Senior Leagne is the only Leagne up to date, having already paid on this assessment. The Starkville Leagners are wide awake, and promptly respond to all calls made upon them; besides they have an all-around, up-to-date Leagner for a pastor. He is a product (?) of the Tupelo Leagne, No 406, and that Leagne does no half-way work. See! The Columbus district was the leading district in the State last year in our missionary work, and gives promise of taking the lead again this year. I know of no other district in which the Central Committee on Missions has already been appointed, and cheering news comes from Miss Anne Scales, district secretary. She and her presiding elder are going to push our "Holston Mission Plan." Bring up the State assessment in full now, Miss Anne.

Rev. R. H. B. Gladney writes encouragingly from the Durant district, and we believe he will bring the work to the front in his district also. I urge the district secretaries to push this State assessment in their districts. I know that many other claims are upon them at this time, but this is a small matter, so give it prompt attention. The State officers must have an expense fund. Receipts will be issued for every cent received. Remit to D. G. Patton, Jackson, Miss.

"All for Christ,"

VIC THOMPSON,
State Secretary.

Tupelo, Miss., Oct. 25, 1899.

Winona District.

The officials of the Quarterly Conference of the following charges will please meet me in special session as designated below:

Vaiden, at Columbiana	Mon., 11 A. M.	Nov. 13
Carrollton sta., at Long View	Wed., 10 A. M.	15
Carrollton cir., at Carrollton	Wed., 2 P. M.	15
Indianola, at Indianola	Thurs., 11 A. M.	16
Etta Bena and Sidon, at Greenwood	Mon., 11 A. M.	20
Black Hawk, at Acona	Tues., 11 A. M.	21
West, at West	Wed., 11 A. M.	22
Winona cir., at Winona	Thurs., 11 A. M.	23
Winona station	Thurs., 7:30 P. M.	23
McNutt	Mon., 11 A. M.	27

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

Winona, Miss., Oct. 24, 1899.

EDUCATIONAL.

Dr. Cooper informs me that there are twenty-five preachers and the sons of preachers attending Centenary during the present session, and no doubt Mansfield has her full quota of preachers' children enrolled; therefore, suffer and heed this exhortation Let every pastor press the educational collection and have it in full for the ensuing Annual Conference. The following works which reported nothing for education last year we hope will not fail this. In the New Orleans district let Tchoupitoulas, Plaquemine, Covington, if possible, bring up something. In the Baton Rouge district can not Live Oak, Ponchatoula, St. Helena, Clinton bring up something, so there will be an improvement. In the Opelousas district we notice the following: New Iberia, Jeanerette, Lake Charles, Grand Cheniere, Lake Arthur, and French Mission. Surely some of these appointments never had a chance to give. The cause was not certainly ignored in toto by these. In the Alexandria district we find these neglecting this collection: Bunkie and Big Cane, Melville, Spring Creek, Dry Creek, Montgomery, Natchitoches, Jena and Jonesville, Washington, Olla. This district unfortunately leads in missionary territory, hence many of these circuits are hard to get anything out of; but some of these were not pressed on this cause. In the Shreveport district Mooringsport, Grand Cane, Robeline, Red River, Benton, and Many. Let these works have a fair chance to give to this cause. The Arcadia district had only two works which reported nothing for this cause—Gibbsland and Gannaville. That fine meeting at Gannaville will, of course, insure all the collections there this year. Talulah, Floyd, DeSiard, Bonita were wholly wanting in this cause last year. Bonita has had a good meeting this year and will show up all right, of course. What about the other three from the Monroe district? It is sad to see how far short our districts have fallen on this very important cause.

	Assessed	Paid
New Orleans District	$290 00	$203 15
Opelousas District	227 40	84 60
Baton Rouge District	284 90	90 70
Alexandria District	197 00	18 60
Shreveport District	241 30	114 65
Arcadia District	219 90	104 38
Delhi District	107 00	57 75

This was falling below the previous year. Can not these figures be changed at our coming session? While we are pressing the cause for the Twentieth Century fund, let us not neglect this regular collection to meet the calls for this year.

The New Orleans district observed the Educational Day, and on that day Algiers led all by getting more than her per capita pledged: Algiers, $216; Louisiana Avenue, $180 08; Rayne Memorial, $200; Carondelet, $200; Tchoupitoulas, $35; Burgundy Street, $26; Dryades Street, $35; Parker Memorial, $35

Several of the charges did not take the pledges, and several of the above have only partially reported. There is every indication that this district will respond generously and exceed the per capita amount which is put as the lowest tide-mark that any should reach in our thank-offering. This is only the beginning of pressing the cause in the district. While we have not many rich in our church in this State, yet we have enough who could amply endow our colleges and fit them in some measure to compete with the State Institutions, and the very multiplication of these makes our responsibility greater and the call for us to educate our own children more imperative. It is hoped that all our pastors who failed to collect their educational claim last year will make an earnest and honest effort to do so this year. Let this stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance. S. S. KEENER,

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In behalf of the Board of Directors of "The Mississippi Orphans' Home," I hereby urge you to remind the membership of your several charges of the importance of remembering "Our Home" on the approaching Thanksgiving Day. We are now nearing a very critical period in our history, and we ask for your prayers as well as material aid.

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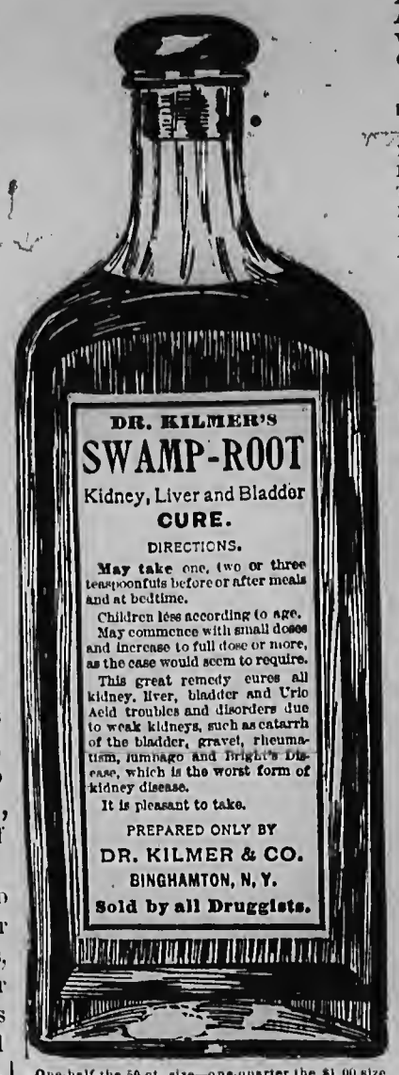
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While the moonbeams played at hide and seek
With the dimples on the sun-browned cheek—
When I was a little boy!

And, oh! the dreams—the dreams I dreamed!
When I was a boy, a little boy!
For the grace that through the lattice streamed
Over my folded eyelids seemed
To have the gift of prophecy,
And to bring the glimpses of time to be
When manhood's clarion seemed to call—
Oh! that was the sweetest dream of all,
When I was a little boy!

I'd like to sleep where I used to sleep,
When I was a boy, a little boy!
For in at the lattice the moon would peep,
Bringing her tide of dreams to sweep
The crosses and griefs of the years away
From the heart that is weary and faint to-day;
And those dreams should give me back again
A peace I have never known since then—
When I was a boy, a little boy!

A HAPPY HOME.

1. The first condition of a happy home is a reverent, devout, loving recognition of God. He is its architect. An ideal home without a family altar is inconceivable. Family life should centre about the Bible, be sweetened by daily song, be hallowed by joyous, reverent prayer. Oh, the sweetness, the sunshine, the melody, the unity of such a home! Its love is the outcome of divine love. Only thus can natural affection be ennobled, sanctified, and made abiding.

2. Unselfishness. Christian love forbids thoughtlessness and disregard of others. Courtesy and ceaseless kindness must habitually control speech and action. "Be kindly affectioned one toward another" is the counsel of Scripture. The spirit that beautifies and blesses the home is gentle, patient, forbearing, thoughtful, dutiful, affectionate.

3. Culture must be added to grace. Grace itself demands it. Books, music, pictures, a high grade of periodical literature, and all that refines, ennobles and educates must be coveted, and, as resources permit, secured. Much of the world's money is squandered on outside pleasure that brings no profit, but rather, by creating a spirit of restlessness, disorganizes the home, which is the only permanent source of virtue and joy. The encroachments of modern society and public amusements are a portentous menace to the well-being of mankind.

4. Pleasure. It is a tremendous impeachment of family life and of stability of character when a household can find no satisfying amusements within the bounds of its own circle. Parents must play with their children, provide them games. Children well trained find more delight in the companionship of parents, brothers and sisters in sport than in that of the outside world. A family circle, happy in itself, listening to reading about a table well loaded with good literature, enjoying or uniting in music and song, full of glee over some wholesome game, rich enough in character and life to have resources in itself, and not dependent for diversion and amusement upon the questionable and superficial pleasures ministered by those not seeking our highest good—such a home is a joy to childhood, an inspiration to manhood, a boon or a blessed memory to old age.—New York Observer.

THE MEANING OF MANNERS.

There are many people who are not hypocrites in any other direction, but who never live up to their manners. They are habitually polite, cordial, obliging and sympathetic to everyone that they meet. But, practically, they have not the virtues of which these manners should be but the outward and visible sign. They have been taught, so to speak, to hang out the sign, and keep it in good order, with its letters bright and its legend clear, and there their idea of behavior ends. Not that they are vicious, or unkind—but simply that the high manners have no high living behind them, and are but a mask, beneath which we suspect, dimly, a very different face from the unvarying one that we see smiling upon us.

The sincere soul will never strive after a manner that is not the simple, outward expression of the inner man. We have no right to a fine manner unless we have the fine nature to which it belongs, any more than a beggar has the right to steal an embroidered cloak to cover his shabby rags. And the worst of it is that the delicate beauty of the cloak is inevitably smirched and degraded by the beggar's touch. What right has a fussy, egotistical person to a cordial, sympathetic manner? That belongs only to the warm, generous heart that it should express. What part has a selfish soul in obliging words and polite interest? None at all. And it is because of this appropriation, by unworthy persons, of the manners that do not belong to them, that good manners are so often discredited in the eyes of those who have been deceived by their false owners; while, on the other hand, sincerity often takes refuge, most unwisely, in a brusqueness that is not really native to it. The real truth lies between these mistakes. Let us use just as much of high manners as we have attained to in our hearts, not resting, year after year, until we attain more, and yet more, of beautiful outward expression, yet always guarding against the assumption of more than we have truly conquered and possessed. So the manners and the nature will grow together, each reacting upon, and developing the other, until the gracious beauty of the one will be but the transparent glass through which the fine harmony of the other is manifest; and so we shall know, and show, the true meaning of manners.—The Interior.

DEWEY'S REBUKE.

A writer in the New York Sun tells some pleasing stories about Admiral Dewey that illustrate his high sense of manliness and will endear him to the "popular heart." On one occasion, says this authority, an admiral whose name is not given was cursing on shipboard in a most offensive way, when Dewey, then a lieutenant, walked up, saluted, and said: "Admiral ——, I will not allow you or any man living to address me in the language you are using." This naturally astonished the other officers within hearing, who expected that Dewey, when he was sent for by the admiral a little later, would "catch it." But all the admiral said was: "I wanted to say to you that I was not addressing you in my remarks a few minutes ago. That is all, sir." It is pleasant to feel that our admiral is not only a hero, but a gentleman.—New York Advocate.

TRUE AND FALSE CULTURE.

Anything which draws the housekeeper from a healthful, loving, faithful interest in her home affairs must be unworthy of her pursuit. Let a woman join a study club, if she finds that it will be helpful to her; but if she finds that this will force her to neglect things which would tell upon the home comfort, there are books which will furnish what she needs for the purpose of mental cultivation, and perhaps her husband could, after he has rested of an evening, join the study, and so the two would have the pleasure of a joint interest in a subject. But let the woman who chooses the reading course beware of taking up a work because it has become the fashion. Her own intellectual need should be consulted. She must learn to select for herself; to see with her own eyes, and to decide through her own judgment. Her home must be an expression of her own taste, and must prove the fact of her economy of time and strength and money. She must not feel herself superior to the most careful planning, nor reject the most trifling means toward accomplishing success in home management; indeed, she should be proud of an ability to make a nickel go as far as possible, and so oil the machinery of service that it seems to run itself.—Woman's Home Companion.

THE DEBT OF HONOR.

Every son, when he goes away from home, carries with him the honor of the home to which he belongs, and he may either enhance or dissipate it. If he does well, his success is doubled, for it is not only an ornament to himself, but a crown of honor to his parents. There is nothing in this world more touching than the pride of a father or mother in a son's success. Many a student, in the rivalries of academic life, is thinking about this more than anything else, and on the day when he is being applauded by hundreds he is thinking chiefly of hearts far away that are glorying in his honor. In the battles of life in a city like this there are multitudes doing their best, living laborious days, shaking off the tempter, and keeping straight in the middle of the narrow way, for the sake of those far off whose hearts will be cheered by their well-doing, and would be broken by their ill-doing. I do not think there is a sight more touching—certainly there is not one that touches me more—than when a youth, who has been away in another city or in a foreign land, and bears in his face and demeanor tokens of his well-doing, comes back some Sabbath to the church in which his boyhood has been spent, and sits again side by side with the pond hearts that love him. Where is there a disappointment so keen, or a disgrace so poignant, as he inflicts who comes not back because he dare not, having in the foreign land or the distant city soiled his good name, and rolled the honor of his home in the dust?—James Stalker, D. D.

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MARSHALL—Mrs. AMANDA PENMELIA MARSHALL, daughter of William and Eliza Black, was born near Gallman, Miss., Aug. 21 1847, and died at her home at Fernwood, Miss., Oct. 10, 1899. She was married in 1869 to Dr. C. C. Marshall, with whom she lived happily until his death in 1883. She joined the M. E. Church, South, in girlhood, and was ever afterward a consistent member thereof. She leaves five children, three of whom have reached maturity. She was buried at Hazlehurst by the side of her husband. She had many excellent traits of character. She was always candid and straightforward. Duplicity and dissimulation were abhorrent to her. She had a keen sense of justice, and was always governed by it in her dealings with others. She was affable and vivacious. In the home circle she was gentle and loving, thus endearing herself to parents, brothers, sisters, husband, and children. She was a kind neighbor and a true friend. She died the death of the righteous. She was conscious to the last. Among her last words were these, "I am so happy." What a heritage for her children! May they so live as to meet her again in that "sun-bright clime, undimmed by sorrow, unhurt by time!"

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FULTON—On the twelfth of September, 1899, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fulton was saddened by the death of their little son, FRANK. The Lord, in his goodness and mercy, called him from his earthly home, where he had spent only seven Summers, to his heavenly home, there to rest with all the happy children.

Little Frank was a bright, cheerful, and obedient child. His bright face and smiles will be missed by all his playmates, and especially in the family, where he was the light of home. To his fond father, mother, and little sister, this is a severe trial, and dark indeed it would be were it not for hope of a future and a trust in our heavenly Father. May he give them strength to bear this trial in submission to his will, and lead them to that home where they will meet to part no more!

"Go to thy rest, fair child;
Go to thy dreamless bed,
Before thy heart could learn
In waywardness to stray;
Before thy feet could turn
The dark and downward way.
Rise to thy home of rest
In yon celestial sphere,"

and we will meet you there.

J. M. CONLEY.

WALDEN—WM. ADOLPHUS WALDEN, son of W. W. and M. E. Walden, was born in Lawrence county, Miss., March 20, 1881, and died Oct. 2, 1899. He was attacked with swamp fever late Friday afternoon, and died about 8 a. m. Monday morning following. Our young brother was a member of the church and a working member of the Epworth League. He was to have led the League prayer meeting on Sunday afternoon. He was ready for the change. He spoke of his preparation while sick, and told the loved ones good-by while he was yet rational. He was of an amiable disposition, of good mental endowments and high aspirations. He received affectionate and wholesome religious training, and was always a good and dutiful son. A large congregation attended the funeral services. We rarely see such an interest manifested, as he was held in such high esteem by all who knew him. The parents, two brothers and four sisters are sad, but we commend them to God's grace, which is able to sustain them.

C. MCDONALD.

Tryus, Miss.

MURPHY—JESSY MURPHY was born Dec. 23 1827, in the State of Louisiana, and died Oct. 1, 1899, at his home in Bienville, La.

"Uncle Jessy," as he was called, joined the Methodist Church when young, and lived an exemplary life. He served in the Confederate war, and was one who sustained a Christian character through all the environments that surrened a soldier life. He has filled nearly all of the offices in the church of which he was a member with distinguished honor; and when age and disease came on it found him at his post. We have never been associated with a more congenial spirit. He was tranquil; death had no terror for him, but he surveyed it with joy and met it with composure. A few minutes before the fatal end Bro. Cooper, who stood by him, asked him if he knew that he was dying. He replied, "Not dead, but sleeping." We laid him to rest in the Providence Graveyard with the distinguished dead, on Oct. 2. May God sustain his aged wife and children in their sad bereavement!

J. M. FRANKLIN.

Bienville, La.

BELL—JANIE BIRD, infant daughter of Mr. E. T. and Mrs. Beulah Bell, died at Gums, Miss., Sept. 20, 1899, after a few hours' illness.

The destroyer seized her in the midst of playthings and in childhood's innocent glee, and took her by the short process and fatal way of congestion. As she thus suddenly departed for her bright, heavenly, eternal home, she left one of earth's homes permanently smitten, beclouded, desolate. The Christian's faith, however, enables them to say, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." But the lips quiver and the voice trembles with grief's burden as they say it. By faith they seize God's gracious promises and see their child glorified, but the line of vision must pass through showers of tears from dense clouds of sorrow. Once she knelt by her mother's side in the evening devotions to God; now she praises him standing always before the throne. May God bless, comfort, and save the whole family in heaven!

BEN P. JACO, P. C.

HENINGTON—The subject of this sketch, Bro. DISNEY HENINGTON, was born in Jefferson county, Texas, Feb. 7, 1872. He came to Louisiana in 1887. He was married Nov. 27, 1890, to Miss Emma Sarver, of Vermilion parish, La. He united with the M. E. Church, South, shortly afterwards. He was born again in 1892. He departed this life at his home in Vermilion parish, La., July 1, 1899.

Truly a good man has gone to rest and to join the loved ones above. In Bro. Henington the mother has lost a devoted son, the wife a doting husband, the relatives a warm friend and loving brother, the church a faithful member, the community a light indeed. To the sorrowing wife and mother we would say: Look to the sweet-by-and-by beyond, for your husband and son is over there with the blood-washed throng, there waiting and watching for you on the golden shore. Meet him there.

ALONZO AHNEY, P. C.

Indian Bayou, La.

DUFFEY—Sister AMANDA DUFFEY was born Oct. 21 1823; was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at or near the age of thirty. She never was married, but she had the raising of some children who were left without a mother in infancy, and the work she did in raising those children reflects great credit and honor to her name. She was quiet in her manner of living, gentle in speech, and so kind. All that knew her loved her for her many Christian graces and her modesty. She had a home with Bro. Robert Sulover, who, being raised by her, feels like he had just lost his mother.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1899, she passed from this to a better land. She died like she lived—a good, quiet, consecrated lady.

Weep not for her, dear ones, but let's all pray to join her some sweet day in the heaven of rest.

LUTHER A. MCKROWN.

BRASHER—On the night of Aug. 5, 1899, God visited the home of Bro. J. W. Brasher, near Brasher's Chapel, Clarke county, and took from his side a loving and devoted wife, Mrs. ANNETT BRASHER, aged sixty-five years, who, for many years, walked with him in life's way, sharing his sorrows as well as his joys.

In early life Sister Brasher joined the Methodist Church, and spent some forty years therein. God blessed the home with eight children, all of whom are still living to mourn the loss of a true, noble mother. May God comfort the aged husband in this deep trial, and finally bring him and his children to the better and brighter world to which the wife and mother has gone!

Her pastor,

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ROBINETT—Resolutions of sympathizing regards to our friends by committee representing the W. H. M. Society in district convention and Collinston W. H. M. Society:

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Protect them thro' life's short day;
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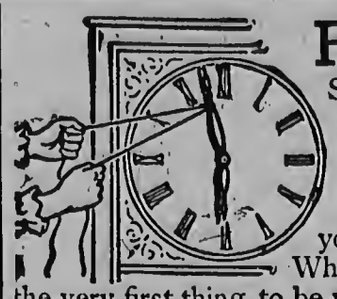

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Admiral Dewey took possession of his new home in Washington, on Monday.

Germany has announced that she will remain neutral in the British-Boer war.

The Boers are said to have repulsed a British bayonet attack near Mafeking.

Negotiations for a new treaty with Spain are soon to be opened at Madrid.

Frequent conflicts are reported between Chinese and Fillipinos in Manila.

The English government is about to mobilize a fleet of twenty-nine cruisers.

The United States man-of-war "Nashville" has reached Gibraltar, en route to Manila.

Last Sunday the Boers made a formal demand for the surrender of Mafeking, but met with a refusal.

A hurricane swept over Santiago de Cuba, Sunday, wrecking twelve houses and damaging many others.

The British and Boers had another slight brush Friday near Elansgaate, at which point the Boers still are.

Several brushes were had with the Fillipinos near Lahan, in which their leader, Major Salvador, was killed.

The Spanish court of inquiry has exonerated Gen. Toral and other officers of not properly defending Santiago.

Shipments of pig iron from Alabama and Tennessee this year show an increase of 202,774 tons over last year.

The battleships "Indiana" and "Texas" are to be put out of commission for want of crews to man them.

Americans in London are raising a fund to send a hospital ship to Africa for the use of the wounded soldiers there.

The Phillippine Commission held its first meeting at the Arlington Hotel, in Washington, on Monday, with four members present.

It is reported at Manila that Gov. Leary has ordered the expulsion of the friars from the Island of Guam for inciting the natives to revolt.

The British medical officer at Glencoe has wired a message of thanks to Pretoria for the extreme kindness shown by the Boers to the British wounded.

The thirty-fourth anniversary of Rev. Dr. Percival's pastorate at the Free Church of the Annunciation, this city, was appropriately observed last Sunday.

It is reported from Hamburg and Metz that the British are engaging German under officers for service in South Africa, offering 20 pounds sterling per month.

Since the sale of alcoholic liquors in France has been unrestricted, the number of drinking places has increased, until now there is one saloon for eighty-five inhabitants.

The ferryboat "Chicago" was cut in two by the Savannah Line steamship "City of Augusta" on the New York side of North river. Several lives are believed to have been lost.

Alabama has a history commission, appointed by legislative authority, whose mission it is to ascertain and report to the governor all accessible materials, without as well as within the State's border, for a history of the State.

The announcement is made on high diplomatic authority that the principal continental powers have intimated to Great Britain that in case the war in Africa results favorably to the British they will consider that they have a right to a voice in the ensuing peace settlement, inasmuch as they have important commercial and financial interests in the Transvaal and the Orange Free State, in which many subjects of each power reside.

General Fitzhugh Lee, in an interview, said that the people of Cuba are steadily improving under the protectorate of the United States, and are slowly, but surely, rebuilding their war-wasted homes and repairing their crippled fortunes. Life and property are secure in Cuba, owing largely, he said, to the salutary restraint exercised by American military authority. He thinks the time not ripe yet, however, for a purely Cuban government.

The United States has demanded from the governments of Russia, Germany and France assurances that in their division of China into zones of political domination or spheres of political influence, the trade rights of citizens of this country shall be fully respected. These demands are pretty sure to be acceded to. As soon as the necessary correspondence can be passed between Washington and the three European capitals, it is not doubted that the desired assurances will be given by the governments named.

The South African war has now been in progress nearly three weeks and so far the British arms have been consistently crowned with momentary successes, though at a cost which verifies President Kruger's prediction that the conflict would stagger humanity. But, though victory has fallen to Great Britain whenever and wherever the issues were of paramount importance, General White's position to-day is scarcely more reassuring than at the outbreak of the war.

Studies of Bible Truths.

The greatest book of the year is the product of the pen of our beloved senior Bishop, and bears the above title. If the "encouragement and help" of Dr. Tigert brought these pages to the light, as the author claims, we owe our Book Editor a debt of gratitude that can not be liquidated by a formal vote of thanks.

Metaphysically, the book is broad, comprehending the philosophies of the various schools from that of Leibnitz, who wrote his "De Principio Individui" when he was seventeen years of age, and whose philosophical system was the light of the seventeenth century, to that of Spencer, who has established his system of speculative philosophy within the last quarter of a century. In a single sentence the author discloses the foundation upon which the fallacies of atheism, materialism, pantheism and positivism are builded, and at the same time sits in judgment upon their false deductions.

Theologically, the book is clear—oftentimes strikingly lucid. Through the calcium light of his splendid intellect many of the "deep things of God" have become as surface truths to the reader.

In construction and style the book is a true expression of the logical strength and great speech of the author.

However, spirituality is, perhaps, the strongest point in the book. Reverent, scriptural, devotional, dealing with the sublimest things of the grace of God, surely no one can read it without thinking more of God and man. Let every true student read this great book. The Bishop has at last given his best thought as a heritage to the church.

J. C. PARK.

Water Valley, Miss., Oct. 20, 1899.

A Reading Course.

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Oct 26, 1899.

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MILLER—MORRIS.—In the Presbyterian Church, Coleman, Texas, on Oct. 25, by Rev Jno. A. Miller, of the Louisiana Conference, Mr Jno. A. B. Miller to Miss Mattie B. Morris, all of Coleman, Texas.

STROHM—SEYMOUR.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on Bayon Plaquemine, La., Oct. 25, 1899, by Rev. Jno. B. Kent, Mr. G. W. Strohm to Miss Mamie E. Seymour.

PYRON—MEDLIN.—At Prospect Church, on the Montpelier circuit, Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, Sept. 10, 1899, by Rev. J. W. Raper, Mr. J. A. Pyron and Miss Josie Medlin.

WESTON—ELGIN.—At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Caldwell, Mooringsport, La., Oct. 24, by Rev. M. G. Jenkins, Mr. Harry Weston and Miss Lila E. Elgin.

NORTH—ST. JOHN.—At the Methodist parsonage in Yazoo City, Miss., Sept. 20, 1899, by Rev. W. B. Lewis, Mr. S. Luther North, of Yazoo City, and Miss Ethel B. St. John, of Canton.

ROBERTSON—LEWIS.—At Hays Street M. E. Church, South, Jackson, Tenn., Oct. 17, 1899, by Rev. W. B. Lewis, Dr. Geo. W. Robertson, of Magnolia, Miss., and Miss Lemelia Lewis, of New Orleans, La.

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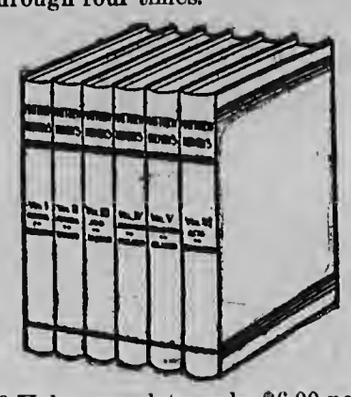

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Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?

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Fort Jessup and Many, at Many.....	23
Zwolle, at Red Land.....	25, 26
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Minden.....	25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville.....	20
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Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.

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Let everybody be ready to answer the questions as soon as they are asked.

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Walnut Grove, at Beech Springs..Sat. and Sun.....	11, 12
Decatur, at Decatur.....Tues..	14
Choctaw Mission, at Talla-Chnlok..... Thurs..	16
Neshoba, at Pine Grove..Sat. and Sun.	18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg..Wed.	22
Chunkey, at Chunkey.....Fri..	24
Lake, at Lake.....Sat. and Sun..	25, 26
N. and Hickory, at Newton....Tues..	28
Rose Hill, at ——.....Sat. and Sun..Dec.	2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose.....Wed..	6
Shiloh, at ——.....Sat. and Sun..	9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.

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Waynesboro, at Waynesboro.....	5, 6
Enterprise, at Enterprise.....	12, 13
Pachuta, at McGowan's.....	18, 19
South Side, at South Side..Wed. P M..	22
Marthersville, at Winifred.....	25, 26
Shubuta, at Shubuta.....	20, 27
East End.....Wed P. M..	30
Daleville, at Daleville.....Dec.	2, 3
West End.....Wed. P. M..	6
Central.....Thurs. P. M..	7
Binnsville, at Scooba.....	9, 10

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Westville, at Westville.....	5, 6
Mt. Carmel, at Mt. Zion.....	7
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Tylertown, at China Grove.....	18, 19
Caseyville, at Bethel.....	25, 26
Crystal Springs.....Wed., 11 A. M..	20
Gallman, at Gallman..Thurs., 11 A. M..	30
Hazlehurst.....Thurs.. 7 P. M..	30
Beauregard, at Beauregard.....Dec.	2, 3
Wesson.....	3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia..... Wed..	6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto..Thurs.	7
Brookhaven.....	9, 10

The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.

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Sturges.....	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Archbishop Chappalle left Washington for New Orleans this week, and, before going, announced that he would leave the latter city for the Philippines about December first. This seems to indicate a doubt of the efficacy of his influence in bringing about peace, or, at any rate, the intention to give the American army an opportunity to secure peace before his arrival, as he can not get to Manila before late in January, if he doesn't start until the date named by him, and War Department officials are confident that the insurrection will be over very soon after the opening of the dry season. It may be that Mgr. Chappelle delayed his visit to the Philippines because President McKinley declined to bargain for the influence of his church; but that is, of course, a mere conjecture.

Prof. Alexis Everett Frye, who has been selected by Gen. Brooke, with the approval of the Secretary of War, to be Director of the Public Schools of Havana, is widely known in the United States as an educator, not only through his series of school geographies, which are said to be used by more than two million children, but through his individual work as an educator in Boston, Chicago, and Colorado. He has had practical experience in teaching in every grade in our public schools, is a graduate of the Chicago Normal School and of Harvard University, and a member of the Massachusetts bar. Those who know him say that no better man could have been chosen for the important work of organizing a public school system for Havana.

Rev. Asaph J. Wheeler, the Maine temperance evangelist, concluded the fourth annual anti-saloon revival this week. The meetings were all well attended, and their good effect will, doubtless, be felt in increased zeal on the part of the anti-saloon workers. One of Mr. Wheeler's last addresses was on, "When the Saloon Will Go." In it he strongly emphasized his desire that it should first be broken up in Washington. He said: "When it goes here, the effect will be felt in every hamlet and city on the Western plains, as well as in the wilds of Maine. The saloon strikes at every man and woman that comes under its influence. The churches often excuse themselves from reform work against the saloons, saying that the evil does not affect them. The foundation truth of Christianity is acknowledgment of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. The church will always stand in the first rank of every movement for good, and when it lays aside ecclesiasticism and goes into the world to work for the good of humanity, mankind will have more faith in Christianity."

Dr. T. Chalmers Easton, pastor of the Eastern Presbyterian Church, preached a sermon on the Boer-English war in South Africa that has caused much talk. He took the side of the Boers all the way through, and even went further by declaring that this government ought to take their side.

One of the most unique services ever held in a Washington church was that at Mount Pleasant Congregational Church, Sunday, when six native Hawaiian ministers, who came to this country to attend the recent Council of Congregational Churches, held in Boston, occupied seats upon the platform with the pastor and participated in the services. With one exception, Rev. C. P. Emerson, who was born in Hawaii of American parents, the Hawaiian ministers spoke in their native tongue, which was interpreted by Mr. Emerson. Rev. J. Kauhane, one of the ministers, in addition to his pastoral work, was for thirty-four years a member of the Hawaiian Legislature, and was a chief in the native line of rulers; and another, Rev. E. S. Timotec, who is pastor of the largest native church in Honolulu, was once chaplain of the Hawaiian Legislature.

The United States Supreme Court handed down a decision this week which is especially important to Indians who own property, and which reverses the position taken by the Department of the Interior—that the estate of a dead Indian chief should be administered in accordance with the laws and customs of the white man in the State or Territory in which he lived. The opinion was written by Mr. Justice Gray, who held that the eldest son of an Indian chief was entitled by all the laws, customs and usages of the American Indians to come into possession of the property and title of his father. The case was to settle the title to a small tract of land in Minnesota.

Secretary Wilson would like to establish regular experimental stations of the Department of Agriculture in Porto Rico, but he can not do so without the express authorization of Congress. That he hopes to get. But in the meantime he has sent two distinguished botanists—Messrs. O. F. Cook and G. N. Collins—to Porto Rico, with instructions to investigate thoroughly and report upon the agricultural conditions they find there, and make suggestions for improvements in the agricultural methods followed by the Porto Ricans.

Washington, Nov. 1, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

When one is half sick and a little blue, how delightful it is to have your presiding elder and another preacher come in to spend the day! Sickness is gone and the blues gone in a jiffy. This "heartens" a fellow up mightily. It is a tonic to both body and soul.

My presiding elder, Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, is a gentleman, every inch of him. He is as gentle as a woman. I doubt if he ever did a rough thing or said a rough word in all his life. He is a man of gentle speech and of clean lips. What a rich vocabulary he has, and what a fine conversationalist he is! On this visit he was somewhat of a one-idead man. He had Conference on the brain. Most presiding elders are in this condition at this season of the year. The care of all the churches is on him. He was full of talk, but mainly along one line.

Bro. Parrott came, too. He looks serious and sad, but he is a cheerful, pleasant man. He deceives his looks. He has done more hard work for the least pay of any preacher in all this country. Parrott is a good listener. He does not talk much—a good fault. Most people talk too much.

"The mistress of the manse" got up a pretty good dinner. She always does for the presiding elder along towards Conference time. She had but one rose, a fine one, the last rose of Summer, and she pinned that on the presiding elder's coat. My! my! how artful women are! Parrott and I had to take such as we could get. Neither of us care for flowers—not on our lapels. Bro. Ramsey is a flowery man. Anyway, we had a large lot of good fun, specially at the table. Of all times in the world, let me be cheerful at the table. Bro. Ramsey was offered a second cup of coffee, an extra plate of tomatoes, and a second chance at the dessert. He was the preferred creditor, or visitor. The great body of our talk was about the collections, the preachers, the Conference, the appointments, and the like of that. We made some appointments, some presiding elders and some changes in the shape and size of some of the districts. We did a large amount of Conference work. We talked over the schools and the educational work generally. We agreed to agree on some things at Conference. Bro. Parrott is an outsider, a local preacher supplying a work, but we took him into our cabinet, and let him have his say. All of this was a matter of nothing that did not amount to a row of pins, but it was interesting to us and to the family. We discussed some good books, exchanged views on some passages of Scripture, elaborated some doctrines, and exchanged a few sermons. Now and then we had some bits of religious experience along the deeper and higher lines. We needed that, or I did, for it had been cotton, corn and trade for so long. I was hungry to see some man who had some talk of God and of spiritual things.

When my presiding elder started to the train I took his valise, but he objected to a man of my age carrying his baggage for him. However, I carried it. Most preachers do the same for their presiding elders when Conference is only a month off. The brethren are polite and deferential to them, as they ought to be. They are all good men, and they fill a great office in the church of God. The Savior says, As I have carried your baggage, ye ought also to carry one another's baggage. The disciples were the Savior's guests at that notable footwashing, and he set the world an example of Christian hospitality. Bro. Ramsey was my guest, and I owed him all the courtesies of polite, civilized life. I hardly think it best to publish the appointments we made just now. The Bishop may not ratify what we did when he comes, but it was well done as far as we went, you may be sure of that. Somehow we did not fix our own appointments. This was from sheer modesty and a disposition not to be selfish. My wife and daughter insisted on us to name our own appointments, but Bro. Ramsey would not name mine, and, of course, I would not name his. However, if we pass muster, Bishop Candler will attend to our cases when he comes along. We had a good, glad day, and I would not be surprised if there were not many just such days among the preachers in North Mississippi between now and the twenty-ninth of November. These things will occur along in the Fall of the year. It indicates an interest in the work and in what is to be next year. It may be that some of us will talk more than we pray over the work of the church and over the appointments for next year. It might be well to talk less and to pray more. Christ is the head of the church, and to him we ought to go. He is the captain of this host. GILDEROY.

Oct. 28, 1899.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

This district comprises the counties of Warren, Sharkey, Issaquena, Claiborne, and parts of Hinds, Yazoo, Madison, with one church in Copiah. There are in it fifteen pastoral charges, with as many preachers diligently engaged upon them. In the number of pastoral charges it ranks with Natchez, these two having the fewest, while it has a smaller area than any, and in the number of members it is the least of all. This latter fact comes from the smallness of the white population in the greater part of the district. In all other particulars it ranks, according to the last Minutes, with the best. The course of the church within the district during the year has not been phenomenal, but marked by faithful labor, zeal, sincere attachment, and steady progress.

Crawford Street, Vicksburg, has nearly completed a grand church, which will not only prove highly creditable to the congregation, but also a noble ornament to the city. This has long been needed, and now we may expect our cause to move forward greatly in Vicksburg. This church has enjoyed for the past three years the superior ministrations of A. F. Watkins. When he preaches it is a clean furrow from end to end. He excels also in pastoral care, and is a man of affairs as well as of golden speech.

W. W. Cammack, at South Vicksburg, is always faithful and diligent. Not only in his own pulpit, but elsewhere, his sermons are appreciated and enjoyed. Success, and the best results here, imperatively demand that we should have a church in another locality; that it should be removed from under the hill and lifted up into greater conspicuity.

L. S. Jones, in Port Gibson, ministers to large congregations, who hear him well pleased. All the affairs of the church are in good condition, and the desire of the pastor is to lead his people to higher things. It may be said that in intelligence and substantial character no church, according to number, surpasses this.

For three years J. N. Ware has served Rocky Springs circuit, doing an amount of labor almost incalculable. Faithful, zealous, and efficient, no part of the work is omitted by him. He is forcible in the setting forth of the truth, and always he is the unflinching advocate of the right.

A. D. Miller completes four years on Hermanville circuit. During this period a large debt on the comfortable parsonage has been paid, and all the interests of the church have been advanced. The length of his stay has but increased the attachment of his people for him. He is, too, an able defender of the doctrines of the church, and his heart is aflame with love for all men.

G. A. Guice, on Utica circuit, grows in the esteem of his people and of everybody. Strong, physically and mentally, he is equal to all requirements, and his labor is not expended in vain. His hearers speak in high terms of his preaching. It is pleasant at Utica to observe the cordial relations existing between the several churches there, and this comes in a large measure from the catholic and deeply religious spirit exhibited by Bro. Guice.

W. W. Hurst finishes four years' service on South Warren circuit. He has the faculty of pleasing in the social circle, and in the pulpit he is able and helpful. No wonder his people are deeply attached to him. Bro. Hurst has improved the parsonage of South Warren circuit, so that it has become a most pleasant and attractive home.

H. L. Norton employs on Warren circuit a great deal of ability and energy. He is deeply devoted to his work, while his people have in him the highest confidence, and think themselves fortunate in having his service. He gives his hearers well-prepared sermons, and the work prospers under his control.

Edwards is under the pastorate of C. F. Emery. With a mind cultured and broadened by extensive study and large information, there are few men as well equipped for the work of the ministry as Bro. Emery. He has had the special pleasure of building a beautiful church this year. Recent events show that he has found his way to the hearts of his people. The Sunday-school at Edwards has had the remarkable history that for more than fifty years it has been under the wise and loving administration of one superintendent, Capt. R. H. Smith.

Bolton has a preacher who is one of the finest students and most learned men of our Conference. Bro. L. Carley preaches strong sermons, which come from an intimate acquaintance with the Scriptures in the original, and from much other learning. His blameless life, great discretion, and excellent ability, ensure him the high regard of all who know him.

Flora circuit will lose J. G. Cammack after the present year, much to the regret of all. His four years of service there have been marked by improvement in all the interests of the church. He has the fine faculty of attracting friends to himself, while his congregations constantly listen to his preaching with great pleasure.

The people of Satartia circuit believe that they have in the person of C. C. Evans one of the best preachers in the Conference. He has grown in their esteem throughout the three years, and in ability in ministering the Word. Such a man deserves and commands the regard of all. As a useful example and, perhaps, an incentive to others, I mention that in the town of Satartia there is an organization denominated "The Orphans' Home Helpers," which was originated by five little girls, the oldest not more than fourteen years of age. Their names are Effie Evans, Lena Parker, Camille Kling, Irene Kling, and Fannie Woolbert. They have forwarded to the Home the present year more than twenty dollars. I would mention also that this circuit has long had the service as steward of Major J. R Bell, who never misses a Quarterly Conference, has a report to make, and is full of love for the church. Emphatically, he is the preacher's friend.

F. M. Keen has as his admirers Anguilla circuit and the outside, and this because he is genial among the people and eloquent in the pulpit. Among the things accomplished this year is the building of a pretty church on Sunflower river.

H. W. Van Hook is at Rolling Fork—an important charge in the great Delta. He will report improvement. He preaches to the edification and pleasure of his fine congregations, and all departments of church work are well brought up. The Sunday-school and Epworth League flourish, the prayer meetings are well attended, and the young people are enlisted in church work.

By reason of the four years' limit Meyersville circuit can not retain its pastor, W. T. Griffin, beyond the present year. No man is more beloved by all the people than is Bro. Griffin. It is crown enough for any man that he stands so high in the esteem and affection of all. Young, strong, brave, capable, and of a loving disposition, he has already accomplished much, and is destined for yet greater things in the church. I am glad to add that a stay of four years in the Delta has not impaired the health of himself or his family.

Rev. G. W. Alexander, formerly of the Holston Conference, afterward of the Mississippi, now a local preacher, still lives in the district, near Phenix, in Yazoo county, bearing gracefully the weight of years, preaching when he is able, and his life a benediction to all the churches.

About many other things I would like to write, but this must suffice for the present. E. H. MOUNGER.

CHURCH MUSIC.

MR. EDITOR: Why do some of our preachers prefer the use of Sunday-school song books at our regular church services to our Methodist hymn book? For what was our hymn book designed or intended? What subject or sentiment is there that is not expressed—and beautifully expressed—in them? And what occasion could arise where there can not be found something entirely suited to it?

Sunday-school songs are good enough in their way, and are adapted to the uses for which they were intended; but for regular wear, and for good old genuine music, give us Uxbridge and Geneva, and Silver Street and Coronation! None of your little two-steps for me.

If the saints in heaven are cognizant of the things of earth, surely there is ever and anon a passing grimace upon the faces of John and Charles Wesley as they hear the words of their solemn hymns gyrated and chopped and contorted almost past recognition by some of our modern choirs. If they were of my mind on the subject, they would ask for a leave of absence, to come down and resent it.

If it is spirited airs they want, what better than Antioch, "Joy to the world—the Lord has come!" or, "Hark! the herald angels sing," or Laban, or Lenox? What's the matter with "Blow ye the trumpet, blow," and "The year of jubilee," anyhow? If it is something majestic, try "Thee we adore, eternal Name!" to "Manoah" or "Geer." For something sweet and peaceful take "Rest," or Dennis, or Naomi. For penitential airs there's Vaughn and Avon and Martin, "Jesus, lover of my soul;" for backsliders there's Ortonville, "O for a closer walk with God!" and, "Where is the blessedness I knew?" etc. If it's a "doleful sound" you're wanting, "China" is just the thing. If you're "plunged in a gulf of dark despair," sing 155.

There's positively no limit. Such scope and versatility, I think, is to be found nowhere else, and no Sunday-school song book, or set of revival songs, can ever hope to revive like the grand old hymns of the Wesleys, and Watts and Heber, Doddridge and Cowper and Summers. Let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord, but nursery songs and ditties, mixed in with the most catchy of the secular songs set to sacred words and sung to the praise of God, are not likely to impress the listener or the singer with the solemnity that should pervade the service and the house of the Lord.

I know a set of young people who utilized as a two-step an air that they had heard at a revival meeting, which was set to the sacred words, "There is a fountain filled with blood."

Give us, if you please, the time-honored and soul-stirring hymns of the Wesleys set to the old tunes, with the spirit and fire of those men of God still burning between the lines. The memory of them, as sung by our sainted fathers and mothers, is an incentive to follow in their steps, so that, when we shall have "crossed the sea of life" and "reached the heavenly shore," we'll meet to sing diviner strains of love and joy unknown to earth and mortals.

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FINALLY?

Rev. B. P. Jaco, Pleasant Grove, has "talked Twentieth Century Thank-offering in public and in private, trying to prepare the people to make a real thank-offering and one of proper proportions." The collection will be taken at an opportune time.

Rev. J. H. Rogers, Ellzey, has "been distributing literature all the year. Have commenced to present the cause, and will continue till all my congregations have been reached."

Rev. O. L. Savage has "observed the day at Coffeeville, and has committees canvassing each church."

Rev. R. M. Evans, Ackerman, will devote November to this interest.

Rev. F. A. Whitson, New Albany, has "secured twenty dollars, and will try to get more."

Rev. R. E. Duke, Waterford, has "secured twenty-one and 50-100 dollars, and three churches yet to report."

Rev. Thos. Cameron, Batesville, has secured twenty-two and 75-100 dollars. Has distributed thank-offering cards, and is expecting other contributions.

Rev. P. D. Hardin, Shiloh circuit, has secured forty-four and 50-100 dollars, and expects more. "The movement seems to be in favor with my people."

Rev. B. W. Lewis, Chunky, has secured forty-six and 75-100 dollars, and "will continue the work."

Rev. H. D. Howell, Wesley Chapel, Natchez, has secured fifty and 70-100 dollars, and "will thoroughly canvass the entire membership."

Rev. J. C. Park, Main Street, Water Valley, has secured sixty-six dollars, and this amount "will be substantially increased."

Rev. J. C. Lowe has sent the treasurer seventy dollars from Pickens.

Rev. D. W. Babb, Louisville, has "secured seventy-five and 10-100 dollars, and will get more before Conference."

Thank you, brethren, one and all. To all the preachers: Let all outstanding subscriptions be converted into cash, so that we can begin the new year with a clean balance-sheet, and complete the work before the opening of the new century.

J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Nov. 1, 1899.

THE MINISTRY OF PRINT.

BY REV. D. M. PRATT.

Before me lies the printed page,
With story rich and wisdom sage;
With earnest eye I look again,
And see not words, but living men.

Transfigured fair in stately guise,
Bright spirits clad in flesh arise;
The mystic print in lifeless form,
Pulses with life blood, vital warm.

Oh vision wondrous! words are souls
Unveiling self on written scrolls.
I read, and in communion sweet
Earth's wisest, purest, noblest, meet.

They think, and on the winged page
Waft truth to every land and age.
They speak, and millions far away
Can with them talk and praise and pray.

They write, and as the mirror gives
The face that in its brightness lives,
So mirrored in the glowing word
Are souls illumined by their Lord.

Oh, mystic miracle, and blest,
That can from finite boundaries wrest
Imprisoned hearts, and set them free
To help and bless humanity.

Speed on thy way, thou winged sheet,
Incarnate spirits through thee greet,
With messages of love and truth,
Advancing age and ardent youth.

Speed on! Thy ministry imparts
Counsel and joy to waiting hearts;
Thy wealth of life, thy treasured thought,
With good to countless souls are fraught.

—New York Observer.

Communications.

MINISTERIAL POWER.

BY REV. ELTON WILSON.

(Concluded.)

There is a spiritnal power that touches the human consciousness that can not be translated into the vehicles of human expression. There is a chamber of the soul, beneath the realm of conscious thought activities, where there are reserve forces, and where dwells the inexpressible in the human personality; what shall we call it but power. This is the temple of the Holy Ghost. This power can be brought into the light of consciousness, and thence translated into action. This can only be done by complying with spiritnal conditions. These conditions are prayer, meditation, faith, sincerity, and receptivity of spirit. The materialist would say such a hypothesis is as mystical and shadowy as moonlight phantoms. This shadowy gospel of spiritnal realities is a hundredfold more acceptable than what Carlyle fitly terms the "gospel of dirt." Darwin, the father of this "gospel of dirt," said on one occasion, "Sometimes I am overwhelmed with a sense of the presence of a personal God, and then it seems to go away." Who will dare say that the Holy Spirit did not knock at the door of this man's soul, though his spiritnal nature had atrophied in the grasp of an intellectnal materialism?

Much modern preaching has lost the power out of it; it has lost sight of the eternal world of spiritnal influences that ought to touch man's conscious life. Carlyle calls man "the missionary of unseen powers."

This can be truly said of the preacher, for he must draw his supreme power from that unseen realm of spiritnal realities. Take away the supernatnral power out of the minister's personal life, and out of his message, and he becomes as powerless to meet human needs as the representatives of the ethical systems of Confucius and Buddha.

The primary source of power does not reside in the externals of life. I mean spiritnal power. If such had been the case, Christianity would have perished nineteen centuries ago. Ecclesiastical machinery, material wealth, numerical strength, an intellectnal ministry and a gorgeous ritualism are secondary sources of power. They are instrumental agencies. The supernatnral must ever remain the supreme agency and power. I am convinced that we know as much about these spiritnal entities as we do about the material entities that environ us. The spiritnal is the power that transforms, renews, enlightens and lifts us into a region of ideals, above the transient and fading phantoms of sense. Here throb the pulsations of the eternal Spirit. The conservation of spiritnal power is just as real as the conservation of physical energy. The preacher sometimes feels that his efforts are all in vain. But not so. The spiritnal energy of every sermon, every prayer, every truth, every holy life, every kind word, every benevolent deed, and everything that carries with it a spiritual power, is conserved by the Holy Spirit for the outworking of the purpose of God in Christ. Immediate results are not a final test of ministerial power or success. Appearances are not always real. The tempest, the fiery flame, the earthquake are not always vehicles of spiritual power.

There is a slow, silent, moving current, invisible, eternal, yet more powerful than all Cæsar's imperial legions, stronger than the kingly march of Grecian philosophers, more conquering than all the martial hosts that have ever armed for battle, or fought the fight of death; more irresistible than all the power of thrones, or the sweeping march of earth's victorious heroes; firmer than all the combined power of nations. It leaps vastly higher than the rising forces of human history. It sweeps onward with the majesty and awe of an all-conquering power. It is the hand of the Holy Spirit upon the church, upon the ministry, upon the events of human history. He gathers up his spiritnal jewels out of the dust and decay of earthly history.

With the conserving hand of God concentrating the spiritnal power of the ages through Christ, what have we to do with results, for there is nothing lost, nothing in vain, nothing shall go unrewarded that bears the elements of spiritnal power. Across the flight of ages, on the shore of the Tiber, in the lonely wilds of Britain, amid the dangers of the New World, from the ranks of the heralds of the cross, there has gone forth the silent, yet all-conquering power of the gospel.

DEARTH OF PREACHERS.

MR EDITOR: "Gilderoy," in issue of Oct. 12, and J. W. Honnoll, in issue of Oct. 19, both of whom are ministers, strike the key-note about the dearth of preachers and souls led to accept Christ for salvation by the church in rural districts now compared with former years. The policy of the church that a preacher should be fairly well educated, or should not be recognized as much of a preacher, is wrong. All should be judged by their fruits. As a layman, I wish to concur with above ministers in their view of said question. We should have educated preachers, but should not discourage loyal, effective, uneducated ministers. I believe it is true that highly-educated ministers can not influence the uneducated masses, religiously, as well as ministers that are more nearly on a par with them in mental culture. Men with horse sense filled with the Holy Ghost make effective preachers for average rural districts. It is admitted that the Savior shed his blood for the ignorant, and they are as precious to him as the educated. It is also a further admitted fact that the high and leading positions in all the professions and callings are filled largely by men raised, or partly raised, in the country; hence the two great reasons why the church should do everything possible for the salvation of all immortal souls in the country as well as in towns and cities. I believe it is generally realized that the church is not coming up to its duty and privilege in leading souls to Christ for salvation, especially in country districts. The great question is a remedy. I suggest that all loyal, effective local preachers be admitted in full connection, and enjoy all privileges of the Annual Conference except the aid provided for worn-out itinerants and their families; also allow said rural local preachers to organize and build up their congregations, and retain pastorate of same an unlimited time at the discretion of the officials of, or the congregation and presiding elder, all to be regulated by laws made by the General Conference. One item largely in favor, in my judgment, of effective, Holy-Ghost, loyal, uneducated ministers is, they depend more on the Holy Spirit and less on their learning; whereas educated ministers seem to depend too much on their learning, and too little on the Holy Spirit, in leading souls to Christ.

Yours for more effective work in the Master's vineyard,

A LAYMAN.

OUR STANDARDS.

MR. EDITOR: The question was asked in the ADVOCATE recently, "What are our standard works on theology?" and as it has not been answered, I venture to give my answer, regardless of consequences. Funk and Wagnall's Dictionary defines "standard" thus: "Having the authority or accuracy of a standard; serving as a gauge, test, guide, or model; hence of a very high or excellent kind or type; as standard scales, a standard book. In 1120 King Henry of England ordered that the ell, the ancient yard, should be the exact length of his arm. That was the standard, or guide, in measurement."

John Wesley was instrumental, in the Lord's hands, in establishing Methodism. He wrote our General Rules, and has been a standard authority on theology all the time. I find in our Discipline, in prescribing the course of study for undergraduates in the first year: Wesley's Doctrinal Standards, Sermons I-XXVI, inclusive. No one can dispute that I have found something that is standard, if our Discipline is authority. In addition to this, the other different works on theology, prescribed by our Bishops for undergraduates at different times, are in harmony with Wesley's Sermons, and are, for this reason, standards. If these works are not in harmony with Wesley's Sermons, the Bishops are in fault for prescribing them. When I was first examined on the Conference course of study, a quarter of a century ago, I was told by a committee of old Methodist preachers that Wesley's Sermons, Watson's Institutes, and Ralston's Elements of Divinity, were our standard works on theology, and that I must pass on them, or not advance. One member of my class was kept in the course eight years. I am aware that some of our prominent ministers contend that we have no standards; yet, let a man preach or write something which they do not endorse, and they are about the first to charge him with heresy. Campbellites do the same thing. I was reared a semi-Calvinist, and it took the whole four years' Conference course to get rid of it, but it is all gone, and I am a Methodist, an old-time Methodist, and have little enough sense to accept fully the teachings of our standard works on theology.

H. ARMSTRONG.

Spring Hill, La.

DEARTH OF PREACHERS.

REV. J. W. Honnoll, in the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, of Oct. 19, refers to an article by "Gilderoy," in the ADVOCATE, of Oct. 12, in which he writes under the caption, "A Dearth of Preachers," a strong and forceful paper. Bro. Honnoll says that "Gilderoy" struck oil, and so he did. Bro. Honnoll thinks that some good and true men have been discouraged, and so they have. But, to our mind, there is one other thing that might be added to the list of reasons for this dearth, and that is the law which compels our young preachers to go to the District Conference for a license to preach. Before this law was made the North Mississippi Conference was well supplied with preachers; but some one will say that they have transferred. There have been no more transfers since the law was made than before. Before the law was made there were large classes each year for admission into Conference. They have grown smaller each year since.

The young men who live in the circuits are, as a rule, the men who are called into our ministry. Our District Conference meets at a very busy time with them. They are engaged in their farm work, and can not go just then, and before another District Conference comes they grow cold and get out of the notion. If they could be licensed in the Quarterly Conference, they would go to the Quarterly Conference and get a license, and would go into the work during the revival work, and would get a recommendation at the fourth Quarterly Conference for admission. I believe the Lord has used a good revival meeting often to impress upon a young man his call to the ministry. They get some inspiration and start in the work, and grow stronger in the faith, and make good, useful men. Our District Conference usually comes before the revival work does in the circuits; so our young men are not worked up and ready to enter into the work. All preachers know that it is hard for a young man to get the consent of his mind to enter the ministry, and that the most and forceful circumstances must be brought to bear.

J. W. RAPER.

Montpelier, Miss., Oct. 20, 1899.

Correspondence.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Shreveport District Epworth League Conference met at Grand Cane, La., Oct. 18 to 20. The attendance of preachers was small, and a number of the Epworth Leagues were without representatives, but those who were on hand were glad that they had come, and did what they could to insure the success of the meeting. There was not a pessimist in the crowd.

The host, Rev. J. M. Brown, and his thoughtful and hospitable people had made liberal preparations for our comfort and pleasure, and their many kindnesses were heartily appreciated.

Our district "big guns," Drs. Sawyer and Bolling, were not able to be with us; the former on account of the press of the fourth quarter's business, the latter on account of sickness. Mrs. T. S. Sligh, of Mansfield Female College, was to have addressed us on "The Young People of the Church," but the young ladies of her school kept her at home; so we missed that also.

Among the addresses, those of Miss Sadie Deming on "My Place in Christ's Kingdom," Rev. P. O. Lowrey on "The League as a Personal Worker," Mrs. J. P. Ratcliff on "The Bible in the League, and How to Study It," Miss Katie Lear on "The Practical Young Christian in the Home," and that of Rev. C. D. Atkinson on "Young People and the Providential Movements of the Age," are deserving of special mention.

A recitation by Mrs. Dale, of Grand Cane, and one by Master Robert Spell were bright and pleasant features, and the music by the Grand Cane and Stonewall Epworth League choirs was like a golden thread pervading all the services.

New officers were elected to serve for one year. A constitution was adopted, and a resolution was passed calling the attention of Dr. DuBose to the Epworth League work in Louisiana, and inviting him to a personal survey of the field.

Ketchie was selected as the place for the next meeting.

I think I am in bounds when I state that this was one of the most pleasant and profitable League Conferences that has ever been held in the bounds of the State.

WM. G. EVANS.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. W. H. Wall, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

Our Week of Prayer and Self-Denial has come and gone. What has it done for us as a society? Have its opportunities of loving service and self-sacrifice left us richer in the possession of treasure, "where moth and rust doth not corrupt"? Have we denied ourselves, that others may be blessed? Have we brought our offerings into the Lord's treasury, and counted it a privilege to do so? Have we prayed for the destitute in body and soul, and then contributed to their needs? If so, we have the promised blessing, "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." But if we have neglected this blessed privilege of service, if we have failed to bring our gifts and offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we should examine our hearts by the light of God's word. "For we must all stand before the judgment seat of Christ," and "God is not mocked: whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

As the dues of our society are devoted to the work of aiding and building parsonages, we must depend largely upon the offerings made by our auxiliaries during the annual Week of Prayer (Oct. 9-15), and the Educational Endowment Fund to maintain our schools and missions. These institutions afford Christian training and practical instruction to a large class of young people who would otherwise be deprived of these privileges. We have established schools for the Cubans at Tampa and Key West, and for the Chinese and Japanese on the Pacific coast; also mission homes at Dallas, San Antonio, and other cities. These institutions are needing help to sustain and educate the rapidly-increasing numbers asking for admission. They must suffer loss unless our women rally to their support.

Miss Helm, in October number of Our Homes, says, "The need of the Home Mission Society has never been greater than now for the best work and largest offerings of its members and friends."

We have 21,170 members. What could not be accomplished for the coming of Christ's kingdom if each one of these should "come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty!" Let each auxiliary in every district enroll their pastor's name on the Educational Endowment Fund. By the payment of $5 your pastor becomes a patron, and his name thus honored is sent to the Conference treasurer with the money. This fund is a sum of money of which the interest only is used in the support of the schools of the society. Suppose each one of the 11,000 preachers in our Southern Methodism was made a patron of this fund, do you not see what a great uplift this principal of $55,000 would be just now to our educational institutions?

On this threshold of a new century, when, as never before, the great heart of Christendom is moved, as by a common impulse, to advance the kingdom of God by a Twentieth Century Thank-offering, let us, as Home Mission workers, not be "found wanting." Let us bring our gifts of service, sacrifice, and love. Let us give

"All for Jesus, all for Jesus;
All my being's ransomed powers.
All my thoughts and all my doings,
All my days and all my hours."

The Master came "not to be ministered unto, but to minister." He said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." Let us, each one, ask the question, "What would Jesus do?" and as his nail-pierced hand beckons us to follow, let us obey, even though it "costs something" so to do. Like the little band of "volunteers" "in his steps," we may be called to "endure hardships" and sacrifice ease and self, but love, the source of service and sacrifice, fills the heart, and we go forth "bearing the precious seed," and shall, doubtless, come again with rejoicing, bringing our "sheaves" with us.

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The following letter from our Foreign and Home Secretary demands the attention and consideration of every member of our Louisiana W. F. M. S. The watchword of every auxiliary should be, "To the rescue! to the rescue!" The battle waxes strong; our standard-bearers are sorely pressed. We must rally to their relief, or see the banner of our Prince of Peace lowered before the powers of darkness. Let us give the mite asked of us in this crisis cheerfully, gladly, speedily, even as we would be relieved in our own hour of need by the friends of our own flesh and blood.

MRS. T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 20, 1899.

DEAR SISTER: From time to time I send you items of information touching our work in foreign lands. As you know, our missions prosper, and the prosperity for which we thank God increases our responsibility, calling, as it does, year after year, for larger resources. More has to go into our treasury, as more must go out. To-day our treasury is empty, without enough to meet the present quarter's appropriations. As soon as this fact was known here, the officers of the several auxiliaries met for prayer and guidance. Much prayer went up to God that he would give wisdom to meet such a disaster. Pledges of larger offerings were made, and the request that I should inform the Board that they would unite with us to meet successfully the crisis that now confronts us. Five thousand dollars are needed at once to meet what is lacking of the October appropriations.

I believe this appeal will not be in vain; that you will do your part towards securing and forwarding this amount to the treasurer. Of this needed $5,000, $3,000 are for China; China, now so sorely depressed in the loss of one of the sweetest spirits, one of the most promising missionaries ever sent to foreign shores. Pray as you work; pray in particular for those women who are withholding from God that which he has called for—the money, the time, the work which belongs to him. Pray that the Holy Spirit would so touch their hearts that they not only will awake from their indifference, but will awake to know the joy of service. At once please supply your part of the $5,000 now so necessary. May I suggest that your Conference secretary fix upon the small sum of $25, and divide the sum proportionately among your district secretaries, who, in turn, will divide among their auxiliaries as they shall consider the ability and willingness of each? Will you not at once send to the district secretaries a copy of this appeal, and urge them to send the same to each auxiliary corresponding secretary, who shall be instructed to put the same into the hands of the auxiliary presidents, who will read it to their societies at the next regular meetings, or at a called meeting, and have a copy also in the church papers? Let our Week of Prayer be full of praise, because we have put the $5,000 into the treasury now. Many fervent prayers go up to God as this appeal goes out. May our God speak to each woman of our church in the still, small voice that is more effective than any words of man, and may abundant blessings crowd upon you!

Sincerely, S. C. TRUEHEART.

The Christian Life.

A GREAT HINDRANCE.

The desire of appearing to be useful, rather than of being so, is a dreadful hindrance to real usefulness. Making present visible results the measure of value for one's labor leads to superficial habits of thought and action. Sham and show hinder excellence and reality. Setting up pretense and parade in place of truth and honesty destroys the earnestness and sincerity of nature, corrupts the simplicity of our motives, and makes us vacillating and time-serving rather than single-hearted and true. The man whose aim is to seem rather than to be is self-exiled from the noblest field of human activity, which lies always in the strong, deep, still under-current of influences which, unheeded by the thoughtless multitude, act slowly, silently, but irresistibly and effectually. He is not permitted to do a thing in the best way, unless this way should happen to be that which will secure to him present honor. He will not hold on the even tenor of his way, through good report and evil report, but he must be a sort of public weather-cock, shifting with every popular excitement, and ever on the outlook to win the applause or escape the blame of men. Such men love the praise of men more than the praise of God, and their empty hearts and hollow lives collapse before the pressure of temptation or adversity, as a hollow tree goes down before a hurricane. If we would be strong, we must be honest, faithful, and true to ourselves, our conscience, and our God. —Selected.

MAKING OUR CHOICE.

It is easy to make a choice between two things when one of them is obviously a great deal more attractive than the other. It is not so easy when the difference is less apparent. Even a child will choose gladly to leave his play when his mother asks him to go with her to see a sight he has been longing to see. A treasure-seeker has no unwillingness to pass by bits of lead ore when he knows that gold is in abundance a little farther on. A lesser pleasure has no temptation to one who is proffered greater pleasures, and sees them just ahead. So all the way along in life's path. We choose what we like best, all things considered. Our preferences decide the choice, which, of course, carries with it its inevitable consequences. God or self is taken, because we prefer the one or the other. In making this choice we accept all that it involves. Hence no man will be finally lost unless he prefers hell to heaven. He goes to the place of his own choice.—Sunday-School Times.

GETTING ACQUAINTED FOR JESUS' SAKE.

One of the first steps toward helping people spiritually is becoming acquainted with them. Just as a man needing a certain line of goods naturally turns first to the brand which he has seen oftenest advertised, so people in need of spiritual counsel will think first of their Christian acquaintances whose attitude is most open to inviting them.

We may not see at a moment how a nod, a smile, a pleasant greeting, or a few moments' chat with those who would otherwise be strangers, can help Christ's cause; but these repeated expressions of good-will are so many advertisements of the source whence spiritual help may be obtained, and the time is sure to come, sooner or later, when the cultivation of acquaintance will prove a means of leading to Christ.—Sunday-School Times.

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Good pianos, as a rule, cost so much that people of moderate means can scarcely afford them.

Low-priced pianos, as a rule, are very cheaply-made. They do not satisfy the critical musician. Some of them sound all right for a while and then the tone loses its beauty. (Sounding board flattens—likely.)

As a rule people don't stop to think about these things in advance. They buy what seems to be a bargain—and do their thinking as the years go by.

It is better to become intelligent on the subject first, and then use ones own common sense, as one does in other important matters.

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FROM THE WORK.

Rev. H. Armstrong: "On last Sunday night, Oct. 22, I closed a precious meeting at Cotton Valley Church. It was continued one week. About mid-week A. R. Hodges, a young lay preacher, came to my assistance. He is good help. There were 10 professions of conversion, and 9 professions of sanctification. The convictions were very powerful, and the conversions very bright. New converts would take the floor and hunt up their friends. This is a country church, but a Sunday-school and a prayer meeting are held there on each Sunday morning. Men, women, boys and girls lead the prayer meeting in turn."

J. A. Lewis: "At a meeting of the fourth Quarterly Conference of the Montpelier circuit, Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, a resolution was adopted asking me to report the results of Friendship Sunday-school for the thirty-four years I have been superintendent, and that this report be published in the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. I can not report definitely on all points. I feel safe in saying that ninety-five per cent. of the children that have belonged to this Sunday-school have been converted and joined the church, and this number reaches several hundred. Our school is ever green. We hardly ever allow any circumstance to keep our school from meeting. I feel safe in saying we have met sixteen hundred times in thirty-four years. As the outgrowth of our school, we have eight preachers, sixteen teachers, besides many honorable men and women in other callings. In 1896 this writer visited a Sunday-school in Texas. The superintendent and all the teachers but one had once been members of my Sunday-school. One of the most noted features of this Sunday-school is, that not a single man or boy that belonged to it has ever been arrested for violating the law of the country; and, strange as it may seem, not a single boy has been raised in this community, who refused to attend Sunday-school, who has escaped arrest for crime. We have no new or strange methods here. This is the result of constant, faithful work. It takes twelve months to do a year's work; it takes all our lives to do life's work. Much of this good work has been done in the home as well as in the Sunday-school."

PINE GROVE CIRCUIT.

On Wednesday, Oct. 4, we began a meeting at Cooper Chapel which resulted in a glorious revival. On the last day of the meeting (which was on Sunday) there was at least 40 out of a membership of 50 that testified to the saving power of the gospel. Six were added to the church on profession of faith, and three children baptized. Rev. M. Ferrell, L. E., of Smithdale, Miss., did the preaching. Leaving Bro. Ferrell to close the meeting there, I went to Killian's Chapel, where I met Bro. J. M. Alford, who assisted me there until the following Friday. Bro. Alford did good and faithful service. His preaching was accompanied by the power of the Holy Ghost. Christians rejoiced, and sinners trembled. My old "standby," Bro. M. Ferrell, continued with me until Sunday night. One accession to the church on profession of faith, and several backsliders reclaimed, and the church greatly revived, was the result of this meeting. On Tuesday following we began at Pine Grove and continued until Sunday following. Our intention was to go from here to Pipkin's Chapel; but on account of small-pox prevailing in the neighborhood, the meeting was postponed. I expect to begin at Independence next Sunday night (D. V.).

Eternity alone can reveal the good accomplished in these meetings. May God bless these two brethren that were so faithful in assisting me in these meetings!

This is my third year with these dear people, and it has been the best in every respect, and I want to say to any of my brethren of the Louisiana Conference that if you are read out for Pine Grove circuit next Conference, don't tremble, for you will find a kind and good people to serve. F. N. SWEENEY, P. C.

VANCLEAVE CHARGE.

We have been in the midst of revival meetings for the past four (4) months, and closed out with our camp meeting, which resulted in the salvation of many souls.

We had no one to help us but the faithful local preachers of this work Notwithstanding this, we had good services at every meeting.

We found this work considerably on the background, spiritually, but we have every reason to believe that the work, spiritually, is a great deal better than when we took charge.

We have received about 20 members up to date. We have had between 50 and 60 conversions during the year, and a great many reclaimed.

The people of Vancleave are a good, kind, hospitable people; they love for their pastor to come and see them, and sing and pray for them; and in token of their appreciation, they are giving the preacher a good congregation to preach to, and they are paying up their assessments better than for several years.

We have succeeded in sending the beloved editor of our Conference organ 14 new subscribers for the ADVOCATE. Some of the brethren are paying up their arrearages, which of course pleases the editor. We have sent off during the year about 15 subscriptions for the "Review of Missions." We have sold one-half dozen Testaments and Psalms; sold four dozen hymns books etc. So you see the humble servant of "Vancleave charge" has not been asleep, but hard at work for the "Master's cause." We have had the best Quarterly Conferences on this work during this Conference year that I was ever in.

The Lord was with us in great power. We have had a full attendance at every Quarterly Conference and good congregations. The people all love Bro. Simmons, and all say he's the man for the place.

We have succeeded in liquidating a debt of $60 on the parsonage, and raising our assessment of $50 for the district parsonage, and will just about pay all the assessment for the preacher in charge, and the Conference in full.

By the help of the Lord, we hope not to be very far behind in our assessments when Conference meets.

I think our camp meeting deserves to be mentioned in this report to the ADVOCATE.

Our "camp meeting" only ran for three days; but I don't think I ever saw a greater demonstration of the Spirit than was manifested during those three days.

It was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. The preaching for the first few services was done by the local preachers. Then Bros. Simmons, the presiding elder, and Lewis, of Ocean Springs, came in to help us; then Bro. Huff, from the Whittington circuit, came in with some of his co laborers. And ere the meeting had closed we had a grand feast from the presence of the Lord. We had 45 conversions, and a goodly number reclaimed. Praise the Lord for free salvation to fallen men. Well, I will say that by the time I start to Conference I will have traveled 1,650 miles in just going to my appointments, besides the number of miles I traveled in my pastoral work.

May the Lord bless the editor of the ADVOCATE for furnishing us with such a good paper!

W. L. BLACKWELL, P. C.

Vancleave, Miss., Nov. 1, 1899.

ACKERMAN, MISS.

We are in sight of the end of our fourth year on this interesting charge. Whether we have succeeded, or not, God shall be our judge. We have had our seasons of rejoicing and our months of affliction. Cold waves from the northeast have forced their way into the chambers of our souls, only to be driven out and onward by the stronger currents of love from the heights of faith. We are richer in grace, stronger in faith and better qualified for the work before us than ever before.

Twelve months ago the scene was all too dark. We did not then know that God was rubbing in a heavy background against which to throw beams of love-light, which should reveal the outlines of a special providence. God is an artist, and, as such, we love him. He has enabled us to deliver hundreds of sermons and to receive scores of souls into the church. He suffered a shaft to drop from the skies which shattered our beautiful church at McCool, only to open wider the hearts of the people that we might discover the streams of their liberality. It is all over now; more beautiful than before, and no one hurt.

Our church in Ackerman gone down only to be repaired at once in a way never to need it again until the present building yields to a structure which shall be in touch with one of the most rapidly-growing towns in the State.

Our church at Salem now has a new cover and new pews.

At Weir's we have painted the interior; a new bell also, largely the fruitage of Messrs. Irving and Torbert, has been purchased. Noble laymen these! I could name a score of worthies whom any man would miss unless replaced by the salt of the earth. With our own hands we have painted the preacher's home, and it now stands a thing of beauty as compared with its former self. We are soon to take our leave of every care connected with this charge, and we sincerely desire to see every interest prosper in the hands of our successor. May God guide the hand that directs the appointments!

With love unstinted we remain in the some grand army, only tented in a slightly changed position. We go to our new field with new zeal.

R. M. EVANS, P. C.

HINDRANCES.

I wish to make mention of a few things that are hindering the preachers of Corinth district in regard to the collections ordered by the Conference; and if any of our preachers can tell us how to remove this cause, I stand for one ready to do my part to get it out of the way.

First, I wish to say that in the bounds of my circuit there are several anti-missionary, non-progressive Campbellite Churches that strike a death-blow at every move we make along these lines. They would make the people believe that the Methodist Church is nothing less than a great banking system, with her thousands in vault, just taxing her people to death. They do not hesitate to preach this from the pulpit.

The second thing I will mention is: in the bounds of my circuit there are several Hard-Shell Churches that try to stamp out the very thought of missions, education and church extension. They have preached long (so-called) sermons against these moves. These sermons have been copied, sent to the editors of our counties, published, sent out and read by the people in general. Many of our people believe this stuff to be true. Free-Will Baptist preachers telling the people that to pay a preacher a salary is to almost sin against the Holy Ghost.

Now, when the Methodist circuit rider starts out in the face of all this incorrigible, redoubtable, contemptible, unpardonable, hell-damnable doctrines to get up his finances, he has a task that would worry the patience of Job. Talk about weak preachers, strong preachers, gentle and small preachers, it would take a Joshua that could pull down the wall of Jericho, or an Elijah that could pray down fire from heaven, or a David that could crush the skull of a giant, to get all this stuff out of the minds of the people of this country. These are some of the causes that are in our way in this country. We are making some progress along those lines, and can only pray God to send the day when our people will redeem that pledge made at the sacred altar when they promised God to support all the institutions of the church.

W. R. WILLIAMS.

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GENTLENESS.

Gentleness has so subtle a charm, so genial a presence, so winsome a manner, that everywhere she is esteemed, honored, and sought after. She is alike welcome in the palaces of the great and in the homes of the lowly, and she gladdens every circle that she enters. At her approach doors are unbarred, hard hearts are softened, pride and stubbornness melt away, and fierceness and strife give place to quietness and peace. She is a fairy endowed with a magical power to render society pleasant, home attractive and joyous, and character lovely. Whatever be the sphere in which she is accorded a place—whether it be that of prince or peasant, warrior or priest, maid or mistress—she adorns and ennobles it. Wealth and splendor can not atone for her absence; neither can fame or honor bestow the joy and blessing that attend her footsteps. She has a magic key with which she unlocks the gates of prejudice, as well as a marvelous wand with which she brushes away difficulties and dangers, as if they were chaff. Where she is not, discord is sure to take up her abode.

History tells us that the strongest and most courageous have usually been the tenderest and most chivalrous. "Sir Walter Raleigh," says one, "was every inch a man, a brave soldier, a brilliant courtier, and yet a mirror of courtesy. No one would accuse Philip Sidney of having been deficient in manliness, yet his fine manners were proverbial." King Robert Bruce was "brave as a lion, yet as tender-hearted as a woman." Well has it been said that "St. Peter's is none the less strong and solid because of its elegant columns and the magnificent sweep of its arches, its carved and fretted marbles of matchless hues." Likewise character is none the less robust or noble because of gentleness of manner and kindness of bearing.

It is not always the most gifted or the most favored who succeed best. The chances are largely in favor of him who, though of mediocre ability, is noted for courtesy and obligingness. An agreeable manner is scarcely less advantageous to its possessor than would be the gift of Aladdin's fabled lamp. Says O. S. Marden with no little truth: "The good-mannered can do without riches, for they have passports everywhere. All doors fly open to them, and they enter without money and without price. They are as welcome in every household as the sunshine. They disarm jealousy and envy, for they bear good-will to everybody. Bees will not sting a man smeared with honey." It was Richter who said that "men, like beetles, go farthest when they are smoothest." Mirabeau, though one of the most unattractive men in France, having, as some one declared, "the face of a tiger pitted by small-pox," yet possessed such charm of manners as to be almost irresistible. What avails so effectually as gentleness to soothe the pathway and ease the jolts of life, to lighten the burden of care, to soothe sorrow, and drive away anger and hatred? How delightful is the company of the sweet-spirited and gentle! How gracious is their influence! Yet how rarely we meet with those whose words are uniformly free from sharpness and censoriousness, whose conduct is devoid of roughness and gruffness! A friend of Dickens, the novelist, said of him that "when he entered a room, it was like the sudden kindling of a big fire, by which everyone was warmed." What a [illegible] minister is not more common, especially among professing Christians.

While in Christian work courage in rebuking sin and in standing against the corruption of the times is highly necessary, there is urgent and general need also of that sweetness of temper and kindness of conduct that are the fruit as well as the proof of love.

If, when reviled, we revile again; if, under annoyances and disappointments, we fret and fume; if our tones are often harsh and petulant, then indeed there is a sad lack of the beauteous grace of gentleness that was so distinguishing a characteristic of the life of our Lord. A Christian may be honest and upright, and even zealous in church work, but unless he exhibits sweetness of temper and suavity of manner, his piety will not make a deep impression upon others. The "sons of thunder" had to be transformed into the apostles of love before they could become eminently useful. The make-or-mar method rarely fails to stir up opposition and enmity. Gentleness never makes any man unmanly or any woman unwomanly. Many, for lack of it, however, are un-Christly.

While a great deal of irritability and moroseness is undoubtedly due to ill-health, bad digestion, or overwork, surliness and sourness of spirit are more often due to lack of grace than to anything else. Unless religion causes the professing Christian to be "good to live with," as some one quaintly puts it, it may well be doubted whether there has been a change of heart. A good case of religion invariably sweetens the disposition, softens the emotions, and renders its possessor obliging and agreeable.

Prof. Drummond has startlingly said: "No form of vice—not worldliness, not greed of gold, not drunkenness itself—does more to unchristianize society than evil temper. For embittering life, for breaking up communities, for destroying the most sacred relationships, for devastating homes, for withering up men and women, for taking away the bloom of childhood—in short, for gratuitous, misery-producing power, this influence stands alone. The peculiarity of ill-temper is, that it is the vice of the virtuous. It is often the one blot on an otherwise noble character."

The believer who is conscious of a deficiency in this direction should do his utmost, through prayer and watchfulness, to cultivate sweetness, both of temper and manner, for in so doing he will not only draw nearer to Christ himself, but will also be able to draw others to his Lord. While gentleness is not an unfailing indication of a pure heart, or a noble character, yet, on the other hand, true Christian character can not be built without it. The disciple who lacks it to large degree shows that he has but little of the spirit of Christ, who, as one of our English poets has beautifully said, was "the first true gentleman that ever breathed." A life from which there is continually breathed out an aroma of love and gentleness is one of the most glorious fruits of Christianity.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

In the American Illustrated Methodist Magazine, for November, the seventh chapter of the series of Famous Hymn Writers, which treats of John Greenleaf Whittier, is the opening article. The Lay Preachers of Early Methodism is the subject of the ninth chapter of The Illustrated History of Methodism, which will appear in the November number of the Magazine. Few chapters in church history are more thrilling than those that deal with the heroic service of Wesley's lay-preachers. It was through the labors of men like John Cennick, Thomas Olivers, John Haime, Thomas Walsh, and others, in a large measure, that Methodism spread so rapidly throughout England and Ireland. The chapter is well written and beautifully illustrated, and is one of the most interesting of the series. A Veteran Missionary is the subject of an article on the life and work of Young John Allen in China. The leading facts and illustrations were furnished by Young J. Allen himself, and correctly portray the great labors and well-deserved progress of the Christian missions in the Orient. Mr. Allen is a man of great resource, having a very forceful literary style as well as a strong personality and striking appearance, and the varied experience he has had in his forty-five years of missionary work make an exceedingly interesting article.

In the Woman's Home Companion, for November, the opening article, When Queen Victoria Saved America from War, brings to light interesting facts about an almost forgotten international episode. Waldon Fawcett discusses the industrial importance of sewing-schools, showing by photographs of exhibits what is being accomplished in the larger cities. The Japanese writer, Onoto Watanna, writes of that charming, but misunderstood type of Japanese society, The Geisha Girl. Lilian Bell comments on European honesty when telling of a shopping experience in Naples.

In the American Monthly Review of Reviews the special features are the editor's comment on the war in South Africa, Mr. Stead's character sketch of Cecil Rhodes, President Schurman's address on The Problem of Territorial Expansion, a paper by Mr. Alfred F. Potts, of Indianapolis, on A Successful Substitute for Municipal Ownership; a description of A Model Suburban Village (East Cleveland, Ohio), by Mr. C. E. Bolton, and The Toledo Manual Training-school (illustrated), by President J. H. Barrows, of Oberlin College.

The Forum, for November, contains a number of articles of interest. Among the thirteen articles of vital interest may be found: How Shall Puerto Rico be Governed? by Hon. H. K Carroll, Special U. S. Commissioner to Puerto Rico. Hon. J. L M. Curry, former U. S. Minister to Spain, gives many pungent points on Spain, Living or Dying? The Finnish Question is discussed in a masterly way by Prof. Rudolf Eucken, of the University of Jena, the leading spirit of the Finnish movement in Germany. Jacob Schoenhof shows, by historical facts, What the World Owes to France. Civil Service by Special Training, by Hoffman Atkinson, sheds new light upon an important subject.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The preachers are busily engaged in rounding up for Conference. The prospect is for fairly good financial reports from most of the charges, and not a few will report spiritual growth.

"The Epworth League Reading Course" for the year, beginning with this month, is ready. The books are timely and good, adapted to young and old. They are worthy a place in any home, whether it is connected with the League or not. They are capital reading for the Winter season, for both parents and children. But specially should every League possess one, or more, sets. The four books cost, at regular rates, $4 75, but the special price is only $2 50 per set, postpaid. Reader, send me your order right away.

The "report form" provided by our Sunday-school Board for obtaining needed information of our Sunday-school work has been mailed to each pastor in the Conference. If anyone has failed to receive his copy, let him write me at once for it. Brother pastor, read each item carefully, take pains to fill each blank as accurately as possible, and hand it to J. B. Streater on the first day of the Conference, as directed in the footnote. By each and all doing this, the Sunday-school Board will, for once, be enabled to get the true status of the work in every part of the field, learn what remains to be done, and intelligently devise plans for its accomplishment. Arrangements are being made to hold the Sunday-school anniversary on Thursday night of the Conference session. Let all concerned do their part to make it a grand success.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., Oct. 26, 1899.

FROM BRO. SHEPPARD.

MR. EDITOR: I am glad to say that I am on foot again after a siege of malarial fever and sciatic rheumatism. Our daughter, Mrs. Woodard, whose death at any hour for seventy-six days would have been no surprise to any who knew her condition, I am glad to say is now convalescent, and her full recovery confidently expected.

No people on earth could have been more kind, considerate, and sympathetic than the Mansfield people have been toward us in our affliction, and this does not apply alone to the Methodist people. God bless them. I love them more as I learn them better. My charge has not suffered from my absence and illness, as I have been ably assisted by Bro. J. M. Brown, pastor of Grand Cane circuit, and also by Bro. C. D. Atkinson, who has been with me two months. The latter has just closed a very successful meeting at the only church I have out of Mansfield.

I think our report will be full in every particular, notwithstanding the short crop. About $2 per member has been subscribed on the Twentieth Century Thank-offering, with more to follow.

Fraternally,

J. L. P. SHEPPARD.

Mansfield, La., Nov. 1, 1899.

IN TOUCH WITH HIS TIME.

Some preachers possess in large degree a quality which has a primary bearing on their success: they are in touch with their age. They know its needs, its sins, its temptations, its dangers, its tendencies, its intellectual and financial and moral movements. Hence they serve aptly as prophets of the time, bringing into play upon the questions of the hour lessons from the divine Word, and the counsels which result from long and penetrating brooding upon divine and human things.

Men of this sort in the pulpit are sure to catch the ear and reach the conscience of the people. There is a timeliness, a modern tone, a freshness of utterance about their messages which make an instant and a deep impression. The sermons which they preach could not possibly have been wrought out or preached in any other age; their substance, their style, their vocabulary, their allusions, their subtle flavor, their illustrations, all betoken that they belong to this period of the world's history, rather than to some other era.

Once in a while a man strives to come into touch with his age by secularizing his pulpit, by giving before his sermons preludes on current events, by taking political or semi-political themes for his evening discourses. Usually his efforts are vain. He succeeds in turning his pulpit into a stage for dramatic display, or into an oratorical platform; and that is as far as his enterprise will carry him.

There are still others who never show by their sermons that they live in the nineteenth century. Their homilies would have been just as apt a thousand years ago as they are today. They have a flavor of antiquity about them, and are really relics of another time. A young man who preaches such discourses has no future in the pulpit, unless in some way he can be awakened, quickened, and intellectually born again. He must be brought to study his own century, by contact with its great books and with its leading minds; he must know how to use the secular and religious press, and through its products scan the horizon of the times; he must learn how to judge his fellow-men, and how to discern their unspoken needs. He must become like the children of Issachar, mentioned by an Old Testament chronicler, who "had understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do."

One of the ways in which a thoroughly alive pastor, in sympathy with his age, will keep in touch with his people, is by means of his sermon-illustrations. These, in an apt preacher, will reveal his modern sympathies better than any catchy themes, or sermon preludes. He will not go out of his way to lug in allusion to current events, but he will nevertheless be on the alert for incidents, developments, books, current sayings, and other events of the hour which may suit his purpose. What he says may not be much concerning these matters, but the little that he does use will serve to drive home a great truth, to vivify his message, to arrest attention, and to attract men and women whose temptations are secular to consider their spiritual needs. He will not feel called on to preach about the Peace Congress, the Dreyfus trial, the new call for volunteers, the President's Message, the Woman's International Council, or the Irrigation Congress; he will not take David Harum, or Richard Carvel, or any other recent novel as his theme; and yet his allusions, his incidental illustrations, his arguments, his pleadings, all will suggest that he knows what is going on about him, and is a servant of his own generation. A French proverb says, "The age makes the man." This may not be literally and exactly true, but it certainly helps to make the man, and no minister can be well-made unless he cultivates sympathy with the toils, the fears, the perils, the discoveries and inventions, and, in brief, the varied needs of the age in the midst of which his lot has been cast.—Central Advocate.

THAT SHRIEK OF PETULANCE.

"Scolding preachers are as powerless as nagging women. Nothing can atone for lack of kindness in spirit and courteous deference in manner. When one's voice rises to a shriek of petulance, it is a betrayal of conscious weakness." So says Frank Crane. He is right. We never knew of a case where a preacher did any good by scolding, in the pulpit or out of it. The worst of all times to scold is at the close of a pastorate. To accompany a resignation by a bitter and sarcastic statement of the causes which led to it—whether true or not—is to destroy one's influence in that community.—Chicago Standard.

The little band of religious enthusiasts who went recently from Missouri to Palestine, expecting there to witness the second coming of Christ, are in a bad way. The pilgrimage was the result of a tract written by Mrs. Ida Dickinson, called "The City of the Great King." It convinced some farmers in Belham township, Mo., and others in Michigan that if they went to Jerusalem, they could see Christ come again in all his glory, and that the faithful would be "caught up to him." The pilgrims were headed by Mrs. Dickinson and her husband. They sold all their possessions and started for Palestine a little less than a year ago. A letter has just been received from them. The pilgrims are crowded into one small house. They are penniless and ill, but they are still hopeful that the Lord will come and they are waiting.—Times-Democrat.

If I do what I may in earnest, I need not mourn if I work no great work on this earth. To help the growth of a thought that struggles toward the light; to brush with gentle hand the earth-stain from the white of one snow-drop—such is my ambition—George MacDonald.

When asked, "What's a layman?" a pastor replied: "One who lays things upon his pastor which he himself ought to do."—Religious Herald.

NOTES.

Bros. Evans and Skipper exchanged pulpits last Sunday night.

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Rev. T. B. Clifford is spending a week with his family at Jackson, La.

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The late Cornelius Vanderbilt bequeathed $50,000 to Vanderbilt University.

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The meeting of the Publishing Committee has been postponed to Nov. 22.

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Rev. V. D. Skipper is assisting Rev. J. M. Morse in a meeting at Wesson, Miss.

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St. Francis Street Church, Mobile, has raised $1,000 for the Twentieth Century Fund, with more to follow.

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It is rumored that Rev. S. B. Beall, of the Louisiana Conference, has been transferred to one of the Texas Conferences.

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Rev. W. B. Van Valkenburgh attended the Preachers' Meeting on Monday morning. He will spend some days in the city.

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Under date of Nov. 2, 1899, Rev. W. D. Bass writes: "Bro. Wafer and I closed a great meeting at Indian Village last Sunday. Quite a number of conversions, and 23 additions. The membership greatly revived, both spiritually and financially. They paid this laborer his hire, and then overpaid the pastor's salary, whereas, heretofore, they have only been paying about two-thirds of their assessment. I go next to Bastrop, La., to assist Bro. Schuhle."

Miss W. L. Park, formerly of the faculty of Port Gibson Female College, has a position in the School of Expression in Boston.

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The Union Thanksgiving Service will be held at Dryades Street Church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. V. D. Skipper.

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Four Catholics have recently made applications for membership in Tchoupitoulas Church, of which Rev. C. T. Munholland is pastor.

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We are pleased to learn that Rev. J. G. Cammack and family are on the road to recovery. His entire family, as well as himself, had the fever.

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Rev. G. C. Kelly has been transferred from the North Alabama Conference to the Tennessee Conference, and stationed at Tulip Street, Nashville.

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Writing from Ashland, Ky., under date of Nov. 3, Rev. Lyman F. Jackson says, 'I am beginning my third year at this place with encouraging signs."

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Rev. C. W. Hnff, of the Columbia Conference (formerly of the Mississippi Conference), has been transferred to the Pacific Conference, and stationed at Gridley, Cal.

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Sister A. B. Howell, of Columbus, Miss., writes: "We are having a grand revival in Columbus. Bros. Sadler and Joe Ramsey are helping Bro. Bowen. Bro. Bowen is doing a noble work."

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Under date of Oct. 31, Rev. C. P. Staples writes: "I came home from Grand Bayon last evening. Was there nine days. Had one of the best meetings of my life. Bro. Martin was with me four days."

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Rev. R. H. Wynn is closing his fourth year in Algiers under favorable auspices. He has received during his pastorate 150 members. The net increase in membership is 62. Assessments will be paid in full.

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Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster, who for over ten years has been the editor of Harper's Bazar, has resigned that position and joined the editorial corps of The Ladies' Home Journal, in which magazine she will hereafter conduct a prominent department.

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A school teacher who was obliged to give up her profession on account of poor health bought up a lot of bog and marsh land in a little New Jersey town, and, fencing it with wire, started a frog farm, sending the legs to the market. She found a frog crop easy to raise, and it is said that she has made from $3,000 to $5,000 a year out of this unusual enterprise.

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The following note from Rev. C. W. Scott will be read with painful interest throughout the Mississippi Conference. Let fervent prayer be made that our dear brother may be speedily restored to health.

Rev. B. S. Rayner is quite sick at his parsonage-home at Fayette. For several weeks his health has been in a precarious condition—all the while under medical advice. On Sunday he traveled nine miles to visit a sick member and fill an appointment. A large congregation met him, but he was able to stand in the pulpit sufficiently long only to say that sudden illness prevented his preaching, when he retired immediately to Bro. McCaa's home, near the church, attended by Dr. J. J. Robertson. He was able to be moved home yesterday. We bespeak the prayers of the church in behalf of this faithful itinerant.

Fayette, Oct. 30, 1899.

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Philip Werlein, head of the great music house that bears his name, died at his home in this city on the sixth. His standing in business circles was first-class. He was a lifelong Methodist, and ardently devoted to the church. He was a consecrated Christian, who exemplified in his daily life, both in sickness and in health, the principles of our holy religion. He was a liberal contributor, not only to the institutions of the church, but to benevolent enterprises of all sorts. Suffering humanity never appealed to him in vain. In a quiet, unostentatious way he was constantly giving for the relief of the poor. He passed away in the full triumph of the Christian faith. He was a brother of Dr. S. H. Werlein, of the Southwest Missouri Conference.

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

During the session of the Holston Conference, recently held in Bine field, W. Va, Rev. J S. W. Neel, in giving in his report, said, "I do not see how I ever got along without Epworth Leagues to help me."

We doubt not but that many preachers in other parts of our con nection have the same mind as Bro. Neel. What the League has done in Holston it can do in many other Conferences.

Herewith we print report from the Mission Rooms concerning the League work for missions in the bounds of the "Holston," as it recently appeared in the columns of the Nashville Advocate:

THE VICTORY OF THE LEAGUES IN HOLSTON.

About fifteen months ago the Holston League Conference undertook to wipe out the deficits on the home and foreign missionary assessments. The following is the record made: $10,000 was the assessment for for eign and $7,000 for home missions; $4,632 of the foreign, and $3 600 of the home assessment, was paid the previous year, leaving a deficit on the one of $5,368, and on the other of $3,400—a total deficit on both of $8,767. At the Annual Conference, one year ago, after the plan had been in operation two months, $1,080 was reported as increase on foreign and $622 on home missions—a total of $1,702. At the session of the Annual Conference, just held at Binefield, W. Va., an increase over last year of $2,796 on foreign and $1,601.54 on home missions—a total of $4,397.54—was reported. Adding to this the increase, $1,702, of the previous year, we have as a grand total of the increase in fourteen months, $5,862.67. The entire deficit of $8,767, reported two years ago, has been wiped out except $2,905, and that is to go this year. Of the two assessments ($17,000), $14 095 was paid this year. Two districts, Chattanooga and Wytheville, paid in full, and the former $500 over.

To show the increase in another way per capita: Payment in 1897 was 15 cents for home and foreign missions, 18 cents in 1898, and 25 cents in 1899. In 1897, 48 per cent. of the $17,000 was paid; in 1898, 58 per cent. was paid, and in 1899, 83 per cent. was paid.

It is gratifying to know that instead of taking from the other benevolent collections, a large increase was made aggregating nearly $1 200. It was hoped that the entire deficit would pass with the closing of the Conference year, and faithful work was done to this end. The Central Committee having the matter in charge have already begun the work of the new year with renewed vigor. Rev. P. L. Cobb was appointed Conference Missionary Secretary, without salary, and $300 was appropriated for his expenses.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

We note with pleasure that Rev. M. M. Black, of Gloster, has already secured $97.50 on the 20th Century Fund. We remember, too, that in the early part of the year he had The New Century Education sent to many of his members. He has a committee of young ladies at work furnishing literature, collecting, and obtaining more subscriptions. All the churches will respond and do something towards this cause, if it be properly presented.

Mr. P E Williams, of Lumberton, who spent some of the days of his boyhood in the Pearl River community of Madison county, has sent a contribution to the committee that is raising funds for the erection of a monument at Pearl River Church to the memory of Dr. J. W. Lambuth.

Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, who is to preside over the next Mississippi Conference, has sent a circular letter to the pastors asking their immediate and earnest co-operation in raising the "Twentieth Century Fund."

Michael Moses, a Syrian and Greek Catholic native of the Lebanon country, contributed a dollar to the Twentieth Century Fund at Madison. He is a peddler, and recently moved to Meridian.

At Drake's Chapel, on the Fannin circuit, a good League with 14 members was recently organized. H. C. Brown is pastor.

Miss Vio Thompson, the State secretary, has requested the district secretaries to send the associate editor monthly notes from their fields. We trust that the request will be heeded.

Rev. J. A Bowen, of Columbus, is a busy and successful pastor. Three good Sunday-schools, 3 Leagues, 4 prayer meetings, 600 church members, besides 150 Methodist girls in the college keep one preacher quite busy. There have been 150 accessions this year to the church, and Joe Ramsey is there now conducting a revival.

There are now 3 Epworth Leagues in Columbus. Two of these have been organized during the last two months. The East Columbus Senior League has 26 members. They take 10 copies of the Era, and are supplied with necessary facilities for the present. They meet once a week in the home of Rev. A. P. Leech, one of our superannuated preachers. He is the president, and "up to date," too. The Junior League was organized last week with about 40 members. They promise much for the future. The Senior League at the church is doing good work in all 3 departments. They take 30 Eras. Have just purchased the new Reading Course and some other good books. They stand ready to assist the pastor in the work assigned them. After furnishing some good material to the other two Leagues, they now have at least 100 members. During the year no less than 100 young people have "taken some part" in the League work

If your League meets and there has been a failure to prepare a program, you could probably not do better than to have the members take up the hymn book and for a half hour study one of the Articles of Religion. Indeed, for a weekly study Leaguers would find the Articles of Religion a subject interesting, profitable, and inexhaustible.

The circulation of the Era has grown at a rapid rate during the past twelve months, nearly twelve thousand new subscriptions having been secured in that time.

There has been issued from the Publishing House a nice leaflet descriptive of the Epworth Era. From it we clip the following:

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Earnest Living. Jude iii.
Purity of Life. I. Tim. iii, 9.
Wisdom Above Gold. Prov. xvi, 16.
Opportunities Improved. Gal. vi, 10.
Rejection of Evil. Rom. xii, 9.
Thanksgiving Always. Eph. v, 20.
Heathen Salvation. Matt. xxviii, 19.

Enduring Charity. I. Cor. xiii, 7.
Righteousness. Job xxvii, 6.
An Abiding Faith. Mark xi, 22.

Notice.

To the Epworth Leagues and Sunday-schools of the Mississippi Conference--

MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS: May I appeal to you in the interest of the great cause of missions? Only six weeks remain until the meeting of our Conference; yet you may do very much to help your pastor bring up his collections in full. With the Leagues and Sunday-schools fully interested in this cause, no pastor should report a deficit in this matter.

The Nashville Advocate, of Oct. 26, contains an interesting and inspiring account of the work done in the Holston Conference under the young people; also an article from Bishop Candler on the needs of the work in Cuba makes special appeal to our generosity. These, with a letter from Bishop Hendrix in the November number of the Review of Missions, would make excellent material for our pastors in their appeals for missions. T. B HOLLOMAN,
Pres. Miss. Bd.

PAINT TALKS, XXII.

THE REAL PAINT ARGUMENT.

In some recent paint advertisements doubtless many readers have run across the argument that since sand does not improve sugar, zinc, barytes, etc., can not serve any good purpose in paint The argument is ingenious, but entirely misleading, since the first proposition has no possible relation to the statement deduced from it. Quite as reasonably might one assert that sand has no place in sugar, nails are useless in wood, lime in mortar, juice in oranges, or fillings in teeth; whereas the fact is that while sugar is not improved, but ruined by the addition of sand, nails are useful when wood is to be joined to wood, oranges would be very poor fruit without juice, mortar would not hold without lime and decayed teeth are saved by filling.

But all such argument proves nothing as regards paint. The only sure test of the value of any paint, or any component of paint, is the test of service. Now the test of service—the experience of centuries—has shown that pure white lead makes a very poor and very expensive paint, in that it perishes very rapidly, requiring constant renewal, that it becomes porous and absorbent of moisture even before it really begins to powder off, and that it is very subject to attack by atmosphere and other influences.

On the other hand experience shows that zinc white and the so-called inert pigments (barytes, gypsum, etc.) are not subject to deterioration.

Of the pigments just mentioned, zinc white is the only one which is, properly speaking, a paint pigment—the others serve merely to dilute the lead and thus retard its deterioration. Zinc white, however, not only dilutes, but protects the lead, and it is a fact universally recognized among paint manufacturers that no durable white or light tint can be made without zinc white.

Every village in the land possesses practical illustrations of this truism; on the one hand, houses painted with pure lead, lustreless, discolored and in a short time, paintless; on the other hand, houses painted with good combination based on zinc white, on which lustre, color and material are good long after lead and the poorer ready mixed emulsion paints have outlived both beauty and usefulness

The paint user, after all, is the one most interested in good paint. It will be money in his pocket to remember that pure oil and zinc white are its essentials. One beautiful durable job of painting is worth, as an argument, a thousand "sand and sugar" perversions. STANTON DUBLAY.

Conference Board of Missions, Louisiana Annual Conference.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for foreign missions from

Simsport, Rev. R. Randle	$ 25 00
Tchoupitonlas and Gouldsboro, Rev C. T. Munholland	18 50
Pleasant Hill, Rev. J. F. Patterson	4 00
Loganaport, Rev. J. T. Sawyer, D. D	7 50
Lisbon, Rev. B. H. Sheppard	43 00
Morgan City, Rev. S. B. Beall	107 95
Homer, Rev W. F. Henderson	5 85
White Castle, "Rally Day"	3 60
Total	$217 40

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Tchoupitoulas and Gouldsboro, Rev. C. T Munholland	$ 3 25
Pleasant Hill, Rev. J. F Patterson	5 00
Parker Memorial, Rev. P. H. Fontaine	5 00
Lisbon, Rev. B. H Sheppard	23 00
Morgan City, Rev. S. B. Beall	41 50
Homer, Rev. W. F. Henderson	37 15
Lake Charles, Rev. B. F. White	39 05
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Grand total	$371 95

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Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., Chicago, Ill., sub	5 00
Rev. John Franklin, Orange, La., cash	1 00
A. J. Franklin, Orange, La., cash	1 00
Others, Orange, La., cash	1 25
J. G. Brown, Many, La., cash	2 00
R. S. Prothro, Many, La., cash	1 00
Others, Many, La., cash	45
Rev. Jno. F. Wynn, Louisiana Conference, cash	2 00
Rev. Martin Hebert, Louisiana Conference, cash	1 00
An old friend, Opelousas, La., cash	5 00
Mrs. S. J. Jackson and mother, Forest, La. cash	1 80
Plaquemine Bruice Methodist, cash	2 00
Total	$120 20

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BY J. G. WHITTIER.

When on my day of life the night is falling,
And in the winds from nnsunned spaces blown,
I hear far voices out of darkness calling
My feet to paths nnknown.

Thou who hast made my home of life so pleasant,
Leave not its tenant when its walls decay;
O love divine, O helper ever present,
Be thou my strength and stay.

Be near me when all else is from me drifting,
Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine,
And kindly faces to mine own uplifting
The love which answers mine.

I have but thee, O Father! Let thy spirit
Be with me to comfort and nphold;
No gate of pearl, no branch of palm, I merit,
Nor street of shining gold.

Suffice it if—my good and ill nnreckoned,
And both forgiven throngh thy abounding grace—
I find myself by hands familiar beckoned
Unto my fitting place—

Some humble door among thy many mansions,
Some sheltering shade where sin and striving cease,
And flows forever, through heaven's green expansions,
The river of thy peace.

There, from the music round about me stealing,
I shall would learn the new and holy song,
And find, at last, beneath thy tree of healing,
The life for which I long.

GETTING READY TO ENJOY.

Miss Muloch has well said in one of her books: "Nobody will see his own blessings, or open his heart to enjoy them, till the golden hour has gone by forever, and he finds out too late all that he might have had and made and done."

How true this is!

Oh, the waste of life, the precious years lost getting ready to enjoy! Oh, the delnsion of always pntting the time of enjoyment in the fnture, forever deferring good things until the tissnes have hardened and the nerves have lost their power to carry agreeable sensations! How many people there are who mnrder their capacity for enjoyment and make slaves of themselves in trying to hoard up that which they might have enjoyed in their yonnger days, and which will be but a mockery to them late in life!

Of what use are books and pictures and statues to him who has robbed his intellect of all that deepens and enhances life's valne? There is no greater self-deception than that which impels one to give the best part of himself and the best years of his life for something which he hopes to enjoy when the fires of yonth have departed, and there is nothing left bnt the embers and ashes of age.

The great secret of happiness is to learn to enjoy as we go along. Every day should be a holiday in the highest sense of the word. No matter how busy we are, something should be brought into every day's experience which will enlarge, broaden and deepen the mind. Every day should add a new layer of beauty and joy to life before it gives place to the morrow. It was not intended that one part of life shonld be filled with joy and the remainder be left barren.

It doesn't pay to look forward to enjoyment. A recent writer says: "I would as soon chase bntterflies for a living or bottle moonshine for a cloudy night. The only way to be happy is to take the drops of happiness as God gives them to us every day of our lives. The boy must learn to be happy while he is plodding over his lessons, the apprentice while he is learning his trade, the merchant while he is making his fortune, or they will be snre to miss their enjoyment when they have gained what they have sighed for."

How easily a busy man delndes himself with the idea that he will enjoy to-morrow or next year! His wife nrges him to go abroad or to travel over his own conntry, but he declares he can afford neither the time nor the money, "just yet." He is always getting ready to live in the future. He wants to postpone everything. Books, study, travel? "Too bnsy for such things now," is his constant excuse. To his wife's pleadings he answers: "We can't afford to send the boy or the girl to college this year; perhaps we may be able to next year. Wait until we are a little better off." He thinks he needs every dollar to support or extend his bnsiness this year. Next year he can afford to be generous, and he will travel or send the children to college. So he drifts from year to year, letting slip thousands of opportunities for enjoyment and doing good. In the meantime his nerves are hardening and his sensibilities becoming dulled by hard work and age. Years later he takes his wife to Europe, but his mind has been cramped and dwarfed so long in the business rut that he has lost the capacity for enjoyment. He has never developed his æsthetic nature; he can not enjoy works of art; he has never seen enongh of natnre to be able to appreciate its beauties. In fact, he has known nothing bnt business, bnsiness, bnsiness! He is disappointed with his trip to Enrope. He does not realize that he has destroyed the higher qualities of his nature, and that his finer sensibilities have become blunted by neglect and hard work nntil there is very little left for him to enjoy ontside of his old rontine. Thonsands of men retire from business nnder similar circumstances. Bnt, alas! there is nothing for them to retire to. The only enjoyment left for these automatons is to go on doing the same thing they have been doing all their lives.

It is very important, while planning for the future, to beware how we slight the now of life. This is the only time of which we are sure. We shonld nse it, not "with a prodigal's waste or a miser's stint," but with a wise determination to make every day yield something to the sum of onr happiness and highest welfare.—Success.

ONLY AN IDEA.

It was an English blacksmith, Newcomen, with no opportunities, who, in the seventeenth century, conceived the idea of moving a piston by the elastic force of steam; but his engine consnmed thirty ponnds of coal in prodncing one horse power. The perfection of the modern engine is largely due to James Watt, a poor, nneducated Scottish boy, who at fifteen, walked the streets of London in a vain search for work. A professor in the Glasgow University gave him the nse of a room to work in, and, while waiting for jobs, he experimented with old vials for steam reservoirs and hollow canes for pipes, for he could not bear to waste a moment. He improved Newcomen's engine by cntting off the steam after the piston had completed a quarter or third of its stroke, and letting the steam already in the chamber expand and drive the piston the remaining distance. This saved nearly three-fourths of the steam. Watt snffered from pinching poverty and hardships which would have disheartened ordinary men; but he was terribly in earnest, and his brave wife, Margaret, begged him not to mind her inconvenience, nor be disconraged. "If the engine will not work," she wrote him while strnggling in London, "something else will. Never despair."

"I had gone to take a walk," said Watt, "on a fine Sabbath afternoon, and had passed the old washing-honse, thinking upon the engine at the time, when the idea came into my head that, as steam is an elastic body, it wonld rush into a vacnnm, and if a communication were made between the cylinder and an exhansted vessel, it would rnsh into it, and might there be condensed withont cooling the cylinder." The idea was simple, bnt in it lay the germ of the first steam engine of mnch practical valne. Sir James Mackintosh places this poor Scottish boy who began with only an idea "at the head of all inventors, in all ages and all nations."—Success.

EXTRAVAGANCE.

Some persons have no notion of the value of money, or what a thing costs. They want it, and will have it. Nor are they content with a moderate priced article; they must have the very best. So they dress in the costliest of silks, wear the most precions of jewels, provide the most sumptnous of fares, travel in the most expensive of equipages, and live in the finest of style, going to the very verge of their means, and even beyond their ability, in the vain hope that somehow the purse will hold out and be refilled in dne season. They have no just conception of what economy means, never look ahead, live merely in and for the present gratification, and take little account of the day of settlement. They pile up acconnts, and when pay time arrives they feel the pressure, bnt somehow tide over the difficnlty, and think that they will do better in the futnre; yet the days and months and years roll by and no improvement appears, and at last the threatened collapse occnrs, when the splendid farniture, magnificent mansion and extensive possessions are sold at a sacrifice and pass into other hands. Spend-thrifts soon consnme a colossal fortune. Many, left their thousands, are in a few years penniless. Nnmbers who have become snddenly rich in specnlation have in a short period been reduced to want. "What comes easy goes easy" has become a truism. Extravagance speedily pulls down the vast accumnlations.

Wastefulness is a sin. To spend foolishly or needlessly has no Bible sanction. God gives abnndance, bnt he requires its right use and proper preservation. He commits his good things to ns in trnst. He regards what we have as loaned, not owned. He calls us his stewards, not proprietors. He holds ns responsible for onr possessions and acqnisitions. He who sqnanders his revenues commits a gross offense and has a terrible acconnt to render. Large snbstances wasted are a terrible thing for which to answer at heaven's bar. Riches are not intended to minister to extravagance, or to be lavished on self, withont regard to a hereafter, but are a gift to be divinely employed and accounted for.—Presbyterian.

DON'T WORRY.

The faces of the women one passes in the street form a cnrious and, too often, a saddening story. One woman purses np her lips, another screws her eyes into unnatnralness, while a third will wrinkle up her forehead and eyebrows nntil she looks absolntely ngly. The trick is an nnconscions one, bnt it is none the less a trick and a bad one. There is no reason why a woman should look forbidding and bad-tempered jnst because she is annoyed abont something. Deep-seated trouble has a way of writing itself npon the face, whether we will or not. Sickness, too, has its own handwriting, and will not be concealed by art. But the frown caused by snperficial tronbles should not be entertained by the face for an instant. We shonld strive to look as pleasant as possible for the sake of others. A corresponding cheerfulness of temperament will inevitably result, and always to the sweetening of onr natnre.

We can not afford to go abont with gloomy faces. To depress others is not for ns; onr work is to cheer, to raise up, to comfort; but we shall never do this unless we cultivate a pleasant demeanor, and the cheerful temper inseparable from it. This brings us to that question of worry. Can we pnt it more strongly than to say that it is a duty to put care, worry, fretfulness behind one? The habit must be learned, or we shall not "grow straight in the strength of our spirit and live out our life as the light," as Swinbnrne so well puts it. "It's difficnlt to do that," says some one. We all know that it is very hard; bnt women are not afraid of difficulties. The more difficnlt the right thing is to do, the greater reason for doing it. All we need is to make the first effort; strength will be born which will increase at each subseqnent attempt, and we shall conquer in the end. Salvation for women lies in this—not to be overcome by tronbles, bnt to overcome them.—The Family Doctor.

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GRAVES—JESSIE MATTHEWS was the daughter of the late J. P. Matthews, of Hazlehurst, Miss., and was born June 30, 1867. She was married to Mr. W. S. Gravee, of Wesson, Miss., April 7, 1894. Soon after she moved to West Lake, La., where she died of malarial fever, Sept. 29, 1899. Her remains were brought to Hazlehurst, and there buried at the home of her mother. She leaves a bright, beautiful little boy two years old.

In childhood she was a beautiful, bright, winsome little girl, the idol of the home, a source of pleasure to all who knew her. When thirteen or fourteen years old she went to Meridian, Miss., to enter the E. M. F. College as a student. There committed to my special care, and as one of her teachers, I learned to know and love her. She had then all the artlessness and simplicity of her early childhood. Of a sweet, gentle, confiding disposition, affectionate and warm in her attachments, willing and ready to sacrifice for the good of others, she soon became a favorite with her teachers and schoolmates. Intellectually bright, she could easily and readily master the tasks assigned her as a pupil. While fond of the company and associations of friends, she had ambition to stand well in her classes, and always did so. Thus she won the esteem and approbation of her teachers, and bound to her the loving hearts of many young friends. Thus she grew up to be a bright, beautiful, cultured woman. The child of a Christian home, of the Sunday-school and church, she received the impress and inspiration of a Christian faith, and had the elements and virtues of a Christian character. One marked characteristic of her life, in childhood and womanhood, was a deep, warm, abiding affection for her mother, to whom her heart always turned, in joy and sadness, at home and away. R. J. JONES.

Jackson, Miss.

BROWN—Died near Lnoknow, Rankin County, Saturday morning, Oct. 7, 1899, Mrs. NANNIE BROWN, wife of R. D. Brown, of Jackson, Miss.

Mrs. Brown was the daughter of Col. W. K. Easterling, of Fannin, Miss., and was born Dec. 20, 1850. Her parents were Presbyterians, and she grew up in that communion. In young womanhood, however, she joined the Methodist Church, and lived a consistent member to the end. She was married to R. D. Brown in 1872. He and one of two daughters survive her.

Mrs. Brown's health has not been good for some time, and her constitution could not withstand the fever. She was nursed as carefully as possible by her family, but to no avail. After a brief, but severe, illness she died, and by loving hands was laid to rest under the forest trees near the place of her death, but far from her Jackson home.

She was a devoted wife and mother. Her life was given up to her home. Those who knew her best loved her most tenderly, and the light seems to have gone out of that home which she made so happy. Her every thought and action seemed for the good of those she loved. She will be long and tenderly mourned, and his remembrance of her gentle and unselfish life will be an abiding influence in the bereaved household. In her departure to be with Christ our church here loses one of its most consistent members, and our community one of its purest lives. R. W. BAILEY.

Jackson, Miss.

ALLISON—JOEL SAMUEL ALLISON, of Rolls county, Mo., but more recently of Handsboro, Miss., died in St. Louis, Oct. 10, 1899, aged forty-six years three months and eighteen days.

The deceased had been in ill-health for about one year, and had retired from business, hoping, by a change and rest and medical attention, to regain his health; but all that kind friends and relatives and the best of medical skill could do was unavailing. The man of strong mind and body and remarkable energy soon gave way. "The race was not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong."

Bro. Allison was highly esteemed by a host of friends in Rolls county, his boyhood home, but his loss will be felt very keenly in Handsboro, Harrison county, Miss., where he had lived the past twelve years, and where positions of trust and honor had been conferred upon him. Twice elected to the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, he had developed a strong educational policy, and had much improved and strengthened the school system. As a member of the Handsboro Methodist Church, steward and Sunday-school superintendent, he was looked to as a leader, and prominent in all her work.

His remains were brought to his boyhood home for interment. After service in the [illegible] to rest in Lick Creek Cemetery, near Perry, Rolls county, Mo. The funeral services were conducted by his father's pastor and the writer.

CHARLES O. RANSFORD.

MYERS—Mrs. LULA NICHOLSON MYERS (nee Brown) was born in Lavacca county, Texas, July 18, 1865, and died at Pelahatchie, Miss., Oct. 10 1899. She came to Mississippi when about seventeen years old. She was married to Daniel T. Myers, June 16, 1885. They made their home in Louisiana, where they lived happily together until Oct. 4, 1898, when death invaded the home and carried away the fond husband and father. She, with the three sweet children, returned to Mississippi, but the season of mourning was short. One year and six days of widowhood, then the happy reunion.

For twenty years she was a devoted member of the Methodist Church. Her Christian life was consistent to the end. Patient, kind, sweet-spirited, she was beloved by all. Hers was a beautiful life. No wonder the end was so triumphant. Those who witnessed her going will never forget that heavenly scene. She gave directions concerning her funeral, told the loved ones good-by, asking them to meet her in heaven, and sweetly "fell on sleep." The children she committed to her sister, Mrs. Mattie Crook, wife of Bro. W. S. Crook, Sr. They could not have been left in better hands. P. D. HARDIN.

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SIBLEY—Mrs. ALETHA BELLE SIBLEY (nee Mangum) was born in Smith county, Miss., Oct. 23 1870. She became a member of the M. E. Church, South, at Caney Creek Church, Trenton charge, Mississippi Conference, when but a child, and lived a faithful Christian till the Lord took her to himself on the night of Aug. 16, 1899. For several months before her death she endured the providences of God with patient suffering and sore bereavement, having buried her youngest child only a few weeks before her death.

She was married to Bro. R. A. Sibley, Jr., now of the Mississippi Conference, when quite a young woman. Now he is bereft of a loving companion; their three children a tender mother's love and care. How sad and lonely they must be without her! But, thank God! "earth has no sorrow that God can not heal." How sad to say farewell! How sweet to know 'tis not forever, but in the morning we shall meet again and know as we are known! They, loved ones, don't look at the lifeless form that lies asleep, but at the loved one up yonder with beckoning hands, calling, "Loved ones, come home." The Lord bless and save the bereaved ones. J. T. ABNEY.

Boxie, Miss.

FANT—Little JOE VAN, son of S. A. and Mrs. Lula G. Fant, was born June 26, 1838, and died of typhoid fever at Johnston's Station, Aug. 10, 1899.

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Tender hands laid the body beside the dust of an infant sister who preceded her brother only a few brief months to the "home beyond." We left the grave with heavy hearts, but with the confident hope that we shall again meet the departed. To the bereaved parents earth-ties are becoming fewer and heaven-ties greater. God keeps adding to the heavenly attractions. What an inducement to lay up our treasures in heaven!

J. A. MOORE.

WHITE—Little HUGH BINE WHITE, seven years six months and nineteen days old, departed this life Sept. 24. Gone to try the realities of an unknown world to us. It was always his delight to go to the Sabbath-school; always knew his lessons; was considered the brightest boy of his age in the literary school. He was very obedient to parents and those over him. He never forgot the early training of his mother, who was taken from him two years ago. He would not go to bed without saying his prayers, and would repeat at least one verse of Scripture after grace every morning. He is now with Jesus.

J. H. FOREMAN, P. C.

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Resolved, That we tender our sympathy to the sorrow-stricken family.

EFFIE MCDONALD,
BEATRICE HENINGTON,
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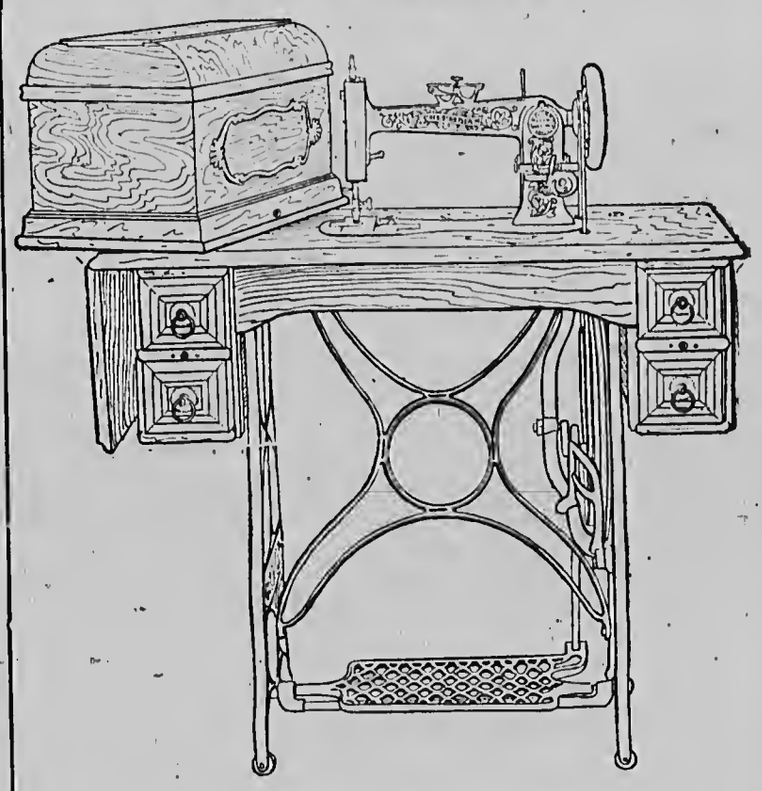

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Slow circling upon outstretched wing
The fierce, rapacious bird of prey
Glides near that small sweet, tender thing
Those cruel claws would snatch away.

O, how that mother's heart must leap
To drive this peril of the air
Away from that soft nest of sleep
With all her love and longing there.

But see the staunch defender rise
With bristling mane and head erect,
No power can snatch that precious prize,
While he stands ready to protect.

Sleep on sweet babe, your mother's breast
Once more shall press you close and warm,
No evil bird shall e'er molest
While this brave guardian scents the harm.

To protect her little ones is among the strongest instincts of a mother's heart, and through all the thousands cares and worries of a busy woman's life there arises ever and anon the thought "O, if I could do more for my baby!"

But mothers are too often weighed down

and weakened with their own daily burdens to do any more than struggle almost hopelessly against the physical and mental evils that beset themselves, with no strength left to care for others. Women with large families find that the very ordeal of bringing children into the world, and nursing and rearing them to boyhood and girlhood, is so great a draft upon the mother's strength that she herself becomes the natural object of care and protection.

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Another lady, Mrs. Elizabeth Hull, of 27 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R. I., writes: "I have had fifteen babies, and always had a bad time. Sometimes I have had to have two doctors. I began taking your 'Favorite Prescription' last July and in September I gave birth to two little girls and I never had such an easy time. I had no doctor and did not suffer half as long as before. My twins when born weighed ten pounds each. They are fine girls, now four months old."

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Opinion in Berlin inclines strongly in favor of a commercial treaty with the United States.

It is reported that the United States will work in harmony with England to maintain the "open door in China."

British defeats in Natal are causing bitter criticism of Gen. White and the Marquis of Lansdowne in England.

W. C. Coleman, the richest American negro, has started a large cotton mill at Concord, N. C., which has 5000 spindles.

The insurgent army of Gen. Durand of Peru has met with a decisive defeat, which will probably bring the revolution to an end.

The three powers interested in Samoa are said to have decided to dissolve the tripartite agreement and partition the islands.

In the city election, on Tuesday, Nov. 7, the Regular Democrats won by a majority of over 6,000, Capdevielle being elected for mayor.

Gen. Wheaton with a brigade has been sent to Dagupan to advance on the Filipinos from the north, while Lawton and MacArthur attack from the south.

Rev. Dr. Henry S. Stimson, of Manhattan Congregational Church, New York, at a gathering of churchmen, raised a missionary collection of $56,000 in fifty-six minutes.

Some 300 men who enlisted in Chicago in Mississippi regiments are instituting claims against that State, under an old and forgotten law, granting a bounty of $60 to every soldier not a resident of the State enlisting in its regiments.

Miss Helen Gould has already given $6000 to the League for Social Service, to be used in the crusade against Mormonism. Much of this has been spent in the publishing and distribution of pamphlets concerning the question.

This year of 1899, now in its last weeks of duration, promises to be notable politically for its independent political movements against the old parties. The most interesting, outside of our own, are the political canvasses in Ohio and Kentucky.

At Bacolod, in the Island of Negros, the first autonomous government of the Filipinos was established on Nov. 6. General Smith, governor of the Island of Negros, administered the oath of office to the judge of the supreme court, who in turn swore in the governor, three judges, twelve councilmen, the auditor and the secretary of the interior. The natives of the entire island attended the ceremony.

Although news has continued scarce as to the progress of events in South Africa, such reports as have been received throw considerable light upon recent happenings. There is now every reason to believe that Ladysmith, although surrounded, has not fallen, and the British military authorities believe that the garrison there will be able to hold out until relieved, as the camp is well stocked with all classes of supplies. The railroad leading south to Pietermaritzburg has been cut, but the besieguered British have apparently been successful in sending information to the outside world by means of carrier pigeons.

The opening of bids at Washington a few days ago for the construction of the six protected cruisers of about 3200 tons displacement, authorized by the last Congress, brought out proposals from ten firms, none of which, with the single exception of the Union Iron Works of San Francisco, have been heretofore prominently identified in the construction of large vessels for the navy. The bids of all these firms were well within the limits fixed by Congress, and as many as four of them offered alternative designs of their own, providing for much greater speed, as well as larger displacement than that called for by the department's designs.

Although but meager details have reached the outside world as to the progress of events in Natal, where General Sir George White, the British commander, with his eight or nine thousand troops, is holding out against fully thirty thousand Boers, there is every reason to believe that important events are transpiring. The British Government has officially announced that the British forces have evacuated Colenso and have retired further south, probably to Estcourt. This means that the important bridge across the Tugela river and the railroad to Ladysmith, north of that river, are in the hands of the Boers, and, consequently, that Ladysmith has been cut off and isolated.

The extent to which the government is constructing and operating cable and telegraph lines, as a result of recent territorial acquisition and control, is brought out in the report of General Greely, chief signal officer. This shows that the telegraph system of Cuba formerly owned and operated by Spain has been taken over and developed by the signal corps, and that at the close of the fiscal year 2500 miles of line were in operation, of which 600 miles were absolutely new lines, and the remainder largely reconstructed. General Greely recommends the laying of a deep sea cable between Puerto Rico and Cuba, which will cost about $600,000. By this means all communication between Puerto Rico and the United States would pass over strictly American lines.

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I have been a great sufferer from dyspepsia for about fifteen years, my trouble being my liver, stomach and bowels, with terrible headaches. Lemon Elixir cured me. My appetite is good, and I am well. I had taken a barrel of other medicine that done me no good.
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C. H. BALDWIN.
No. 98 Alexander St., Atlanta, Ga.

Notice.

If any member of the Louisiana Conference has Mormonism to combat, Rev. J. A. Jarrett, of this place, is thoroughly competent to expose their pernicious doctrines and teaching, and he will take great pleasure in doing so. He has literally put them to rout in this parish.
J. L. P. SHEPPARD.
Mansfield, La., Nov. 3, 1899.

North Mississippi Conference.

The class of the third year will please meet at the Methodist Church in Greenwood, Monday night, Nov. 27, at 8 o'clock. J. M. Wyatt will examine on "History of Methodism," Monday night. Eugene Johnson will examine on "Watson's Institutes," Part II., Tuesday forenoon. I will examine on "Psychology and Pope's Higher Catechism," Tuesday afternoon. T. W. LEWIS, Chair'n.

INDIAN MISSION.

MR. EDITOR: Allow me to report the following amounts for Indian Mission:

Dr. E. B. Partin, Hickory, Miss.	$5
Rev. Wm. T. Beall, Morgan City, La.	2
Mrs. C. L. Braithwait, Carlisle, Miss.	1
Mrs. G. T. Shaifer, Carlisle, Miss.	1

Many thanks. God bless them all.
A. D. MILLER.
Hermanville, Miss., Oct. 30, 1899.

North Mississippi Conference.

NOTICE.

The class of the fourth year will meet at the church in Greenwood at three o'clock Monday afternoon, Nov. 27, inst.
W. T. J. SULLIVAN, for Com.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG—MILLSAPS.—In Pleasant Valley Methodist Church, Copiah county, Miss., Oct 22, 1899, by Rev. J. S. Parker, Mr. John W. Armstrong to Miss Susie D. Millsaps, all of Copiah county, Miss.

BROWN—WHITTLE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Aug. 9, 1899, by Rev. L. F. Alford, Mr. W. F. Brown to Miss Nannie V. Whittle, all of Kemper county, Miss.

McLAURIN—CUMMINS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Aug. 16, 1899, by Rev. L. F. Alford, Mr. Robt. H. McLaurin to Miss Lillian Cummins, all of Kemper county, Miss.

MULLER—DARSAM.—In Borgnndy Street Methodist Church, New Orleans, Nov. 2, 1899, by Rev. Thomas B. Clifford, Mr. Charles H. Muller, of the Muller Furniture and Mfg. Co., to Miss Louisa Helena Darsam, all of New Orleans.

PILGRIM HOME was built for God. A religious work will be carried on in it for the salvation of souls and the healing of diseases without remedies, depending alone on Jesus, who healed all who had faith in His name, as in the Apostles' time. Dr. D. M. Bye claims that after twenty years of success as a specialist for cancers and tumors, the Lord led him to the Oil Cure and for the last eight years the Doctor has been curing all manner of malignant diseases by anointing with oils. The remedy is not only mild and safe, but cures internal as well as external cancers and tumors and gives relief from unceasing pain. Many thousands of bad cases of cancers and tumors have been cured by using Dr. Bye's Oil Treatment and many healed by faith alone. The Doctor has received thousands of good letters from persons cured. Hundreds from ministers and Christian patients are printed in books and papers, which if one will read they will plainly see that surely God's blessing is with the Oil Cure. In the large book there are many half-toned photos showing conditions before and after treatment, which is sent FREE, giving particulars and price of Oil. Its just popularity is shown by the fact that at this time over three thousand patients are taking home treatment. Its great success has caused many counterfeiting imitators, therefore be careful. The country is full of frauds. Note this one thing: Of all the great number who have come to Indianapolis for treatment, not one has yet died on the Doctor's hands; no undertaker has yet received one cent. PRAISE THE LORD. The Doctor firmly believes it won't be long when more persons will be healed at Pilgrim Home by faith alone in Jesus than by oils, yet all have not so great faith and must use the Oil Treatment administered with God's blessing for a cure. Add. Dr. D. M. Bye, Lock Box 25, Indianapolis, Ind.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Fayette	Nov. 4, 5
Centerville	11, 12
Nebo	18, 19
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Jefferson Street	26, 27
Barlow	Dec. 2, 3
Hamburg	9, 10

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.
W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pearlington, at Pearlington	Nov. 4, 5
Lumberton and Poplarville, at Poplarville	6
Leaksville, at Leaksville	9
Biloxi	11, 12
Ocean Springs and Scranton, at Ocean Springs	12, 13
Galloway, at Bonds	18
St. John's, at John's	19
Whittington, at ——	20
Columbia, at Columbia	25, 26
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	Dec. 2, 3
East Covington, at Eminence	3
Hattiesburg	4

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Madison, at Pocahontas	Nov. 4, 5
Vaughan's, at Ellison	Thurs. 9
Camden	11, 12
Tranquil, at Tranquil	18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M. 19, 20
Silver City, at Hillsdale	25, 26
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues. 28
Fannin, at Fannin	Dec. 2, 3
Brandon	P. M. 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Wesleyana	9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.
T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Rocky Springs, at Shiloh	Nov. 4, 5
Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	11, 12
Anguilla, at Anguilla	12, 13
Satartia, at Mount Olivet	18, 19
Flora	Thurs. 23
Port Gibson	26
Hermanville	26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed. 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs. 30
Utica	Dec. 2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed. 6
Warren, at Bradley Chapel	9, 10

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Carrollton circuit, at Edon	Nov. 4, 5
West, at Midway	11, 12
McNatt, at McNatt	18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	25, 26
Greenwood	28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.
W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	Nov. 4
Waterford circuit, at Soule Chapel	11
East Holly Springs cir., at Liberty	15
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem	18
Connersville, at Connersville	22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahon	25
Holly Springs station	27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pleasant Hill	Nov. 4, 5
Cockrum	11, 12
Longtown	16
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Jacinto	Nov. 4, 5
Belmont	11, 13
Brown's Creek	18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Belzona	Nov. 4, 5
Poplar Creek	11, 12
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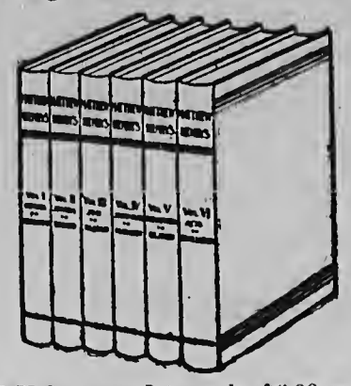

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Count Cassini, Russian Ambassador to the United States, who has just returned from a visit to Russia, delighted the friends of peace by saying in the most positive terms that a sensational story, cabled from London this week, that Russia and Japan were on the verge of war over Korea. Speaking of the matter, he said: "This is a renewed effort to stir up trouble. If anyone would know of the imminence of such an affair, I would know. I have recently been talking with our minister in Korea, Mr. Pavloff, who was charge d'affaires at Pekin while I was minister there, and he will be here in a few days, en route to Korea. The conditions in Korea do not warrant any reports of friction between Russia and Japan. We have entered into a formal agreement concerning our undertakings in Korea, and this is working with entire satisfaction." Count Cassini said of another matter which has aroused much interest in this country—the report that Russia, either alone or in concert with other European nations, contemplated interference to stop the war in South Africa: "Of course, all Europe is watching this conflict with profound interest and concern. But from the interest of observers, and there is no suggestion or thought of intervention or move of any kind from outside quarters. The loss of life which is occurring is particularly regrettable, and it is to the interest of all that peace should be speedily restored."

Ex-Gov. Hoyt, who is chairman of the National Committee to promote the establishment of the University of the United States, is in Washington. When asked whether the resolutions adopted by the committee of the National Educational Association for a government-controlled university would effect the work of his committee, Gov. Hoyt replied: "The action of the committee of fifteen will not affect the general plans of the national university committee. The latter, composed as it is of hundreds of college and university presidents, to say nothing of the great number of other scholars, scientists and statesmen, and re-enforced more and more by well-organized and active allies in all the States, will continue its efforts until the University of the United States in some suitable form is established."

Those who know Rear-Admiral W. S. Schley do not need to be informed of his great respect for religion, and the strong belief that all men are improved by attending religious services. They know that he has often made selections from the Bible to his men, when he happened to have command of a ship which had no chaplain on board, but he recently used language to a party of Washington friends which might, with propriety to all concerned, be printed and hung up in the ward-room of every ship in our navy as a guide to the younger officers in the service. He said: "I always make a rule to attend some form of church service every Sunday, no matter where I may be, whether at home, in foreign parts, or on shipboard. As a naval officer of a moral country, I believe it to be a bounden and official duty to inculcate good morals in the men under my command, and to let everyone know, foreigners especially, that the country I represent is one of a people universally acknowledging allegiance to the great God." If these commendable principles were followed by all of our army and navy officers, the Christian element of the country would not have been shocked on Monday morning to read in the newspaper dispatches from Havana that United States army and navy officers had been jockeys in the Sunday horse-races held in that city, and that the American general in command of that city was the owner of one of the horses in those races. The Cubans have no respect for the sanctity of the Christian Sabbath, because they have never been taught to have any; but it is entirely different with our officers. There are few, if any, of them who were not reared in families and communities which believed in keeping the Sabbath free from secular amusements. We can not expect to make the Cubans better by accepting their vices and introducing new ones to them.

Dr. J. J. Muir, pastor of the E Street Baptist Church, voiced the thoughts of many conscientious pastors when he said in an anniversary sermon: "Pastoral success comprehends more than is generally described as pulpit success. A pastor is more than a preacher. It is true that his work relates especially to this important phase of ministerial life, and the pulpit is the place where his influence must be felt. There he is to wield the scepter as God's representative in word-doctrine. To be a successful preacher in these days of many isms and sensations is a consummation to be wished. It is not an easy thing to preach acceptably, even under the most favorable circumstances, but it is especially difficult where itching ears are multiplying, and novelty is more eagerly sought after by the multitude than a knowledge of eternal verities. The strain upon a minister in his exalted service comes when he fails to be appreciated by an age which desires to be pleased rather than profoundly affected toward God."

Washington, Nov. 8, 1899.

GRENADA COLLEGE.

MR. EDITOR: So many kind inquiries have been made as to the reawakening of the North Mississippi Conference school, that it will probably be not uninteresting to your readers to hear from one who counts herself happy to again become a member of its faculty. I think I can now appreciate the feelings of the great Napoleon (with apologies, of course, to his shades for mentioning his name in this connection) when, on his return from Elba, the band of the Old Guard played, "Where had one better be than in the bosom of his family?" To me, after a nearly ten years' absence, all Grenada—and, indeed, all Mississippi—seems like one great family. The best friends of the college would not have hoped for a finer opening, or better prospects, than have fallen to the lot of the school. With the delay of opening the canvass for pupils, and all the drawbacks attending the close competition and miserably "reduced rates" of neighboring schools, there were some who feared that the present scholastic year might not be crowned with the success which the school deserves.

All such fears, however, have proven groundless. With only two regular workers in the field—President McIntosh and his competent lady principal, Mrs. M. I. Hoskins—both confining themselves strictly to the Conference territory, the outcome has been such as to make one wonder what it might have been under normal conditions. One of the many Conference ministers who have visited the school since the opening said, on viewing the large number of girls collected in the chapel, "Somebody has been praying for our school." No one who knows our president and his consecrated wife will doubt for a moment that they prayed as they worked, and that the present happy state of affairs is largely due to the "old-time religion," which is good enough for schools as well as individuals. Certainly it is inculcated here from chapel to dormitory, and the effects are so plain that "he who runs may read." After two months of hard work the curriculum has been raised by the addition of Greek and Anglo-Saxon, and the substitution of the text-books on logic and psychology, used at Vanderbilt University, for the older works formerly used; so that hard work is necessary. Not a single breach of discipline, nor a single case of serious illness, has been reported. The girls—and this applies especially to the large number of girls from the Delta—under a regimen which includes plenty of good food, pure air, and physical exercise, are fast developing into that condition so strenuously insisted upon by model educators, "A sound mind in a sound body." Recently a young teacher said, with tears in her eyes, "I have found out that education without health amounts to nothing," and I wished then that every girl in our broad land could have heard the statement as she made it.

After such a long absence from the schools of Mississippi, in church schools the entire time, but under varying conditions, there are two features of the work here that strike me as being decidedly unique. One is, that all of the pupils, and, with one exception, the teachers, are home products, the products mainly of North Mississippi Methodism. The school has reached a point in its history where it is entirely independent of any other territory.

The large percentage of preachers' daughters among the students and in the faculty is extremely noticeable, and emphasizes the fact that the Conference school is paying back with interest that body under whose fostering care it has reached its present proportions. I make no invidious distinction when I say that the work of the young teachers—most of them daughters of ministers of the North Mississippi Conference—is above par, creditable alike to themselves and to the school. It would be hard to estimate the good that is being done to the daughters of ministers who are members of the student body. One instance alone will suffice to show the attitude of the president on that question.

There is no name on the college roster that is more respected, that is spoken more gently and tenderly by teachers and pupils, than that of our sweet-faced, low-voiced Mary Koon, the daughter of a deceased minister of this Conference, the eldest of several children, all of whom had found kindly shelter and treatment in the Methodist Orphans' Home at Water Valley. As a consecrated Christian, a diligent student, and as secretary of the "May McIntosh Missionary Society," she is loved and respected by all, and the time is not far distant when, through the medium of this school, she will be capable of supporting herself and those left, in the providence of God, to her care.

The second point that impresses me is the peculiar fitness of this quiet old town on the Yalabusha as a location for a girls' school. After years of teaching in university towns I have become convinced of one fact, viz.: that no matter how lovable, gentle, and easily entreated the average university student may be, he is not studious of the quietude and peace of mind, of the presidents and teachers of schools of the opposite sex, and his interest in the students of those institutions is sometimes so intense as to become painful to others. For this reason when Dr. Barker, at that time president of Martin College, had a bill formulated to repress the inclination of young men in Tennessee who felt too much interest in schools for young ladies, the rush of school principals to encourage and endorse the bill carried it without delay through that august body, the Tennessee Legislature, and what is familiarly known as the "Johnnie Bill" became a law.

Now, in Grenada we need no "Johnnie Bill." The "Johnnies" are either not here, or they are indifferent to the welfare of the school, and legislation for their benefit would be superfluous. Surrounded by a people who are heartily in sympathy with the college, and whose traditions are all of a past when the standard of womanhood was at its highest, "far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife," we keep the even tenor of our way.

The college is nearing its semi centennial, and the two literary societies hope, in June next, to celebrate that event with fitting exercise. I trust that when its hundredth anniversary shall have been reached the old college will still be found polishing its daughters "after the similitude of a palace."

MARY V. DUVAL.

Grenada College, Nov. 8, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

This scribe never uttered a word or wrote a line in his life against a better educated ministry. In the ADVOCATE, of Oct. 5, I was reporting the talk current among the preachers and leading laymen when the dearth of preachers in our North Mississippi territory was up for consideration. The sentiment attributed to me was expressed by others, not by me.

No sane man, who has suffered from a limited education as I have, could possibly wish to see any other preacher maimed for life as I have been. My life-long embarrassment and limitations have made me an enthusiastic advocate for the education and thorough equipment of young men called of God to preach the gospel. It is a joy to me that I have helped several young men, poor boys and sons of widows, to get a good course of training in college. At least one of these, now prominent in the work of the church, was almost wholly dependent on the help I gave him. I had but little money of my own to spare, but I could always get it for him. It is also a joy to me that I have stopped a number of young men after they were recommended for admission on trial, and prevailed on them to qualify themselves for the work. I am glad, too, that I persuaded two or three young men, after they had traveled a year or two, to stop and go to school. No man need say that "Gilderoy" is opposed to an educated ministry. More: no young man shall come under my influence without being urged, pressed and, if need be, helped to fit himself for this greatest of all works.

Till this day it fills me brimful to sit under the ministry of thoroughly equipped men; men who can instruct me and edify me in the doctrine and Word of God. I see how easily, clearly and powerfully they can do what I can not do at all, at all. They are trained men, and I am not.

I shall never get over a consciousness of my lack of education and my limitations, specially in towns and among our better educated people. It looks like folly for me to try to instruct people who know more in a minute than I ever knew in all my life. The school children, boys and girls, can point out my mistakes and blunders in grammar, pronunciation, in rhetoric, in logic, in history, in geography, and in almost everything else. These things mar my preaching, and greatly limit the effect and power of it. The only saving clause in my case is that, from childhood I have been a diligent student of theology, and, in some sort, I understand the doctrines of our church and of God's Holy Word. This store of information might be useful to others if I were master of the means and medium of communication. As it is, it is largely useless plunder. Words are the signs of ideas, and they are the vehicles of communication, and he who knows how best to frame words into sentences can best communicate his thoughts to others. Many a good man is crippled at this point.

A trained hand will do better work, and more of it, than a raw hand—an unpracticed hand. This is true of the mind. It needs to be cultivated and trained to work. The best trained mind will do the most and the best work. When I hear a trained mind preach and expound the Word of God, I am filled with wonder and amazement at the order of it, the simplicity of it, and at the ease with which I get hold of it and retain it. It is so natural, orderly, and easy, it looks like anybody might do it. Sometimes I try it, but I lack the mind-craft to do that kind of work. It is not so much a question of gifts as of training. An orderly, systematic sermon is easier to preach, and is more readily remembered, and results in more permanent good, than an incoherent exhortation, however warm it may be. The zeal of the exhorter warms me up for the time, but the systematic, orderly, coherent utterance of the thinker abides with me for a life-time. It is meat for half a century. This is the kind of work I long to be fitted for; work that abides and grows through long, long years. The lack of training and thorough equipment limits my ministry in the range of it, and in the power and influence of it. I have to be sent where the people have grace enough to endure a poorly qualified man. The Bishop and his advisers know all this, and they have to consider it when fixing my appointment, and, then, they always give me better charges than I am qualified to fill.

In this I have related largely my own experience, for the reason that men are much alike in this life, and experiences are about the same.

GILDEROY.

Nov. 4, 1899.

"A DEARTH OF PREACHERS, AND ELSE."

In the last issue of the ADVOCATE my friend, Bro. W. B. Lewis, has a sensible and well-seasoned article on the above-named subject. I agree that "Gilderoy" and Bro. Honnoll have seen and suggested some of the causes of this dearth, and yet I most heartily endorse the leading idea in W. B. Lewis' article, to-wit: that education should make a preacher more efficient in his effort to reach the unlettered than he would be without it. "Not less education, but more religion," is our need. Bro. Lewis strikes the key-note when he says that true education will fit a preacher more completely to work among the poor and the ignorant. We must insist on this point, because it involves the very heart of Christian education. It means to make a man strong, that he may go down among his weak, struggling brethren, and with God's help re-enforcing his own mental and moral powers, be able to lead them up to higher and better things. If he does not know the higher and better things himself, he can never lead others to know them.

Again: Bro. Lewis suggests that there are some educated people in the rural districts, and hence the necessity is greater to send educated preachers there than ever before. This is true. The school teacher and the newspaper are abroad in the land, and the preacher who is not equipped, and has no mind to equip himself, can not hope to succeed. The point is well taken that there was no hindering margin between Mr. Wesley and the poor, ignorant colliers of England.

Mr. Editor, permit me to write, in all plainness and candor, just a few words about this matter. In the first place:

1. Too much stress has been placed upon the material, to the neglect of the spiritual, in religion. We estimate a preacher largely by the salary he receives, and the charge by the salary it pays. If a brother is sent to a charge this year that pays him less than he received last year, the rumor goes the round of the Conference that this brother is "losing ground in his Conference." And the charge is estimated in the same way. How many preachers estimate a pastoral charge by any other standard than the salary it pays? How many estimate it by the opportunity it furnishes to work for the Master? Let no one imagine that I believe that our preachers are mercenary, but I do believe that what I here write is too painfully true. Is it not a fact that we estimate a man's work by the material returns he makes rather than by the number of genuine conversions he has had? Why not more conversions? Such a question brings the saddest of reflections. In the next place:

2. Too many of our best educated young preachers feel that it is belittling to their dignity to go to a poor charge. What is the purpose of education? To remove a man from the masses? Rather to enable him to help the masses. If the source of our moral supply is in the country, then we need to send our strongest men there to save our boys and girls, and make the rural districts the source of power in the world. But there is a dearth of preachers; and what has caused it, and how may the trouble be remedied? I would modestly suggest that we need to confess our sins before Almighty God, acknowledge our need, and wrestle with God for the old-time power.

T. W. LEWIS.

NOTES FROM THE HIGHWAYS.

MR. EDITOR: My opportunity to redeem my promise of "occasional notes from the field" has been good indeed for the past fortnight had I been permitted to enter the field. Our physicians having reported no new cases of fever for ten days, I decided it was duty to quit my quarters in Jackson and resume my labors among the brethren, but such was not to be the result. I found the presiding elder was not near so popular or indispensable as he had vainly imagined.

Eschewing all railroad facilities, we hitched up the admiral and launched forth, resolved to depend on the cotton pens and persimmon trees for bed and board, and while we found both in greatest sufficiency, we also found some ready to take us in. With some to have been in Jackson at all was enough. I never owned a pistol in my life, and I am certain that a half dozen buckled to my belt would not do more execution with some as the mere suggestion that my pockets were full of crawling, squirming microbes. At one point I was thought to have a gripful of these mysterious little creatures. While in my person all was satisfactory, and nothing to be feared from my suit, my satchel had not been fumigated, though never near a germ, and, therefore, I must seek other quarters. Remembering the teaching of my parents not to intrude where not wanted, I bade goodby and turned to other quarters. Before setting forth again I tried the virtue of sulphur fumes on all my wardrobe, and the grip, too; so now, when questioned, I have only to reply, "Everything has been fumigated but the admiral," and that is my passport. With a comfortable bed among the country folks, my buggy for library, and George Dewey for good company, I pass the day's "travelings in the bounds of the district" according to Discipline.

Well, at last I am at work again. Have held two Quarterly Conferences on the fourth round, and have three a week until Conference convenes; so these notes must stop for lack of time.

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"SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES."

Acknowledged as the Bible is by the civilized world to be the best of all books, the gift of God to man, the chart of human life, the fountain of light and hope, and the source of all that is noblest in our civilization, does it not seem surprising that this wonderful volume should be neglected by any who have knowledge of its nature and supreme importance? Yet, strange to say, multitudes who accept the Bible as an inspired volume, and profess to follow its teachings, are almost as little acquainted with its contents as if it were a sealed book or printed in an unknown tongue. As long as any disciple is neglectful in this matter, he is certain to remain but a "babe in Christ," weak in faith, and an easy prey to temptation. Our love for God's Word, or our lack of it, is an almost unfailing index to our spiritual state. Unless we daily partake of "the bread of life," how is it possible for us to grow in the knowledge and love of God? Unless we learn how to use the "sword of the Spirit," how can we expect to put the tempter to flight? Mr. Moody asserts that he never saw a useful Christian who was not a student of the Bible. John R. Mott, the distinguished Y. M. C. A. worker, rightly says: "To have the power of God we must have the spirit of God. The Bible is the channel through which the Spirit comes into the life. We do not find Spirit-filled men apart from deep, devotional Bible students."

There are comparatively few Christians who know even the names of the books of the Bible, while many are so unfamiliar with its contents that they will search in the Old Testament for an oft-quoted passage from the New.

The Christian should, by all means, take time every day for prayer and Bible study. The best time for this is shortly after rising, before one enters upon the main work of the day, while the mind is fresh and calm, and the body is unjaded. Some Christians, however, prefer the quiet of the evening, when the world is shut out and the cares of the day are banished. John Quincy Adams, President of the United States, made it a practice to study the Bible each morning, and in his journal is recorded this significant observation with reference thereto, "It seems to me the most suitable manner of beginning the day." It is stated that the famous English general, Sir Henry Havelock, "always spent the first two hours of each day alone with God." If the encampment was struck at 6 A. M., he would rise at four. While not many, perhaps, could devote this much time to purely spiritual matters, there are scarcely any who could not spare from fifteen minutes to half an hour for prayer and Bible study. How often do professing Christians, on rising, hurry through a form of prayer, eat their breakfast in haste, and rush off to their work without so much as looking at God's Word. The same neglect of duty is repeated when the day's work is done, and thus days—sometimes weeks—pass without the reading of a line of Scripture. Even church members claim that they have not time for Bible study. They ought to take time for it. "Where there's a will there's a way." People of all classes find time to read newspapers and magazines. Some give whole hours to novel reading and to idle gossip, and yet plead lack of time as an excuse for their neglect of the Bible. If, as Christians, we mean to be spiritual, some portion of each day must be set apart for this exercise, and faithfully used. Some neglect this duty altogether simply because they find it impossible, on account of pressing duties and cares, to adopt fully the plans and suggestions of others as regards Bible study. Even the busiest, however, have occasional moments that can be utilized in Bible reading, and when such opportunities, though scant, are diligently improved, the benefit to the spiritual life is incalculable. To read the Bible even for five minutes a day is infinitely better than not to read it at all.

Furthermore, the Bible should be read systematically. Haphazard reading is not half so profitable as persevering attention to some special book or subject selected for consideration. If we go to the Bible, not looking for anything in particular, having no definite aim in view, our reading is almost certain to be unsatisfactory. Whatever be the book or passage selected, we should learn what we can, both from the Word and from out side sources, about the author, when he lived, under what circumstances he wrote, what were his characteristics, and what was the purpose of his writing. One book at a time thus studied will yield a rich return in quickened interest and in intelligent love for what God has revealed. Another excellent plan is to devote several days, or longer, to a special topic, as, for instance, prayer, faith, repentance, conversion, the doctrine of the Spirit, temptation, love, backsliding, etc. Such investigation leads to comparison of Scripture with Scripture, and often throws a flood of light upon truths that before were obscure and uninteresting.

Our reading also should be thoughtful and earnest. There is unquestionably a great deal of perfunctory and spiritless handling of the Scriptures, as well as no little superstition with respect thereto. Some let their eyes run hastily and listlessly over a chapter or two every day without remembering a word that is read or receiving any light upon life's duties. They seem to think that there is some kind of magical efficacy in the mere contact of the eyes with the sacred Book. Mr. Moody says of himself: "I used at one time to read so many chapters a day, and, if I did not, I thought I was getting cold and backsliding; but, mind you, if a man had asked me two hours afterward what I had read, I could not have told him." He says, "It is a good deal better to take a single chapter and spend a month on it than to go on reading the Bible at random for a month." The rapid reading of a book or of several chapters at one sitting is frequently quite helpful, as it gives a connected view of the whole and brings out more clearly the teaching of the context.

Every reader should possess a reference Bible, and diligent use should be made of the marginal references, which are often of wonderful value in enforcing some truth or unlocking its meaning. It is greatly helpful to use a good concordance, which may be had in a separate volume, at moderate cost, or under the same cover in the splendid editions of the Teachers' Bibles now so easily obtained.

The reader, as he proceeds, should mark the striking passages, and make a note of difficulties and of allusions, names, etc., upon which more light is desired. The importance of memorizing each day some beautiful, soul-nourishing passage of Scripture can hardly be overestimated. Perseverance in this practice will ere long convert the mind into a veritable storehouse of Scripture truth, a well-furnished armory from which the soldier of the cross may draw weapons of defense in emergency and times of temptation.

The Bible student should endeavor constantly also to put into immediate practice the truths learned. In fact, true wisdom consists in reducing theory to practice, in converting precept into example. Obedience is one of the surest roads to fuller knowledge. "If any man will do his will," says the Master, "he shall know of the doctrine."

Above all, the Bible student should pray for the aid and illumination of the Holy Spirit, who is declared to be the "Spirit of truth." No one can so well explain the meaning of his words as he who wrote them, even as Tennyson could best explain some of his deeper references in "In Memoriam."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The November number of the Critic is very interesting and attractive. Among many interesting things is a ballad, by Dora S. Shorter, entitled Earl Roderick's Bride. Joseph B. Gilder describes Historic New York, and Various Aspects of W. D. Howells are given by Cornelia Atwood Pratt, Gerald S. Lee and Waldon Fawcett. The usual instructive literary notes by the editors add to the interest of this magazine.

A poem by Kipling on the Transvaal crisis is the first item to attract attention in the November number of McClure's Magazine. An article by Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the one American who was a member of the recent Belgian Antarctic expedition, tells the story of his Experiences as one of the only party of men who have ever passed a Winter in the vicinity of the South Pole. A paper by the Hon. George S. Boutwell tells, for the first time, the story of his own share, as the then Secretary of the Treasury, in the great Black Friday panic, in September, 1869, when by Secretary Boutwell's own official action Jay Gould and James Fisk were defeated in a high-handed endeavor to make a "corner" in gold. There are other papers of interest.

In the November Century there is a hitherto unpublished poem by the late James Russell Lowell (Verses Written in a Copy of Shakespeare), which, with its introduction, fills two pages; the true and terrible story of the adventures of a boat-load of castaways on the Pacific is told by Mark Twain; Gov. Roosevelt writes with characteristic forcefulness of Military Preparedness and Unpreparedness; a poem, The Golden Crown Sparrow of Alaska, by John Burroughs, is the mellow fruit of a recent travel trip to northern latitudes; and a humorously gruesome piece of realistic fiction by Dr. Weir Mitchell turns for us the first leaves of The Autobiography of a Quack. Captain Slocum continues his single-handed cruise around the world, taking the "Spray" this month to Robinson Crusoe's Island and Stevenson's Samoa.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

It will be gratifying to the friends of Millsaps College to know that our work is progressing most satisfactorily. The yellow fever in Jackson has caused no interruption whatever in our work, and students who have stayed away on this account should come on at once. Members of the faculty will give special attention to those who have been kept away by quarantine restrictions, that they may make up the time lost.

The classification of students will be the same as if they had been present at the opening of the session, provided they are here by the fifteenth of November.

This applies to both old and new students. W. B. MURRAH, President.

Millsaps College, Nov. 2, 1899.

WHAT ABOUT JOHN WESLEY AND PAUL?

In your issue, of Nov. 9, a writer, signing himself "Layman," says: "I believe it is true that highly-educated ministers can not influence the uneducated masses, religiously, as well as ministers that are more nearly on a par with them in mental culture."

How about John Wesley? As a scholar, none of his contemporaries excelled him. Has any uneducated man surpassed him in reaching the masses? How about Charles Wesley, John Fletcher, and George Whitefield—all educated men?

By the way, when one said to Mr. Wesley, "God does not use education to save the world," the great man replied, "Nor does he use ignorance."

Wasn't Paul a fairly good preacher for the masses? I have been told he was also well educated.

All parties to the pending discussion will do well if they observe the following points.

1. Do the records of the Conference show that the educated men fall in the country churches, and that the uneducated men succeed? Who are the "gum-logs?" Will somebody who knows tell us? We want no man's guesses. There is "gum" in this point.

2. Are all country people ignorant and all town folks educated? As I hear them talk, the country people are calling for educated preachers now, and calling loudly, too. It seems to me they have as much right to educated preachers as town folks have. But maybe I don't know.

I know I want to hear good preaching. I wish the man who preaches to me had John Wesley's education. I believe I could understand him, and I think I would like him.

COUNTRYMAN.

MERELY TOOK OFF HIS MASK.

B. Fay Mills was in Oakland, Cal., recently, and The Inquirer, of that city, published a two-column interview with him, which more than justifies all that we said about him for several years before his apparent somersault. He accepted leadership in revival efforts under the auspices of evangelical churches, receiving from them large compensations and unestimated gifts, not a dollar of which he could have received if he had not concealed—as he now confesses that he did—his disbelief in most of the doctrines of which his presence and leadership implied acceptance.

Seven years ago he held evangelical meetings in Oakland, and he now boldly says that while there he was concealing his disbelief in "eternal punishment, the atonement, and the inspiration of the Scriptures." He says that before he was twenty-five years old he repudiated "the expiatory atonement." Before he was thirty he had changed his opinions about salvation, and had "ceased to believe in salvation only by Christ."

By his own shameless confession he was a humbug the greater part of his time while he was acting as an evangelist, and there is no reason to believe that he is otherwise now. The state of mind that would enable a man to practice such deceit after he had ceased to believe the doctrines most precious to those with whom he labored, is, in view of the largesses people lavish upon the popular evangelist, quite compatible with his postponing his change so long, because he could not afford to cut himself loose from the sources of his revenue. A man who changes his fundamental beliefs at once, avows it, and takes the consequences, is to be respected; but one who, having changed, conceals it for fear or lucre, is to be despised.

It is understood in Boston that Mr. Mills disappointed those who expected anything permanently effective or promotive of the so-called liberal faith. The fact that he had changed his attitude drew a concourse for a little while. But his intellect and acquirements are so far inferior to those of most Unitarian ministers, that he could not permanently attract persons competent to appreciate them.—New York Advocate.

INFIDELITY IS WITHOUT FORM AND VOID.

A few days ago a man who had for twenty-five years proclaimed himself an infidel took sick and died. When his will was probated it was discovered that he had left all of his fortune, excepting $4,000, to religious and charitable organizations. The whole of it amounted to $150,000, and not one dollar was donated to any infidel club, or to any infidel cause. As to why he chose these religious institutions and made them his beneficiaries, the will contained not one word. But the silence speaks more eloquently than words. There was no other disposition to make of his means. The only organizations whose work is strictly charitable and humane are religious organizations. Infidelity does not build up institutions of this kind. It is destructive and not constructive. It tears down instead of building up the benevolence of the community. It has no asylums, no houses of refuge, no sheltering arms, no retreat for the desolate and the oppressed. When you want to find things of this character you have to go to the church, and there they abound. So when this man, who had a kindly heart, wanted his fortune to do good after he was gone, he went to the institutions of the church to find a medium through which to make it effective. Therefore, let the church squander no time and opportunity in meeting infidelity with sermons and arguments, but go right ahead in caring for the poor, soothing the afflicted, lifting up the fallen, providing for the outcast and the unfortunate, and in these works there is an argument in defense of the divine claims of Christianity that no infidel will attack. Holy living and works of benevolence make up the invulnerable bulwarks of the gospel. When infidelity assaults us let us be able to point to some life that is irreproachable, and some place of shelter and comfort for the helpless and the unfortunate. There is no answer to logic like this. It scatters to the four winds the pretenses of skeptics and scoffers. A life like that of Jesus Christ will close forever the open mouth of blatant infidelity.—Texas Advocate.

A FRUITFUL PLAN.

A work of great promise in the Epworth League has been undertaken by Mr. Willis W. Cooper, a layman of intelligence, enterprise and heroic devotion, in the interest of foreign missions. At the head of what is designated as the Student Missionary Campaign, with headquarters at 57 Washington street, Chicago, he has organized a plan for training our young people to study and appreciate the status, the history, the methods and the outlook of the gospel scheme of world-wide evangelization. The hope and aim are cherished of interesting every chapter in Methodism in this sort of work, and with that end in view literature of an inspiring sort has been provided, reading courses have been outlined, suggestions intended to help pastors and League officers have been devised, and simple and definite plans for practical work have been laid down. These are so flexible that they may be easily adjusted to the needs of a small and struggling chapter on the frontier, or to the situation of the largest local League in Methodism. The possibilities of this work are incalculable. If our young people in large numbers can be brought to see the grandeur of the foreign missionary enterprise, to realize the obligations made incumbent on the church by the deplorable condition of the pagan world and the Master's great commission, to appreciate some of the heroic careers which have been evolved in mission fields, to engage in constant prayer for the coming of God's kingdom upon earth, and to undertake, loyally and zealously, to do something worth while in the direction of furthering the work which our missionaries and Missionary Society are carrying on—no mortal mind can estimate the far-reaching results that will follow. We urge our pastors to look into this work, and our League chapters everywhere to include it in their plans for the current Winter.—Western Advocate.

DIVORCE BY COLLUSION.

The rapidly increasing number of divorces in the United States has excited widespread comment, and various remedies have been suggested. One of the most shameless methods of obtaining divorce is by collusion between the parties. If they agree to dissolve the marriage contract, the laws of most States permit them to do so by resorting to certain legal subterfuges which tend to bring all law into disrepute and convert the marriage relation into what is very like a veiled concubinage. Mr. Justice Beekman, of New York, proposes a law to prevent this disgraceful prostitution of this most sacred tie. He would have a court attorney whose special business should be to investigate uncontested matrimonial cases, bringing out all the facts, and, in cases of collusion, presenting proof that the plaintiff is not entitled to judgment. This is something of a departure in American jurisprudence, but Great Britain has an officer whose duties correspond very largely with those which Justice Beekman proposes for the court attorney, and there is no reason why his suggestion should not become a law, not only in New York, but in every other State of the Union.—Zion's Herald.

FOLLOWING IN THE WAY OF SODOM.

New York city is the paradise of prize-fighters, gamblers, rum sellers, lewd fellows of the baser sort, and the houses which they frequent. That was predicted if Tammany returned to power has been fulfilled and more. Human nature is the same in every age and clime, and David in the twelfth psalm describes perfectly the situation to-day in the city of New York, "The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted." We would not affirm that all the members of the Tammany Society, and all whom it puts forward to be elected, are the vilest of the sons of men, but that those who are not are in a pitiful and comparatively powerless minority.—New York Advocate.

SUPPOSE.

"Suppose some reader of this paper should allow his grocer to wait two years, three years, four years, for payment. This would be an extraordinary procedure." It would indeed, and the only reason why it does not occur is that the grocer is too good a business man to allow it. Only religious newspapers permit such negligence, and we have stopped our part of it.—Religious Herald.

NOTES.

Matter for Bro. Hawkins' department was received too late for this week's issue.

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Dr. I. W. Cooper writes: "Our school continues to increase. We hope to reach 145 by Conference."

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Rev. J. F. Scarlock has returned from a five months' trip to Illinois. He will make headquarters in this city.

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The article of Rev. R. H. B. Gibney, in this issue, contains an item that will be "news" to most of our readers.

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On our third page will be found a memoir of that noble layman, Prof. G. H. Wiley, from the pen of Dr. G. Andrews.

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We invite the attention of members of the Mississippi Conference to the official report of Bro. McCafferty, Missionary Secretary, on the seventh page.

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Rev. A. J. Nettestius writes: "We have had a good revival at Rose. About 75 professed conversion, most of them members of the church. The president and members of the faculty of the State Industrial Institute used their influence for the meeting, and a number of the students were converted, and the moral tone of the school, which was already good, was improved. Rev. H. Singleton, Jr., did most of the preaching and the Lord honored his word with the power of the Holy Ghost to the highest commendation. We have had 20 accessions since our first Quarterly Conference, and will have 10 or 15 more."

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Rev. W. L. Anderson, Clarksdale, Miss., writes: "It may be interesting to many brethren to learn that one of our local preachers, Rev. J. A. McCafferty, who is a Junior in Millsaps College, and one of our brightest and best young men, was elected by the State Legislature on last Tuesday, leading his ticket by about 1,000 votes above any other candidate. Bro. McCafferty's friends solicited him to become a candidate because they said, this might be the door to public service he could render the church, and they desired to show him the highest mark of respect and confidence before he joined the itinerant ranks. This is well. The honor will be worn modestly, but nobly and righteously borne."

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Under date of Nov. 9, Rev. A. J. Bowen writes: "We are in the second week of a good revival. The interest that is leading the meeting is the 'power with God and with men' that presents the Word of God with great clearness and force. Our people are being blessed by the ministry of Bro. Joe Ramsey, of Viola, Miss. The revival in the church is deep and decided. Many backsliders have been reclaimed, and several precious sinners have been converted at the altar. We expect still greater results. Rev. W. O. Sadler, of Corinth, Miss., is ably assisting Bro. Ramsey. We gratefully acknowledge the valuable aid rendered by Revs. A. Leech and Eugene Johnson. The good people stand by us and help. Everything will be reported 'in full' at Conference."

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

Of the fifty members of the Burgundy Street (New Orleans) Epworth League, forty-eight attended the League devotional services Sunday evening, Nov. 5.

The following letter was recently received from Rev. J. H. Smith, district secretary, Sardis district, North Mississippi Conference:

I have, as secretary of the Sardis district, lately visited six pastoral charges in the interest of Epworth Leagues. Started six new Leagues, and revived one old League. The League interest is growing here. My own League prospers well. Pray for us.

From the Nashville Advocate we clip the following anent the successful work done by the Tennessee Leaguers. Let the young people in Mississippi read and regard:

"At the last session of the Tennessee Annual League Conference which met at Murfreesboro, the Holston Plan was adopted, and a sinking fund of about $700 was subscribed by the various chapters represented.

"Faithful work has been done during the year by presiding elders, pastors, and Leaguers.

"At the recent session of the Tennessee Annual Conference it was found that the collection for home missions had increased $828 over last year. The increase in the foreign collection, notwithstanding a falling off of $1,000 a year for ten years previous, or $10,000 in ten years, was $1,694; a total increase in the two collections of $2,522.

"The Conference Board of Missions commended very highly the work of the Leagues, and requested them to continue the plans inaugurated last year. The total increase on missions for the past year in the Holston and Tennessee Conferences is $6,919. The total increase since the inauguration of the Holston Plan, fourteen months ago, is $8 621.

"The Western North Carolina Conference, the Leagues of which adopted the Holston Plan at the last session of their Conference, will meet Nov. 22, and we hope a large increase will be reported."

W. H. M. S.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the North Mississippi Conference met at Maben, Oct. 28-30, 1899. The attendance was small, on account of the yellow fever scare at that time. If the number was not large, the society was composed of the elect women of our church in this Conference. It was an inspiration to see their devotion to the Master's cause. Could their work be better known, surely their list of helpers would largely increase.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. N. G. Augustus. It was full of inspiring thoughts and delivered with great force. The business was transacted in good form, and it was my pleasure to hear some very excellent short speeches. The treasurer's report showed that something more than a thousand dollars had been raised during the past year, half of which goes to the General Board, and a portion of the other half was appropriated to the needy parsonages of our own Conference.

This society has as wide a field as any; its work begins at Jerusalem and proposes to outrun the swift-footed itinerant as he tramps to the uttermost parts of the earth, with his Master's message for the fallen sons of men. Yes, these women would be glad to have a home ready for every preacher. A sharp heart-cry from the homeless itinerant sends its plea to the well-fed and comfortably housed people everywhere for help to build a home, a place for rest.

The untutored sinner can be found without going very far, who needs not only the instruction of the circuit rider, but that more detailed instruction that can come only from the consecrated school teacher. It will require the preacher 100 years to accomplish alone the same work that preacher and teacher together might do in one-fourth the time.

The needs are so great in this section as to attract the attention of our sister, the M. E. Church.

Perhaps some of our preachers do not know that between the Enpora and Cumberland circuits there is a large church school fostered by the M. E Church, and a circuit supplied by a preacher of the same church. Bennett Academy is not a high-sounding name, but it is doing good work. The school is 8 miles north of Maben, and was founded in 1885. The attendance has reached 125 this year, the tuition is $1 per month for all grades, board from $3.75 to $5 per month. The Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church makes an annual appropriation to help pay their first-class teachers Recently [illegible] to construct additional buildings, and, of course, the school will be well equipped to teach our boys and girls. The preacher has six churches in his circuit, and his Conference thinks enough of these people to make an annual appropriation for his support. The teachers and preachers are in the "backwoods," where they are needed.

We can not but admit it is the Lord's work, but the question is, Who ought to do the work?

R. H. B. GLADNEY.

Enpora, Nov. 10, 1899.

THE NEED OF THE HOUR—UNITY OF ACTION!

To the Preachers of North Mississippi Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN: Let's have a determined and uniform effort against the seating of Brigham H. Roberts. If the Mississippi and Louisiana Conferences will join in unanimous co-operation in this matter, it will be still better. The Fifty-sixth Congress will soon be in session. What is done must be done at once. Let each preacher head a petition and secure all his country officers and Official Board, and as many others as practicable, before Conference. Hand them to me at Conference, and I will convey them to our Mississippi Congressmen.

The following has been suggested at my request by a member of Congress from our State as a suitable heading:

"To the Congress of the United States:

"We, the undersigned ministers and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and members of the North Mississippi Conference of said church, respectfully protest against the seating of Brigham H. Roberts, elected as a member of the House of Representatives of the Fifty-sixth Congress from the State of Utah, on the ground that he is a polygamist."

Brethren, please gratify me by conforming to this request.

Respectfully yours,

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Yours for the salvation of all men,

A. D. MILLER.

Hermanville, Miss., Nov. 10, 1899.

MARRIAGES

GASSAWAY—WILSON.—In the Methodist Church in Abbeville, Miss., Nov. 8, 1899, by Rev. A. W. Langley, Mr. H. A. Gassaway, of New Albany, Miss., and Miss Hattie Wilson, of Abbeville.

ELLIS—STEVENSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Fannin, Miss., Oct. 4, 1899, by Rev. H. C. Brown, Mr. Jesse Ellis and Miss Bettie Stevenson.

RUSSELL—BOYD.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Pisgah, Rankin county, Miss., Oct. 10, 1899, by Rev. H. C Brown, Mr. C C. Russell, of Fannin, Miss., and Miss Kate Boyd.

STEVENSON—PARKER.—At the parsonage in Fannin, Miss., Nov. 5, 1899, by Rev. H C. Brown, Mr. C. C. Stevenson and Miss Sedalia Parker.

PARKER-LIPSCOMB.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. T. D. Lipscomb, in East Feliciana parish, La., Oct. 26, 1899, by Rev. J. F. Wynn, Miss Mattie J. Lipscomb to Mr. William E. Parker.

CONNER—HENLEY.—At New Bethel Church, Nov. 8, 1899, by Rev. E S. Lewis. Mr. S. B. Conner and Miss Ida Henley, both of Cliftonville, Miss. (Noxubee county).

LINDER—READ.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Paulding, Miss., Oct. 29, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Carley, Mr. P. M. Linder to Miss Minnie Read.

DANDRIDGE-LEGGETT.—In the Methodist Church, Eucutta, Miss., Nov. 1, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Carley, Mr. S. P. Dandridge, of Laurel, Miss., and Miss Dollie Leggett, of Eucutta, Miss.

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With a light forevermore,
And their tears have made the rainbow
Spanning bright the valley o'er.

Through the strength and love of Jesus,
Which have brought them on their way,
Lighting up the dark recesses
Where the cloudy shadows lay—

They have come in joy and gladness
To the border-land of home,
Waiting now the joyful summons:
"Blessed of my Father, come!"

For the portals are flung open,
And the ready mansion waits
To receive the weary spirit
Through the blessed pearly gates.

There to rest from all their labors
In the quiet peace above,
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One of the greatest elements in success is a firm faith in one's own ability to succeed. To contemplate failure, to think of oneself as unlucky and destined not to succeed, is to court failure. One can accomplish little without confidence, and to lose faith in oneself is infinitely worse than loss of capital, loss of position, or even loss of health; for an invalid or a person without capital may succeed, at least to some extent; but, when confidence is gone, all is gone. As a rule, the man who has a firm, unyielding belief in his ability to succeed will reach the goal of his ambition, no matter what obstacles he may encounter. We are all familiar with the people who are constantly depreciating themselves, decrying their hard luck, and complaining that fate is against them. How can a man expect to succeed when he has lost faith in his own powers? A hypnotist can so deprive his subject of confidence in his strength that he can not rise from his chair, even if he be an athlete. People who go through life bemoaning their luck and thinking that success is for others, but not for them, must expect failure, for self-confidence is the very foundation of all accomplishment.

A child should be taught by parents, teachers, and friends, to expect success, to believe that he is born to succeed, as the acorn is destined to become an oak. It should grow up in the firm belief that it will succeed. Teachers often lessen their pupils' faith in themselves by telling them they are going to fail in their recitations or examinations, instead of inspiring them with hope and confidence of success.

Parents often, unconsciously, or ignorantly, weaken instead of strengthening the self-confidence of the child. Every child should be reared from the cradle in the firm belief that it is made in the image of the Creator, and with God-like attributes; that it was intended for success, not for failure; for happiness, not unhappiness; for harmony, not discord.

If we would succeed, we must expect success, and not create an unfavorable atmosphere and environment by constant distrust of ourselves and expressions of doubt. The fear of failure, and constant contemplation of its possibilities, has kept many a noble soul from succeeding. Believe firmly that if you do not find a way, you can make one, and you will triumph.—Success.

"ABUSED" PEOPLE.

Of all disagreeable people to live with, the "abused" man or woman is the most trying, and the lot of one doomed to such association is anything but enviable. Always on the alert for slights or neglects; so very sensitive as to imagine the condemnation of any act or circumstance an indirect thrust at themselves; crushed if their friends presume to look through other spectacles than theirs, and jealous if their full confidence is not in all instances bestowed, although they think nothing of betraying that confidence.

Sadly enough, this trait is sometimes fostered in the most unexpected places, even in the Christian home, where selfishness and distrust should find no resting-place. There is a certain mother who thus makes her home almost unendurable for herself and family. Although there is no doubt of her love for her children, yet, possessing and indulging this unhappy disposition, and demanding the respect and confidence of which she has never shown herself worthy, she blights her home by unceasing laments over imagined slights. The remarks of the members of her family are so frequently twisted into a different meaning from that intended, that they almost fear to express an opinion on any subject, lest it in some way conflict with mother's views, and prove the usual source of "abuse"; and thus their lives are to a great extent dwarfed, as well as made wretched.

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GRUMBLERS AND THEIR WAYS.

Take the people who are always grumbling, writes Rev. H. P. Snyder, and finding fault, and they throw away the precious pearls of life—the gems that are most beautiful and valuable. They trample the sweet-blooming flowers about them under foot, and shade the present with dark clouds of the past. They are never satisfied—all the time finding fault about something. The weather is not as it should be—either too wet or too dry. The wind is always in the wrong direction. The sun is too hot. The wheat crop is a failure. The next-door neighbor does not mow his lawn. The hired man does not do as he should. Jane is the most careless girl that ever lived. The children have done some little things over which they make a terrible noise. The wife has not done as she should, and so there is a continuous clatter. Their horses are not as good as other people's. They work harder and do less than their neighbors. They have seen more trouble than all the people from the days of Adam to the present time. The real trouble is with the grumbler. If there is a class of people to be pitied, it is this class! It seems to have become chronic with so many, and is so sure to prove fatal when a person is attacked by this terrible disease, that the situation is really becoming alarming.—Christian Herald.

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2. Forest district, T. L. Mellen, P. E., reports: Raleigh, J. N. Tucker, P. C., $10 for foreign missions, and $5 for domestic missions, and 3 Reviews; Forest, D. Scarborough, P. C., $15 for foreign missions, 11 Reviews; Morton, W. L. Linfield, P. C., 14 Reviews; Trenton, D. C. Langford, P. C., 50 cents for foreign missions, 35 cents for domestic missions, 4 Reviews; Clarksburg, H. J. Moore, P. C., $10 for foreign missions, 7 Reviews; Newton and Hickory, J. G. Galloway, P. C., $14 for domestic missions, 10 Reviews; Hillsboro, T. J. O'Neil, P. C., $10 for domestic missions, 5 Reviews; Carthage, M. L. White, P. C.—Dr. Irvin Miller, assistant—$10 for foreign missions, 2 Reviews; Walnut Grove, L. J. Jones, P. C., $10 for foreign missions, $2.70 for domestic missions, 5 Reviews; Neshoba, P. H. Howse, P. C., 6 Reviews; Choctaw Mission, W. P. Donnell, P. C., 1 Review; Chunkey, B. W. Lewis, P. C., $4 for foreign missions, $2 for domestic missions, 8 Reviews; Vosshurg and Heidelberg, W. M. Sullivan, P. C.—J. M. Corley, assistant—$15 for foreign missions, $5 for domestic missions, 20 Reviews; Decatur, R. S. Gale, P. C., 50 cents for domestic missions, 4 Reviews; Rose Hill, J. H. Foreman, P. C., $9.40 for foreign missions, $4.35 for domestic missions, 8 Reviews; Montrose, Ira B. Robertson, P. C., $1.40 for foreign missions by Montrose Sunday-school, 19 Reviews; Shiloh, P. D. Hardin, P. C., $15 for foreign missions, $11.50 for domestic missions, 11 Reviews; Lake, W. M. Stevens, P. C., 17 Reviews. There are 17 Sunday-school Missionary Societies, 4 W. F. M. and 6 W. H. M. and 3 Juvenile Missionary Societies in the Forest district.

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ROBERT H. WYNN.

MOORE—Mrs. MALISSA GREEN MOORE (nee Sayle) was born Jan. 31, 1872, and was married to B. Carson Moore, of Oakland, Miss., Oct. 11, 1893. She was the mother of four children. The first died in infancy, and the youngest, an infant, has, since her death, joined the mother in the spirit world. Little David Carson and Emily Jane still live to the companionship of the grief-stricken father and relatives.

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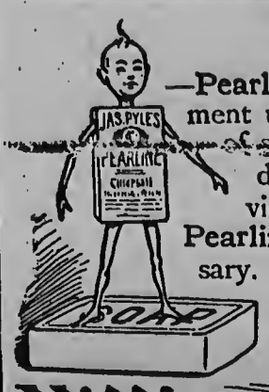

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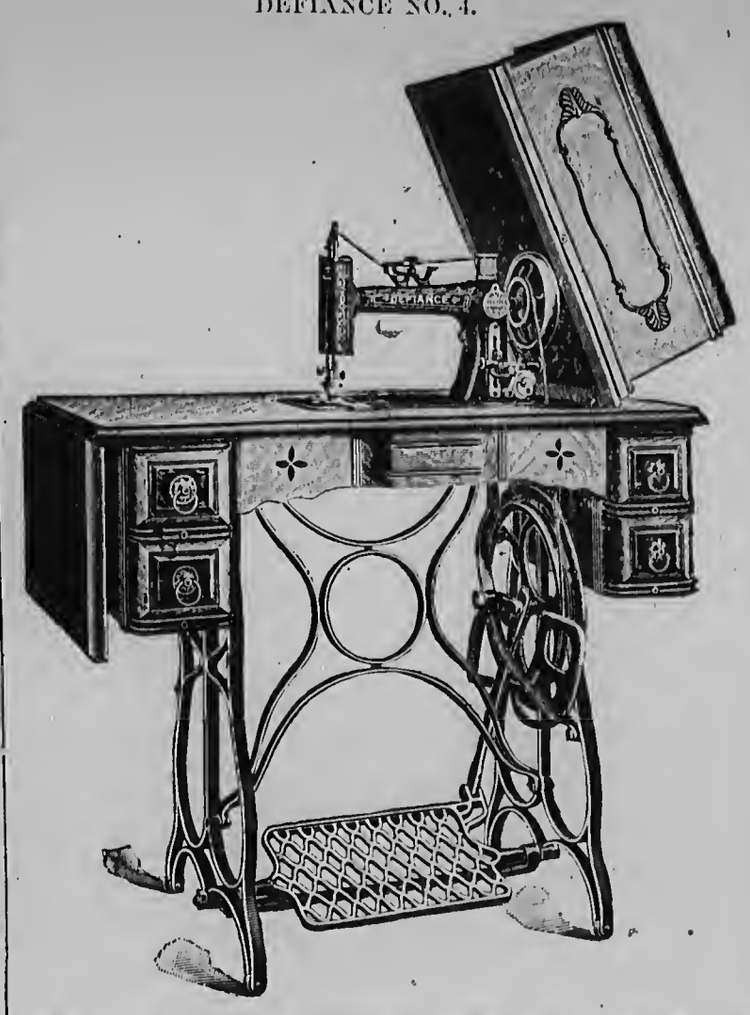

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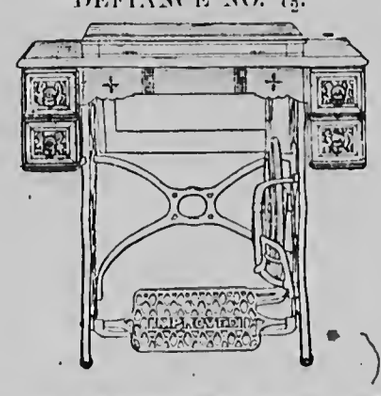

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Senor Jiminez has been proclaimed President of San Domingo.

Three British troop ships have arrived at Cape Town with 3 676 troops.

There was considerable fighting aronnd Mafeking during the past week.

The efforts of Russia to raise another loan in Germany is not meeting with success.

The rice millers in Southwest Louisiana have effected a permanent organization.

In a railway wreck near Denison, Ia., eighteen men were injured, several fatally.

Indications point to a ruptnre between Russia and Japan in the near future.

There are signs of increased Boer activity in Natal and along the western frontier.

Operations of the American troops in the Philippines are retarded by severe typhoons.

Havana newspapers object to criticisms made hy Americans on Snnday racing in Havana.

There are manifestations of general and prononnced sympathy for the Boers thonghout Ireland.

Columbia, La., which was nearly destroyed by a fire a few days ago, will be rebnilt immediately.

After a lapse of twenty-five years Liberia has resnmed the payment of interest on her pnblic debt.

The probate jndges of Alahama met in Birmingham and organized themselves into a State association.

The Canadian contingent for the English army in South Africa has arrived at St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands.

Captured insurgent dispatches show that the Filipinos are hoping for Enropean intervention in their behalf.

It is proposed that ten of the leading mnnicipalities of Cnha give Gen. Gomez $30 a month, as he is in need of funds.

The Mexican government will appropriate $1,000,000 for the proposed international dam and irrigation reservoir at El Paso.

The convention of the Danghters of the Confederacy indorsed the plan to pnrchase Beanvoir and convert it into a soldiers' home.

Admiral Dewey and Mrs. Mildred M. Hazen were married qnietly at the rectory of St. Paul's Catholic Chnrch, in Washington, on Nov. 9.

Queen Victoria inspected three detachment of the Honsehold Cavalry, which are bonnd for Sonth Africa. She made a short speech to the men.

The Boers snrronnd Kimherley in great nnmhers and harass the British in varions ways. There is some fighting, bnt casnalties are not heavy.

Gen. MacArthur took Bamhan Saturday withont much opposition, and his command and that of Gen. Lawton entered Tarlac withont opposition.

The number of immigrants entering the Unlted States for the fiscal year ending Jnne 30 last was 311,715. Of this number 1,717 were admitted at New Orleans.

Rear Admiral Schley is to he given a punch bowl and dinner set made from silver coins which were taken from the safe of the paymaster of the Cristobal Colon.

Gen. Paredes surrendered Pnerto Cabello, Veneznela, to the de facto authorities after a battle in which 650 persons were killed or wonnded. The city was devastated.

Chinese and Japanese merchants doing business in New Chwang, Port Arthnr and Chu Foo have sent their families to Shanghai and elsewhere for safety, in anticipation of war between Russia and Japan.

Japan has given orders to the builders of the new battleship which is nearing completion at Clydebank to hurry up the work. This is snpposed to be owing to increasing tension between Japan and Russia.

Capt. Stephen H. Sloenm, who has been designated to watch the operations of the British troops in South Africa on behalf of the United States government, has sailed from London on the British transport "Colnmhian."

The President will avail himself of the cpportunity offered by the existence of vacancies in the army caused hy the death of Gen. Henry and retirement of Gen. Shafter to promote several colonels and retire them with the rank of brigadier-general.

Major Julian M. Cable, of the army medical department, has been granted leave of absence to accept the position of enrgeon on the British hospital ship "Maine," which is being fitted ont for service in Africa hy Mrs. Whitelaw Reid and other American ladies.

The snit for damages for libel hronght by James J. Phelan against the New York World for certain charges made hy that paper against the plaintiff as a dock commissioner of New York has resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff. The jury awards him damages to the amonnt of 6 cents. He asked for $75,000.

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W. A. GRIFFITH.
Reevesville, S. C.

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Cnred me of indigestion and heart disease after years of snffering, when all other remedies and doctors had failed.
N. D. COLEMAN.
Benlah, S. C.

Mozley's Lemon Elixir

I have been a great snfferer from dyspepsia for abont fifteen years, my trouble heing my liver, stomach and bowels, with terrible headaches. Lemon Elixir cured me. My appetite is good, and I am well. I had taken a harrel of other medicine that done me no good.
CHARLES GIBHARD.
No. 1515 Jefferson St., Lonisville, Ky.

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C. H. BALDWIN.
No. 98 Alexander St., Atlanta, Ga.

NOTICE.

The class of the second year will please meet the committee at the Methodist Chnrch in Greenwood at 10 o'clock, Tuesday, Nov. 28.

T. Y. RAMSEY,
E. S. LEWIS,
J. T. MURRAY.

NOTICE.

Let all who attend the session of the North Mississippi Conference at Greenwood, Nov. 29, obtain certificates from the agents where they hny tickets, stating that they have paid full fare to Greenwood, and they can return for one-third fare.
J. H. MITCHELL.
Greenwood, Miss., Nov. 19, 1899.

TAKE WITH YOU TO VICKSBURG.

To the Pastors of the Mississippi Conference:

In the "plan of campaign" adopted for the raising of the Twentieth Century Fnnd in onr Conference, "the roll-books are to be returned to the Conference Secretary of Edncation" at the next session of the Annnal Conference. The hrethren will please have them at the Conference room at the opening session. The Board of Edncation will wish to inspect them, and after the appointments are read (or while they are being read, probably) they will be retnrned to the pastors who are going to the respective circuits and stations to which the hooks belong. Yonrs fraternally,

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

NATCHEZ DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Nebo	Nov. 18, 19
Wesley Chapel	25, 26
Jefferson Street	29, 27
Harlow	Dec. 2, 3
Hamburg	9, 10

Let trustees report according to the Discipline.

W. L. O. HUNNICUTT, P. E.

SEASHORE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Gallowny, at Bonds	Nov. 18
St. John's, at John's	19
Whittington, at ——	20
Columbia, at Columbia	25, 20
Williamsburg, at Williamsburg	Dec. 2, 3
East Covington, at Eminence	3
Hattiesburg	4

W. W. SIMMONS, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Tranquil, at Tranquil	Nov. 18, 19
Benton, at Midway	P. M.. 19, 20
Silver City, at Hillsdale	25, 29
Lake City and Lodi, at L. City	Tues. 28
Fannin, at Fannin	Dec. 2, 3
Brandon	P. M.. 3, 4
Steen's Creek, at Wesleyana	9, 10

Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

VICKSBURG DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Satartia, at Mount Olivet	Nov. 18, 19
Flora	Thurs.. 23
Port Gibson	26
Hermanville	26, 27
Bolton, at Bolton	Wed.. 29
Edwards, at Edwards	Thurs.. 30
Utica	Dec. 2, 3
South Warren, at Wesley Chapel	Wed.. 9
Warren, at Bradley Chapel	9, 10

E. H. MOUNGER, P. E.

FOREST DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Choctaw Mission, at Talla-Chnlok	Thurs.. Nov. 16
Neshoba, at Pine Grove	Sat. and Sun. 18, 19
V. and Heidelberg, at Vossburg	Wed. 22
Chunkey, at Chunkey	Fri.. 24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun.. 25, 26
N. and Hickory, at Newton	Tues.. 28
Rose Hill, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. Dec. 2, 3
Montrose, at Montrose	Wed.. 6
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Pachuta, at McGowan's	Nov. 18, 19
South Side, at South Side	Wed. P M.. 22
Mathersville, at Winifred	25, 26
Shubuta, at Shubuta	26, 27
East End	Wed P. M.. 30
Daleville, at Daleville	Dec. 2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M.. 6
Central	Thurs. P. M.. 7
Binnsville, at Scooba	9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Tylertown, at China Grove	Nov. 18, 19
Caseyville, at Bethel	25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M.. 29
Gallman, at Gallman	Thurs., 11 A. M. 30
Hazlehurst	Thurs.. 7 P. M.. 30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec. 2, 3
Wesson	3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia	Wed.. 6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto	Thurs. 7
Brookhaven	9, 10

The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, P. E.
Brookhaven, Miss.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

McNutt, at McNutt	Nov. 18, 19
Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	25, 26
Greenwood	28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.

W. S. SHIPMAN, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Mt. Pleasant circuit, at New Salem	Nov. 18
Connersville, at Connersville	22
Holly Springs circuit, at Mahon	25
Holly Springs station	27

J. W. HONNELL, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Longtown	Nov. 19
Pleasant Grove	18, 19

T. C. WIER, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Brown's Creek	Nov. 18, 19
Marietta	25, 26

T. Y. RAMSEY, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Chester, at Salem	Nov. 16
Ackerman, at Salem	17
Louisville, at Louisville	18, 19
Durant station	26, 27

J. S. OAKLEY, P. E.
Durant, Miss.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Shannon	Nov. 18, 19
Okolona circuit	25, 26

J. M. WYATT, P. E.
Aberdeen, Miss.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Cedar Bluff	Nov. 18, 19
Lagrange	Thurs.. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.

R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Slate Springs, at ——	Thurs.. Nov. 18
Ellzey, at Young's Chapel	18, 19
Chapel Hill, at Gora's Spring	25, 26

H. O. MORRHEAD, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Laconia	Nov. 18, 19
Gunnison	19, 20
Lehrton	22
Rosedale	25, 26
Bolivar	26, 27

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Montgomery and Colfax, at ——	Nov. 18, 19
Alexandria	25, 26
Colnmbia, at Colnmbia	Dec. 2, 3

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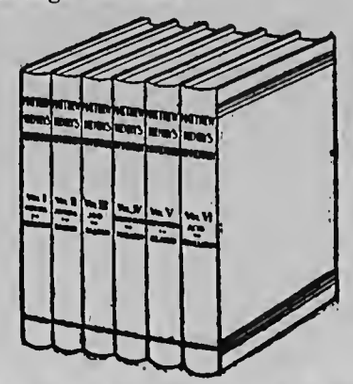

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WHY DO WE WAIT?

Why do we wait till ears are deaf
Before we speak our kindly word,
And only utter loving praise
When not a whisper can be heard?

Why do we wait till hands are laid,
Close folded, pulseless, ere we place
Within them roses sweet and rare,
And lilies in their flawless grace?

Why do we wait till eyes are sealed
To light and love in death's deep trance—
Dear, wistful eyes—before we bend
Above them with impassioned glance?

Oh, let us heed the living friend
Who walks with us life's common ways,
Watching our eyes for look of love,
And hungering for a word of praise!

—British Weekly.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Bishop Hurst presided at the pnb reception given to the members of General Missionary Committee of M. E. Chnrch, which is holding annual session in Washington, Dr. L. B. Wilson, presiding elder this district, delivered the address welcome. This committee, which composed of all the Bishops and a mber of prominent ministers and ionary workers of the denomina-, meets annually to apportion the ey contributed by the local Con-ncee to the General Conference ong the home and foreign missions dncted by the chnrch. The pres meeting will distribnte abont 50,000. The meetings will con-e all this week and part of the t. Among the social attentions the members of the committee be a special reception held in r honor by President McKinley he White House.

t the semi-annual meeting of the *tern Conf*erence of the Maryland od of the Lutheran Chnrch, held Washington this week, resolutions ongratnlation to Dr. J. G. Bntler, is about to celebrate the golden versary of his pastorate of the er Memorial Chnrch; to Dr. el Domer, who has completed twenty-fifth year of his pastorate he St. Paul's English Lutheran rch, and to Dr. F. Ph. Henning-en, who has been pastor for the length of time of St. Stephen's rch, in Baltimore, were adopted. esident McKinley and Mr. Jns Brewer, of the United States Sn-e Conrt, have accepted invita-to address the fonrth biennial ention of the Brotherhood of ew and Philip, which opens in timore this week—the former on y, "All Men Should Go to Some rch," and the latter on "Why Men Do Not Go to Church."

. J. L. Hurlbut, of New York, was a member of the American mittee which acted jointly with English committee in preparing ternational Sunday-school les-and tracts now in nse, was the cipal speaker at the annual con-ion of the Sunday-school Associ-of the District of Columbia, h embraces all the white evan-l churches and Friends, held week. Dr. Hurlbut, whose expe-e has been wide, said: "Most ches are now conscious of the that they are not progressing as fast as formerly. They do have revivals like their fathers The methods which once ght about results do not now results, and we, therefore, have et many things to consider. No strnment of the Christian re-n is so well calculated by its to advance the cause of Christ e Sunday-school. If there is ons thing it ought to do, it ought n souls. It has a firm hold on eople, and can reach the people other institution of Christian-our time can. One-sixth of our n's people is engaged in the of the Word of God in the y-school every Sunday. It is he depressed sixth of popula-nor even the loftiest, but repre-every class of society. There department of Christian effort so many workers, and where there is so much effort and sacrifice. The child that makes the best kind of Christian is the one that grows up in Christ and receives the benefit of its influence while young. The Sunday-school deals with individnals in the golden prime of childhood. The Sunday-school has the best opportunity to win souls. If, however, there is only Bible geography and history tanght, the work of the Sunday-school falls far short of its mark. I do not believe in introdncing into the Sunday-school the old-fashioned revival methods, although I have sanctioned them in the past, and do so to-day in the case of older persons. It will do no good to tell harrowing and pathetic stories in Sunday-school. Have calm and carefnl meetings that will set the scholars to thinking. It is not wise to work np the emotions of the young. Work np their intelligence."

Dr. Wallace Radcliffe painted this beantifnl life-motto in a sermon on "The Christian's Dnty:" "The sweetest thing on earth is truth. It is the noblest, the most powerful and enduring. The Son of God was himself truth. It is trnth that carries in itself the definition of God and the hope of the cross. For the redemption of man it is all-important that he should know truth, for a man's belief is a man's life, and life needs trnth. It is onr dnty to bring every hnman soul trnth. God has enjoined upon his disciples this dnty. Not only ministers and other specially endowed ones, but everyone of us is to be a candle-stick from which the light shines. If the church throngh all ages had thns realized its dnty, there would have been no schism, heresy, or division."

The annnal report of the United States Commissioner of Edncation gives the total school enrollment of the United States for 1898 at 16,687,643, an increase of nearly half a million over the preceding year, and says of edncation in our new possessions: "It is all-important that in the reorganization of the schools in Spanish conntries we do not attempt too mnch in the way of introdncing the English langnage. All the daily lessons should be given in Spanish, save in the reading of elementary English. If the other lessons be tanght in English, it will be just ground for the snspicion that the United States pnrposes to enforce the nse of the English langnage in these territories." From opinions already expressed of these assertions, they are likely to be opposed by those who believe that the English language should predominate in all public schools under the American flag.

Washington, Nov. 15, 1899.

ONCE MORE.

Besides doing a fine year's work on Mt. Pleasant circuit, repairing and painting the parsonage and churches, Rev. D. L. Cogdell has given much attention to the Twentieth Centnry Thank-offering. If in the end the report does not measure up, all who are acquainted with Bro. Cogdell will know it is not his fault.

Rev. B. F. Lewis has made most elaborate plans and advertised extensively for the day at Brandon. His wise plans, culminating in "preaching all day and dinner on the ground," will snrely bring large success.

Bro. Jno. R. Tillery sent to Bishop Candler his personal snbscription for twenty dollars. (Will Bro. Tillery send me his postoffice address? For fear this might escape his notice, I hope some brother will give me his address.)

In addition to subscribing at various points in his district, Rev. J. W. Dorman sends his personal subscription for twenty-five dollars, and says: "The work goes on over the district. I think another year will bring this country out all right."

Rev. L. F. Alford, DeKalb, has secnred five and 50-100, and will get more by Conference.

Rev. H. G. Hawkins has sent an additional amonnt from Madison—sixteen and 50-100 dollars cash.

Rev. W. L. Graves has forwarded from Tnnica twenty-five and 50-100 dollars, and his personal subscription for ten dollars.

Rev. Geo. H. Thompson, Benton, has secured thirty-three and 95-100 dollars, and the "Epworth League is still pnshing the matter."

Rev. Jas. G. Galloway secured forty-five and 5-100 dollars at Hickory. "More to follow."

Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, Natchez, has secnred sixty dollars. Committees will call on every member of the chnrch, and give each one the privilege of contributing.

Rev. J. B. Mitchell has secnred one hnndred and twenty-six dollars at West Point.

I have seen no wiser plans, nor more powerfnl and moving appeal, than those used by Rev. J. H. Shumaker, Inka. Ninety of his people have given one hnndred and seventy-five dollars. He expects Inka to donble that amount. "Committee has been appointed, and will see every member as soon as possible."

Reports should have been received from many preachers who have not sent them. I hope they have done ever better than those who have reported, and the reason they have not reported is, that they were so busy doing large things for the thank-offering that no time was left for them to tell about it.

Bro. J. W. Dyess sent one and 75-100 dollars from the Snnday-school at Buckatunna, and Bro. W. L. Thomason five and 90-100 dollars from Pontotoc. J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Nov. 15, 1899.

TO THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

DEAR BROTHER: Conference is near at hand, and the great featnre of this coming together of "the leaders in Israel" will, no donbt, be the Twentieth Centnry Thank-offering. We, of the North Mississippi Conference, have been called upon to contribute one dollar per member to this great movement, which is all well and good, and we pray Him, to whom we wonld make this offering, that it may call forth a spiritnal revival among us of great power. Bnt believing that the greatest good will come of this movement by inducing each member of the church to pay his or her own dollar, we depreoate the giving of the $45,000 in comparatively large snms by the few. But further believing that, as the Lord hath prospered, so should each one give of his substance, we wish to enlist your hearty co-operation and influence in the support of a much-needed enterprise—that of endowing a girls' college in North Mississippi, to take and maintain the high grade now held by Millsaps College among our boys. This is not a luxury, but a crying need. Look about you and see how easy it is for our boys to obtain a first-class education, and at what a woeful disadvantage our girls are placed. But for the noble struggle of a few unendowed schools, that are not colleges, the girls of our State would be entirely dependant upon the public schools for what education they might offer.

Believing also that the future hope of Church and State is in the cultured and educated mother, at the beginning of the twentieth century we should build wisely, lest we be left stranded in another generation. We, therefore, propose an additional thank-offering of $100,000 for the specific purpose of endowing a girls' college (to be located where it seems best to the Conference), this to be the offering of the well-to-do of our church and its friends, and to be raised as follows: Let the presiding elders be the general agents for the work, and let the amount be raised in $100 subscriptions (or more), to be paid in four equal payments in four years. Surely in the bounds of this Conference one thousand names could be obtained for such a useful enterprise.

As this is an enterprise for women, certainly our women will make it a woman's movement in the best sense, and scores of our women, who have means of their own, would, no doubt, be glad to contribute to this cause.

Think over this plan, and come up to Conference determined to make the North Mississippi Conference the banner Conference in this great movement for Christian education.

Fraternally,

J. M. MOORE,
W. P. BARTON, M. D.

EDUCATED MINISTERS.

MR. EDITOR: You are now running a discnssion through the colnmns of the ADVOCATE than which no qnestion is, or can be, more important to Methodism in Louisiana, or elsewhere. The church should nse education for all it is worth to the church. No one is opposed to an educated ministry when viewed in its right relation to the church. It is a very different thing, however, when ednoation is made the condition of success.

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It has always been the boast of our church that it is a poor man's church. Our ministers come in large part from that class of our people—almost, if not quite universally. They are not college men—never can be. Any sentiment which shuts the ministerial doors upon our uneducated men shuts out our ministerial supply. We receive men "on trial" in our traveling connection, and with a right heart and life the "course of study" is the basis of his continuance "on trial." If he get throngh with that, he is all right, and is sufficiently educated for all ordinary demands upon the itinerant preacher. The difficulty, as I see it, is in requiring an education before we begin to educate for the ministry. Our demands or requirements, in order to "admission on trial," are constantly growing more and more exacting, and our ministerial recruits correspondingly less and less. The local preacher is practically a thing of the past, except as to a few disgruntled itinerants who have gone into the local ranks in order to shake off restraints.

Many of our most thoroughly educated ministers are men who never matriculated in a college; men who went into the ministry backed up by nothing more, in a literary way, than by a common-school course in the rudiments of an education. They were men of brains and hearts, and became learned in ecclesiastical literature.

There are some things to be said on this side of the question which may seem invidious, but is not so intended. I mention one of them as a fact observed by many in these late years: The young men coming into our Conferences from college are not the men who are building churches and parsonages, and bringing scores and hundreds into the church. A close comparison on this line will be a revelation to some people. It is not necessarily so, but so it is. In some instances their scholarship commend them to places which their want of experience disqualifies them to work. In other instances there is too much reliance on scholastic attainments, and too much twaddle about "when I was at college."

I have had a good deal of experience as a presiding elder, and those consecrated, brainy fellows from the farms have been the men of success. They go to Conference knowing their lessons, and report "facts and figures which tell," and at the end of four years are capable of defending the church and the Bible, with all its truths, against any assaults.

It is a great advantage to have had a collegiate training before starting out on this long chase of four years' duration for an education. Still, for the church to insist that all beginners must have this advantage is to strike a death-blow to the doctrine of "the divine call to the ministry." If God really calls, there will be enough spirit of consecration, self-denial and cross-bearing to prepare for the successful prosecution of that call. The need of the ministry is consecration. The ministry of to-day, though far advanced in learning over the ministry of our Methodist forefathers, is imbecile in comparison.

If any of those presiding elders who advocate an educated ministry in preference to educated ministers have four or five brainy, consecrated young men from the prayerful farm homes and the "old-field school," I hope they will turn them over to Bishop Galloway for service in my little field. An active brain over a consecrated heart will soon educate itself. Give such a chance.

J. A. PARKER.

Communications.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

The Savior would have been a good preacher for the hill people in any section of North Mississippi. He would have preached and talked to the people about sin and salvation, repentance, faith, regeneration, and holy living—things they most need to know. His illustrations would have been drawn from planting cotton and corn, and from grinding corn and ginning cotton; from the fields, flowers and birds common to this country. His parables would have been founded upon and expressed in the terms of Republican institutions. Of all things else, he meant to express truth in terms that were understood. The parable of the prodigal son would have been appropriate here, for we have prodigal sons all over this country. The leaven, the tares and the wheat, the mustard seed, the lost coin, the lost sheep and the marriage feast we know something of.

I doubt if the Savior would ever refer to Darwin, Huxley and Tyndall at all. Few of our country people ever heard of these men—only when their names have been called in the pulpit. As for their views, scientific or religious, our country people know little and care less. I doubt if the Savior would have alluded to the great poets, painters, artists, warriors and musicians of the world. If he had done so, much of his talk would have been lost on the people over wide areas of our territory. Doubtless he would have spent most of his time and expended most of his labor among the common people in the rural sections. In his day and in his own country he was not as popular nor as largely useful in town as among the country folk. It was true then, as now, that the town people went often to hear him in the country. The trip and the novelty of congregations and preaching in the woods, or down by the seaside, brought great crowds from the towns and the regions round about. In this way some of them were convicted of sin and led to salvation.

The subject of sin—sin as an act or a principle—is always and everywhere suitable for the pulpit. It is a common and universal disease of man. Men are the subjects of sin, original, and they are guilty of sin, actual. Long arguments on original sin are not necessary. They are often lost on the country people. The people are conscious of the fact that there is something in them that is averse to God and that leads them away from holiness. They know that they have sinned and come short of the glory of God. The great work of the preacher is to awaken in the people a desire to flee from the wrath to come and to be saved from sin. The Holy Ghost precedes, accompanies and follows the Word of God, written, read, or expounded. The Spirit opens the way for the Word, and not the Word for the Spirit.

The Savior would preach genuine repentance for sin, godly sorrow—a sorrow so great that it would lead men to quit sin, to fly from it as from hell itself. In the tenderest tones of love he would preach the free and full forgiveness of sin on the single and simple condition of genuine faith in himself—in the merit of his atoning blood. This would release the sinner from the guilt of sin. He would preach and urge the absolute necessity of regeneration to free the sinner from the reigning power and dominion of sin. Spiritual life and power would be restored to the ruined and enslaved human soul. The will of man, in bondage to sin and Satan, would be set free, and the sinner would be a free-born son of God.

The Master would urge the new converts to holy living, to purity of purpose, of thought and of action in all the relations of life. He would discourage and rebuke all shams in religion, all pretensions, and the disposition to spiritual pride—to the profession and claim on the part of anyone of superior holiness or virtue. Humility becomes a sinner saved by grace. All of this the Master would do in gentleness and love. Denunciatory words and tone were not common to our Lord. He exposed sin, but was tender towards the sinner.

This was the matter and manner of the Master while he was here—when walking the circuit of Judea, of Galilee, and in one or two missionary trips through Samaria. He went about doing good—good to the bodies and souls of men. At no time and in no place did he seek his own personal preferment, or personal ease and comfort. He laid himself out for the good of men, and at the last went to Gethsemane, and to the cross, and to death and the grave, to save them. We need more men of this spirit in North Mississippi now.

GILDEROY.

Nov. 10, 1899.

THE CHAPLAINCY OF OUR ARMY.

The force of religious teachers in our army is altogether inadequate to the magnitude of the work to be done. In an army of a hundred thousand men, scattered all over the world, we have only thirty-four chaplains. This results largely from the fact that Congress, in authorizing an increase of the army, made no provisions for additional chaplains.

This was probably the result of inattention, but it is an oversight which needs to be corrected. There is nothing which needs to be more sacredly guarded than the moral and religious interests of our soldiers. With the hosts of black-legs, lewd women, and rum-sellers following in the wake of our armies, and hovering about our posts and camp-fires, there is no class of our people subject to such fierce temptations as our soldier boys.

All the pernicious and damning influences of the world, the flesh, and the devil, are incarnated in the evil men and scarlet women who are attracted, as by satanic magic, from the very ends of the earth to any large army in the field.

The most effective way to stem this tide of over-mastering temptation is to supply the army with a full quota of efficient chaplains. A great government can not be true to itself and neglect a matter so important. And a great Christian community can not afford to do less than to earnestly and persistently urge the government to do its dnty till this matter is set right. Our Conferences, our papers, and our pulpits, asking the co-operation of all other Christian bodies, should take this important subject in hand, and rest not till our army is fully equipped with earnest and efficient religious teachers.

W. S. HARRISON.

NONE BUT JESUS.

Shall I trust my soul's salvation
To a fellow creature's care?
Can a priest, a saint, or angel,
Save me in my dark despair?
None but Jesus, none but Jesus,
Hears a contrite sinner's prayer.

Is there aught of praise or merit
Due to works my hands have done?
Can a life of tears and penance
For a single sin atone?
None but Jesus, none but Jesus,
He must save, and he alone.

--Anon.

Correspondence.

A TRIP FROM OREGON TO CALIFORNIA.

It has been a long time since any correspondent has written for the columns of the ADVOCATE relative to the progress of Southern Methodism on this coast, the cause of Christ generally, together with a brief reference to the material development of the Pacific coast, and a partial description of the beautiful scenery that may be seen and appreciated by one going from Oregon to California over the Southern Pacific railroad.

It is presumed that few of the readers of the ADVOCATE have ever had the privilege of a trip similar to the one recently enjoyed by your correspondent when he bade final adieu to appreciated friends in Oregon and boarded the train at Ashland, Ore., destined for California, of which State so much has been said and written. A few miles south of Ashland the Siskiyou Mountains, which seemingly extend as a kind of boundary line between Oregon and California, are reached, and in crossing them ample opportunity is afforded either the tourist, the pleasure-seeker, or even the ubiquitous Methodist preacher for beholding some of the most enchanting and beautiful scenery in the world. Two engines are usually required to draw the trains across the mountains, the road wending its way here and there, frequently taking sudden turns that almost take away one's breath as he looks through the car windows and sees on either side nature's handiwork manifested in deep gorges and canyons whose depths almost defy the power and accuracy of the human eye to fathom. The building of that part of the S. P. R. R. which crosses the Siskiyou Mountains was certainly one of the most remarkable engineering feats of this century. At one place in the mountains the road forms a perfect loop, much resembling the shape of a horseshoe, and it is due to this fact that it has been appropriately termed "The Horseshoe Loop." We were about three hours or more in crossing the Siskiyous, the train all the while going up-grade at a fairly good rate, sometimes crossing trestles hundreds of feet in height, while everything below, even the largest trees, appeared to be quite insignificant indeed. In many places along our route there would appear on either side of the road the most frightful chasms in whose abysses there seemed to be reguant eternal darkness, while the least mistake upon the part of the trainmen would have hurled the train and its living freight over the precipices into eternity. On every side were to be seen the gigantic works of nature; tier after tier of mountains, some higher than others, arose in rapid succession, while far away could be seen some towering peaks enveloped with snow—the sun shining upon them created a scene of transcendent beauty. After a while the mountains are crossed, they recede from our view as onward we go, and soon we are within the bounds of California. All around, as far as the eye can reach, are to be seen fertile stretches of country, with a gorgeous landscape flecked here and there with beautiful residences, thriving country towns, and thousands of horses and cattle grazing peacefully, as our train sped by. Soon our eyes were greeted with an excellent view of Shasta, covered with eternal snow, towering 14,440 feet above the level of the sea. As the shadows of evening began to lengthen, and the sun was about to go to rest, we were so fortunate to behold a spectacle, the grandeur of which can never be erased from our memory. The sun was slowly setting, his parting rays clothed Mt. Shasta with a great flood of effulgent glory, causing the whiteness of the snow to reflect with indescribable glory. For once Shasta resembled a huge lump of burnished gold, and I at once thought of that beautiful city of gold, where the sorrows of this world are unknown, and whose builder and Maker is God.

Between one and two o'clock Friday morning, Oct. 27, we stepped off the train at Chico, Cal., and, getting a few hours' rest at a hotel, we were fortunate in meeting with Rev. Joseph Emery, D. D, presiding elder of the Colusa district. Chico is a beautiful place, abounding with many elegant residences, lovely parks, and numerous orange groves. In company with Rev. Dr. Joseph Emery this scribe had the great pleasure of going through the grounds belonging to Gen. John Bidwell, who in 1892 was the candidate of the Prohibition party for the presidency. Gen. Bidwell owns 40,000 acres of land, all of which is in a high state of cultivation. His orchards are very extensive, and extend for miles and miles. The grounds surrounding the Bidwell mansion are both beautiful and well kept, and are open to visitors at all times. I noticed many trees of a semi-tropical nature. Here were orange trees loaded with golden fruit; there I observed magnolia and palm trees, and many other varieties that I had not seen before.

In coming to California one of our long-cherished dreams found realization. We are very pleasantly situated at Gridley, a beautiful town of about 1,200 inhabitants, on the S. P. R R, 160 miles from San Francisco, and 70 miles from Sacramento, the capital of the State. Our initial services in Gridley were held the fifth Sunday in October. Large and attentive audiences greeted us at both services. Our beautiful church in Gridley is literally surrounded by a veritable orange grove. By the way, this is the land for oranges, as is amply evidenced by the fact that within a few miles of this place there is an orange grove of 700 acres. That is considered to be a small one, too. Think of that.

We are indeed glad to learn through the columns of the ADVOCATE of the good work that is being done by the brethren of the Mississippi Conference in the interests of the educational movement and the cause of Christ. C. W. HUFF.

Gridley, Cal., Nov. 6, 1899.

Communications.

THE ELEMENT OF IMAGINATION IN THE EXERCISE OF FAITH.

By faith we are justified and renewed in the likeness and image of God. This faith is seeing. "I will lift up my eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help." "I saw one bleeding on the tree." But how much imagination is there in this seeing? This is difficult to determine. Christ becomes the object of faith. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ." Though we have not seen him, yet we picture him in the imagination as a real being, having a body, a face with certain features, eyes with color, a mouth with a certain model. The imagination looks upon the cross, the hands and feet nailed to it, the wound in the side, and the blood trickling down from all the wounds. But how near does this sight come to the real? We have no photograph, no painting giving us the exact appearance of Christ. This imaginative view is guided by descriptions and likenesses which have come under our consideration and observation. It is certain that these are defective, and if our imagination follows them, the image of Christ formed in the mind must invariably be imperfect. These are but the conceptions of the artist for which he has no authority from the Scriptures. I have seen but two distinct likenesses, and all other artists follow these. Must our ideas of the person of Christ necessarily be true? If so, they must break away from the pictures held up before us, and another and a distinct one must be formed.

But is it necessary that the image of Christ seen by us should be absolutely perfect in order to salvation? If so, with our imperfect constitution, which can never form a perfect image, how can we be saved? If our mental nature will not allow us to form a correct image, can anything be substituted for it which will be acceptable to God, and with regard to which he will extend to us the hand of divine mercy? What is our experience in the case, and does it throw any light upon this important subject?

The soul seeking Christ, and to know him as a personal Savior, tries to rise to the cross. It creates a likeness he supposes to be that of the dying Son of God, and, like the tendrils of the vine entwining themselves around the giant oak, so his affections embrace and cling to the person whom his imagination has formed. Whether true or false, he is saved. What the imagination fails in is supplied by a good intention. Whilst the soul has done its best to be correct in its action, and whilst it does not come up to the perfect idea of the Christ of God, yet a good, a sincere intention to accept Christ and to be saved thereby, is a blessed substitute for a failure in all the operations of the imagination. If God did not accept this offering, there would be no hope for the wretched sinner. If the definition of imagination, as given in mental philosophy, be correct, we can not be far wrong in the views which we have advanced. With some degree of satisfaction we commit this subject to the fate which awaits it. J. F. SCURLOCK.

A MEASURE OF LOVE.

What a consolation to those who have not much of this world's goods if, when we cast our mite into the Lord's treasury, it can be said of us as it was of the widow, "She hath cast more in than all they which have cast into the treasury." If we have not worldly wealth to give, even the mite, given willingly and gladly, is more acceptable to God than all the gold of Ophir. Some may not have even the mite, but all have the wealth of a loving heart to give. If we truly love the Savior, our love should not be measured; it should be deep and lasting as eternity; it should be the Alpha and Omega of our lives. A kind word or look may seem to be a little thing, but the good it may do the all-seeing eye of God alone sees, and he who reads all hearts will accept our love. A drop of water is very small, but the great ocean is made up of little drops of water; so nothing, though it may be insignificant, if done in his name, will be lost in the ocean of eternity. May we

"Count that day lost
Whose low-descending sun
Views from our hand
No worthy action done."

F. WILKINSON.

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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE W. F. M. S.

Sardis district sends us greeting through its secretary, Mrs. B. U. Friend. We love to be greeted in this way with notes of progress.

"The Sardis district is a flourishing one; most of the auxiliaries are good. Many true-souled, earnest women are at work for the Master. The Juveniles are coming to the front in this district, too. One juvenile society, 'The Buds of Promise,' of Sardis has raised all their pledge money, and have besides five dollars for some special, and are diligently at work. They attend well. One adult auxiliary at McGehee's Chapel (a country church) is of earnest, wide-awake members. They are supporting a Bible woman. This district is a field of good ground, which we hope soon to have all tilled and yielding a harvest for the Master's glory."

Now, dear sisters, I pray you give earnest heed to a most important matter. You have, doubtless, received the letter of your Conference secretary with that of Mrs. Trueheart. (This last was given in full by the Louisiana Conference editor last week.) These explain the situation; yet I crave your indulgence for 'a word of exhortation." Mrs. Trueheart tells us that, "To-day our treasury is empty, without enough to meet the present quarter's appropriations."

This statement would sound along our lines like a wail of despair did we not know the loyalty of our forces. Our missionary workers are true women, tireless women, God-trusting women; hence, while we deplore this distressing state of our finances, and repeat to ourselves the expression of our Sister McIntosh, 'None of us ever thought that we would see the day when our treasury would be empty," we can still, through this cloud of regret, catch the gleaming of the star of hope, which brightness comes to us from one thought, "Our missions prosper, and the prosperity for which we thank God increases our responsibility, calling, as it does, year after year, for larger resources."

Sisters, let not one in all our ranks lift a despondent voice, a note of discouragement, but, drawing a lesson from our daily surroundings, apply it to this grander work for our God in the uplifting of millions for whose salvation the Christian world is responsible.

We set a tiny plant, a vine, mayhap, or twig of fruit tree. Do we expect or desire that it shall remain as it is, barely living? Nay; we nourish, we care for it, we bestow thought and means for its proper development, that it may thrive and bring forth for our pleasure or our profit the very best results. So of everything that man undertakes—necessary expense gladly given in order to accomplish the end.

Try this plant that, by the help of God, we have set in various foreign fields, by the same process of reasoning. At first 'twas small, 'twas feeble. We did not wish it to remain a tender, infant plant. Its first budding gave us pleasure. It grew in height, in breadth, till eyes and hearts of workers at home are gladdened by its glorious proportions. We would not have it otherwise. As year by year new growth is added, more money is needed to supply nourishment for our beloved plant.

Now, our last dollar has been applied, and an empty treasury confronts us. But, sisters, listen: "Our missions prosper; souls are being born of God; thousands are seeking to know of Jesus. With this fact before us, we kneel at the feet of our Father, whose riches are boundless, and, by faith, we look into his beneficent face, asking for courage to meet this crisis. We can not, we must not, we will not see the work of our Lord languish for lack of the amount needed to carry it forward."

With such determination and such trust in every loyal heart, the $200 asked of the North Mississippi Conference W. F. M. S can easily be an assured fact, and as each Conference society falls into line with its quota for this need, the empty treasury will soon be a shadow of the past.

MRS. J. F. E.

Valden, Miss., Nov. 13, 1899

The Christian Life.

TO WEAR NEXT THE HEART.

The Bible is the conquering book. It has already dominated English literature, so that almost the whole of its text, from Genesis to Revelation, might, if all copies of the Bible were suddenly lost from the world, be restored in piecemeal fragments gathered out of the books in which the Book has been quoted. Then, besides, there are the Bible thoughts that have indirectly, we might almost say insidiously, permeated the literature of Europe and America. More than that, the Bible has been industriously for years securing its own translation into hundreds of tongues and dialects of the globe. The Koran does not take pains to translate itself, and, indeed, refuses to be translated; but in contradistinction with such apathy of false faiths the Bible courts transcription into foreign tongues, loses nothing in the process, but thereby gains for itself the homage of multitudes who, on reading it for the first time, cry, "This is the book we long have sought, that finds us out in the deepest recesses of our being, and satisfies the profoundest cravings of our souls!" The Bible is the comforting book. There is no volume like it for consolation. It is the only sure and steady staff for pilgrim spirits to lean upon, and the only book that is quotable at the bedside of the sick. It is a book to wear next the heart in life, and upon which to pillow the head in death. No other so-called "scriptures" of the world say the things that the Bible says, or supply the hopes that its promises afford. The Bible is not simply a book, it is the Book. It is the best book of any kind that we have. We can not do without it, either here or hereafter.—New York Observer.

RELIGION A JOY.

The religion of Christ is not a dismal thing. There is nothing that so lessens life's burdens and fears. It offers infinite peace and comfort and hope. It finds the sorrowful and dries their tears. It whispers truest consolations into the ears of the suffering. It teaches men glad endurance and inspires them with cheerful courage. Do you know the blessedness of being right with God? You can not unless you have been to Christ's cross. Do you experience the rapture of Christian service? It is impossible unless you are busy in his vineyard. Seek to gladden and strengthen the early years of the children, do your best to relieve some one's heavy burden, help some poor fellow to a better life, and you shall discover the most rare and exquisite gladness; you shall learn what the very joy of heaven is like. It is very significant that in St. Paul's list of the fruits of the Spirit, while the first place is given to love, joy stands second. When a man has been forgiven and restored, he finds the only perfect and abiding joy that can be found on earth. Brought up out of the horrible pit, out of the miry clay, his feet set upon the rock, his goings established, he learns the new glad song of praise unto God.—Rev. G. E. Young.

CHARITY IN JUDGING CHARACTER.

Hasty judgment of the actions of others is dangerous and often unjust. We measure too much by some superficial appearance and condemn hastily, when, if we but knew and understood the motives and reasons, we would warmly approve. We sometimes say of some one: "That pain, sorrow or loss has not deeply affected him." But we do not know. It is like the death of a few of the soldiers in front of a regiment. The broken ranks close up again into the solid phalanx and the loss is not apparent. There may be no disorganization, no surrender, no craving for pity, no display of despair. It is like the calm, dazzling play of the waves warmed by the morning's sun after a night of storm and disaster; there is no sign of the wreck, the tide has carried the debris away far out on the ocean; the treacherous water has swallowed all signs and tokens of the night's awful work. We see only the fairness of the morning, not the suffering of the night. Let us be charitable in our judgment and condemn not when we do not know.—William George Jordan.

GIVEN FREELY.

The best things of life have to be given freely, not from a sense of duty. You never can measure out friendship; you never can tell how much a man ought to do for his country; you never can tell what he should do for God. There is always that overflow, that abundance, which is chiefly valuable for us, and is valuable to God as it comes as the free-will offering of our hearts. You say of a certain person that he is just, implying you don't quite like him. You say of another person that he is generous, meaning that you do like him. It is because of that which he does beyond what he is obliged to do.

If there is any life where this applies with the utmost force, it is to the religious life. Your piety must make the cup overflow. If you do exactly your duty, and nothing else, your life is no comfort to you and little help to anyone else. You want something of joyousness and freedom in it, and then it tells.—Alexander McKenzie.

SOMETHING WRONG.

If every time you get into some little trouble you get the pouts and wish you were dead, you may rest assured there is something sadly wrong in your experience. Trials are essential to a state of probation, and if you are not willing, by the grace of God, to endure the trials essential as a disciplinary preparation for heaven, then you are sadly out of harmony with the divine will. Paul once, for a little while, thought it would be better to depart and be with Jesus. He was sorely tried, but this desire for his heavenly home was not brought about by trials, temptations, and persecutions. In the place of being discouraged by the severe trials and persecutions which he was called to endure, he boldly proclaimed that he "gloried in tribulations." Through the abundant grace of God we may all be like Paul. The thought of Paul being with Jesus was glorious, but, if possible, it was still more glorious to have from his pen the utterance, "I glory in tribulation."—Christian Standard.

Let us not climb the high wall till we get to it, or fight the battle till it opens, or shed tears over sorrows that may never come, or lose the joys and blessings that we have, by the sinful fear that God will take them away from us. We need all our strength and all the grace God gives us for to-day's burdens and to-day's battle. To-morrow belongs to our heavenly Father; I would not know its secrets if I could. It is far better to know whom we trust and that he is able to keep all we commit to him until the last great day.—L. Cuyler, D. D.

Many a Christian destroys his peace and usefulness because he is not willing to do little things. He wants to speak and pray well, eloquently, edifying, or not at all. Because he can not do some great thing he won't do anything. He must be in the highest seat or nowhere. No one is fit to do great things, unless he is willing to do little things. He must be faithful in the least, he will never be useful in the greatest. If all were willing to add a little to the interest of a meeting, Sabbath-school, or to the strength and influence of the church, there would not be so many praying to be excused. Happy is the man who is willing to do a little, the servant of all, a door-keeper, bell ringer, fire builder, lamp-lighter, anything that will serve Christ in the house of God.—Selected.

Christ is ever passing by. He may come again—he does continually come again—but he is ever moving, and the blessing we would get from him at any time we must get as he passes. All the days seem alike as they come to us, but each day comes with its own opportunities, its own calls of duty, its own privileges, holding out hands offering us radiant gifts. The day passes and never comes again. Other days as bright may come, but that day never comes a second time. If we do not take just then the gift it offers, we shall never have another chance to get them, and shall always be poorer for what we have missed. We need to be alert to take quickly from each day the blessing it brings.—J. R. Miller, D. D.

O God, who makest cheerfulness the companion of strength, but sendest to leave us in time of weakness; we humbly beseech thee that if, for our unworthiness or in thy sovereign wisdom, thou sendest tribulation yet, for thy mercy's sake, deny us not the comfort of patience. Thou wilt not lay more upon us than thou wilt enable us to bear; but, since the fretfulness of our spirits is more hurtful than the heaviness of our burden, grant us that inner calmness which comes when we feel thee with us, and give us grace to own that thou doest all things well. Amen.—R. Crompton Jones.

To read the Bible with profit one must acquire an appetite for it. But in order to acquire an appetite for it one must read it. We have heard of a few people waking up some fine morning with an appetite for the Book which they never had before, but, as a rule, we do not come at an appetite of any sort in that way. Reading the Bible daily will not always give one an appetite for it, but one who does not read his Bible daily will soon lose all taste for it.—Bible Reader.

Not from physical evil, not from pain; Christ does not exempt his own from such kind of evil. Nay, we hesitate to call pain and sorrow evil when we remember what bright characters they have made. . . . But the evil from which Christ's sanctification separates the soul is the worst of evils, properly speaking, the only evil—sin, revolt from God, disloyalty to conscience, tyranny of the passions, strife of our self-will in conflict with the loving will of God.—F. W. Robertson.

And still he is coming to us asking, requiring of us this grace of hospitality, not only in the case of every one who asks of us a cup of cold water and whom our Lord himself will personate at the last day and say, "I was a stranger and ye took me in;" but also in regard to the claims upon our heart's reception which he only in his own person makes.—Marcus Dods, D. D.

He who never looks up to a living God, to a heavenly presence, loses the power of perceiving that presence, and the universe slowly turns into a dead machine, clashing and grinding without purpose or end.—J. F. Clarke.

The prayer of Agur was double—a wise one: "Give me neither poverty nor riches;" but few ever use the prayer so long as any chance to get rich is left.—Methodist Herald.

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FROM THE WORK.

FOREST CIRCUIT.

I was appointed to the Forest circuit at the last Annual Conference, and we reached the parsonage here one week after we left Hattiesburg. On getting acquainted with the people, we found many of them to be loyal Methodists. There are some excellent people on this charge—men and women who are willing to make sacrifices for their Lord; while, on the other hand, there are a great many who do nothing and are very little concerned about the prosperity of the church.

We have four appointments, three houses of worship, and one of the best parsonages in the Conference. I have received 14 members on profession of faith and 14 by certificate. We have held four protracted meetings.

At Homewood I was assisted by Rev. B. Robertson, who did us efficient work, and preached to the delight and edification of the people. Rev. P. D. Gardin was with us at Pulaski, and labored faithfully and effectively. He did some telling preaching and left with the good wishes and prayers of the people. The pastors of the Congregational Methodist and Cumberland Presbyterian Churches and I held a union meeting at Harperville. We had large congregations, the Lord was with us, and all felt that good was accomplished. Our last meeting was here in Forest, beginning Thursday night before the third Sunday in October with a strong sermon by Bro. Melleu, our presiding elder. Rev. M. L. Burton, manager of the Mississippi Orphanage at Water Valley, came to us next morning and did the balance of the preaching. Bro. Burton is a strong preacher, and he delighted the people of Forest with his pointed, forcible, and earnest sermons. We did not have what you might call a revival, but I am sure the meeting will result in good. Rev. T. J. O'Neal and Bro. Meiers were both with us through most of the meeting and greatly helped in the work by way of song and prayer.

I can not say that the Forest circuit has made any decided advancement this year, but the work has moved steadily along as well as could be expected, I guess. The number of additions on profession of faith have been more than twice what they were last year, and up to this time the charge has paid $29.95 more on the Conference collections than was paid last year. We have repaired the church here in Forest at an expense of $43. We have raised $46.50 for the Orphan's Home, and about $70 for other purposes. Have raised in cash $ for Twentieth Century Educational Fund, and $10.20 on Children's Day. We are trying to bring the collections up in full. I think the pastor's salary will be paid out.

D. SCARBOROUGH, P. C.

HOMER.

In retrospecting this, the first year of my pastorate here at Homer, I feel it to be one of the most pleasant of my ministerial life, while in some respects one of the busiest. The people have grown on us, and as they have rallied to us in the work of the Master our hearts have grown warm towards each other. The various departments of work have increased in interest and usefulness, and a wonderful spiritual uplift has been realized by very many.

Collections all in hand above assessments, save for ministerial support, and the stewards speak hopefully of the final outcome at this point. We have just re-covered our church in Homer; will put other repairs on later, and we are in a fair way to adjust our parsonage matters. Just closed a meeting of two weeks here, at which the pastor did all the preaching, but by no means all the work. Many of the services were baptized with the spirit of conviction, and love and joy. All who put something into the meeting got a great deal out of it; others, of course, for reasons of their own, who did not, failed.

My! my!! what a storm struck the parsonage pantry Saturday evening in the shape of a delivery wagon, loaded with good things, eatables of almost every description, and a sealed note containing "cash," and these words, "Please accept provisions and money as a love token from your many friends in Homer." And then you may know, Mr. Editor, there went up from grateful hearts the voice of thanksgiving to the Giver of all good.

And now we are nearing the end. Conference is almost here and we must go up to Jerusalem.

May the good Lord bless the people of Homer circuit, giving them the best here, and hereafter eternal life!

W. F. HENDERSON.

PLEASANT GROVE.

We came here by appointment the last week of July, and were quite surprised to find six churches in the charge composed of more than five hundred members. These six churches are scattered over four counties, viz.: Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, and Marion. It was in the bounds of this charge that the Rev. Elijah Steele, of sacred memory, spent his boyhood days. Here Rev. B. A. Beeson, a faithful local preacher, labored many, many years, preaching all over this circuit in the churches, schoolhouses and homes of the people, sowing seed which is yielding an abundant harvest. Here Rev. L. J. Jones labored four years with tireless energy, making deep foot-prints in the sand, leading heavenward.

We have held revival meetings at three of our churches, with beneficial results to our people. Family prayer is neglected by many of our people, but we are hoping for better things in the future. While we have some few things to discourage us, we have many things to encourage us. Those farmers that have used diligence in cultivating their crops have had many "sheaves" to gather. Not only that; the Lord has sent us excellent weather in which to harvest these abundant crops. Our finances are sadly in arrears.

G. W. HIVELY.

Fair River, Miss.

RURAL HILL CIRCUIT.

Shortly after Christmas I was appointed to this work by my presiding elder, Bro. Joseph S. Oakley. As the parsonage at Rural Hill had been destroyed by fire a short time before I was appointed to the work, and my children going to school in Koscinsko, I remained and traveled the work from here—a distance of thirty miles. All the people of the circuit right from the start received me very kindly, and I have moved on with my work and the people very smoothly. I have four churches and five appointments.

By the help of the Lord, I have been able to fill all of my appointments. I have held four protracted meetings and preached two to three times every Sabbath. In the Spring and Summer my people had measles all over the circuit. This prevented me from holding my Children's Day only at two places. I have talked, both publicly and privately, the importance of Sunday-schools, prayer meetings, and urged my people to pray with their families and read our church papers and literature.

My circuit has a membership of about three hundred. Twenty-two have been added to the church this year and eleven infants baptized. The assessment is thirty-five dollars for the presiding elder and three hundred dollars for the preacher in charge. They have paid up to date about two hundred dollars. They all say that the assessment is light and ought to be paid, and I am satisfied it would be if the proper efforts are put forth.

Bro. Angustus held two of my Quarterly Conferences, and Bro. Gordon one. We all enjoyed the preaching and ruling of these brethren very much. I held a week's meeting at each one of my churches, and the membership generally was greatly revived. Some took up public prayer and some erected family altars. The following brethren assisted me in my meetings: Bros. D. W. Bubb at Plattsburg, W. A. Dollar (deceased) at Rural Hill, V. C. Curtis at Center Ridge, and Robert A. Whitmire at White Hall. All these brethren did faithful work and were very acceptable to my people. May the Lord continue to use them as instruments for the saving of many precious souls!

Brethren, let us preach Christ and him crucified, and be examples to our people and work for the ADVOCATE.

JOSEPH W. HALL.

MADISON, MISS.

On Monday, Nov. 6, at Pocahontas, the fourth Quarterly Conference for the Madison circuit was held. It was the first Quarterly Conference that our presiding elder, Rev. T. B. Holloman, had been permitted to hold since the last days of September, being prevented by the fears at the stations and on the circuits concerning anyone who had been about Jackson in the recent days or weeks. There has been no fever this season within the bounds of the Madison circuit. But the experiences of last year caused apprehensions which to some extent hindered the operations of the church. But the Quarterly Conference reports showed that, financially, we are almost assured of being able to answer at Vicksburg concerning all the assessments "paid in full." Only one church of the charge gives us any uneasiness as to this matter. There have been received during the year 25 members, 8 being on profession of faith. There have departed from among us 20 by death and certificate, so that the net gain is only 5. Two of our very best men have left us during the year—B. W. Henry, of Pocahontas, by answering the call of the death angel, and C. L. Ray, of Pearl River Church, by removal to Canton. But we trust that the four Epworth Leagues of the charge will prove a recruiting agency that will more than counterbalance any possible losses.

Our Sunday-school workers look forward with pleasure to the coming hither of the Sunday-school Conference next March. Three of our Sunday-schools have observed the Missionary Rally Day, and it has proved an inspiration, besides realizing sums that will be no inconsiderable help in enabling the pastor to report the Conference collections "paid in full."

The people of this circuit compare well with others in thrift and intelligence, and the love shown to the ministry, both pastor and presiding elder, by our membership and also by non-members, is very encouraging. If there were a good parsonage-building here, Madison Station would be almost an ideal home for a preacher's family.

H. G. HAWKINS, P. C.

MINDEN, LA.

The Conference year will close in good shape for Minden station. The church is in better condition than the present incumbent of the pastorate found it. Thirty-four have been added to the church in the year, and there will be a net increase of twenty-seven. The testimony of all is, that congregations are better than for years past. Those upon whom the church leans for spiritual as well as financial support are in hearty accord with the pastor. Almost unanimous!

The Conference collections will be paid in full, and the stewards will not let the salary fall behind. The Woman's Missionary Society has increased its membership.

Holding meetings for other brethren, and the necessity for close study, have prevented my fullest efficiency in the pastorate. I am not at all anxious to exchange with any brother in the Louisiana Conference.

C. P. SMITH, P. C.

Nov. 14, 1899.

He joineth Himself as by an accident to men on the ways of life, and afterwards maketh as though He would go farther. When they constrain Him to abide, it does not matter whether the soul be as a palace or a cottage; He will enter, and the tenant will become a saint.—Ian Maclaren.

A form of disease may become so common that it is regarded as a necessary condition. In some of the valleys of Switzerland goitre, or thick neck, afflicts every inhabitant. A party of American tourists entering one of these valleys was followed by a body of jeering children who cried, "See, these people have no goitres," as if to be without a goitre was a physical deficiency.

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A CORRUPTING STREAM.

One of the most prolific sonrces of corruption in this day of boasted progress is the extensive stream of filthy and abominable literatnre that issnes from the press. While more good books and periodicals are being printed than ever before, there is no end to the nnmber of books and papers of a totally opposite character. The whole conntry is being delnged with them, and nnless the Christian public becomes more thoronghly aroused to the importanco of checking the progress of this dangerous cnrrent, the morals of our yonth are going to snffer woefnl deterioration.

Says the editor of the Central Christian Advocate: "The recent shocking mnrder of a yonth in Chicago by two yonng fellows, his former school-mates, followed by their almost immediate arrest, has hronght ont the fact that vile reading matter and degrading pictnres had mnch to do with prompting the deed. The ideals which these yonng degenorates fed npon were gross, blood-thirsty, and debasing, and these ideals were created and snstained in largo measnre by the cheap and nasty stnff which they read. This is only one instance ont of many that might be cited in which sensational stories of the worst sort have led to a career of crime. The harm done by vile reading matter stands next, we believe, in extent to that arising from the liqnor traffic, and yet so insidiously is it wronght that it frequently eludes the notice of the pulpit."

Crimes either snggested or caused by vile literatnre are of snch frequency that Christian men and women can not afford to be indifferent to the existence and continnance of snch a sonrce of evil. The late Bishop John P. Newman some time ago gave the following testimony regarding New York City: "Take the criminal classes of our city, especially those between the ages of seven and twenty, and yon will find that the majority of them have been nnder the influence of impure literatnre. Ont of 3,813 inmates of onr Honses of Refnge, between the ages of sixteen and seventeen, nearly all who could read were readers of dime novels. What is trne of New York City in this regard is trne of nearly every other city and section of the Union."

The natnre of onr reading often has as mnch to do with shaping onr thonghts and acts as has the character of our associates. What we read helps no little to determine what we shall become as well as what we are. Says one writer, "Between an anthor and a carefnl reader there is an intimacy established even closer than is possible in the interconrse of life, and hence evil books poison the springs of thonght and feeling mnch more thoronghly than an evil acqnaintanceship could do." Onr thonghts are largely colored by what we read. Hence, if onr intellectnal food be trashy or impnre, how can we hope for the mind and heart to escape contamination? The injnry wronght by reading a single bad book is often irreparable. Unless the reader is well established in good principles and habits (and such, of conrse, can not be true of children and young people) the mind and conscience are certain to be defiled in some degree by the perusal of bad literatnre. Some wonld give well-nigh their all if they could only obliterate from the tablets of memory the obscene pictnres and iniqnitous snggestions left there by the reading of a foul book or paper. Associating in thonght with the wicked is the next step to associating and hobnobbing with them in act. The young who become familiarized with vice and profligacy through their reading soon have their moral sensibilities binnted, and not infrequently come to mistake deviltry and dissoluteness for smartness and conrage. Yonth will become acqnainted with wickedness soon enongh in real life without having it forced npon their attention throngh the medinm of vicious literature.

This is a reading age, bnt so mnch the worse for the rising generation nnless a proper censorship is exercised over their reading. That the young are capable of judging what is safe and wholesome reading is by no means to be supposed; yet boys and girls are often permitted to read anything they happen to fancy, or that is recommended by some friend, who, it may be, has a depraved taste. Maidens sometimes pore for hours over some novel or story, the chief characters in which are bnt painted villains, and the plot of which tnrns npon infidelity to marriage vows. Shonld the characters depicted therein appear in actnal life and seek admission to the homes of the daughters and sons who are so fascinated by snch fiction, they wonld be promptly kicked ont of doors.

Many a novel that is attractively written and widely circulated embodies a sneer at virtue or a sly attack npon the Christian religion, and is really far more pernicious than some other books that are recognized as positively corrupting.

Boys and young men are often led into impurity and profligacy by the snggestions and banefnl stimnlns of certain indecent pnblications that, alas! are easily obtainable. On account of the fact that impure literatnre is sometimes clandestinely sent to college students, some college presidents adopt the precantion of examining every book, paper or letter that their pupils receive. Novels and story papers of the "blood-and-thnnder" kind are extremely tempting to most boys, and yet none are more dangerous.

One of the best ways of counteracting the evil mentioned is to pnt into the hands of the young an ample supply of the pnre and charming literature which is now so abnndant and cheap. We mnst seek to crowd out the bad and worthless by circulating the good.

AT CENTENARY.

By invitation of the president, we gave a lectnre in the chapel of Centenary College on Thnrsday night, the sixteenth. This was onr first trip to Centenary for several years. Great have been the changes since our last visit. The campns has nndergone a transformation, so that it is now "a thing of beanty." The exterior of the centre building has been renovated. Extensive repairs and improvements have been made in the interior. Among many other improvements, the spacions and elegant chapel has been so reconstrncted as to make a change in its aconstic properties that is almost marvelous. Formerly its aconstics were decidedly bad, so that only a man of stentorian vocal powers could be well heard. Now, it seems to us to be almost a model anditorinm.

Through the enterprise of Dr. Cooper and the Board of Trnstees two neat, well-constrncted residences have been erected on the campus, one of which is occnpied by the president, the other by Prof. Carter. Abont 140 pupils are now in attendance, and many others are expected soon. The personelle of the student body is for the most part good. The college has a well-eqnipped, energetic and efficient facnlty, and every department of the institntion is working in a satisfactory manner. The boarding department, condncted on the co-operative plan, fnrnishes good board at a price within the reach of boys of moderate means. We congratnlate Lonisiana Methodism npon having snch an institntion within its bonnds.

Dnring onr stay in Jackson we enjoyed the cordial hospitalities of Dr. Cooper and his interesting family. We had the pleasnre of meeting the varions members of the facnlty. We also met Rev. F. S. Parker, Rev. R. W. Tncker and Rev. R. W. Vanghan, of the Lonisiana Conference. Bro. Parker is in high favor with the Centenary folks and with his flock in general, and is doing excellent work. Bro. Tncker is jnst closing a term of four years on the Baton Rouge district. His services in this important office seem to have given such general satisfaction that he would doubtless remain a while longer bnt for the law. Bro. Vaughan is taking boarders for the college and also taking a college conrse. Rev. M. M. Black, of the Mississippi Conference, took a peep at Centenary simultaneously with our visit. En route home we chanced to travel with Rev. H. W. Rickey on his way to the city to visit his mother, who was then quite ill, but who, we are pleased to learn, is now on the road to recovery. Bro. Rickey is in the midst of a decidedly prosperous pastorate at Clinton.

A BISHOP ENDORSED.

Bishop Nelson, of the Protestant Episcopal Chnrch, preached a sermon at Atlanta last Snnday in opposition to prohibition. He declares that prohibition increases intemperance. Every saloon keeper, brewer and distiller in the land will shout, "That's so," and yet they spend money by tens of thousands to defeat prohibition in any and every State in which the question is agitated. It would be bnsiness-like to contribnte to the treasnry of the prohis and help them to get a prohibitory law in every State, as this wonld greatly help their business. Bnt, then, they are like the good Bishop; they don't want to see the nation get on a big drnnk, and so they fight prohibition in the interest of the temperance cause. Bah!

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

Presiding elders and pastors are bnsy as bees ronnding np and preparing for Conference. The indications are that fairly good reports, financial and spiritnal, will be made.

Bro. Bowen writes from Columbns thns: "The revival was a great success for all departments of church work. There were 17 accessions and a great many conversions in the chnrch. All things are coming np well for Conference."

Rev. R. A. Tncker, Prairie circnit, writes: "I will have a first-class report from my charge at Conference." So do many othere say of their works.

That is a wise provision of the law whereby anthority is given for the calling of special sessions of the Qnarterly Conference. A fifth session can frequently be held to great advantage in charges where the fourth has to be held two or three months before the close of the Conference year. Bro. Shipman is testing the ntility of the plan of a "fifth ronnd," and so far reports gratifying results. A regnlar session of the Conference, held by the presiding elder, proves more snccessfnl, financially, than simply a "fifth steward's meeting."

Bro. Browning, assisted by Bro. McIntosh, recently held a meeting in Itta Bena, which resulted in 24 accessions to the chnrch—12 of them on profession of faith—the organization of an Epworth League with 30 members, and a general revival in the church.

This writer recently gave two weeks' service in the Delta, at Minter City, Itta Bena, Clarksdale, Dnblin, Tntwiler, Webb and Greenwood. The pastors—Leech, Browning, Mnrrah, Bass, and Mitchell—gave him cordial co-operation, which enabled him to do effective work. A good library was ordered for Cherry Hill Sunday-school, and one projected for Webb, and many books furnished to homes and individnals, as well as song books to chnrches.

The ADVOCATE is snpplying its readers with good pabnlum for the mental and spiritual man. The editorials, selected matter and contributions are mostly interesting, pertinent, and profitable. The discussion on "The Dearth of Preachere" is snggestive and interesting. The brethren are venting some wise and timely thonghts, that it is hoped will awake the dormant conscience of the chnrch, and provoke greater concern and more earnest prayers for more laborers who shall be trnly consecrated and thoroughly eqnipped for the work. The article, in the issue of Nov. 9, on "Church Music," deserves to be read and re-read by every preacher and church member who recognizes the song service as a part of divine worship, and who wonld maintain it in all pnrity and effectiveness. We hope the writer will give us more on the same snbject, and—if he or she has no serious objection—over the trne name.

The people of Greenwood are ready and waiting for the Conference. They are anticipating the occasion with great delight, and sincerely desire that each preacher come to them "in the fnllness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ." Let ns go in his name, and manifest the power of the Holy Ghost npon ns in all we say and do; then shall we have the presence of the Master, approving our work, blessing our sonls, and making ns a blessing nnto others. So may it be.

Preachers and others going to Conference via I. C. R. R. will note that they will arrive at Winona from the north at 2 A. M. and at 1:30 P. M., and from the sonth at 4 A. M. and at 4 P. M. The trains leave Winona on the Sonthern for Greenwood at 7:45 A. M. and 7 P. M. The rnn is about one hour and fifteen minntes. Any preachers or lay delegates who will have to stop over in Winona will be met and provided with entertainment if they will notify Rev. R. I. Allen, or myself, when they will be here.

G. W. BACHMAN.

Winona, Miss., Nov. 17, 1899.

THE TEXAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

This body met in this city last Friday and held their sessions in the anditorium at the Fair Grounds. They claimed to have some 3,000 delegates present, bnt when they balloted on the seating of Dr. Hayden, which vote called out the fnll strength of both parties in the fight, there were cast abont 1,730 votes. Bnt there were at least 3,000 or 4,000 members of the chnrch present during the voting. It was a memorable gathering. No political gathering ever excited the interests of the commnnity in a manner similar to this Baptist Convocation. Dr. Hayden has contended all along that if the convention wonld meet in North Texas, that his followers wonld be in the majority. So when a few months ago it was appointed to meet in Dallas, the clans began to work all over the State. When they concentrated their opposing forces here last week, it was like the coming together of two belligerent armies. Everybody expected something to happen. Excitement was at fever heat. Grave preachers were in an ugly hnmor, and men and women were talking with great emphasis. Snch was the jam that entrance to the building could only be had by ticket. We looked over the snrging throng with their brows knit and wondered what Christ was thinking of the spirit dominating the hearts of these his followers. The whole conconrse seemed ready for an explosion. The preliminaries moved off slowly, and there were frequent symptoms of an ontbreak. Finally the Committee on Credentials was appointed, and then everybody knew that things wonld snbside nntil that committee bronght in its report. This was not done nntil Satnrday night, and then the sparks began to fly. Of conrse, there was a motion to discard Dr. Hayden. After some noisy skirmishing it was decided by a vote to give him thirty minntes in which to show cause why he shonld not be ejected. He monnted a table and made the most sensational speech ever heard in a religions assembly in Texas. Snch was its character that no responsible newspaper can pnblish it for fear of the libel laws of the State. A layman replied to him, and the vote was taken, and he was refnsed a seat—abont 1,100 to 500 in ronnd nnmbers. He picked np his hat and left the auditorium, and the convention drew a long breath. Bnt the bad feeling between the factions is more intense than ever before. What Dr. Hayden's next move will be we do not know, but he announced himself in the fight to remain.—Texas Advocate.

A $2,800,000 SERMON.

It is reliably reported that Dr. Gnnsaulns, in the six years of his pastorate at Plymouth Chnrch, Chicago, collected more than $6,000,000 for institntions which he aided or fonnded. One Snnday he convincingly declared the things that shonld be done for the boys and girls of this generation. At the conclnsion of the disconrse, Mr. Philip D. Armonr stepped np to the preacher, when some snch conversation as this ensued:

"Do yon believe in those ideas yon jnst now nttered?" said Mr. Armour.

"I certainly do," replied the pastor.

"And you would carry them into execution if yon had the means?"

"Most assnredly."

"Well then," said Mr. Armour, "if yon will give me five years of yonr time, I'll give yon the money."

Snch was the origin of the Armour Institnte, of which Dr. Gunsaulns is president, where twelve hnndred young men and women are taught the industrial arts. To that establishment Mr. Armour has given $2,800,000, and the discourse which secured the gift will go down in history as the $2,800,000 sermon.

Do we preach to onr rich men the gospel of giving as taught by Jesns Christ? How mnch had he to say abont the rich and their money, and to the rich about their money! It is one of the major categories of his gospel. How he exposed the dangers and magnified the nses of money! We wrong the souls and thwart the nsefulness of onr rich men when we fail to preach the gospel of money in its fullness. The raising of the Twentieth Centnry Fnnd will do more than endow onr colleges, great and necessary as that work is, if it loads to a nniversal proclamation of Jesns Christ's own full gospel on the subject of money. No preacher can fulfill his commission who has not mastered that gospel. Let a clear bugle blast ring from every pnlpit in onr church. Deal faithfully with the sonls of the rich, and snbject them to all the tests of the gospel.—Southern Methodist Review.

"IN HIS STEPS."

The immense sale of "In His Steps" in England is doubtless dne largely to the fact that twenty English firms were pnshing the book at one time. An English pnblication says that "in four months its circnlation has far snrpassed the total circnlation of all of Mrs. Henry Wood's novels in forty years. 'East Lynne,' which has had a larger circnlation than any other English copyright novel, has only reached 480,000 copies, and it is said that the total nnmber sold of William Black's novels is not more than 300,000. 'Three Men in a Boat,' a remarkably popnlar book, reached 160 000; 'Beside the Bonnie Briar Bnsh,' 90,000; 'A Prisoner of Zenda,' 70,000, and 'The Christian,' the most popnlar book of 1897, sold to the extent of 123,000 in that year. Bnt 'In His Steps' has reached a sale of 3 000,000 copies." Three of Mr. Sheldon's books, pnblished in England at a penny, ran through an aggregate edition of 900,000 in three weeks.—Pnblishers' Weekly.

A PASTOR'S HEART.

Here is Bishop Wilberforce's advice to a clergyman who wished the Bishop to tell him why he had failed, and how he was to succeed: 'Show the people that yon have a pastor's heart, and I do not think they will be long in giving yon the natnral retnrn—their snpport. I can not tell you how earnestly I long for such a change in yonr ministry, in its fnndamental character. I see not the love of sonl, I see not faith in your Master's presence in it. Yonr ministry looks to me like the stinted nnwilling service of that fearful character—the mere professional priest. God knows if this is so. I speak of the aspect which ontwardly yonr ministry wears. My advice, for which yon ask, is pray! pray for more thorough conversion of the heart—pray for ministerial zeal—pray for love to Christ. Pray for the outponring of the Spirit on yonr own sonl, and on your ministry, and then live in yonr parish, live for yonr parish; work in it only as a man can work who has come to his work from intercession for his people."—Southern Churchman.

NOTES.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Morse are spending a week in the city, the gnests of Rev. V. D. Skipper.

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The Union Thanksgiving Service in this city will be held at Dryades Street. The sermon will be preached by Rev. V. D. Skipper.

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Rev. S. B. Beall, of the Louisiana Conference, has been transferred to the West Texas Conference, and stationed at one of the chnrches in San Antonio.

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We learn that the Epworth League at Wesson, Miss., some time since assnmed the task of raising all the Annual Conference assessments, and that they have succeeded in collecting the entire amount. A pointer.

Rev. H. C. Brown, of the Mississippi Conference, is closing a pro perons year on the Fannin circuit.

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Owing to the illness of Bisho Fitzgerald, Bishop Candler preside at the recent session of the Memphi Conference.

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The Morse-Skipper meeting Wesson was a great success. Im mense crowds were in attendanc Nineteen have been added to th chnrch, with more to follow. Ther were many conversions.

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Rev. G. D. Parker has just close a very snccessfnl meeting at Carroll ton. Quite a number professed con version, and there were several ac cessions to the chnrch. Most of th preaching was done by Prof. Carte

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Rev. J. S. Sanders, writing fro Ft. Jessup, La., says: "We are no in one of the greatest revivals thi country ever saw. It has broke out in the school here, and scores ar crowding the altar, and getting con verted and sanctified. The peopl pack the chnrch, and numbers stan that can not get seats, and the wor still deepens, and the end is not yet."

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Writing from Pleasant Grov Miss., Rev. B. P. Jaco says: "W had a grand day here yesterday Two services, with large congrega tions. The Spirit of God was upo ns, and our hearts were strangel warmed. Raised most of our Con ference assessments. Will get all This was the last appointment fo the Conference year at the churc where I was licensed to preach an afterwards recommended to the An nnal Conference. It is a great pleasure to spend a year back a home."

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Rev. W. D. Bass writes: "Rev Wm. Schnhle closed his protracte meeting in Bastrop last night (Nov 13). I preached for him dnring th last ten days of the battle. Conver sions and additions, and much good accomplished in many ways. Bro Schnhle is in great favor with the people of his town, not only his own chnrch, bnt the other denominations They all want him back another year, which will fill ont the four-year limit for him at that station. He is an inteligent, consecrated Christian gentleman."

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Rev. B. B. Sullivan, of the North Mississippi Conference, in a private letter says: "I feel that I have been amply repaid for my efforts in putting the ADVOCATE in the homes of the people, for I not only have the satisfaction of knowing that much good has been accomplished thereby to the individnals themselves, but the additional satisfaction of being able to report salary and collections paid in fnll—a thing that has not occnrred before in years on this charge. This resnlt is dne in part to the increased circnlation of yonr excellent paper."

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The following from Rev. J. A. Bowen will be read with painful interest by the nnmorons friends of Bro. and Sister Lipscomb: "Columbns, Miss., Nov. 17, 1899.—Little Mary Hargrove Lipscomb, third of Rev. George H. and Bessie Lipscomb, went to heaven this morning from the home of her grandfather, Dr. W. L. Lipscomb, to meet her sainted father. She was abont two years old, and the very likeness of her father. She has been sick nearly ever since he died. All that prayer and medical skill could do has been done. Her bereaved mother and all the family will have the prayers of hundreds of friends."

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Writing from Helena, Ark., under date of Nov. 18, Rev. H. R. Singleton says: "I am closing the year at Helena, and I can report some improvement—over 110 accessions and 75 baptisms. Desirable and convenient parsonage bought and fnrnished; a $600 fnrnace added to the church, besides other improvements. A decided increase in attendance upon worship, Snnday-school, and Epworth League. We have as many as 100 at our League meetings. I hope to make a good financial report at Conference. My health has remained good, and I am in better working order than I have been in years. I can not be weaned from the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE. It comes as a special welcome messenger from friends and kindred once a week."

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Christ, upon leaving the earth, exhorted his chosen ones to reach out for universal empire. Hence it is that heathen salvation is a plank in our platform.

Our set of the League Conrse books has been received through Rev. G. W. Bachman, of Winona, Miss. They are of uniform height and width. "Our Island Empire" is the thickest of the four, with 488 pages and an index. It is in Sections I., II., III., and IV., devoted respectively to Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii, and The Philippines. In each section are eight chapters, with subjects as follows: Historical Sketch, Physical Conditions, Natural Productions, Civil and Political Relations, Centers of Population, Manners and Customs, Agricultural Productions, Manufactures and Commerce. The book, "Among the Forces," is devoted to Nature and the helps we receive from her. In the chapter, "Why Written," the author says: "I desire that my readers of this generation shall be the great thinkers and inventors of the next. There are amazing powers just waiting to be revealed. We have not yet learned the A B C of science. We have not yet grasped the scepter of provided dominion. Those who are most in the image and likeness of the cause of these forces are most likely to do it." There are thirty-two subjects, the first four being: "The Man Who Needed 452,696 Barrels of Water," "The Sun's Great Horses," "Old Sun Help," "Moon Help." "Great Books," by Farrar, consists of six papers, one being on great books in general, the others on the special subjects: John Bunyan, Shakespeare, Dante, Milton, Imitation of Christ. "Bible Truths," by Bishop Keener, has already been noticed in this column.

Mr. D. McArthur, Miss Helen Stewart, and Miss Rosa McNeil, who are active members of the Madison Epworth League, have for the past two weeks been at Flora in charge of the fever patients.

Miss Vic Thompson, State Secretary, sends the following:

MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE ASSESSMENT. RECEIVED TO NOV. 6, 1899.

Starkville	$2 00
Vossburg	1 35
Madison	1 00
Tupelo	2 00
Total	$6 35

Has your League paid its share on this assessment? Remember the money is needed now, and no League is exempt from dues. This is a small matter, and I trust it will not be crowded out by other claims. The payment of your dues now will pay you up to the time of the next State Conference. How many Leagues will respond with their share during November? Remit to treasurer, D. G. Patton, Jackson.

Miss Anne Scales, of Macon, Miss., Columbus District Secretary, sends the following:

It is with much pleasure that I report to you the organization of two new Leagues in the Columbus district—one at X Prairie, the other at Columbus.

On Sunday evening last, Oct. 29, the West Point League held a song service and missionary rally, and realized a twenty-dollar free-will offering. The service was most enjoyable, the talks on Missions by Mr. W. F. Lagrone and Miss Josie Critz being particularly good.

Rev. R. A. Burroughs, presiding elder, appointed as Central Committee for this district: Miss Anne Scales, Miss Josie Critz and Mr. J. I. Sturdivant. This committee met Bro. Burroughs and Bro. Meek, Monday afternoon, Oct. 30, in Starkville. Mr. Sturdivant being absent, his place was filled by Mr. W. W. Magruder. It was decided that a sinking fund be raised by the Leagues, this fund to be used in case of deficit in foreign mission collection. As Conference is so close at hand, it was deemed best to have missionary rallies, and the members of the committee are now at work pushing this idea. With so short a time in which to do so much, we feel that we must go to work in earnest.

ATTENTION!

EPWORTH LEAGUERS OF MISSISSIPPI.

The State officers are earnestly pressing the work throughout the State. Our plans are large, and our purpose is to make this the very best year of the League's history in Mississippi. But we need money to pay printers and buy stationery and stamps, and to meet other expenses of the campaign. If every League in the State would pay up the five cents per member, as assessed by the State Conference, we would have the needed money. Why not? Why not now?

Mr. President of the League, this is for you.

Miss Secretary, please heed! Send five cents for each member you have in your League at once to Miss Vic Thompson, Tupelo, Miss.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN,
State President.

NOTICE.

LOUISIANA LEAGUERS.

Please hand your subscriptions toward the support of our special missionary in China to your pastor before he leaves for Conference, with the request that he hand same to me.

A SIDNEY DANIELS,
Treasurer.

MORE OF THIS KIND NEEDED.

At a recent Quarterly Conference, in answer to Ques. 21, a local preacher's report was read, two items of which were as follows: "I have preached during the year 145 sermons, and have received 32 persons into the church." Remembering the words of ¶ 168, especially the latter part of the second sentence, I commended warmly this brother's work. There came from various members of this large Quarterly Conference spontaneous expressions of appreciation from men who were his neighbors and who had known him a long time. All of this was unusual—sadly uncommon—and calls for the explanation, which follows:

The brother is a plain man with but little education, and no extraordinary gifts whatever; but he is a consistent Christian, consecrating thoroughly what talents he has to Christ's service. He does not wait for the preacher in charge to arrange some appointments—one at the "home church" and others at popular preaching places—and then urge him to accept the arrangement; but he goes instead at the beginning of the year and secures from his pastor the allotment of a large territory into which he goes, a genuine missionary, making his own appointments, preaching regularly, holding revivals, saving souls, building up churches and receiving members—"doing the work of an evangelist, making full proof of his ministry:" like Paul, "striving to preach the gospel, not where Christ is named, lest he build upon another man's foundation." The brother was not at the Quarterly Conference; but was some thirty miles away holding a protracted meeting at an out-of-the-way sawmill, where the circuit preacher had never gone; and I have since learned that seventeen souls were converted and brought into the church at that meeting.

This local preacher is not jealous of the circuit preacher, nor does he regale his audiences with criticisms of the Bishops and abuse of the presiding elders. He does not boast of his "wonderful success in saving souls," nor discredit the ministry of men prominent in the church. Like a true minister of the Word, and a loyal son of the church, he preaches "Christ and him crucified." He has no new theories to propound and no new methods of snaring Gospel-wary sinners, but he carries to the out-of-the-way souls, that hunger for salvation, the simple old story told in the good old Methodist way; and thus he succeeds.

This picture may seem too ideal to be real; but I am relating facts only. I would give this brother's name if I were not afraid that a hundred presiding elders throughout the church would be writing him letters of persuasion to move his residence: and I hereby notify "the beloveds" everywhere that he is not to be spared from this district.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN.

LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

NOTICE.

The Committees on Admissions will meet Wednesday evening, at the parsonage in Monroe, Dec. 6, 7 P. M. Let all information, pro and con, in regard to applicants for readmission and admission on trial be placed in hands of the committee at that time.

S. S. KEENER, Chairman.

ARCADIA DISTRICT.

PRESIDING ELDER AND PASTORS.

On the last round for this Conference year. A little less than three weeks, and we will answer roll call at Monroe. Will we be ready? I hope so. That is, that we may feel sure that we did our best. There will be more charges that will report all collections in full than there has been in many years. There will be a larger net increase in membership than for several years, more conversions, and a better state of things generally in the district.

I write this little notice that all that read the ADVOCATE in this district may be encouraged, and do all in their power to see that their pastors, too, are paid; and that the pastor gets all the collections for his charge.

Now, brethren, you that are behind go to work and do your best, and if you don't get your charge out, you will pull it up and feel better. See how many new subscribers you can get for the ADVOCATE by Conference. May God's blessings continue with preachers, their families and flocks!

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To the Members of the North Mississippi and Mississippi Conferences:

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While you dream,
While you dream.

Every gentle word you say
One dark spirit drives away,
Makes the clover in the grass
Whisper greeting as you pass,
Swifter makes the cloud-ships fly
In their march across the sky,
Daintier makes each frosted flake
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"My first trouble rose through want of knowledge—whether, in hitching up a horse, it was the bridle or the breeching-strap that belonged in the animal's mouth. All the money I had to my name—twenty-five cents—I had to pay a man for that important piece of information, and Mr. O'Brien's eyes twinkled at my laughter."

"But what was your education up to that time?" I inquired.

"When I was eight years old, I reasoned with myself that an education was necessary. I attended night school, and later a school under the supervision of the Sisters of Charity. When I was able to afford it, I paid for instruction. If I had to start life over again, my first aim would be to secure a college education. My education, for the most part, has been gained in the school of experience. It is a hard master, but what you learn you never forget. It is impressed indelibly upon your mind.

"Well, when I first put my foot on the step of an express wagon, in Memphis, I determined that it should lead to better things; that, with intelligence and application, it would earn for me a higher position; and that I would labor, heart and soul, for its attainment. In other words, my ambition was strong. I had an eye solely for advancement, performing my duties honestly and faithfully.

"Many were the nights that I slept in my wagon, on the bluff, waiting in uncertainty for the arrival of a steamer that would carry my freight and other matter to New Orleans and other points. The competition between the boats was very great in those days, and I was a person much sought after by the captains. My first duty after my arrival in Memphis, of course, was to repay the money I had borrowed. My salary at first was thirty dollars a month. Out of that I had to pay twenty-five dollars a month for board and lodging at the cheapest place, so it took some time for me to get on a square footing with the world. Every boat that came along made me stay to some meal. I quickly saw that it was unnecessary for me to pay for board in Memphis, when I was continually dining out; and therefore I merely kept a room, which was a saving of twenty dollars a month. I suppose I could have shown favoritism to this or that captain, but I never did. I was working in the interest of the express company, and for them I worked solely. The first boat that touched received whatever I had, that it might be dispatched to another point as quickly as possible, and facilitate the service."

"What were your first savings?"

"One dollar and a half; I remember it distinctly. When it reached that enviable mark—one hundred dollars—I felt like a millionaire. There is a great deal in putting aside your first one hundred dollars. I kept adding to it, little by little. I always lived within my means, and managed to save something. Most young men do not try to save and accumulate a nest-egg. The majority are extravagant and readily part with their earnings. It is well to form business principles early in life, and to learn to economize. It is the fundamental principle of business.

"All the time I was a driver, I kept looking higher. After awhile, my employers discovered that I could do something besides drive a wagon, and I was made a shipping clerk. At that time Memphis was the only channel through which, by steamboats, connections could be made with Vicksburg, New Orleans, and intermediate points. The character of my service as a shipping clerk led in a year to my being sent to New Orleans to fill the place of cashier in that office. Previously, many business houses, including a bank, in Memphis, had made me tempting offers. I turned a deaf ear, believing in the old adage, that 'a rolling stone gathers no moss.' If you have an object in view, don't swerve from it!

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"The mind should be fixed upon the highest position; and the constant struggle to attain it is the strongest incentive to win success. Without disparaging educational influences, which can not be valued too highly, the school of experience is a great one. Familiarity with the smallest details of one's business is essential to the successful administration of any concern, and the man who has acquired his knowledge by working his way up, rung by rung, from the bottom, is the best equipped to direct those who perform the duties which he, at one time or another, himself discharged.

"There is nothing in existing conditions which should discourage young men in their pursuit of success.

"While their numbers are growing, the opportunities are more numerous, and the young men of to-day have the same chance to win success as those of a quarter of a century ago. It rests entirely with the individual.

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"Make no promises which you are not sure can be fulfilled; and whenever higher honors are attained, do not forget that you once occupied a humble position; but, on the contrary, make your individual success the reason for words of encouragement that will stimulate the younger employee to persevere in his laudable ambition. A kind word costs nothing, and is self-repaying. Don't be forgetful of a mother's counsel.

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And so in life's journey we are climbing. We are feeble. Every one of us, now and then, needs a little help; and, if we have risen a step higher than some other, let us reach down for our brother's hand, and help him to stand beside us. And thus, joined hand in hand, we shall go on conquering step by step until the glorious eminence shall be gained. Ah, how many need help in this world—poor afflicted ones; poor sorrowing ones, who have been struggling, not quite able to get up the step; trying, failing; trying, failing, trying, desponding; hoping, almost despairing! O give such a one help, a little kindly aid, and the step may be taken, and another step may then be taken, and instead of dying in wretchedness at the base, he may, by a brother's hand, be raised in safety, and finally to glory.—Bishop Simpson.

To make yourself miserable by constant complaining is to impart your unhappiness to the circle in which you move. A long face and a whining voice make a bad impression upon one's own spirit and upon the spirit of others. No one loves to listen to murmurings and complaints. Speak of your troubles only to intimate friends, and do that only occasionally. When you have thus unbosomed yourself to one who sympathizes with you, then try to dismiss the matter and dwell upon something pleasant and cheerful. You have had many blessings and mercies, and let the mind give thought to these instead of to the occasional afflictions that come to you. A cheerful spirit imparts good cheer to others. A gloomy friend is a monotonous guest, but a bright companion is always a desirable associate. Make it a point to overlook the little annoyances of life and the larger ones will become less numerous. Speak often of the good that comes to you, and evil will for the most part seek other quarters. Under that sort of spirit your health will improve and your companionship will be greatly enhanced.—Texas Advocate.

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SUTHERLAND—BURRUS, the second son of Dr. H. L. and Mrs. Ethel Burrus Sutherland, was born May 14, 1881, and died of typhoid fever, July 27, 1899.

These two dates encloses a life of remarkable promise. His entire life foretokened the splendid attainments of a robust and consecrated physical, mental and spiritual manhood. His manly modesty, gentleness, cheerfulness and noble principle were sufficient to inspire the pride and sustain the fondest hope of a loving mother's heart. His diligent search for knowledge, determined perseverance, firmness in conviction, and far-reaching purpose, satisfied the father's hope. His progress under difficulties, and ambition as a student, made him esteemed by the faculty of the University of Mississippi. His purity of life, chastity of language, devotion to duty, and reverence for parental instruction, made him a model among his club-mates. One of them said of him, "If I could only live and emulate his example, I would feel I had lived a true and righteous life, worthy a mother's love." His daily life fully met the height of the Christian standard. Dr. A. A. Young says, "His life was such as to preclude the necessity of the question, 'Are you a Christian?'" Prof. P. N. McGaughey, who prepared him for his university entrance, says, "I considered him one of Mississippi's most hopeful young men; one of the brightest minds and happiest dispositions I ever knew." Bro. J. W. Mason, who knew him from infancy, says, "He was always a model boy, never using any but chaste language, or engaging in anything questionable."

As his pastor for a year and his friend for four years, I would emphasize all that has been said. With him I was a boy, and enjoyed his confidence. His warmth of friendship, his lively interest in the welfare of others, and splendid humor, impressed me. He was faithful to every trust. I am glad I had his friendship on earth, and expect it to ripen into a heavenly brotherhood. While he had never come before the congregation and confessed there his faith in Christ, yet he expressed his desire and intention to do so. I remember him expressing his wonder that any could disbelieve. He pitied the sinner; he abhorred sin. Like Samuel, he was given to God in infancy, and God talked to him in childhood. We are stunned with disappointment. We are bowed with sorrow's burden, we are torn with grief, we are blind with unbelief; our doubting hearts question. Does God thus proficiently endow for no purpose? Are the hopes that flame within us to smoulder and die in the darkness of the tomb? Are the holy ties of love and friendship to be conquered by the grave? No, no. God works with infinite and eternal purpose, and he will give direction to the unspent energies, and by and by love shall behold heavenly accomplishment and growth in God-likeness which upon earth it can not imagine. It shall behold the enduring substance of which life's fondest hope is but the slightest fleeting shadow. May God give us faith to trust him, and grace to say, Thy will be done! C. H. PITTMAN.

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BIRCH—On Oct. 11, at 5 o'clock A. M., at his home in Matherville, Miss., the spirit of WILLIE W. BIRCH passed out of his much weakened body, made so by low state of health for almost two years, into "the eternal rest" prepared for all those who are made ready by faith in the blood of the Lamb. His suffering was not so intense as to cause him to long to get rid of it. Though he often expressed himself as being ready, through faith in the merits of Christ, to go to the spirit land, and of the loved ones he would so gladly meet should he go, he would as often add, "But if it be the Lord's will, I would like to get well, so that I may work in God's vineyard, and live more for his glory than I have."

For years he felt called to work in God's vineyard as a minister, but kept waiting to be better prepared. Then, too, he felt, by delaying the answer to his call, he could, for awhile, better aid his loved ones through life's battles. The earnestness with which he urged all those who want to see him to live for heaven, may have been the kind of sermons the Lord meant for him to deliver. Truly, "in ways we had not known he leads his own."

How often the leading through paths of suffering!

It is well for the young to be impressed with the fact of the frailty of the human body, and of how sweet life is, so that they may look into that which pertains to the spirit, and live really, live eternally.

How impressive has been made this sermon! Though his life was a life of faith and prayer, consistent in duty, zealous in action, devoted in heart, exemplary in conduct, yet, in his humility, he could not see in himself these beautiful characteristics. He hated intensely everything evil, and loved everything pure and good. His tender affection for his loved ones, and the polite, kind welcome he extended to his friends, even in his extreme weakness, was characteristic of his nature. When the death dew lay cold on his brow, he caught the tender, but sorrowful, expression of his father, and said gently, "I want to kiss you;" then asked that his aunt, Mrs. Gilmore (who was "mother" to him), come sit beside him, for he said, "I want to talk to you before I go to heaven. You have been good to me, and I have hoped to be a comfort and stay to you in your declining years;" bade his sister and cousin a fond adieu, urging them to meet him in heaven; sent messages to his absent uncles, asked his father to send the unfinished letter to his younger brother, and said, "I'm going to expect you all to meet me; I'm not uneasy about any of you." May he not be disappointed! While "I'm sweeping through the gates" was being sung by a sweet-spirited Christian friend, his spirit passed through "the pearly gates," and his body waits the resurrection. May the following lines, which point forcibly to the true source of comfort, be as healing balm poured into the broken hearts:

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The Star of Bethlehem guides the way
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A FRIEND.

MORSE—MRS. MARY J. MORSE was born in the city of New Iberia on Dec. 10, 1841, her parents being Dr. Henry Stuhlinger and Martha I. Cissel. Her early days were spent in a Christian home, her parents being pious, and thus in childhood was laid the foundation of that character which in after years won her many friends, and standing all the trials of earth, remained true to the last. In childhood she was an attendant of the Episcopal Church, and was confirmed in that faith in 1866 by Rt.-Rev. Bishop Wilmer. A part of her early life was spent in Sabbath-school work as a teacher, where, by word and example, she endeavored to lead the little ones to their Lord and Master.

In 1872 Sister Morse was married to Bro. H. A. Morse, a local minister in the M. E. Church, South, and united with the Methodist Church in 1877, residing the greater part of her married life in New Orleans. Bro. Morse dying in 1886, his wife was left a widow with four young children, but having faith in Him in whom she had believed, she struggled on, living to see all four grown and settled in life.

Her last days were days of much pain and bodily anguish, but amid it all she was patient and submissive. A more patient sufferer I have never seen, nor one with a calmer faith. Everyone who was with her in these hours was impressed with the confidence of her faith and the Christ-like simplicity of her whole spirit. She fell on sleep June 14, 1899, having lived a useful and profitable life.

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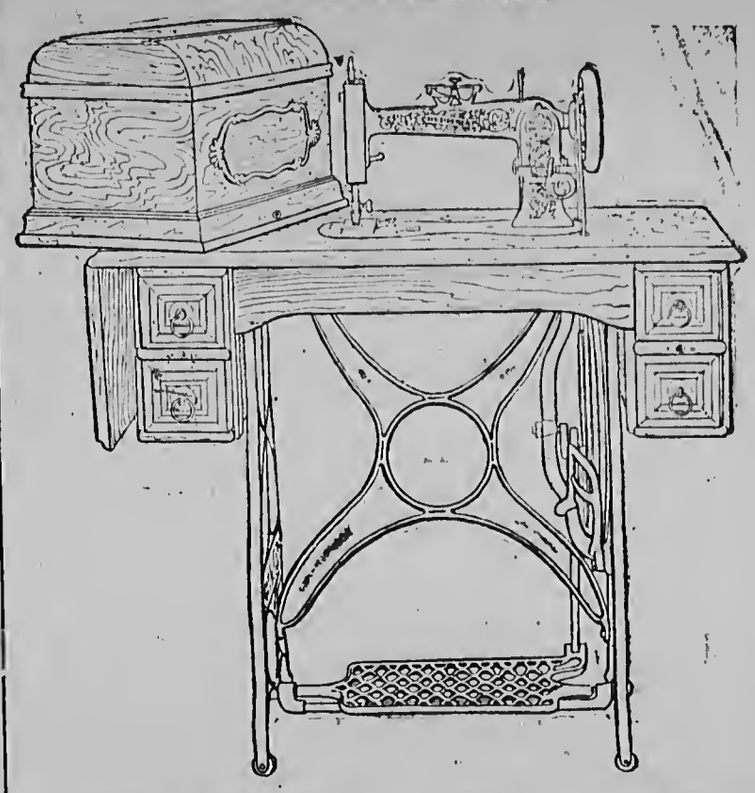

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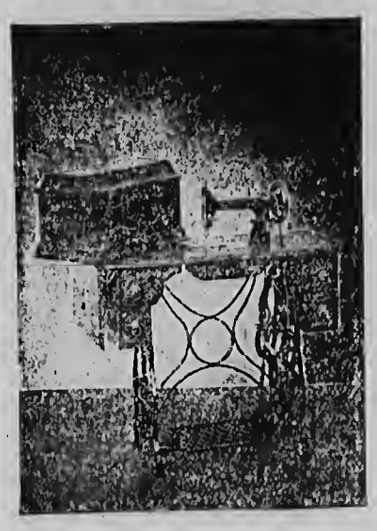

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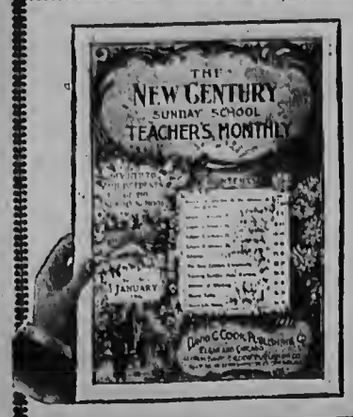

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Congress will be memorialized to admit Oklahoma to statehood.

The Boers around Ladysmith are said to be in straits for want of food.

The Boers made an attempt to capture Estcourt, but were repulsed.

The Boers officially deny the statement that their artillery is officered by Germans.

Preparations are being made for demonstrations in favor of the re-election of President Diaz by foreign residents of Mexico City.

Wreckers have left Hong-Kong to examine the cruiser "Charleston." If possible the big turret guns will be lifted and an attempt made to float the ship.

Rear Admiral Schley's flag has been raised on the cruiser "Chicago," which vessel will probably sail to join the South Atlantic squadron early next week.

Mrs. Leland Stanford's gifts to educational institutions on the Pacific coast foot up to $19,000,000. She still has as much left, which, at her death, will go for similar purposes.

Ira D. Sankey, the singer, who used to be associated with Mr. Moody, is to become an evangelist on his own account and will conduct a series of revivals in various cities this Winter.

Reliable advices from Ladysmith confirm reports that the Boers made a general and determined attack on that place on Nov. 9. They were driven back with a loss estimated at 800 men.

A combined force of Free State and Transvaal burghers occupied Colesburg, Cape Colony, without opposition by the residents, and proclaimed the district to be Free State territory.

A report has reached London that civil war has broken out in the British possession of New Guinea, eleven villages having been obliterated, with a heavy slaughter of the inhabitants.

At a meeting of the Utah Democratic State Committee the Gentile members defeated a proposition advanced by the Mormon members to get up a petition in favor of slating Congressman Roberts.

Col. Deville Boisemarull, formerly of the general staff of the French army, left France for South Africa on the invitation of the Transvaal Government, which offered him a high rank in its army.

The Executive Board of the United Mine Workers has voted to order a general strike of miners in the Southwest unless railroad and coal companies consider certain demands made by the organization.

The negro troops have been removed from Fort McIntosh, Tex., and that post is practically abandoned. This action was brought about on account of trouble between the negroes and white people of Laredo. Negro soldiers may also be removed from Fort Ringgold.

American capital to the amount of $3,000,000 has become interested in Venezuela banking, a concession having been granted to George W. Upton, of Ohio, for the organization of a national banking system which will practically control the finances of the country.

John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, has made a conditional gift of $150,000 to the Rochester Theological Seminary, a Baptist institution. He will give a dollar for each dollar collected by the seminary until the sum of $300,000 is reached.

Representative Crumpacker, of Indiana, will introduce a bill at the approaching session of Congress which is intended to cut down the representation in the Electoral College and in Congress of those Southern States that have by educational and property qualifications largely eliminated the negro vote.

The women of Millvale, Pa., are protesting against the prize fights which have been pulled off in that suburban town. They have appealed to the council to stop the bouts, but the council refused, as each fight brings a $30-license fee which helps to pay the police force. The women, having formed an association, intend to go to the Opera House 300 strong at the next fight.

At the request of the British Government, the State Department cabled to Consul Macrum, at Pretoria, asking if the Transvaal government would permit him to take charge of money sent by England to procure comforts for the British prisoners of war. Upon transmitting the request to President Kruger, Macrum was refused onrtly, and told that arrangements respecting prisoners must be made through the general in the field.

The Chicago orchestra, under the leadership of Theodore Thomas, has decided to decline the invitation of the directors of the Paris Exposition to attend that show in 1900. In a letter addressed to Eduarde Colonne, chairman of the board of directors, Mr. Thomas declares that as an American citizen he is a lover of justice and liberty, and can not consistently visit the French capital. Mr. Thomas freely admits that the verdict in the Dreyfus case was responsible for his determination to remain away from the exposition.

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MARRIAGES:

THORNE—COATS.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Pelahatchie, Miss., Sunday, Nov. 12, 1899, at 6:30 P. M., by Rev. P. D. Hardin, Mr. Sim. N. Thorne to Miss Dora Coats, all of Rankin county, Miss.

SMITH—LYLES.—At Prospect Church, in the Montpelier circuit, Aberdeen district, North Mississippi Conference, Nov. 9, 1899, by Rev. J. W. Raper, Mr. William David Smith and Miss Lorena Lyles.

RAWLS—WILLIAMS.—In the Methodist Church in Monticello, Miss., Oct. 8, 1899, by Rev. C. McDonald, Mr. Wm. R. Rawls to Miss Bertha B. Williams.

MAGEE—FAIRMAN.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in Monticello, Miss., Nov. 12, 1899, by Rev. C. McDonald, G. Wood Magee, Esq., to Miss Julia Fairman.

HUGHES—KELLY.—Near Boykin Church, Smith county, Miss., on May 28, 1899, by Rev. R. A. Sibley, Sr., Hon. W. H. Hughes, of Raleigh, Miss., to Miss Kate Kelly.

MARBLE—GURNER.—At the residence of the bride, near Valden, Miss., Oct. 26, 1899, by Rev. B. B. Sullivan, Mr. I. M. Marble and Mrs. Anna Jane Gurner.

JOHNSTON—PEASTER.—At the home of the bride's parents, in Pearce, Miss., Nov. 12, 1899, by Rev. J. M. Cowan, Miss Lida Peaster to Mr. Philip Johnston.

North Mississippi Conference.

The Class of the First Year—North Mississippi Conference—will meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Greenwood, Tuesday morning, Nov. 28.
R. M. STANDIFER.

Louisiana Conference.

The Class of the Second Year will please meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Monroe, Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 9 A. M.
ROBERT H. WYNN,
ROBERT RANDLE,
W. F. HENDERSON.

The Class of the Third Year is hereby requested to meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Monroe, La., on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 10 o'clock A. M. Have pen, ink and paper for a written examination.
J. A. PARKER, Chairman.

Mississippi Conference,

The Class of the Third Year will please be on hand for examination at the Methodist Church, Vicksburg, Miss., Tuesday, Dec. 12, 9 A. M.
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Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.
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West End	Wed. P. M. 6
Central	Thurs. P. M. 7
Binnsville, at Scooba	9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.
C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

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Caseyville, at Bethel	Nov. 25, 26
Crystal Springs	Wed., 11 A. M. 29
Gallman, at Gallman	Thurs., 11 A. M. 30
Hazlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M. 30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec. 2, 3
Wesson	3, 4
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Montrose, at Montrose	Wed.. 6
Beulah, at ——	Sat. and Sun.. 9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.
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NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

WINONA DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Webb circuit, at Cherry Hill	Nov. 25, 26
Greenwood	28

Local preachers and Boards of Trustees will please remember to have their reports ready for this round.
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HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Holly Springs circuit, at Mahen	Nov. 25
Holly Springs station	27

J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

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Lagrange	Thurs.. Nov. 23
Sturges	25, 26

Pastors will please see that the trustees are ready to answer Question 27 in full; also have reports from the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. Questions 14 and 16.
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GREENVILLE DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Rosedale	Nov. 25, 26
Bolivar	26, 27

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Alexandria	Nov 25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec. 2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?
J. A. PARKER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Nov. 23
Zwolle, at Red Land	25, 26
Red River, at Campo Belle	29
Coushatta, at Coushatta	30
Mansfield	Dec. 3

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Slaughter, at Ethel	Nov. 25, 26
St. Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec. 2, 3
Jackson	3

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Valley, at Pleasant Valley	Nov. 25
Minden	25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville	29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec. 2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.
B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

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Opelousas	28
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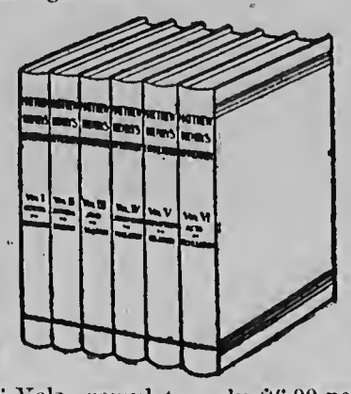

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

There is always some dissatisfaction and grumbling over the apportionment of missionary funds by the general authorities of any denomination, and the meeting of the General Missionary Committee of the M. E. Church, which closed this week, was no exception to the rule. There were two reasons for dissatisfaction among the foreign mission workers in this case. First, the decision of the committee to increase the amount for home missions; and, second, and most important, the lack of enough money to meet the requests of those interested in particular fields of foreign missionary work. To use a homely phrase, the committee had to "cut the garment according to the cloth," and not according to the wishes of its members. As one of its members said, "We did the best we could, and put the money where we thought it was most needed, and where we believed would produce the best results." An interesting episode connected with one of the last meetings of the committee was the reading of a telegram from Bishop Hartzell, now in Africa, stating that titles in Umtali Industrial Mission had been confirmed, which enriched the church to the extent of 13,000 acres of land, and secured $50,000 for buildings thereon. The announcement, which was a surprise to the members, was greeted with applause, and followed by an appropriation of $24,868 for African missions, which was increased by a personal contribution of $500 from Bishop Hurst.

Bishop Hurst was chairman of the committee which prepared the resolution adopted by the General Missionary Committee before its adjournment on the death of Vice-President Hobart, which, although expected, greatly shocked the people of Washington, who loved Mr Hobart for the exemplary life he had led in this city. The President, the entire Cabinet, the Justice of the Supreme Court, and as many Senators and Representatives as can get here in time, will attend the funeral of Mr. Hobart, on Saturday, at his late home, in Paterson, N. J. The news of the death prostrated Mrs. McKinley. Attorney-General Griggs, who has known Mr. Hobart longer than any other official in Washington, paid him this high tribute: "As a friend, associate and friend, I can say that he had the clearest intellect, the largest business capacity, the greatest intuition of any man I ever knew; but more remarkable than these qualities were his traits of character, amounting almost to difficulty; of large-handed generosity, unostentatiously bestowed; of unselfish public spirit in all affairs of city or State, or country; and, best of all, a great heart that never beat except with love and loyalty and sympathy for all the world. His friends will miss him; so will the State and the President. Indeed, the whole land may well mourn the loss of one of our noblest and best men." The President's tribute to Mr. Hobart, in the official proclamation announcing his death, was also noble: "His private character was pure and noble. He will long be honored by his friends as a man of stellar purity and attractiveness, whose sweetness of disposition won all hearts, while his elevated purpose, his unbending integrity and single-hearted devotion to the public good deserved and acquired universal respect and esteem."

The Columbia Association of Baptist Churches, embracing all the colored Baptist Churches in the District of Columbia, held its twenty-second annual meeting this week. Many of the reports from all the churches represented, it was especially fitting that the annual sermon, preached by Rev. E. W. Bliss, should be on church expansion, with special reference to the prosperity of the local churches.

An interesting experiment in interdenominational work was inaugurated this week by the opening of a free night-school for Chinese, supported by Calvary Baptist, the Metropolitan M. E., and the Ascension P. E. Churches. The school is held in connection with a Chinese mission jointly maintained by the same churches.

Mr. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, made an interesting statement before the Industrial Commission this week, in view of the talk about trust legislation at the coming session of Congress. He said that the organization he represented did not desire any legislation against trusts, because it was not certain at this time whether they were beneficial or injurious to the wage-earners of the country.

Bishop Ninde, general president of the Epworth League, presided over the opening meeting of the ninth annual convention of the Washington District Epworth League, and delivered an address on the "Twentieth Century Offering," pointing out how the work of bringing 2,000,000 souls to Christ, and the raising of $20,000,000 for the work, should be undertaken in order to succeed. Bishop Vincent repeated the same address he delivered at the international convention of the Christian Endeavor, at Detroit, on the "Power of a Unit."

A strong resolution favoring the expulsion of Roberts, the polygamous congressman-elect from Utah, and a constitutional amendment making the election of another polygamist impossible, was adopted by the Methodist General Missionary Committee.

Washington, Nov. 22, 1899.

Communications.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY MOVEMENT.

The Twentieth Century Thank-offering Movement will yield benefits much beyond the money contributed. Methodist people are putting their thoughts and energies, their hopes and purposes, together in a great common enterprise, and that of the noblest kind. Each one brings his "tale of bricks" to go into the one common structure. This is elevating. The rebound in the heart of the worker is lifting. The pulse in one beats in all—one body in Christ. The result is increase of unity, growth in the spirit of true connectionalism. The report from Brazil must quicken co-operative activity in all our borders. The gift by that Conference of $10,000 to the Twentieth Century Fund, under the presidency and leadership of a Bishop from the United States, means far more than that these Brazilians are hopeful beneficiaries of our missionary enterprise. It means that they are brothers in the field, hearts and hands joined in the common plans and purposes of our great church. This is encouraging in every phase of the case. We shall scarcely find any organ of labor more potent and effective than the Christian school in collecting, conserving and developing the forces of connectional Methodism. Especially so under the superior system of schools just now set to work by our Southern Methodist Church.

By a law as fixed in the moral and intellectual world as that of gravity in physics, our people will find that by their individual contributions to a common cause they are drawn together in support of that cause, and into fellowship of its spirit and of its results. The fact that twenty per cent. of this thank-offering fund for Christian education is to go to Vanderbilt University will lead every contributor to feel that he has part and lot in the great institution; that he is doing something to increase its noble service to humanity by thus enlarging the scholastic equipment of the church. So also will it be in its measure with any other of our church schools into which this money goes, or for which like effort is made.

The school is an essential part of the working force of Methodism. It has been so from the beginning. Wesley knew its value, and made Kingswood; gave it life and form, books and method, spirit and mission. That was the seed from which sprang the scholastic harvests that have so enriched English Wesleyan Methodism. The march of her progress has been marked by the development and agency of her schools. And now, after the growth of a hundred and fifty years, the marvelous results are to be wisely gathered into a great Methodist college in old Oxford itself. How strong the contrast! how wonderful the victory! The great revival which had its small and despised beginnings in the consecrated souls of the few students who composed the "Holy Club," returns to the home of its origin, bearing on the crest of its resistless wave the triumphs of Christian education. What a wealth of spiritual power is here brought into the work of the coming century!

So in America. Asbury, the master-builder, zealous with a godly zeal to give the people the gospel of a full salvation, taking no rest from his pioneer itineracy, did not overlook the need of the school in his evangelical mission. He toiled to build Cokesbury. Short-lived it was, but the spirit of the enterprise was not consumed in the ashes of the building. The heroic struggle has continued till now—subject, indeed, to grievous mistakes, to the hamperings of poverty, of gross prejudices, of local rivalries, of foolish oppositions and such like, but marked by instances of generous liberality, and by the sacrifices and labors of a long line of devoted and skillful workers. Among them it suffices to mention such names as Wilbur Fisk, Stephen Olin, A. B. Longstreet, Robert Paine, Prof. Tutwiler, Landon C. Garland, Mrs. Tevis. While the field is bestrewn with the wreckage of many an ill-timed, ill-placed, frail effort to build a school, yet the solid structures of Randolph-Macon, of Wofford, of Emory, and of others, remain monuments to that scholastic life which persisted in the church through all her vicissitudes and losses. Much has perished, but more has lived. What perished was not wholly vain; its folly often pointed the wise and true to better "ways and means;" so, when "time and tide" brought to the wasted fields of Southern Methodism the crying need of the highest and best in her work of education, wise men opened the way, and Vanderbilt University came as if "down out of heaven." That event was light and glory, lift and progress to our needy church. It reformed our ideas and improved our methods of school work. The university as the center of motion is drawing the other schools into proper orbits of an interactive system. In pursuance of this fact, and as a matter of progress in the school function, the church has adjusted herself to the new demands and the larger work. Surely our people ought to rejoice in the opening of such a day. Here is a great revival in Christian education; it sweeps like a flame of fire through the church, and the churches. It is not excessive; be not alarmed, the Lord is in it. We are only waking to see what ought to have been done, and what must now be done. The work will go on with immense advantage, due to limits and methods fixed by law and managed by an authorized Board of Education. This is security for the most generous outlay of effort, and must fill the heart of every true Methodist with genuine joy.

One of the first and best results in the whole movement is the great improvement in the scholastic preparation of young men for our itinerant ministry. These young men can not afford to overlook the demand or the opportunity for such preparation. Let no one be misled by the fascinations and high honors of "Brush College." That is a post-graduate course, and calls for the curriculum of a preparatory school. Neither let any young preacher fear that he will be educated out of sympathy with the people of Post Oak circuit. When he allows that fear it is time to review the whole ground of his faith and of the motives of his action. If, with humility and consecration of soul, he is striving to qualify himself in such measure as he can for the holy work whereunto he is called, will that put him out of sympathy with his work and with the souls he seeks to save? Shall we classify our preachers—send the ignorant to ignorant flocks, and learned preachers to learned people? Can any body of preachers endure such classification? How quickly would it bring divisions and strife, and how soon would the church be torn and shattered! We are one body, brothers in the same field, and we must preserve this unity of heart and life and labor, or go to pieces. No pastoral work is destitute of cultivated people, and there are few persons, even off in the woods, that will find fault with the plain preaching and plain manners of a learned man. No, there is no need to fear an educated, consecrated evangelical ministry. Paul and Wesley and the like have been the glory of the church, and will be to the end. Let every young preacher be helped and exhorted at the start to put into the heart of his calling and of his purpose the ingredient of the best intellectual training and acquisition of knowledge within his reach. Let him feel sure that he can not be too well prepared for the mission on which the Holy Spirit and the church send him. I believe that we ought to be glad that five or six young preachers from the North Mississippi Conference are now in Millsaps College in pursuit of this very end. Let the number be multiplied. All the people and all the Bishops will say, Amen!

W. T. J. SULLIVAN.

Kosciusko, Miss.

AN EDUCATED MINISTRY.

MR. EDITOR: There has been some discussion in the ADVOCATE lately regarding ministers and their general fitness for the work. All my life long I have regarded the ministry as the highest calling in the world, and I do think that, as a rule, preachers are a noble set of men. It has been my good fortune to have been associated with many of our noblest and best preachers, and the impress upon the world of their holy, consecrated lives has been so lasting as to induce one to inquire for the reason. All of these men were consecrated to the work of saving souls, and this was their first great desire. This point brings us to the consideration of a question which sometimes forces itself upon us with some degree of sadness, when we see a lack of that burning desire to save souls and a spirit of professionalism pervading the ministry. What thoughtful man has not noticed this professionalism in many of our preachers? I say it with sadness, and yet it is manifestly true, that many seemingly go into the ministry just as they would into any other profession. It is one thing to preach with the sole object of converting and saving sinners, let the manner, the style and the subject-matter be what they may, so long as they are dignified and elegant; but it is quite another thing to preach for effect in that studied manner which is primarily intended to please and tickle the fancy. A "cut-and-dried" declamation and a precision of beautiful rhetoric will not save men's souls, nor will the highly intellectual style do it without that power which comes from heaven. Seek first to save souls, pray, study, get your theology on your knees, and the results will take care of themselves.

I do not like the idea of a young man going hastily into the ministry, for he sometimes imagines that he is called, when, in reality, he is simply acting under the impulse of the moment. A sudden glow of religion, caught, perhaps, at a recent revival, drives him into the ministry, and sooner or later he finds his mistake. Then what? He quits, or he leads a fruitless life.

Religion is a principle which underlies one's life, and not a mere sentiment. Preaching is a calling of God, and not a simple impulse to do something. Let a man wait a little and see if he is really called, and, if so, there is no danger of his getting cold before he can be licensed. A man of deep piety and a burning desire to preach the gospel doesn't get cold. I do not believe in rushing a man into the ministry any more than I believe in getting him into the church quickly. We had better go back to the old plan of taking a man on probation in both cases, and we will have a better condition of affairs in the church and in the ministry. Try them, and see whether they have gifts and graces.

While I was connected with Centenary College five young men came with licenses to preach. They had recently been converted in a revival, joined the church, I think, at that time, were licensed by the Quarterly Conference, and then came to school. Two found that they were mistaken, and quit before the end of the session. One would not study (right here I quote a truism made by one of our quaint teachers, "that if a young man had religion, it made him study his lessons"), and the other two were first-class in every way.

The plan of licensing at the District Conference is the correct plan, for there you find men who are not only capable of finding out the merits of the applicant, but they are removed from the influences of the community in which the man lives, and can pass on him impartially. If a man can't leave home affairs to go to the District Conference, then he certainly hasn't a very great desire for a license; and if his duties happen to be so imperative as to preclude his going, then his religion and desire to preach ought certainly to bridge him over till the next year. Let him exercise his gifts and graces in the prayer meeting, etc. Our church polity is the greatest in the world, and if a man can't get what he desires just when he wants it, he has plenty of chances to do good elsewhere, and may possess himself in patience till the opportunity arrives for the fulfillment of his plans.

There seems to me no question at all about an educated ministry being a necessity. The world is becoming more intelligent, and the demand for cultured brains in the pulpit is as great as anywhere else. I do not mean that a man should have a collegiate education always, but I do mean that he should be sufficiently well taught to use good language, and that the Conference course should be high, and that he should read the best books and educate himself. When a Methodist minister goes about the country we should be able to point to him with pride, and say, "He is our preacher."

Not a great while ago I heard a young man of stately appearance in the pulpit describing the ascent of an eagle on a cyclone, and he used this wonderful expression, "He soared higher and higher till he bathed his plumage in the golden beams of uncreated light." That eagle must have been high. What bombast, what nonsense! Who ever heard of uncreated light having golden beams? A woeful lack of education, coupled with a desire to please the ear with a conglomeration of high-sounding words, and an attempt to be eloquent! Education with common sense and religion never unfits a man to preach anywhere, no matter how ignorant the people. Let us have educated ministers everywhere.

In this connection I will refer to the work of a man whose memory is dear to hundreds, and whose life so aptly illustrates this point. He came to Alexandria years ago, a young man, and labored for six years in all, and was then presiding elder of the Alexandria district, and no man since has ever wholly filled his place. The intelligent, the ignorant and the poor, all enjoyed his preaching, and loved him as a brother. Scholarly, yet simple and plain, he preached to the point, and people were converted. This was the case of a man full of deep piety, inspired of the Holy Ghost, along with a classically educated mind. He was as much at home in the pine woods preaching as in a town church. He preached while nailing on shingles, and his old German carpenter was converted, dying many years afterward in the faith. He preached the unsullied gospel with a consuming desire to save souls, and people were saved. Let us have an educated ministry as far as possible, with no slang in the pulpit, and none of the wonderful yarns of questionable authenticity, and none of the fine methods by which we sometimes see evangelists manipulate an audience, as do patent medicine venders in the streets; but let us have men of God, preaching the gospel in its purity in a dignified, elegant manner.

ROBT. H. MCGIMSEY.

PHILIP WERLEIN.

IN MEMORIAM.

Several excellent notices of Mr. Philip Werlein appeared in the Picayune and Times-Democrat on the immediate occasion of his death and burial. I also would add my tribute to the character of this noble friend.

From his boyhood he was remarkable for his devotion to his parents, and readiness to serve in every way all who had any claim upon his attention. After the war he became identified with his father in the effort to revive their long and well-known music store in this city, to which he succeeded after his father's death. He was a consistent Christian. He supported most generously the church to which he belonged, often giving, as thought by some, extravagantly to its institutions, and to the support of its ministry; and this he continued to do all through the years of his last sickness. He gave annually to Centenary College of Louisiana an amount which was only equaled by two others of its patrons.

This much might be said of one, and yet the main thing in an estimate of character be wanting. He was, best of all, one who had a daily experience of the Savior's infinite love. When his hearing and power of motion had failed, he still attended church, and delighted in the atmosphere of God's house, in its assembly, its prayers, its hymns, and in the ministration of the Word. He could always be seen in his accustomed place, sitting in an invalid's chair.

While in the full strength of manhood he was an active, enterprising merchant, a pure man, a generous friend, charitable to all who were in want, and a pillar in the church of Christ. His memory is blessed not only to wife and children, brethren and sisters, but to all who knew him intimately. No one can doubt his abundant entrance into the mansions of the redeemed.

May we all profit by his noble example, and at the end join him in the presence of the Son of God!

J. C. KEENER.

Carrollton, La., Nov. 21, 1899.

PENTECOST.

BY REV. DWIGHT WILLIAMS.

The day of wondrous story,
The golden seal of time,
The consecrated glory
Of all the years sublime;
The world was waiting for it,
The new inaugural
Of power that should restore it,
And nations disenthral.

The day of voices breaking
Like golden seas afar,
The world's new song awaking
In one vernacular,
All tongues of discord blending
In one exultant theme,
The reign of love descending,
The ancient prophet's dream.

The Father's promise, blossomed,
The secret of his plan
To ransomed earth unbosomed,
Long kept since time began;
The culminating beauty
Of Jesus' sacrifice,
The gladdest path of duty
Wide open to the skies.

It came with balmy sweetness
To heal the night of wrongs;
It came in love's completeness
The jubilee of songs;
No dove wing in its whiteness
So beautiful and swift,
No burnished gold for brightness
Like this, the promised gift.

Now manna showers are o'er us,
The pentecostal rain
Makes fragrant all before us
Our path of toil and pain;
'Tis yours, ye poor and lowly,
The Lord's transfigured sign,
The mountain vision holy,
The breath of love divine.

—New York Advocate.

Correspondence.

HOME AGAIN.

MR. EDITOR: After having had engagements in Manila, taken Iloilo by bombardment, and captured a line of seven forts on Cebu Island, and watched seemingly a century for "our ship at sea" to bring us relief, we were delighted near the end of September by the arrival of the "Indiana" with the Nineteenth Infantry aboard. Volley after volley of cheers rent the air, handshaking such as we had never done was indulged in, and a general jubilee was held. When all had been collected aboard and anchor had been weighed, and when the ship whistled a long, single blast as a sign of departure, we all in one voice shouted, "Home!" As we steamed away the Nineteenth Infantry band gave "Auld Lang Syne" and "Home, Sweet Home." On that occasion those airs, old and familiar, time-worn and stale to many at home, were to us inexpressibly sweet. This ended our sojourn among the Malays, and as the "beautiful isle of Somewhere"—Cebu—faded behind the horizon, we saw it fade without reluctance.

We found Manila, which we had left shortly after the outbreak, deserted by natives, as it was when the regiment disembarked there a year ago. Carromettas drawn by the native ponies rushing through crowds of Chinese coolies, the sleepy buffaloes pulling their draw-carts along the river front, the great numbers of both sexes bathing themselves in the Pasig, the heavy strokes of many cathedral bells, the venders sitting at every street corner and crossing selling sugar cane, betel nuts and molasses-cocoanut candy to the passers-by; the rushing and blowing of the dozens of steam launches, having in tug cascoes of freight, to vessels that can not come to the shallow docks; the padres walking in their self-possessed manner, the busy throngs on the Escolta and the pleasure drives on the Luneta, the mast-poles of Montojo's fleet appearing above the waves of the bay—all show Manila as we first knew it.

When we had spent the week taking on coal, mustering out those who wished to remain, and taking on commissaries for the voyage, we steamed out through Boca Chica by Corrigedor Island, which commands the entrance to the bay. As we bade adieu to the revolving lights on this island we were not sorry that we had been there, but were glad we were leaving. We found the China Sea as rough as usual, and experienced the usual sea-sickness on such waters, until we reached the island of Formosa, with whose side we steamed parallel for a day and night. Formosa, as you remember, was to the Chinese and Japanese what Crete was to Greece and Turkey—the island contested for. But from our view we could see nothing except barren rocks. By seven days we were moving up into Nagasaki Bay, but, as in everything about military, we reached the bay just in time to lie over all night before going to port. Next morning scores of sampans swarmed around our transport. A sampan is generally rowed by one man standing in the rear. When they had all collected about the ship, each one calling forth in his celestial language for us to go ashore with him (as we supposed), we thought how possible it was to have confusion of tongues about the time they were to erect Babel tower.

While our ship was in dry dock we were over and about the city riding in jinrikishas, or "go-ahead carts," as some of the boys called them. One man can pull a cart on level ground, but on the hill-sides two are necessary for swift locomotion. When we tired of this novel pastime we went to the Bronze Horse Temple. It is on the top of a rounding hill, and is approached by a series of stone steps and huge stone gates from the city, a thousand yards below. In front of the temple is a huge, smoothly polished stone, with the names of the officials of the temple. To one side is a collection of curios from the China-Japan war. Further over is a tea garden, where we imbibed the pure fluid made by natives. Still further is a park set with camphor trees and the native pines. At one place, set apart from the rest by a picket fence, are two trees, and between them is a stone bearing the inscription: "Mrs. Grant and I have each planted a tree here. May they flourish, be prolific, and prosper, and be emblematic of the thrifty and rising empire of Japan! Ulysses S. Grant, President United States, June, 1879." The temple has a commanding view of the city. On the interior are divers figures, but we could see these only from a distance.

An American mission—Presbyterian—occupied our attention next. Miss Young, one of the teachers, kindly showed us over the spacious building, through music departments, carving departments, as well as chemistry and art. We saw a Goodwin's Greek Grammar, and several other books not unknown to our colleges in the States.

A late law has been made ordering the children of certain ages to the native public schools, which gives the pagans a chance at them before we can do anything. We have no Southern Methodist schools in Nagasaki, Yokohama, nor Tokio, and not having gone to Kobe, we missed seeing our missionaries. From the fact that theirs is a religion evident, and ours one felt and not seen, the natives hesitate about taking hold of Christianity. They are proud and even haughty, and don't like much to deviate from the paths of their forefathers.

After we had called at a Japanese home, and gone through the custom of taking our shoes off, and sitting on the nicely-carpeted floor, and several other things of the kind, we returned to the ship, which was by this time afloat and being coaled by women. The men make clever overseers.

Between Nagasaki and Yokohama we passed many beautiful islands, all well fortified, and met many steamers and naval vessels. At one place we looked at the top of an old volcano, and saw snow. It was cold—"mucho frio." As soon as we were in Yokohama we went to the Ladies' Asiatic Association, where they gave us some sandwiches and pie—and nothing could better please a soldier—and instructions for going to Tokio, the capital. Thirty-five minutes' run on the little railroad brought us into the city.

We found some more missionaries, who took us to preaching, and afterward to schools and churches and legations, and to the army and navy of Japan, and, the greatest of all, to the royal palace, which is surrounded by an inner moat. A gaudily-plumaged sentinel walks in front of the huge stone gate, and keeps out all strangers and suspicious characters.

When we left Yokohama the next day we felt like we were folding back one volume of the world. We had seen the Orient and its curious people; we had been busy seeing, and now we had time for meditation as we were starting on our long voyage. We thought of war—all that is discipline, all that is stern, all that is rigid, all that is arduous, all that has for its sole object the destruction of what it has required ages to built. We thought of shells flying into cities, into the private compartments of the populace; how they destroy men in fortifications and tear babies away from their mothers in their homes; of a city being burned simultaneously at every street corner, consuming live stock as well as real estate; of a demoralized people rushing in every direction, thinking that surrender means death; of hundreds lying lifeless as a result of battle; of the gloom that settles on the field after the conflict. We think to ourselves the sufferings and grievance, the painful suspense and weary watches, the sleepless nights and long marches, the gory fields and orphans rendered destitute of homes—we write it all under a single name, and that name is War.

We crossed the 180th meridian on the night of Oct. 31, and the next day we met the same old thirty-first, but in our records made it one day later—thirty-second.

But now we are approaching our own Columbia, and as the French philosopher said, we see all that has surrounded us, all that has brought us and fed us, all that we have loved. The country we call ours, the homes we always frequent, the associates so light-hearted and gay, who make life pleasant for us—this is our Columbia. The laws which protect us, the bread which pays for our work, the words we interchange with others, the joy and grief which come to us from the men and things among which we live—this is our country. We see it, we breathe it everywhere. We think to ourselves of our rights and our duties, our affections and our wants, our past and present blessings; we write them under a single name—and that name is Country.

As we near the Golden Gate we see to the right of us the tall rocks of the coast, and among these is the Cliff House, standing as a guide to those who approach. As we came nearer we see the great forty-foot guns of the fort, commanding the sea for twelve miles out; we see the camps of Presidio, where we stood our first guard, and the ground where we learned to drill. Instead of heavy strokes from the cathedral bells, we hear the many whistles of the factories and railroads. Suddenly three steamers, whistling for all they are worth, break through the dense fog. They have the committee sent from the State to meet us, but more important than the committee are the friends, mothers and sisters, all waving flags, and crying with delight to see their soldier boys reach home.

FRANK M. LOWREY.

S. S. "Indiana," Headquarters 1st Conn., U. S. V., Oct. 10, 1899.

BASTROP, LA.

After a long siege of forty-four days our meeting here closed on the evening of the thirteenth instant. During the first five weeks we had ministerial help two and a half days. Our esteemed presiding elder, Rev. J. D. Harper, preached two full-orbed sermons, and my all-alive neighbor, Rev. W. R. Harvell, preached three times with power. Rev. W. D. Bass, of Corinth, Miss., did the preaching during the last ten days of the meeting.

The results of the meeting are encouraging, although the accessions were few. Four were received on profession of faith—one to be received yet. Two will be restored by action of Church Conference. Three converts will unite with the Baptist Church. There were some conversions and reclamations among church members.

All the churches here have been quickened to activity. Not even the Episcopal Church escaped the influence of the long siege. The Sunday-schools have taken on new life; ours was resurrected and set to work.

While the meeting was in progress we organized a Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. It now has 39 members. Much interest is manifested by the young men, many of whom have become members of the society. The attendance at the Sunday afternoon prayer meetings speaks well for this community. Christian sociability and hospitality rose from the freezing-point to a very high notch—a not insignificant item.

Bro. Bass did preach the gospel in its simplicity, directness, and power. Had it been possible to get an attendance of the young people (especially the young men) in the day time, the results, doubtless, would have been more gratifying. Bro. Bass' services were highly appreciated by this scribe and by the public.

This winds up my third year here. I have learned to love this difficult field, for there are friends not a few who are loyal and true. Surely the Lord has been good to me in this long conflict, and to him be all praise.

WM. SCHUHLE, P. C.

CARROLLTON, MISS.

When we meet at Greenwood, ten days hence, Carrollton station will make a good report. The various collections ordered by the Conference will be fully met; and, under the earnest and faithful supervision of that elect layman, J. R. Bingham, we will make a creditable showing for the Twentieth Century Fund. As manager of this educational campaign for the two Conferences in our State, Bro. Bingham has wrought nobly, laboring by day and night to further this great movement. And he is succeeding.

Some weeks ago we moved into an elegant new parsonage, which is one of the most comfortable and convenient within our bounds. The brother who occupies this home during the coming year ought to be happy. Our presiding elder, Bro. Shipman, eats no idle bread. He is now making a "fifth round" of the charges, assisting the brethren in closing up the work.

We have had good revivals and a number of accessions. Bishop Galloway, Dr. Steele, Chaplain Milburn, Dr. Murrah, Joe Ramsey, and others—celebrities and less—have been with us this year.

The District Conference which met with us in May left an impress for good that abides.

No people in the Conference more greatly appreciated the labors, nor more deeply mourn the death, of the sainted Geo. H. Lipscomb than Carrollton, where he labored for two years.

The news has just reached us that one of his dear little girls, Mary Hargrove, has been gathered to the heavenly home. The brethren will not forget Sister Lipscomb in this time of sore bereavement.

We hope to meet the editor at Conference. H. T. CUNNINGHAM.

A NEW CHURCH.

We came to this charge Jan. 11, and found a very comfortable church, but an old and dilapidated parsonage. Our ladies began at once to talk about building or remodeling the parsonage, but after we had been here just one week the church was destroyed by fire. I was never so cast down as when I looked upon the ruins that morning at two o'clock, and heard some one say, "There was not a dollar of insurance," and some one else said, "The parsonage will have to wait a while now." But in a few days our people began to feel better; so a meeting was called and committee appointed to solicit funds to rebuild. As a result of the efforts put forth, on July 13 the corner-stone of the new brick church was laid by our presiding elder, Bro. T. L. Mellen. On the night of Oct. 23 we held the first service in the church, which is complete, and furnished throughout. We have the oak circular pews from Southern Seating & Cab. Co., Jackson Tenn., which are very neat and comfortable. The meeting was continued for two weeks. We were all alone until Tuesday of the second week, when Bro. Robt. Selby came to our assistance. The meeting was not what we expected or desired, but suppose it was not held at the proper time for this section of the country.

The church is a very handsome building and is a credit to a town of this size. After progress was reported on the church all of our people became more hopeful, and the good women of Newton and Hickory started out with a determination to fix up the parsonage in spite of their great loss. So they have added two new rooms, hall and front gallery, besides making improvements on the old part, thereby making a very comfortable and convenient house. All this, by their own efforts, without asking any man to contribute a dollar, knowing that the brethren had their hands full in building the church.

Our people deserve much praise for the work they have done, especially these noble women. God bless them! JAS. G. GALLOWAY.

Communications.

DOES THE LAW GIVE JUSTICE?

Much has been said, and rightly said, against mob law. But whenever there is such a terrible tragedy as the one that occurred in Leake county on Oct. 20, what shall we say? Dr. Hoss, in the Nashville Advocate, of Nov. 2, asked the same question, and continues his remarks by saying: "That the law ought to take its course is certain, but who can wonder that its operation should be suspended under such circumstances? Let any man ask himself what he would do if his family had been dealt with as John Gambrel's." The answer is conclusive. There is scarcely a man anywhere who is acquainted with the action of the courts that would be willing to turn such criminals over into the hands of the law. Everyone who frequents the court-room knows that the laws of our country as they are enforced are mere pretenses to justice. Yet, "let the law take its course," is the cry of the preacher, governor, judges and lawyers.

Suppose we examine a few cases where the law took its course. A man loads his gun, walks out upon the streets of a certain city, tells his friends that he is going to kill a certain man, meets him, shoots him down, and is turned scot free by the courts. . . . Two men meet another man, shoot him down without any provocation, and then riddle his body with bullets, while his mother bends over him and pleads for her lifeless boy; are taken by the courts, one set free, the other sent to the penitentiary, and in a year or two is pardoned. . . . A man walks out of his shop, meets a man, shoots him down, pleads insanity and is turned loose, goes back to his place of business as sane as any man in town. . . . Two boys overtake a man, ruthlessly murder him without any cause whatever; are tried, sentenced to the penitentiary, are trusties in less than a month, and no doubt will be pardoned in a very short time. . . . A man is shot down by two ruffians for telling the truth; they are sent to the penitentiary for life, and are pardoned in less than four years by the man who defended them. . . . A man waits up to his son's home, calls him to the door, shoots him down; pleads insanity, consequently, a mistrial.

These, and many other instances that might be given, are the cause of mob violence. There is no justice in our courts. If a man has money, he will not be punished according to law, no matter what his crime may be. Is it any wonder when we have men who make no pretense to religion? "When the wicked rule the people shall mourn."

I am not in favor of mob law. Would to God our country could be freed of such awful crimes. Let all the good people unite and see that the law is enforced, for there is no happiness without order, no order without authority, and no authority without unity. B. W. LEWIS.

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Mrs. Tom Randle sends a postal item of real encouragement. It is not often that seed-sowing yields such a speedy promise of harvest.

"Dear Sister: We have adopted your plan and have twelve 'thank-you boxes' at work in our Minden Society. We started these boxes on the anniversary of our darling's going to heaven: she gave all she had to missions just before she left us. God bless you for suggesting the 'thank-you boxes.'"

What a beautiful celebration of the dear one's home-going!—a living, growing, eternal monument, more enduring than marble.

It gives us pleasure to present the following report from our Conference treasurer for the second quarter.

W. F. M. S., LOUISIANA CONFERENCE—QUARTERLY REPORT, SEPT. 2, 1899.

Thank-offerings	$ 1 00
Dues	76 65
Mite-Boxes	40
Century Fund	41 00
Total	$119 05
Received on Conference Contingent Fund	$ 10 85

MRS. J. J. HOLMES,
Treas. W. F. M. S.

Appreciating the importance of the Twentieth Century Fund as a thank-offering from the Christians of the world, the W. F. M. S. has pledged its members to raise $75,000 of the $1,500,000 which the M. E. Church, South, has undertaken to raise. This allots $1 to every member of the W. F. M. S. There are many who will give nothing, thus leaving a margin for the grace of liberality in those who esteem it a privilege to give cheerfully. It is advisable that our auxiliaries stress this cause at the few remaining meetings of this year and, if possible, enroll the full membership of our assessment before the close of the century. Be it remembered that this free-will offering is to be used by the W. B. F. M. in the erection of school-buildings in Soochow, China; Juiz de Fora, Brazil, and Havana, Cuba.

In all our giving, be it large or small, let us season the offering with earnest prayer for the speedy extension of the coming kingdom, when all the world shall know him from the least unto the greatest.

MRS. T. P. FULLILOVE.

Shreveport, La.

The Christian Life.

LIVING WITNESSES.

The most convincing proof of the truth of Christianity is the reformation it produces in the lives of people. It makes deceitful men honest. It makes the violent gentle. It makes the lecherous pure. The profane become prayerful. The drunken become sober. The revengeful become forgiving. While the selfish are transformed into the benevolent and self-sacrificing. In a word, Christianity makes sinful men righteous—a work which no other religion has ever accomplished. There are transformations in character and conduct which all men can see. Seeing them, they are compelled to admit that the religion which produces them must be true. The tree is known by its fruit. Men do not gather grapes of thorns, nor figs of thistles.

We make much of Christian evidences, and more books have been written on this subject than on any other. But only those evidences are convincing which appeal to the manifest fruits of Christianity in the lives of men. If obedience to the gospel did not make men righteous, all other evidences would be insufficient to produce conviction of its truth.

We regard preaching of the gospel as essential, and rightly, if its preachers are examples of the truth they preach. If they are not, and if it is known that they are not, all their preaching, however eloquent, learned and logical, will have no power to convince men that their doctrine is true.

We lay great stress upon "the word of testimony," and rightly insist that the Christian should be able to give a reason for his faith in the gospel by telling his own experience of its saving power. We should remember, however, that actions speak louder than words, and are usually the most reliable index to a person's character. Christ commands us to confess him before men, but he does not mean verbal confession only. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works (not hear your good words merely) and glorify your Father who is in heaven." Good deeds are better than good words. The place for greatest emphasis is conduct, acts of kindness and charity, perfect integrity in business, righteousness in all the relations of life, activity in the service of humanity. That is to say, the most any man can do for the advancement of Christianity in the world is to live it. His life is the most eloquent preacher of the gospel. He bears testimony to its truth more cogent than logic, and more convincing than any historical evidences. He is a living witness. His life talks. And what it says is not easily misunderstood.—Epworth Herald.

It is just as necessary that we should patiently wait for answers to our prayers as it is that we should patiently pray for what we need. Our prayers ought to be walked around with patience. An able preacher says: "The Savior knows how impatient we are that the blessing shall come quickly, and, therefore, cautions us not to faint when we do not receive it on the instant. We may not receive it in the form we looked for. It may come in a form so different that we shall scarcely recognize it as what we asked for." If the good and great God can blessedly wait on us, ought we not to hopefully wait for his reply to our prayers? His "due season" never fails to come around.—Exchange.

The man who has nothing to boast of but his illustrious ancestry, is like a potato—the only good belonging to him is underground.—Thomas Overbury.

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FROM THE WORK.

A CONTINUOUS STORM.

We have something good to write about the Gallman folks every once and awhile. We thought we had a big pounding last year, but I think this exceeds that. We had a continuous storm from 11 A. M. to 6 P. M., the wind blowing from three different directions. It first began to blow from Mt. Pleasant Church in small packages of edibles and dry goods, and terminated in an extremely hard gust, which brought a whole wagon load of corn, molasses, potatoes, chickens, etc. Hardly had this storm ceased when we saw a cloud of dust rising from toward Old Crystal Springs, which proved to be the forerunner of a very severe storm, which began with a whole wagon load of corn, chickens, potatoes, molasses, etc. This was followed by wagon loads of people and bundles and boxes. Buggies, surries and other kinds of conveyances brought men, women and children, until we had about seventy-five of those good people with us, and I think everyone brought something which he left with us. While we were unloading and storing away the many good things this storm brought, we saw another storm gathering right around us, and before we were aware of it the good people of Gallman were coming in from all sides, bringing with them many pounds and bundles indicative of their love for and appreciation of our work. But the Old Crystal Springs folks came to take supper with us.

Now, how does the mistress of an ordinary parsonage feel when seventy-five people come in to take supper at one time? Mrs. W. didn't say, "Oh, my! what shall I give these folks to eat," but went to meet them with a glad heart and open arms, and gave them a hearty welcome. (She knew they brought their supper with them.) And such a supper! It is very rare indeed that such an elegant supper is spread in a parsonage. Everything that you would wish was there in abundance. After all had finished there were still whole cakes and whole fowls, and many other things were left for us. These people know how to make a preacher and his family feel good and make them want to remain the four years out, and then be sorry because the limit is four instead of eight.

Now, none of you preachers need be pitching your tents this way, for I have been here only three years.

May God bless and prosper all these people, both temporally and spiritually! Come again, all you good people, whenever you can, but especially when you can bring your supper. With much appreciation.

W. M. WILLIAMS, P. C.

AMITE CITY, LA.

As we approach the end of a journey, the end of an undertaking, the end of a year, we are inclined to a view in the retrospect, and happy is the man that can see the hand of God as he thus looks, and recognize the shadow as the shadow of his hand. We learn lessons of infinite value on cloudy days, and in the shadows we see some things that can not be discerned in the glare of the daylight. In the darkened room the image and likeness of our Friend is developed, and his features become more beautiful than we had hitherto known. Was he not "perfected by the things which he suffered"?

This has been a year full of valuable lessons. Yea, in the shadow and secret place of the Most High strength may be gathered for other duties and greater trials. The church has shared the blessing; fifty-odd souls have been added to its number, debts on church property paid, and improvements made on the preacher's home. The collections for benevolent purposes are good—the best for many years. Am reaping where my brethren have sown.

We dedicated a handsome and commodious church at Kentwood last Sunday. Our people there will ask for a resident pastor at the coming Annual Conference.

We are glad that Bishop Galloway is to be with us at Monroe. His nearness, geographically, causes us to feel that he is near us otherwise. We may, however, before this date next year, wish that we had been blest with that distance that lends enchantment to view. Your work as editor of one of the very best papers has been a blessing to me and my people. Blessing upon you and yours.

HARRY W. MAY.

Nov. 22, 1899.

COLUMBIA, LA.

Since my last report I have assisted in two fine meetings. On Monday after the third Sunday in October I began a meeting with Bro. Dan Barr at Mer Rouge. We closed out on the following Sunday at 11 o'clock. The meeting increased in interest from the first service to the close. It was a great pity that the meeting had to close. Bro. Barr is a big-hearted itinerant, and makes a visiting brother feel at home. He is loved and honored by his people. They want him returned for another year.

My next meeting was with D. E. Kelly, Jena, La. The meeting was pronounced by all to be one of the best held in the place for many years. We had fourteen accessions and some bright conversions. The Jena and Jonesville work is coming to the front. Bro. Kelly took charge of the work the first of July. They assessed him three hundred and twenty dollars, and the amount was paid by the first of November. They have agreed to pay him six hundred if he is returned.

Bro. Parker, our faithful presiding elder, has been sick, but is filling his appointments at present, and we truly hope that he will be returned to the district another year. I have found that a person can live on the Ouachita river and be well enough to preach two hundred and five times in one year. I think that I can get to Conference this year, as it is so close. I would not have missed a session in the past, but from the fact that I was trying to pay some honest debts.

G. D. ANDERS.

FROM REV. J. H. BASS.

We are trying to do the best we can in winding up for Conference. Bro. Bachman was with us at Cherry Hill the first Sunday, at Tutwiler Friday following, and at Webb second Sunday. He sold to our Sunday-school at Cherry Hill a nice library. We collected most of the money to buy one at Webb, and it is very likely that Tutwiler will also buy. Bro. Bachman's visit to our charge was highly appreciated by all, and will result in great good. It would be a difficult matter to find a man to fill his important place, as he is a tender, affectionate preacher as well as a great Sunday-school worker.

Our Sunday-school work on this charge is one hundred per cent. better than ever before. Our congations are far better than in the beginning. Our church-house at Webb is clear of debt. Our people are growing more consecrated and taking more interest. We are getting more religious literature circulated. Our Conference collections will be about one hundred per cent. above anything in the past. The pastor and presiding elder will be paid in full. We have been at work hard all of the year, doing what we honestly thought to be for the best. Of course, like other pastors, we have made mistakes that we shall never repeat; but, upon the whole, we thank God and take courage. New people are moving to our work who have taken hold and are rendering us much help.

J. H. BASS.

Webb, Miss., Nov. 13, 1899.

MAGNOLIA, LA.

I am closing up my year's work with a glorious victory for Christ. Have just closed the most successful revival of the year, which resulted in 25 accessions and equally as many conversions. We organized a new church, and they named it "Alford's Chapel." The most thrilling scene I ever witnessed was at this meeting, when the oldest man in Livingston parish was converted and joined the church. I never before so keenly felt the responsibility of performing the duties of a minister as when this eighty-five-year-old man, with some of his children and grandchildren, knelt before the altar for baptism. This makes in all eighty-eight members received up to date this year. I have been paid already over three times the amount paid to the preacher in charge last year. I have held most of my own meetings this year. I don't think it necessary to send off and employ evangelists to do our revival work for us. I'll expect to be admitted in full connection this year. May God continue to bless the ADVOCATE!

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We closed out Sunday night at Jessup amid a Pentecost. The people here never saw such a meeting; so they say. The revival broke out in the college, and the most of the scholars were converted, and many of them sanctified. I never saw greater power on people, and the people came from every direction, and got saved. No doubt there was at least one hundred, or more, converted, and not less than sixty sanctified. I know I saw time and again at least fifty people shouting at one time. Such a Pentecost I do not remember of seeing. We had thirty accessions to the church of fine young people, and we organized a League of fifty-six members. We have had about one hundred accessions since Conference. All our collections will be full at Conference.

J. S. SANDERS.

The most astonishing thing in Christendom is the fact that so many intelligent people who profess to believe in God our Creator, Benefactor and Judge, and in Jesus Christ as the only Savior of our race, and in the Bible as the revelation of God's will to us, and yet do not become followers of the great and only Savior, nor assist to any perceptible extent to send the glorious gospel of salvation to those who have it not! Professedly believers—practically infidels! What will the end be? Where will they spend the endless ages of eternity?—Rev. S. F. Crowther.

In the "good old days" a man's care for his health was marked by the completeness of the armor in which he locked himself up. It was very unhealthy in those "merry days" of jovial robber barons, to be outside of the steel case of knighthood. It was steel vs. steal every hour of the day. In our times a man needs to be armed inside rather than out. The gentle germ is like love in that he "laughs at locksmiths." You can't lock him out, but you can make it so mighty uncomfortable for him that he'll be glad to get out and seek some other lodging.

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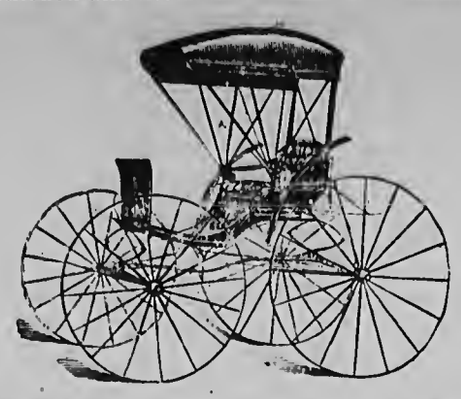

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1899.

REPORT OF PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

The Publishing Committee of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE met in the ADVOCATE office, Nov. 22, with Dr. John T. Sawyer in the chair, and Dr. S. S. Keener at the secretary's table. All the members were present except Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan and Dr. T. C. Wier, of the North Mississippi Conference, and Rev. F. N. Parker, of the Louisiana Conference.

Dr. W. C. Black, the editor and publisher, made his annual report, which showed the ADVOCATE to be on a sound financial basis. A note of $614, being the balance due on a $1,200 debt of many years' standing, by the Publishing Committee, has been paid during the past year. This relieves the ADVOCATE entirely of debt. Dr. Black was deemed worthy of special commendation for the liquidation of this debt, and the thanks of the committee were accordingly tendered.

All the interests of the ADVOCATE, including its editorial management, were inquired into and discussed. Bating the admission into the paper of certain controversial articles written by correspondents, the committee was pleased to endorse Dr. Black's editorial work.

How to increase the circulation of the ADVOCATE, to the extent the interests of the patronizing Conferences demand, remains an unsolved problem. Three methods have been suggested, none of which are without objectionable features. One is to reduce the price of the paper conditionally, with a view to a permanent reduction. This has been tried the past year, but without success. Another method is to reduce the price of the paper unconditionally. To some this may appear feasible, and yet, if called on to assume responsibility for the possible financial loss of such a venture, they would, doubtless, be found wanting in readiness for the task. It is easy to say what some one else should do, but not always easy to do it ourselves. If some one could be found able and willing to insure the ADVOCATE against loss for one or two years, this plan could and would be tried. The committee and publisher would hail such an opportunity with grateful joy. In the meantime nothing remains but to work for the paper under the old regime. There are objections to this method and hindrances in the way, but they are less in magnitude than those found elsewhere. Whether the circulation is large or small, the ADVOCATE must be kept on a solid financial foundation. Everyone recognizes this as imperative.

In conclusion, the preachers and other readers of the ADVOCATE will permit a word of exhortation. Dr. Black is consecrating hands, head and heart to the work of furnishing the church with an indispensable family newspaper. The circulation is not what it ought to be. Many of our Methodist families are without its gracious and uplifting influence. No amount of money saved to them by not subscribing for the paper can compensate for the intellectual and spiritual loss they sustain. It is far better to pay many times the present price than to be without its helpfulness in religious life and work. Let every preacher adopt some method of working for an extension of the paper's circulation, and seek the co-operation of its present readers among the laity. A little work faithfully performed will accomplish much, and the results will be the expansion and upbuilding of the kingdom of God.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: S. S. Keener, D. D., president; John T. Sawyer, D. D., secretary, and J. D. Cameron, D. D., treasurer. Dr. Sawyer, Dr. Sullivan and Rev. R. J. Jones constitute the Executive Committee.

L. CARLEY, for Com.

THE SEASON OF THANKSGIVING.

No other holiday observed by the American people ought to exceed in gladness and significance the day now annually observed among us as a season of thanksgiving. The custom of setting apart one day in the year for the national recognition of the rulership and providence of Almighty God, and for the general rendering of thanks to him who is the source of every blessing, is not only befitting to us as a Christian nation, but is also calculated to have a most salutary effect upon the faith and morals of our people. While in a sense every day to the Christian ought to be a day of thanksgiving the observance of special seasons for the expression of gratitude and praise to our heavenly Father is highly beneficial. "Not that our thanks," as some one has said, "are to be uttered only on special occasions, but the special occasions help us to be grateful all the time, to fill the whole life with the spirit of grateful love; just as set hours of prayer help to pervade the life with the spirit of prayer."

The people of no other nations have greater cause for gratitude to the Lord of all the earth than have the citizens of this heaven-favored land. In what other country is so large a measure of liberty enjoyed, is true worth so highly honored, is property so well protected, is life blessed with such manifold comforts? Where else is the priceless boon of a good education so easily and so generally obtainable? What other country offers such favorable conditions for the achievement of success in every laudable enterprise? The common people here enjoy rights and privileges and advantages that the nobility in other ages coveted in vain. On American soil science and art have achieved many of their grandest triumphs. It is here that civil and religious liberty has found an enduring home, and lifted up the torch of truth so high that all the world is lighted thereby. It is here that Christian civilization has found its noblest expression, and has established its most glorious institutions. Though the youngest of the great powers of the earth, it is decidedly the most prosperous and one of the richest nations on the globe. As we look back over the century just closing, does it not seem that Providence has guided in our affairs, and has been fitting us as a nation to play a mighty and beneficent part in the progress of the world? We pity the man who is not grateful that he lives in such an age and in such a country.

Though we may not be able to enumerate all the blessings for which we should be grateful, yet it is helpful to do so in part and to meditate upon the manifold mercies of God. When King Louis of France began to deprecate certain expressions of admiration, used by a courtier, the reply was made: "When you cease to win victories, we will cease to utter praises." Peloubet strikingly remarks, "Only when God ceases to confer new blessings, can we cease to have thanksgiving days."

Not for many years has the outlook in the commercial and business world been so bright as at present. A great wave of prosperity is spreading over the land, and the South, though not in the deepest part of the current, is a sharer in the benefits thereof. Let us not forget that it is God who supplies the indispensable conditions of material prosperity. While in some other countries cruel famine is slaying thousands, our harvests are so abundant that we have enough not only for our own needs, but also for the hungry across the seas. Shall we not give thanks for this plenitude of material blessings, which none can claim that he deserves? Though war is being waged by us abroad, let us be thankful for the peace that reigns at home, and for the spirit of contentment that so largely prevails among us.

As members of the church of Christ we ought to render fervent thanks to God for the growth of the spirit of true Christian fraternity among the various denominations, for the increasing liberality of the rich, for the deepening interest in Christian education and in Christian philanthropy, and for the purer principles and loftier standards that are beginning to dominate political affairs. While the church has not, perhaps, grown as greatly in numbers during the present year as in some former years, yet God has graciously honored the work of his servants, and has opened up to us the grandest conceivable opportunities for missionary enterprise.

If one has little else, health is a blessing that should call forth profound gratitude. What else can be enjoyed if this be lacking? Thanksgiving Day has a lesson even for those who are "heavy of heart" on account of misfortune, bereavement, or other affliction. Through the abounding grace of God we may take with loving hearts from the hand of our heavenly Father "the bitter as well as the sweet." Like one of old, we may learn to "rejoice even in tribulation."

"Oh, that men would praise the Lord for his goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

THOUGHTS ON HEAVEN.

Says a noted preacher: "When I was a boy I thought of heaven as a great, shining city, with vast walls and domes and spires, and with nobody in it except white and tenuous angels, who were strangers to me. By and by my little brother died, and I thought of a great city with walls and domes and spires, and a flock of cold, unknown angels, and one little fellow that I was acquainted with. Then another brother died, and there were two that I knew. Then my acquaintances began to die, and the flock continually grew. But it was not until I had sent one of my children to his grandparent—God—that I began to think that I had got a little in myself. A second went, a third went, a fourth went, and by that time I had so many acquaintances in heaven that I did not see any more walls and domes and spires. I began to think of the residents of the celestial city. And now so many of my acquaintances have gone there, that it sometimes seems to me that I know more in heaven than I do on earth."

Similar feelings are thus expressed by James Martineau: "When in the sanctuary of the affections the lights are almost extinguished—when the solitude would be not to depart, but to remain—we may well and naturally feel that it is time to go. For now, whatever may be the indistinctness of the future, the groups of friendship are there, and wherever they are is a shelter and a home. However strange to us the place may be in which they dwell, if, as we cross the deeps of death, their visionary forms shall crowd the shore and people the hills of that unvisited abode, it will be to us 'a better country, even a heavenly.'"

Having ourselves found pleasure in reading these thoughts, we present them for the benefit of our readers, many of whom, we are sure, will equally enjoy them. This, however, is only one aspect of the blessedness of the life to come.

Another view equally inspiring is thus expressed by the gifted Beecher: "I could hardly wish to enter heaven did I believe the inhabitants were idly to sit by purling streams, fanned by balmy airs. Heaven, to be a place of happiness, must be a place of activity. Has the far-reaching eye of Newton ceased its profound investigations? Has David hung up his harp, as useless as the dusty arms in Westminster Abbey? Has Paul, glowing with God-like enthusiasm, ceased itinerating the universe of God? David and Isaiah will sweep nobler and loftier strains in eternity, and the minds of the saints, unclogged by cumbersome clay, will forever feast on the banquet of rich and glorious thought."

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The Christmas number of Scribner's contains several striking novelties in illustration. Maarten Maartens, the distinguished Dutch author (who writes in English), tells in An Author's Story a love episode in the life of a successful novelist. Bliss Perry, the new editor of the Atlantic, has a tale of two rival churches in a New England village. A story of the Jewish quarter in New York is another feature, by A. Cahan. The author of The Peach contributes The Senior Reader—a character out of the British Museum. Augustine Birrell, the English essayist and member of Parliament, contributes a review of John Wesley as a force in the development of British national life in the eighteenth century.

In the December Ladies' Home Journal, Mr. Dooley's neighbor, Molly Donahne, makes her debut. She is ambitious to reign as social queen of Archey Road, and is quite as interesting and witty as Mr. Dooley, the philosopher of her author's creation. Rev. Cyrus T. Brady draws on his experiences as missionary to write of What Christmas Means in the Far West, giving pictures of rare pathos and of irresistible humor. The letters that passed between Gail Hamilton and Whittier are published for the first time. They give some delightful glimpses of the social side of the Quaker Poet. Ian Maclaren writes on, Shall the Old Clergyman Be Shot? and Albert W. Smith (the American Lewis Carroll) contributes more of his funny nonsense verses. Dan Beard interests the boys with a Christmas novelty.

The December number of Appletons' Popular Science Monthly has a paper on the Value of the Study of Art, from that master of the subject, Georges Perrot. How Standard Time Is Obtained is the title of an interesting article by Mr. T. B. Wilson. An article of special interest to everybody is that of W. E. De Reimer on Agricultural Education in Foreign Countries. Another is a profusely illustrated article giving a history of the Development of the American Newspaper during the past hundred years. The author, Mr. Walter L. Hawley, is connected with the New York Sun. Christian Science is again held up for public inspection by President David Starr Jordan, of Stanford University, in an article entitled, The Education of the Nemesis.

We have received an attractive little book entitled, The School and Society, by John Dewey, issued by the University of Chicago Press. The price of the book is 75 cents. In this book Prof. Dewey, head of the Pedagogical Department of the University of Chicago, states the place of the school in society simply, but with startling force. The traditional method he sums up as reading—readers, geographies, arithmetics, histories, and the whole host of text-books. He insists that the old-time home hold, with its multifarious production of nearly everything used in it, gave an education which was rich in reality, immediacy, interest, and moral power that the passive processes of the modern school can not think of rivaling. Mr. Dewey recognizes manual training, cooking, sewing, drawing, modeling, and the other fads and frills, as half-conscious steps in the movement to adapt the school to the new problems it has to face. The school reflects active life on all sides, and is itself organized by the same principle that organizes life in society. His thesis is simply that the child should be in actual touch with life; that the school should immediately interpret that life through the constructive activities of the child; that real discipline is the daughter of such constructive experience.

LIFE AND WORK OF LUCINDA B. HELM.

By Arabel W. Alexander. Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn. 1898. Price, $1.

The above-named work is a well-gotten-up 12 mo. of 178 pages. Lucinda B. Helm was the originator of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of our church. To this society she gave years of arduous labor. To her, more than to any other person, the church is indebted for the large results which have been accomplished through its instrumentality. Her life and work are, therefore, a part of the history of the church. Mrs. Alexander has done her work admirably. The work is well arranged, and the literary execution is worthy of high praise. The story of so noble a life can not fail to do great good. We bespeak for it an extensive circulation.

Dr. H. Urquhart has been re-elected editor of the Alabama Advocate for four years. Rev. S. P. West was re-elected business manager and assistant editor.

A CLAIM OF OUR CITIZENS.

R. E. Brown, of Spokane, holds a judgment against the Transvaal government for nearly two million dollars. This was awarded by the Supreme Court of the South African Republic. Immediately after the awarding of it Chief Justice Kotze was dismissed by President Kruger. Brown with a number of friends went to South Africa five years ago, and W. H. Young, of Spokane, discovered valuable mineral property near Johannesburg. About the same time President Kruger threw open two farms, and it was on these that Mr. Brown had located valuable mineral property. He complied with the requirements and was entitled to proper recognition, but could not receive it. He began suit to establish his rights before President Kruger could get the Volksraad together. Then Mr. Kruger convened the Executive Council and repudiated the throwing open of the farms. The Volksraad subsequently affirmed this. Then Brown prosecuted the suit for one million pounds against the government, and in 1897 the Chief Justice awarded him judgment for three hundred and eighty thousand pounds, and was then, as above stated, deposed. The government has made many offers to compromise, and now Mr. Brown has placed the claim in the hands of the State Department at Washington, which assures him of prompt and vigorous action.—New York Advocate.

Mr. Stead, in his Review of Reviews, says that what cheered Mr. Gladstone most of all during his last trying months was the report that his granddaughter, a bright, spirituelle young maiden of twenty, had decided to dedicate herself to the work of a Christian missionary to the heathen who sit in darkness. The dying statesman was thrilled with the thought that his granddaughter had chosen the better part. To his illumined eye, nothing in the world was worth talking of or living for save the great commission to preach Christ and him crucified, as the living witness of the love of God for man. There is nothing better than that, nothing to be compared to that. Again and again he would revert to it, and always with complacement, triumphant joy.—Friend's Missionary Advocate.

A notable man passed away when Sir William Dawson died last Sunday in Montreal. This learned man spent his busy life in educational work. As a scientist he earned a world-wide reputation. His special line of investigation was geology, in which his work was original, profound and of wide scope. He wrote several books on geological subjects. He found in the Laurentian rocks of Canada the fossil eozoon, which he fairly demonstrated to be the oldest discovered form of organic life. Sir William was above all other things a devout Christian, and his work was a constant refutation that a scientist ought not to be a Christian, or that the really deep study of scientific subjects must needs make a man an agnostic. Sir William was president of McGill University.—Pittsburg Advocate.

NOTES.

Rev. F. N. Parker was in the city last week on a visit to his mother. He is in good health and spirits.

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Rev. J. L. Pierce has had a fine revival at Monroe. His work is in good shape, and he expects to bring up the assessments in full.

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Rev. J. S. Parker, of the Mississippi Conference, writes, "We have had gracious revivals at every church on this (Caseyville) charge."

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Rev. J. W. Lee, D. D., of the St. Louis Conference, has presented to Vanderbilt University a library of 3,000 volumes, costing $10,000.

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Sister Smith, wife of Rev. J. H. Smith, of the North Mississippi Conference, died a short time since. We sympathize deeply with our brother in his sore affliction.

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Rev. R. S. Storrs, pastor of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, N. Y., has tendered his resignation on account of the infirmities of age. He has been the pastor of the church since its organization fifty-three years ago. Dr. Storrs is one of the ablest preachers on the American continent.

We regret to learn that Rev. J. S. Oakley, of the North Mississippi Conference, is in such poor health as to necessitate his superannuation at the approaching session of Conference.

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Rev. G. W. Bachman, colporteur of the North Mississippi Conference, will attend not only his own Conference, but also the Mississippi and the Louisiana Conferences. He will have a large stock of books.

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The M. E. Church, South, has 6,064 traveling preachers, 5,475 local preachers, 1,458,259 members, 13,91[illegible] Sunday-schools, 102,638 Sunday-school teachers, 836,549 Sunday-school scholars, 3,355 Epworth Leagues, and 119,902 Epworth League members.—Central Methodist.

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Rev. R. H. Wynn has an engagement to preach a Thanksgiving sermon at Bunas, La. Without any pastor to lead them in the good work the people of this new town have raised money and erected a house of worship. Such a spirit is highly commendable. Bro. Wynn is hereby invited to tell us something more about this people when he returns.

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President Beeson, of East Mississippi Female College, writes: "The Lord is still with us in great power. We have by far the largest school we ever had; have enrolled 153 boarders. I have purchased a dwelling just south of the college, and have 22 in it; made bed-rooms out of one of the large recitation-rooms in the rear of the college. In fact, we have filled nearly every available space."

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The Rev. James E. Denson, pastor of Dryades Street Church, in this city, was married, on the twenty-second, to Miss Fannie Walker, of Sharon, Miss. The ceremony was performad in the Methodist Church at Canton, Miss., the pastor of the church, Rev. James W. McLaurin, officiating. We extend our heartiest congratulations, and wish the youthful pair unalloyed felicity through life.

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Through Rev. J. M. Morse we learn that the attendance at Whitworth College is increasing rapidly since the quarantines were raised. Bro. Morse also informs us that at a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees it was decided to issue in the near future six per cent. bonds to the amount of $15,000. Amendments to the charter will be asked for at the next session of the Legislature.

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The following telegram from President W. M. McIntosh was received too late for our issue of last week:

Grenada has raised $3,000 for the Twentieth Century Fund, to be used for Grenada College.

This is the largest per-capita contribution from any charge in this section, so far as we know. We congratulate the friends of the college upon this good beginning. We hope it will prove to be only a beginning.

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We are in receipt of a valuable help for Sunday-school teachers and scholars, a Vest-Pocket Commentary on the International Sunday-school Lessons for 1900, by DeLoss M. Tompkins, D. D., published by Fred D. Ewell, 132 Market street, Chicago. Art linen, 25 cents; full Morocco, gold edges, 35 cents. This little volume presents in a most convenient form the lessons for the entire year, together with a remarkable amount of comprehensive study helps. It is truly a "pocket companion," enabling one to always have material for study at hand.

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Dr. W. B. Murrah let the light of his countenance shine into our sanctum last week. He is jubilant over the prospects of Millsaps College. New pupils are arriving every day. He thinks the attendance will considerably exceed that of last session. The deportment of the student body is excellent. A work of grace of remarkable power is going on in the college. The college Y. M. C. A. is doing most commendable work. Since the session opened several young men have decided to consecrate their lives to the work of the ministry. Pupils now entering receive special attention from the faculty to enable them to make up for lost time.

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LOUISIANA.

REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

Thanksgiving Day!

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?"

We ought to show forth His praise not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to His service and by walking before Him in holiness and righteousness all our days.

The time approaches for the meeting of the Conferences in Mississippi and Louisiana, and soon the Leaguers will have an opportunity of extending a royal welcome to their "new" preacher.

The young people can do much toward "fixing up" the parsonage, thus making the preacher and his family feel "at home" in their new charge.

Bishop Warren A. Candler, who presides over the North Mississippi Conference at Greenwood, is President of the Epworth League Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

From the League Department of the Alabama Christian Advocate we clip the following, which we commend not only to the "Juniors," but also the "Seniors" in Mississippi and Louisiana:

MR. EDITOR: Several months ago Mr. J. B. Berry came to Marion to canvass for the Marion Standard. While a comparative stranger here he happened to the misfortune to break his leg. Up in the third story of the hotel the Junior Epworth Leaguers found him and visited him, carrying flowers, fruits and dainties. Mr. Berry addressed the following beautiful poem to the Junior League:

TO THE JUNIOR EPWORTH ANGELS.

For hours and hours I'd been waiting
As footsteps went by in the hall,
Trusting that some kind Christian
Would give me a few moments' call.

At last there was a soft, sweet tapping,
Just after the tripping of feet;
I was dreaming of home while napping,
How I longed my loved ones to meet!

My sore heart bounded high with pleasure
As two dear little angels entered the door.
They bore in their arms a bright treasure.
Sweet pleadings to "go sin no more."

They brought me a bouquet of sweet flowers,
With a perfumed prayer in each bud,
May the blessings of God come down in showers,
And may they be crowned with His love!

Their gifts brought hope of a bright future,
In a land where angels dwell,
Of the meeting of our loved ones
With nevermore a sad farewell.

God speed the work of these little angels,
May they meet success where'er they roam,
And at last may they be gathered
To their glorious heavenly home!

J. B. B.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV. HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

The League ought to be the means of the formation of true and lasting friendships. A bad person has not within him the elements of a friend, but young people in League for the Lord are apt to have those elements.

Jeremy Taylor says: "When I choose my friend I will not stay until I have received a favor from him, but I will choose such a one as will do me many favors if I need them. I mean such favors as will make me wiser and better: it may be a reboke."

In subscriptions to the Twentieth Century Fund from the Mississippi Conference thus far, Brandon station is in the lead. On Sunday, Nov. 19, Rev. B. F. Lewis and his people devoted the day to it. There was dinner on the ground, and Dr. W. B. Morrah did the preaching. Brandon has only about one hundred and seventy members, but four hundred dollars was subscribed that day, with more to follow.

The Canton League has been doing well this year. The Madisonville League has paid its five-cent assessment. The Madison League held a helpful literary meeting at the home of one of its members, Miss Maud Chilton's. There was a reading from "Among the Forces," and one from "Our Island Empire." Good music was a pleasant feature of the meeting, and the members answered to roll call with a quotation from some favorite hymn.

Rev. H. W. Featherstun, presiding elder of the Brookhaven district and State League president, has pushed the organization and work of the League in his district this year.

One of the youngest and most buoyant spirits of the Mississippi Conference is Rev. F. M. Williams, pastor of Sharon circuit.

It is time the Meridian district was reporting something to this column. Will not Tatom, Carley, Ledyard, Hawkins, Heiland, or some of the young lady workers, give us an account of what is going on in Meridian?

Let all the district secretaries heed Miss Vie Thompson's injunction that they send monthly reports to the associate editor. If they do not send every month, let them at least send quarterly reports. Any items of interest we want. Not only from district secretaries, but from any League officer or member we will welcome an item.

The associate editor anticipates being present at the meeting of the State League officers at Greenwood, Friday, Dec. 1.

SUCCESS.

As predicted, Bro. B. F. Lewis' plans brought a great victory. Brandon gave four hundred dollars, and will add another hundred.

Rev. O. L. Savage, Coffeeville, reports twenty-eight and 50-100 dollars.

Rev. J. B. Stone has secured forty-five dollars from Winona circuit, and "will increase the amount."

Rev. Geo. H. Lipscomb, of precious memory, had completed the roll-book for Winona station before he was stricken with his fatal sickness. Bro. Allen devoted yesterday to the fund (all the collections and salaries being in full, and a ten-thousand-dollar church dedicated free of debt). Results of yesterday's work not in at this writing.

Now for Conference, and then for a new start and larger amounts all round. Altogether, a united effort, and the work is done. J. R. BINGHAM.

Carrollton, Miss., Nov. 27, 1899.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Mississippi Conference will be held at the regular time in 1900. The Executive Committee will make appropriations and attend to all necessary business.

MRS S. S. COPE,
Conf. Cor. Sec.

Bro. J. M. Singletary, Bankie, La., writes that he is much pleased with the sewing machine ordered of the ADVOCATE.

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RUSTON, LA.

Last Sunday night Bro. H. R. Singletoo, Jr., closed a very gracious revival at Ruston. He had been here two weeks. Only expected to stay one week, but so much interest was manifested Bro. Notestine held on to the meeting and held on to the preachor. After he had left he recalled him. The church was crowded every night, and many were converted—about seventy-five, I was told—and the members much revived, and upwards of fifty of them covenanted to live nearer to God and be more faithful in future.

The Sunday evening service, at 4 o'clock, was mostly for the children, and they were greatly helped and several joined the church.

Bro. Singleton proved himself to be "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Like his father before him, he seems to feel not only the "woe is me if I preach not the gospel," but also the woe is me if sinners are not saved by my preaching. Even David prayed for "tokens of good," and all workers in God's vineyard yearn for the same, yet they may not always be given when they look for it; but the promise is sure, and the realization will be glorious when it is manifested to them. "My Word shall not return unto me void," is token enough.

Bro. Notestine is very much lifted up at the success of the meeting, and thinks it will prove to be a permanent blessing to the church and whole community.

Ruston is blest with churches. The Baptists have been without a pastor some time, but have one now who is holding a protracted meeting this week which is being largely attended. Methodists and Presbyterians all fraternize and attend whenever there is a protracted service at either church.

Miss Narcissa Williams, treasurer of the W. C. T. U., died Saturday, and funeral services were held in the Methodist Church Sunday morning. She had been sick some time and was ready and willing to die, but desired to live to work in the beloved cause of Christ. Bro. Nolesline paid a beautiful tribute to her memory at the funeral.

L. CRARY SADLER.

TO THE PREACHERS OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN: In making out your reports, to be handed in on the first day of the Annual Conference session, try, as far as possible, to have them conform to the following suggestions:

First. In reporting membership, let your starting-point be the number of members on the rolls of the churches you have served this year, less the local preachers. The third column is intended to contain the total of local preachers and members, as the grand total of the members on your work when you left home for Conference. Now, if you will subtract from this total the additions you have had to the church from all sources, and to the remainder add the number that have been "removed by death, certificate, and otherwise," you will have the "total members last year." Only in this way can reliable figures be obtained from those works, the plan of which was changed by the last Conference.

Second. Be careful to report accurately all indebtedness on church property, and damages sustained; also the insurance statistics, being careful as to premiums paid.

Third. In the second table, under "Money Expended for Other Objects," include all incidental expenses, poor fund, ministerial help, etc., and in Table No. 1, under the head of "Other Church Property," report all school or other buildings, their furnishing, etc.; bells, organs, cemeteries, church and parsonage furnishings, etc; parsonage horses, cows, etc.; building and loan, and other stock, etc.

Fourth. On the second table make a note of the total amount pledged on your charge to the Twentieth Century Educational Fund, and immediately under it report the amount collected on that pledge. The difference between these amounts should be the amount to be collected next year. Also add to Table No. 3, "Money Expended by Epworth Leagues," but do not include this amount in the total on that slip.

Fifth. On the second table, under "Total from all Sources," include from first table money expended for churches and parsonages, and insurance premiums paid; all payments on second table, and Epworth Leagues and total raised in Sunday-schools on third table. This is a grand "Total from All Sources."

Let us each vie with the other to see who can best fill out the blanks.

Respectfully, your servant,
WM. G. EVANS,
Statistical Sec'y pro tem.

P. S.—I have ordered a few blanks for the above reports for those who have not been able to get them. E.

MANSFIELD, LA.

MR. EDITOR: Thinking, perhaps, a few dots from this section of our Conference domain would be of interest to some of your readers, I submit a few remarks touching our educational and church interest.

Since my last communication many more young ladies have enrolled their names as pupils, and many more are expected. We are now forced to the necessity of enlarging our boarding department, and carpenters are already at work to this end. A greater degree of prosperity has not been enjoyed by Mansfield Female College since its foundation than now. President and Sister T. S. Sligh, with their efficient faculty of Christian young ladies, are, in an eminent degree, meeting the demands of our people, and they are justly proud of their achievements.

In this connection it affords me pleasure to make favorable mention of our beloved pastor and president of the Board of Managers, Rev. J. L. P. Sheppard, whose untiring efforts in the interest of our college have drawn him close to the hearts of our people. Our church here is being put in substantial repair under his skillful supervision—a long-felt want for which we are all grateful. His busy hands and anxious heart are constantly seeking something to do for the betterment of his charge. Should we unfortunately lose his valuable services the incoming Conference year, he will leave behind him the fruits of his labor, which shall abide among us as fitting monuments of Christian zeal to greet his successor. Bro. Sheppard has all of his collections well in hand, and with proud satisfaction he will be able to give an account of his stewardship at the approaching Annual Conference. A. D. JACKSON.

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Some one will be standing by fame's open gates—
I wonder, my boys—Will it be one of you?

The president's chair of a great railroad maze
Is empty to-day, for death claimed his due;
The directors are choosing a man for his place—
I wonder, my boys—Will it be one of you?

A pulpit is waiting for some one to fill;
Of eloquent men there are only a few;
The man who can fill it must have power to thrill;
The best will be chosen—Will it be one of you?

The great men about us will pass to their rest,
Their places be filled by the boys who pursue
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I wonder who'll fill them? I hope 'twill be you.

—Ram's Horn.

DETECTING WOMEN WHO SMUGGLE.

A fair-haired woman of middle age, whose keen gray eyes have a way of looking you all over at a single glance; a bright, vivacious creature whom no one would suspect of being engaged in the detection of wrong-doing for a livelihood—such is the silhouette of Miss E. Carroll Ellis, the most famous of the seven ladies whom "Uncle Sam" employs to foil the smugglers at the port of New York. A good-sized book might be written of the experiences of Miss Ellis, who, by her especial gifts and training, has become one of the most valued servants of the treasury department. Import duties on European goods constitute by far the largest item in the revenues of the government at this port, which for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, reached the grand total of one hundred and thirty million, three hundred and fifty-nine thousand, six hundred and fifty-four dollars and twenty-four cents. The enormous volume of the transatlantic traffic may be inferred from the fact that twenty-four lines of steamers are engaged in it. Over two hundred inspectors are on duty at the piers, empowered to take such steps as may be necessary to protect the national exchequer. Each line of steamers has a set of male customs officers to examine baggage; but, as there are only seven inspectresses, each lady must attend to several lines.

In her cozy bachelor apartments I asked Miss Ellis to tell the readers of Success how she performs the tactful detective work required of her.

"What are the requirements?" I began.

"The very first essential is the possession of an artistic eye."

"We inspectresses attend only to the women who try to evade the payment of duty. We must, therefore, be expert judges of feminine beauty, of the rightful proportions of the female form."

"In other words, you detect in a woman's appearance some unusual outline which causes you to examine her?"

"Exactly. The peculiar style of the modern woman's dress gives excellent opportunity for the padding out of the waist or skirt with smuggled goods. Dutiable goods of large bulk are seldom smuggled, the risk of seizure being too great and the gain too small. But laces, diamonds, rare and precious jewels, opium, gloves, buttons, and other dainty articles are being constantly brought in by women passengers who are perfectly willing to cheat the government if they can. A hundred yards of expensive lace, for instance, could be easily wrapped around a woman's arm and never detected if we were not quick and accurate in the use of our eyes."

"Do you find many such cases?"

"Thousands. Nearly every woman who is able to visit Europe and purchase finery there has the smuggling instinct. I do not say that nearly every woman attempts it, for that would be too sweeping a statement. But the desire is there. Women who are honorable in every other transaction seem to regard this not as a criminal act, but rather as a clever dodge, the successful performance of which gives them a sort of prestige as experienced travelers."

"Who are the worst offenders?"

"The newly rich. Next in order are the society women who live pretentiously on rather meager incomes. The really rich woman of good family is the least frequently detected—but nearly everyone seems to be possessed with the mania at least once in a life-time."

The very first woman whom Miss Ellis searched proved to be a millionaire's wife on her way from Europe to Newport to dazzle her friends with her new finery. The inspectress was scarcely more than a child then, and was trembling violently herself. The search was most thorough. When it was over, both women were sobbing hysterically, but the government was richer by the tariff on ten thousand dollars' worth of priceless lace fabric which had been cleverly stitched into a bodice.

"Did you not make an arrest for so flagrant a violation of law?" I asked.

"No. I permitted her to pay the duty. I always do that when I can. The government is the gainer."

"Do not detected persons attempt to bribe?"

"Very often. That is a serious feature of inspection. It is not nearly so common here, though, as abroad. My earliest experience was a twenty-dollar gold piece thrust into my hand by a woman passenger whom I suspected. It made me feel so humiliated that I flared up and told her what I thought of her—that I came of a family probably superior to hers, socially, and that instead of letting up in my inspection I would compel her to disrobe. Just as I expected, she had about a hundred unset gems sewed in her undergarments. I heard about the incident a few months later, at the house of a banker where I visited and where she also was on terms of intimacy. Fortunately she told the truth, and I was strengthened in my official position when the facts became known."

Many dressmakers offend in bringing in rich gowns which they declare are to be worn exclusively by themselves, but which they afterwards sell. Buyers for merchants are frequently detected in this evasion. A recent instance was that of a woman who came from France after purchasing a lot of Valenciennes, Brussels, and point lace, and who had it stitched on several well-worn black dresses. Another had five thousand dollars' worth of Duchesse lace on her cheese-cloth petticoat. The old "bustle" was a frequent receptacle for such goods.

"Have your efforts resulted in diminishing smuggling?" I asked, meaning the united efforts of the women.

"I really think so. We are feared more than the men. The day before a steamer arrives, so we are told, the cabin ladies will get together aboard ship and talk about those dreadful inspectresses. If we were not on duty, there would be much more smuggling, and I know positively that we save thousands of dollars to the government every month."—Success.

DUTY OF BEING CHEERFUL.

We speak much of the duty of making others happy. No day should pass, we say, on which we do not put a little cheer into some heart, make the path a little smoother for some one's tired feet, or help one fainting robin into its nest again. But we are not so accustomed to think of the duty of being happy ourselves. Yet the one duty is taught in the Bible as clearly as the other. Jesus said his disciples should have tribulation in the world, but he said in the same sentence, "Be of good cheer."

That is the problem which is set before us as Christians. We are to live cheerful. The fact is, however, that not all Christians are cheerful Christians at all times. Some are scarcely ever cheerful—are habitually uncheerful. Others are cheerful only at times, when the sun shines and all things go well with them.

How can we learn to be of good cheer, even in times of trouble? It does not come naturally. Nor does it come even to a Christian without being learned. All the fine things of Christian nurture and Christian culture have to be gotten through discipline. We have to learn to "be of good cheer."

Some practical suggestions may aid those who are sincerely desirous of learning this lesson. One is, that we should train ourselves to see the good things, the bright things in life. There are few habits more common, even among Christians, than this of seeing and remembering unpleasant things, and being blind to and forgetting the pleasant things, and there is no habit which is more inimical to cheerfulness.

The truth is, there are in the ordinary life a thousand pleasant things to one which is unpleasant. It is a shame, therefore, to let the one roughness or pain spoil for us all the gladness of a thousand good things, the one discordant note mar for us all the music of the grand symphony.—Forward.

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WOODWARD—Mrs. ALICE TURNER WOODWARD, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Turner, was born in Jasper county, Miss., Sept. 12, 1873, married to Mr. J. L. Woodward, Jan. 18, 1899, and died in Hillsville, Miss., Aug. 8, 1899.

Reared in a Christian home, Alice, from early childhood, was a Bible reader and a lover of good literature. She made it a rule to begin in January of each year and read her Bible through before the close. A record in her scrap-book of the various books she had read does not reveal the name of a trashy one in the entire list. Her school-girl days were spent in Paulding, Miss., Cube, Ala., Institute, and Brookhaven, Miss., where her studious habits and amiable disposition won for her many friends among her teachers and associates. In every relation of life, as daughter, sister, wife, or friend, she was ever faithful. Sincere, she had no hiding-place even for her faults, if she possessed any. Self-forgetful, nothing appeared to give her more pleasure than to busy herself for others in her home and elsewhere. Affectionate and sympathetic, of her it can be truly said, "To know her was but to love her." Perhaps the most manifest trait of her character was her cheerfulness. This shone in her face, sparkled in her eyes, rang in her voice. She scattered sunshine everywhere she went.

The exact date of her conversion is not known to this writer, but of this experience she frequently spoke to her friends, and it was manifest in her life. She joined the Methodist Church in 1891 during a meeting conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. D. Downer, assisted by Rev. J. T. Nicholson, and ever afterward attended regularly, teaching in the Sunday-school, presiding at the organ, and cheerfully assisting in every department of church work.

The last visit she made was to the church she loved so well, to hear Bro. Knickerbocker preach. Shortly afterward she was taken ill of typhoid fever, which proved to be of such a malignant type as to baffle medical skill, trained nurses, and the tender ministrations of loving hands. After a lingering illness of eight weeks' duration the expression of suffering gave place to one of serenity, for such a sweet smile came over her face as to cause in those present to remark on the change, and they said, "Alice is dead;" but, robed in her bridal dress, she appeared to be only sleeping and dreaming pleasant dreams.

The funeral services were conducted by Bro. Downer at the same altar where scarcely seven months before she stood in all her youthful beauty and womanly loveliness as a bride, the groomsmen, excepting, of course, her brother, Will Al, acting as pall-bearers, and the flower-girls bearing the floral tributes. A large concourse of sorrowing friends followed her to the Hillsville Cemetery, where they tenderly laid her body away to sleep until He who is the "Resurrection and the Life" shall reunite her body with her soul, and both shall "fly up to heaven."

Alice has left us; our hearts are sad; but do not let us say her life was incomplete, for in the light which streams from the sacred page we can see that the Lord measures not human life as man measures life, and if "they live longest who live best," what a long life was hers!

May the consolation of the Lord Jesus to the grief-stricken father and mother, sorrowing sisters and brothers and disconsolate husband, be greater than their anguish, and may this darkness but bring to them the clearer presence of the divine bosom! FRANK M. KEEN.

SEXTON—MARY A. COOR was born Jan. 19, 1853, married O. P. Sexton at Coor Springs, Miss., Jan. 16, 1873, died Oct. 8, 1899 near Crystal Springs, Miss. She was the mother of eight children, all of whom are living. Six of her children are members of the Method st Church.

Sister Sexton joined the Methodist Church when quite young, and has been a consistent, zealous Christian since. She had suffered from consumption for six years. I visited her often. She was always cheerful and resigned to God's will. I never saw a more patient sufferer. She loved her church, and was intensely interested in the salvation of her loved ones and others. She loved to support the institutions of the church. All her contributions were given so cheerfully. Her life was a living demonstration of the power of the Christian religion to enable one to rejoice amidst afflictions and tribulation. The influence of such a life upon the home and community will abide. She had long prayed that she would never be confined long to her bed, nor live in a helpless condition. This prayer was signally answered, for though she had been afflicted for six years, she was in bed only three days, and could wait on herself until the very last. She had looked death calmly in the face during these years, and had put herself in readiness for the end. She passed away as she had lived—in the triumph of the Christian's faith. Just before she died she requested her friend, Mrs. Keithly, to read the 103rd Psalm and the fourteenth chapter of St. John. Then, as the family gathered around her, she said, "Farewell to all," and passed quietly and sweetly into eternal rest, and into those mansions that Jesus has gone to prepare for her and all who love and serve him. She was buried at the Cainmack burying-ground, surrounded by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

W. M. WILLIAMS, P. C.

MAULDIN—JAMES RANSOM MAULDIN died March 6, 1899. His parents moved from South Carolina to Philadelphia, Miss., early in life, and there they lived until after the war. He was born Aug. 8, 1852, and was about thirteen years old when his parents moved to Water Valley, Miss. Here he grew to manhood, and on Nov. 13, 1872, he was married to Miss Minnie Price, with whom he lived happily until her death. Five children blessed their married life, four of whom are still living. January 15, 1896, he was married to Miss Katie H. Gibbs, of Grenada, a most estimable Christian woman. One sweet little son has come to bless this home, and he bears the name of his now sainted father.

During the weeks of his sickness he seemed conscious that he was nearing the end, and told his wife that all was well. He was a noble man, gentle in nature, kind in disposition, and hopeful in spirit. He filled the office of alderman in the city of Water Valley for a number of years, and was known as one of the city's best and most popular citizens. For a number of years he was the agent for the I. C. railroad, and no man stood higher in railroad circles. He was a devoted member of Wood Street Church, and served as steward for a number of years. His home life was beautiful. His sweet daughters and noble son partook of his nobility of soul, and in his home there was happiness and sunshine. As a man, he was high-minded and noble; as a public official, accommodating and clever; as a husband, genial and loving; as a father, kind and affectionate; as a Christian, loyal and devoted to his Lord.

To his bereaved wife I offer the consolations of our holy religion. To his orphaned children I hold up the example of their father as he walked in the steps of Jesus.

T. W. LEWIE.

THEAD—Sister MINNIE E. THEAD, daughter of Bro. W. H. McRee, was born Jan. 22, 1879, and departed this life Oct. 9, 1899; married to Mr. J. A. Thead, Jan. 6, 1897.

Sister Minnie joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of our sainted brother, N. M. Clark, in September, 1889. About three years ago she professed sanctification, and I verily believe she endeavored to live what she professed. She was the only one out of several on my work who professed sanctification that seemed to me to have the fruits of sanctification. She never was self-righteous, or a bigot, or an extremist, but an humble, loyal member of the church at Manassa; was always good and kind to her parents, pastor, and friends. She believed in doing her part in all things. She did not find fault of others, but was charitable, thoughtful, and prayerful. As a wife, she was a model. She leaves a young husband and a small girl a little over a year old to mourn her loss; also father, mother, brothers and sisters, and other connection, as well as many dear friends who shall miss her. May the Lord sanctify this unexpected bereavement to the good of all of us! J. C. ELLIE, P. C.

BARLOW—SILLA C. BARLOW, daughter of G. R. and Mrs. F. A. Barlow, died at Harrisville, Simpson county, Miss., on Oct. 3, 1899, at the age of five years and ten months.

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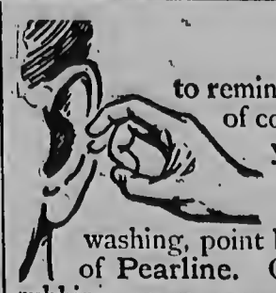

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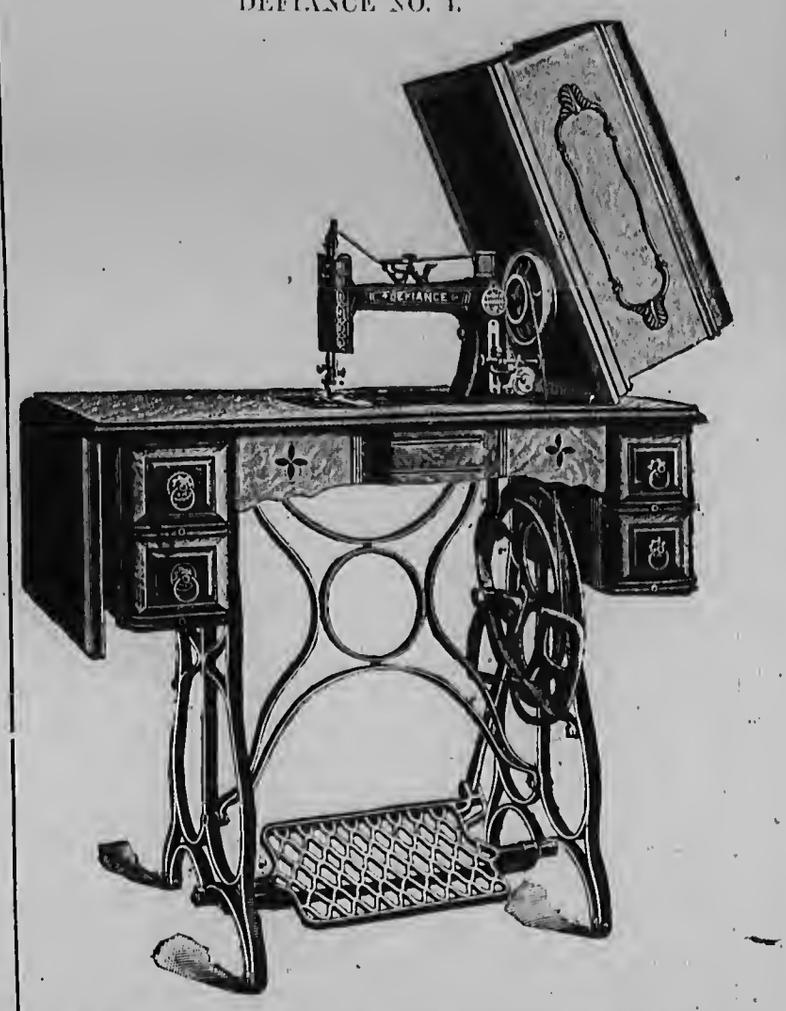

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A large number of fraudulent Virginia bonds have been placed on the market.

The Boers are a unit in favor of fighting, and expect in six months to possess all of South Africa.

Gen. Otis reports that the Filipino government is utterly broken up and dispersed, or in captivity.

Count Muravieff has suggested a revision of the commercial treaty of 1832 between Russia and the United States.

The Crown Prince of Germany becomes of age next May, and will have as his separate establishment the old castle at Potsdam.

The Washington Post declares that the Crumpacker bill, cutting down the South's representation, can not be passed through Congress.

Bautista, President of the Filipino Congress, has surrendered to Gen. Otis and renounced all further connection with the Filipino cause.

The British position at Mafeking is becoming more trying. The Boer lines are daily closing in, and the health of the beleagnered troops is suffering.

There is a feeling in London that the whole truth of the fight at Belmont has not come out, and that Gen. Methuen's losses are much greater than reported.

The cruiser "Charleston" has slipped off the steep bank on which she rested into deep water and disappeared. No attempt will be made to find or raise her.

Consul Macrum has been instructed to impress on President Krueger the determination of this country to look after interests of British subjects in the Transvaal.

Mrs. Leland Stanford's gifts to educational institutions on the Pacific coast foot up to $19,000,000. She still has as much left, which, at her death, will go for similar purposes.

The Russian Minister of Agriculture has decreed that henceforth women are to be employed as secretaries, clerks, etc., in the various departments of his branch of the government.

The Georgia Senate has passed a bill to prevent the employment in factories of children under 12 years of age, unless their labor is needed to support a widowed mother or an invalid father.

Aguinaldo has, temporarily at least, successfully evaded his pursuers. The wily Filipino has disappeared. The man the Americans have been chasing is Gen. Pio del Pilar, who took Aguinaldo's name.

The Franklin syndicate in New York has been raided by the police. The syndicate dealt in gold bricks in the form of giving 10 per cent. per week interest on loans, paying investors out of their own capital.

A large Mormon temple will soon be built in Louisville, Ky. It will be used not only as a place of worship, but also as the central point from which missionaries will be sent to various points in Kentucky and contiguous States.

Speaker Henderson will receive a gavel from his admirers in Iowa when Congress opens, made from rosewood brought from Manila, and taken from the Spanish battle-ship "Reina Christina," Admiral Montojo's flagship.

According to recent reports from General Otis, the commander in the Philippines, the insurgent forces in the northern end of the island have become very much scattered by the active campaigning of the three separate columns which are operating in that part of Luzon. It is further reported that Aguinaldo himself is endeavoring to escape from the island.

The rumors that have emanated from London to the effect that an understanding existed between Great Britain, the United States and Japan as to the maintenance of an "open-door" policy in China, coupled with the rumor that Germany and Russia are willing to agree to the maintenance of the "open door," provided their present territorial concessions are not interfered with, and, finally the statement of M. Deicasse, the French Foreign Minister, that France was not adverse to the "open-door" policy, and contemplated no further expansion of territory—all point to the prospect that an agreement with respect to China on the part of all the great powers is by no means impossible.

There has been a decided dearth of reliable information from South Africa during the past few days, but such information as the British War Office has seen fit to make public has utterly failed to relieve the anxiety as to the fate of the British garrisons now closely beleaguered both in Natal and on the western frontiers of the Orange Free State and the Transvaal. According to the official advices, General Lord Methuen continues to advance, and has had another fight with the Boers at Gras-Pan Station, ten miles further north than Belmont, the scene of the victory of Thursday last. Lord Methuen is apparently making steady progress, and should he be able to defeat the Boers intrenched at Modder River Station, he will be able to score what will be the first British success of importance since the commencement of the war, namely: the relief of Kimberley.

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MARRIAGES.

PARKER—HARRELL.—At the residence of the bride, in Zachary, La., Nov. 23, 1899, by Rev. Thos. J. Upton, Mr. Lawrence H. Parker and Miss Lovie Harrell, both of Zachary, La.

HUGHES—THOMAS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Nov. 22, 1899, by Rev. D. W. Bubb, Mr. J. H. Hughes to Miss Ella Thomas, all of Winston county, Miss.

LAPORTE—HINES.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Pasco county, Fla., Nov. 22, by Rev. H. H. Frazee, Mr. Henry A. LaPorte, of Latcher, La., and Miss Georgianna K. Hines.

MONAGHAN—COGGIN.—At the residence of Mr. Berry Riley, Oct. 22, 1899, by Rev. H. M. Young, Mr. Benj. Monaghan to Miss Della Coggin, both of Lee county, Miss.

HINSON—COGGIN.—At Palestine Church, Nov. 5, 1899, by Rev. H. M. Young, Mr. J. C. Hinson to Miss Ella Coggin, both of Lee county, Miss.

COGGIN—YOUNG.—At Limestone Church, Nov. 19, 1899, by Rev. H. M. Young, Mr. Abram Coggin to Miss Lutie Young, both of Lee county, Miss.

HUTCHINS—McKENNEDY.—At the residence of the bride's step-father, Mr. Stirling Young, Nov. 22, 1899, by Rev. H. M. Young, Mr. Anda M. Hutchins to Miss Birthia McKennedy, both of Lee county, Miss.

ELLIS—SESSUMS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Rev. Wm. Sessums, Lillian, Scott county, Miss., Nov 22, 1899, by Rev. Irvin Miller, Mr T. L. Ellis to Miss Adee Sessums.

ROW—HORGOOD.—At the residence of the bride, at Tunica, La., Oct. 30, 1899, by Rev. G. P. White, Capt. J. L. Row and Miss Annie H. Hubgood, both of West Feliciana parish.

PALMER—AUSTEN.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in St. Francisville, La., by Rev. G. P. White, Mr. Wm. Warren Palmer and Miss Leona Austen, both of West Feliciana parish.

DONOHOE—SLATEN.—At the home of the bride's parents, in Fayette, Miss., Nov. 19, 1899, by Rev. B. S. Rayner, Mr. D. P. Donohoe to Miss Pattie Slaten.

FAULK—BEDFORD.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Fayette, Jefferson county, Miss., Nov. 19, 1899, by Rev. B. S. Rayner, Mr. H. H. Faulk to Miss Fannie M. Bedford.

DIXON—McNAIR.—In the Methodist Church, McNutt, Miss., Oct. 25, 1899, by Rev. John Ritchey, Mr. C. M. Dixon to Mrs. Rosa Beck McNabb, all of LeFlore county, Miss.

CUSHMAN—BELL.—At the residence of Mr. J. P. Watson, Pine Grove, St. Helena parish; La., Nov. 21, 1899, by Rev. F. N. Sweeney, Miss Flora Bell, of Pine Grove, La., to Mr. B. Cushman, of New Orleans, La.

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The Class of the Second Year, Louisiana Conference, will please meet the committee in the Methodist Church on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1899, at 9 o'clock A. M.
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Notice to Louisiana Conference.

Let all the members who attend ensuing session of Louisiana Conference, on arriving at Monroe, report at the parsonage, and they will be assigned homes.

Let the members of the various Examining Committees, and the undergraduates also, come to the parsonage, and they will be shown convenient places in which to conduct the examinations.

Several brethren ask if I can accommodate various parties not members of the Conference. With the best of intentions, nevertheless, I can not, brethren. Let this public notice take the place of many private notices.
JAMES L. PIERCE.

Mississippi Conference.

The Class of the First Year, Mississippi Conference, will please meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Vicksburg, Tuesday morning, Dec. 12, 1899, at 9 o'clock.

Each member of the class will please provide himself with pen, ink and paper for a written examination.
ROBT. SELBY, Chair'n Com.

The Class of the Second Year will meet the committee in the Crawford Street M. E. Church, South, Vicksburg, Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Note the day, as Conference convenes on Wednesday, Dec. 13.
T. L. MELLEN, Chair'n of Com.

The Class of the Fourth Year of the Mississippi Conference will meet for examination Tuesday, Dec 12, at 9 A. M., at Crawford Street Church, Vicksburg.
E. H. MOUNGER, Chair'n of Com.

Mississippi Conference Brotherhood.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted at our last meeting in Hattiesburg, last January, the Mississippi Conference Brotherhood is hereby called to meet in the Methodist Church in Vicksburg on the evening of Dec. 12, 1899.
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Pastors, please see that all questions marked for fourth Quarterly Conference are answered as per Discipline.
T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

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Hermanville		26, 27
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Daleville, at Daleville	Dec.	2, 3
West End	Wed. P. M.	6
Central	Thurs P. M.	7
Binnsville, at Scooba		9, 10

Local preachers are expected to have written reports of their labors. Pastors and trustees will please be sure to prepare answers to Ques. 27 exactly according to the Discipline.
C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

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Harlehurst	Thurs., 7 P. M.	30
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Dec.	2, 3
Wesson		3, 4
Magnolia and Osyka, at Magnolia	Wed.	6
Bogue Chitto, at Bogue Chitto	Thurs.	7
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The preachers in charge will please see to it that we have full answers to Question 27.
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Montrose, at Montrose	Wed.	6
Shiloh, at ——	Sat. and Sun.	9, 10

Church Registers and Church Conference Records not presented on third round will be called for. Where Questions 17 and 19 were not fully answered, completed answers will be expected. Attention of preachers and trustees is called to Question 27. Let reports comply with the Discipline. Attention of local preachers and exhorters is called to Question 21. Let preachers and all officials and all church members cordially co-operate to bring up all collections in full.
T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

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Alexandria	Nov	25, 26
Columbia, at Columbia	Dec.	2, 3

Pastors will please have all statistics ready for record, and see that trustees make the report called for by the Discipline. Stewards should have their reports in full for all quarterage, to be recorded in the Minutes. Who will be responsible for failure at any point?
J. A. PARKER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Fort Jessup and Many, at Many	Nov.	23
Zwolle, at Red Land		25, 26
Red River, at Campo Bello		29
Coushatta, at Coushatta		30
Mansfield	Dec.	3

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St. Francisville, at St. Francisville	Dec.	2, 3
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Valley, at Pleasant Valley	Nov.	25
Minden		25, 26
Gansville, at Gansville		29
Arcadia, at Arcadia	Dec.	2, 3

Let the local preachers have written reports. Let trustees answer Ques. 27 in full. Ques 20 will be called again where it was not answered "Yes" at the third quarter.
B. T. CREWS, P. E.

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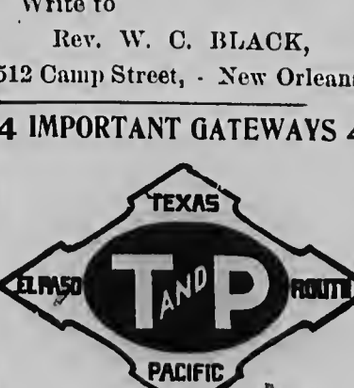

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TWO TOILERS.

Two men toiled side by side from sun to sun,
And both were poor;
Both sat with children when the day was done,
About their door.

One saw the beautiful in crimson cloud
And shining moon;
The other, with his head in sadness bowed,
Made night of noon.

One loved each tree and flower and singing bird
On mount or plain;
Some music in the soul of one was stirred
By leaf or rain.

One saw the good in every fellow-man,
And hoped the best;
The other marveled at his Master's plan,
And doubt confessed.

One, having heaven above and heaven below,
Was satisfied;
The other, discontented, lived in woe,
And hopeless died.

—Selected.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

"The polygamist must go," is the ...scription upon the banner of those ...ho are determined that Mr. Brigham ... Roberts shall not hold his seat in ...e House of Representatives. The ...se, to judge from the amount of ...iscussion it is receiving from them, ...s aroused more interest among the ...embers of the House than any sin... one of the matters upon which ...is Congress is expected to legislate. ...r. Roberts is inclined to be belligerent, and will, it is understood, em...oy the best legal talent to be ob...ained to help him fight for the seat ...e Mormon organization is so anx...us to have him fill. His opponents ...ill not lack for good counsel. ...mong the experts in parliamentary ...w and practice who have been re...ained to help drive him out of Con...ess are ex-Senator Edmunds, ex-...peaker Carlisle, and ex-Journal ...erk Smith, of the House. There ...ems to be very little doubt that the ...ht against Roberts will be success... The only doubt seems to be as ... the method that will be followed ... get rid of him. Some even advo...te that the two senators from Utah ...uld also be deprived of their seats, ... the general ground that Utah has, ... the violation of the compact under ...hich she was admitted to Statehood, ...forfeited the right to representation ... Congress. Representative Hep...rn, of Iowa, a man of wide experi...ce, has expressed the opinion that ...ch a course would not be subject to ...al objection. The case is being ...y carefully considered by the ...lest minds in Congress, because of ... danger that hasty action might ...sult in establishing a precedent ...hich might at some future time be ...ken advantage of to deprive mem...rs of seats for purely partisan pur...ses. Those who are opposing Rob...ts are not particular how he is got... rid of; all they ask is that he be ...t allowed to sit as a member of the ...ouse.

Hon. John W. Foster, ex-Secretary ... State, and who, as Dr. Easton said ... introducing him, has spent the ...t part of the latter half of his life ... foreign lands, delivered an address ... the influence of Christianity on ...e world in general and America in ...rticular, from the pulpit of the ...stern Presbyterian Church, which ...serves a wide circulation. After ...scribing his observation of the in...ences of the various religions on ...e people of the world, and the ...arked differences in social and ...ral conditions, Mr. Foster said: ...onditions such as these we term ...ilization. This has led me to in...ire, What is Christian civilization? ... has had a history of nineteen cen...ries, and hence is antedated by two ... the existing opposing systems. ...rist's system is a personal system, ...th as to its Author and its recipi...ts. It is an appeal to the individ...l man, who, to become a member ... the kingdom, must accept and ...ply with the conditions of the ...eat Teacher. It is the mighty ...wer which has revolutionized soci...y, which is elevating and educating the masses, which has brought woman out of degradation, which has abolished slavery, which, teaching that God hath made of one blood all nations of men, has created a brotherhood of humanity unknown to any other civilization; which has brought in its train enlightenment, education and science as never before seen. It has made the Christian nations the powerful nations of the earth. What but the influence of Christ's gospel has made the home in our land so different from that of Asia and Africa." Mr. Foster's closing words were significant, when it is remembered that he is a striking representative of the educated, cultured and refined Christians of our country. He said: "To my mind, the great need of the church to-day is more of the preaching of the gospel proclaimed by Christ at the Day of Pentecost, repentance and remission of sins—the old, old story. Our sermons are too often essays and orations. The old and the simple gospel satisfies the longing of the human soul more than anything else, and if it is presented in the spirit of Paul, who cried, 'Woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel,' it will be received by the people, and the showers of grace will again come upon the churches."

Secretary Root knows nothing of any expected rebellion in Cuba, and believes the publications to that effect to have been originated by some reckless makers of newspaper sensations. Senor Evaristo Montalvo, a prominent and wealthy Cuban, now in Washington, said of the situation on the island: "Cuba is suffering because thousands have no employment. We are in need of economic rather than political reforms, and the minute that the Cubans have a chance to earn a livelihood the island will enter on a career of peace and prosperity. At present there is no work for the population except at starvation wages, and the only problem is to assist the agricultural interests, so that funds may be raised to relieve the impoverished people. If the United States will aid us in this philanthropic work, our debt of gratitude, already heavy, will be a hundredfold increased." President McKinley is studying the Cuban problem very earnestly, and Gen. Leonard Wood, commander of the Santiago district, has just arrived in Washington, under orders, to assist him with his experience and judgment.

Washington, Nov. 29, 1899.

PERSECUTIONS IN CHINA.

The American Bible Society is in receipt of reports from its agents in China, which state that, as the result of the palace revolution last year, whereby the Empress Dowager assumed power and the Emperor was practically imprisoned, persecutions of missionaries and Bible colporteurs are occurring in various parts of China, especially in the far interior. These reports come from Peking, in North China; from Shanghai, in East Central China; from parts of the province of Shantung, but they relate to persecutions remote from the chief cities. In one instance the viceroy was forced to telegraph for troops.

The Chinese society known as "The Boxers" is said to be provoking agitations and antagonisms. Two colporteurs of the Bible Society visited Peh Shui Chiang, in the province of Kansuh, and were invited to circulate Bibles from a Chinese temple. As soon as they were inside of the temple, the gates were closed, and the colporteurs were set upon and terribly beaten with long, thick sticks of firewood. Four were severely beaten; two others were attacked, but not so severely injured as the other four. Some of the elders of the town took part in the beating. The men were tied, hands and feet, to the pillars of the temple and spat upon, the people shouting, "We have tied you up as they did your Jesus on the cross!" They then began to strike them on the face and shout: "This is what your gods can do for you! Call upon your Jesus to come and save you." By this time two of the men were insensible, and a merchant who had been living in the same inn with them remonstrated with the leaders about the treatment they were giving to men who had in no way offended them. The crowd seized the merchant and beat him also. The other two colporteurs who were in the inn, hearing that the others were being beaten, ran up to the temple accompanied by one of the coolies. The mob caught them, tied them to the posts, and beat them most cruelly. The men have the marks where the ropes cut into their wrists and ankles, and also great scars and lumps on their bodies. At last the inn-keeper got the men off by giving security for them that they would leave the place. The men were then handed over to him, and the next day the people surrounded the inn shouting out to kill them. On the second day the crowd pulled them and the inn-keeper out to a tea shop, and threatened to smash their heads with great pieces of wood if they did not pay ten taels of silver and fire off crackers as an apology for their having come to the place, at the same time giving a paper of guarantee that no steps would be taken by them to have the ring-leaders punished. At first the men refused, but, as some of the friendly people pressed them, the inn-keeper paid the money and paid for the firecrackers, and the next day he got them quietly out of the place. He procured three mules to carry the three men who were most badly injured. The two others walked. Since their departure the ring-leaders have made the inn-keeper pay one thousand cash.

It is understood that the agents of the Bible Society will endeavor to obtain redress from the Mandarins of Lo Yang Hsien, the city in the province of Yan Suh, which rules the town where this disturbance took place.

New York, Nov. 14, 1899.

Communications.

KEEP THE SABBATH HOLY.

It is a lamentable fact that in many of the great cities of the government, that are a marvel of growth and progress, and that are unfolding the possibilities of high civilization, the Sabbath day is very loosely observed by a large proportion of their citizens. The materialists are putting their iron heels upon many of the cherished traditions, customs and laws of America. In our mad rush after gold, and dominated by an exacting materialism, we are gradually trampling ruthlessly upon every holy faith, habit, custom and law made sacred to us by the hallowed work, guardianship and lives of our pious fathers. We have, in the excessive liberality of our constitution and government, opened our gates and hearts to the oppressed of all lands, to share our privileges and enjoy our freedom. We want to respect these people in their legitimate rights, pursuits, and avocations; but we are not willing that the ideas that have been born in the throes of oppression and monarchy, and nurtured in the corruption consequent thereto, shall come here and, blended with the corruption resulting from civil strife, shall infract and destroy our holiest laws, and then dominate our thoughts and souls, without from us a strong moral and religious protest.

Notwithstanding our brilliant culture, resplendent civilization, and great progress through Christian influences and power, yet the present utilitarian tendency of the times is to drive the men of God to the rear, and to dominate the best efforts of the age with the unbending, destructive power of a godless materialism. We must hold the Sabbath inviolate—first, because, if there is no God, no heaven, no hell, no worship, no religion, we should still need the Sabbath and Sabbath laws. Blot it out, even from a materialistic standpoint, and humanity would suffer immeasurably. Break down all Sabbath laws, and slowly and surely all work and toil would go on seven days in the week in every department to satisfy the insatiate demands of those who trample upon human energies and souls in their greedy struggle for gold.

The laws that govern the Sabbath should be rigidly enforced. Every attempt to infract them should be legally punished, and the officers of the law should see to it that under no specious pretext shall their application be abated. The preservation of the morality and sanctity of our homes, and the good conduct of those about us, demands this. Good citizenship, good government, even from a materialistic standpoint, requires the rigid observance of the Sabbath. But we must hold it sacred because it is a divine command.

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy; six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord, thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy sons, nor thy daughters, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day and hallowed it." (See twentieth chapter of Exodus.)

There is the divine law. Who dare gainsay it, infract it, or trample it under foot? There is no going around it; there is no evading it. If the Bible be true, and the word and law of God, as sure as he reigns will he hold man accountable, and severely punish the people who destroy it. Destroy the Sabbath, and you shake the pillars of our moral and religious strength as a nation; break down that religion, and you assassinate our glorious and splendid civilization.

The God-fearing and God-loving men and women of the land, who realize that all the beauty and worth of life, that all physical, intellectual and moral proficiency and power; that all national civilization and greatness gets its inspiration, coloring and strength from the Christian religion, must hold this sacred day inviolate, and keep it holy and hallowed as it came from God.

To-night, as I write, many a weary soul, tried by a week of toil, will thank God for this blessed day of rest, and the still more blessed privilege of feeding the hungry soul at our holy places of worship.

If we do not guard and hold inviolate this sacred day, we are not worthy the splendid inheritance bequeathed by our sires, and on which there evidently rests the benediction of God. J. J. HOOD.

Meridian, Miss., Oct. 28, 1899.

IS IT A FACT?

Bro. Jas. A. Parker, in the ADVOCATE, of Nov. 23, says, "It is a fact observed by many these late years that the young men coming into our Conference from college are not the men who are building the churches and parsonages, and bringing scores and hundreds into the church."

I do not intend to deny this statement, but simply to ask the question, "Is this the fact?"

Bro. Parker suggests "a close comparison." I must confess that that is a little tedious, and that my time does not permit it, and that if it did, I have not the data at hand to make "a close comparison" of man with man, and year with year, so as to justify or deny Bro. Parker's statement. But I have examined the Minutes of the Louisiana Conference, covering a period of ten years, with some degree of faithfulness. And here are a few of the things which I find.

Beginning with the Conference of 1889, I find that seventy men have been admitted on trial into the Louisiana Conference to present date. [I do not refer to transfers, or those coming to us with the territory from the Mississippi Conference.] So far as I am able to determine, ten of these were college graduates, and six others had been to college, but had not finished the course. Of the ten college graduates, six are in full connection, three on trial, and one a missionary in Mexico. Of the six in full connection, five are in the regular work, and one teaching. Of the three on trial, one is in the regular work, and two are students of theology at Vanderbilt University; so that there are but six of the ten college graduates in the regular work. Of the six who went to college for a while, not completing the course, four are in the regular work, one transferred, and one located. So far the ten years have contributed ten men "from college" to the regular work of the itinerant ministry in the Louisiana Conference. Of the sixteen men "from college," three failed in their examinations; of the fifty-four men who had not been to college, eleven, so far, have not failed in their examinations. The other forty-three, with the three "from college," somewhere along the road found the load a little too heavy, and they failed to come "to Conference knowing their lessons." Some of them may have failed under the touch of Bro. Parker's probing questions.

But is it a fact that these men "from college" do not build churches and bring men into the fold? First, as to the accessions on profession of faith, I find that the ten young men "from college" received last year 113 persons into the church, an average of eleven each, while the 104 other preachers received 1,015, an average of ten each.

Second, as to finance for all purposes, the average for the young men "from college" is $1,294.61, while the average for the 104 other preachers is $1,026.40. I do not know about the church-building, but there was some church repairing, and some payment of church debts, on the part of the men "from college." A glance at the field occupied by these men last year will show that they were on low-rate works, so far as salary goes. It ought to be noted, however, that for every dollar they received on salary, they collected $1.72 for other purposes, while the other members of the Conference, omitting the presiding elders, for every dollar received on salary collected $1 30 for other purposes. Or allow me to state it this way. The average amount per man collected for all other objects, other than salary, by the men "from college" was $818.90, and by the other members of the Conference $598.07. Is it a fact that "the young men coming into the Conference from college are not the men who are building churches and parsonages, and bringing scores and hundreds into the church?" We are not building the churches and parsonages, and paying the church debts, as fast as the case seems to require, it is true. We are not bringing the scores and hundreds into the church who ought to be there, is also true.

The young men who have come into our Conference from college during the last ten years have served, among others, such works as Carrollton, Craps Street, Gretna, Parker Chapel, Algiers, Moreau, Sabine, Sniphur Mine, Spring Creek, Montgomery, Gross Tete, Bastrop, New Iberia, and Crowley. There may have been some more pretentious places, but I do not call them to mind just now. I think that it is safe to say that a few of the best places—best for harvesting souls and collecting money—have escaped the scholarship of the men "from college." J. M. HENRY.

DISCOUNTING THE CHAPLAINCY IN THE ARMY.

This is done by discrimination in the matter of pay. The chaplains are paid $1,500 a year, while all staff officers of the same rank receive $2,000. If there ever was any good reason for this, there is none now. Formerly chaplains were assigned to posts, but are now assigned to regiments and sent to the field.

We need mature men in the chaplaincy. A man of age, experience and manliness sufficient to make a good chaplain is apt to have a family. On $1,500 he could live very well at the military post, but when he is sent to the front, most likely to the tropics, the family must be left behind. He, therefore, has two establishments to keep up, and the sum of $2,000 is not more than enough to cover expenses.

Here, as elsewhere, the laborer is worthy of his hire. The position of a chaplain is one of danger as well as toil. He must encounter all the dangers of climate just as other officers have to do. As his duty leads him to the hospital, he is especially liable to all contagious and infectious diseases. All we ask is that he shall receive justice at the hands of the government.

The average man in the army, as well as the average civilian, is apt to think the chaplain has a soft place. This is parallel to the belief that a pastor of an ordinary congregation has a fine time and but little to do. The truth is, there is no easy time for the man who has the care of souls. The two things are incompatible. The man who, either in the chaplaincy or the pastorate, can reconcile it to his conscience to seek ease or worldly pleasure, has no business in these positions. It would be well if there could always be such correspondence and mutual trust between the civil and ecclesiastical authorities as would result in the appointment of men eminently qualified for the work of the chaplaincy. Let us have suitable men for chaplains, and then let them be creditably sustained.

The object is to beat back the dark waves of sin and temptation which forever surge around our army and threaten the moral shipwreck of soldier boys who went out from Christian homes. If we fail in this, we might as well, as suggested by one who has seen the evil, place over the door of all our recruiting stations the same warning which Dante placed over the entrance to his Inferno, "All who enter here leave hope behind."

W. S. HARRISON.

Selections.

THE SUCCESS OF SEEMING FAILURE.

It is a well-known fact among preachers that the very sermon which seems to be an ignominious failure from a sermonic standpoint is often the sermon that does the most good. Seeming failures and actual failures may have their function of influence for good. It is told of the early career of Bishop Simpson that at one time he thought seriously of quitting the ministry on account of several wonderful sermons he heard the Rev. John Waterman preach. The embryo Bishop and the theologian despaired of his own powers because of the superior ability of an older preacher. A short time afterward, a visiting minister, of longer standing in the Conference, preached so indifferently that young Simpson took heart and resolved to continue in the work of the ministry.

Who knows but that the failure of this unnamed brother saved to Methodism and the church of God at large Matthew Simpson, a man "filled with the Holy Ghost and with power"?—Baltimore Advocate.

Only what we have wrought into character during life can we take away with us.—Humboldt.

ASPIRATIONS.

BY JAMES MONTGOMERY.

Higher, higher will we climb
Up the mount of glory,
That our names may live through time
In our country's story:
Happy, when her welfare calls,
He who conquers, he who falls.

Deeper, deeper let us toil
In the mines of knowledge—
Nature's wealth and learning's spoil
Win from school and college;
Delve we there for richer gems
Than the stars of diadems.

Onward, onward will we press
Through the path of duty;
Virtue is true happiness,
Excellence true beauty;
Minds are of supernal birth,
Let us make a heaven of earth.

Close and closer then we knit
Hearts and hands together,
Where our fireside comforts sit
In the wildest weather:
O! They wander wide who roam
For the joys of life from home.

Nearer, dearer bands of love
Draw our souls in union,
To our Father's house above,
To the saints' communion;
Thither every hope ascend,
There may all our labors end.

—Exchange.

Communications.

USELESS REPETITIONS AND CANT PHRASES IN SERMONS AND PRAYERS.

Church goers and intelligent listeners say that great force is lost in a discourse from the pulpit, and power is lost in prayers, by a hobby word or phrase repeated every few sentences, not in keeping with the thought designed to be elucidated, or interlarding the prayer when it requires one-fourth of the time of the prayer to ling the phrase in. In the time of long ago it was said a Presbyterian preacher asked one of our old pioneer preachers why it was that they required their candidates for the ministry to go through college, and then pass a theological course, and you take your boys from the plow-handles and from the work-bench, and in a year or two they can beat our men preaching. The old pioneer replied, "It is because we tell one another."

In my boyhood days I admired a good old man for his kind, fatherly attentions to me. I thought his preaching was faultless, but one Sabbath, before a very intelligent congregation, in a discourse of, say, fifty minutes, he repeated the phrase, "Are we prepared to understand?" seventy-two times. This repetition occupied all of five or six minutes. Had he taken this time up in repeating his hobby before reading his text, then announced his text, and proceeded with his sermon without ever recurring to it again, the discourse would have been better received by some of that congregation.

A story which came to me in my younger days, as I now recall from memory, ran about as follows: A father was anxious to train his son, in going to church, to remember the text and the general drift of the sermon. After returning from church one Sabbath, sitting with his family, the sire asked, "Well, my son, what was the text to-day?" The youth, squirming a little, answered: "'An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign, and there shall no sign be given it but the sign of the prophet Jonas, for as Jonas was three days and nights in the whale's belly, so shall the Son of man be three days and nights in the heart of the earth,' and he said, 'We are a weak generation,' seventeen times." The father said: "Stop that nonsense. I want you to tell me what the preacher said about Jonah." "Oh," replied the boy, "he said Jonah went down to Joppa, and got into a ship to go to Tarshish. Pa, I know just how many shingles are on the roof of that church." "I am not asking you about the roof of the church," said the parent. "What did the preacher say about Jonah?" "He said Jonah tried to run away from the Lord, as though any man could get away from God. Pa, there are just one hundred and fifty shingles from one end of that house to the other." "I am not talking about shingles," said the father. "I want you to tell me about the sermon." "Well," said the son, "when the boat got out to sea there came a great storm, and when the ship was about to sink they cast lots to see whose it was to blame, and the lot fell on Jonah, and they threw him into the sea, and the storm stopped, and there was a great calm. And, pa, there were just eighty courses of shingles from one side of the church to the other." "I am not wanting to see what you know about shingles," said the parent. "Tell me about the sermon, if you know." The son, taking up the other line of his thoughts, said: "The Lord had a great fish there that swallowed Jonah, and swam to land right towards Nineveh, and vomited him out on dry land, and Jonah went on and preached. And, pa, I multiplied the hundred and fifty shingles in the courses by the eighty courses, and it made just twelve thousand shingles on that house." The parent, rather irritated, said, "Now, boy, if you know anything about that sermon, I want you to tell me." The youth then went on to tell how the preacher spoke of the cruel death of Jesus, of his burial, of his rising out of the grave, showing himself to his apostles, and of his ascension into heaven. After some further conversation the mother, who had been sitting by, to commend her boy, said, "Son, you certainly do know something about the sermon, if you did count the shingles," and was answered by him, "Yes, ma, and Mrs. Posey spanked her baby five licks right in the church, for I counted them."

This story does not seem to be just in line with my subject, but it illustrates something which came up in my experience—that a sermon or prayer may be listened to with profit, while other thoughts may be kept along at the same time.

Soon after I began to speak to congregations I had an older brother who had heard me a time or two. I felt around him to know what he thought of my efforts. He said, "If you would not say, 'Almighty, All-wise, and Omnipotent God,' so often, you might do very well." After some thought I came to the conclusion that it was rarely ever in place to say it. After being reviewed from time to time by my older brethren on my hobbies, useless repetitions, and tautologies, I began to listen to others, to catch their sense, and at the same time note their errors, that I might the better detect my own faults and learn to correct them. The following will illustrate the tautology I detected in a college professor, thus: In all my acquaintance I have never met a man who defied the claims of the living God, and maintain a social influence after he defied the claims of the living God.

I remember being at a camp meeting once when a preacher was put up to conduct the early morning service. He began and continued in a strain like this: "This morning, O Lord, we come before thee this morning, that we might worship before thee this morning. We thank thee this morning that thou hast kept us safe through the past night to see the light of this beautiful morning. And now, O Lord, we ask thee this morning to prepare us for the work of this day," etc. Here I had lost the devotional feeling to say "Amen!" and am sure if the Lord heard that prayer, he knew it was day, whether the sun was up or not. At prayer meetings and elsewhere I have heard "Our Father," and "Our heavenly Father," and "O, our heavenly Father," until my devotion was marred. Not long since I counted the above repetition in its variations seventeen times in a prayer of about twenty-five sentences.

After some training in these criticisms I found I had trained myself, to my annoyance and chagrin, to be more of a critic than a prayerful listener. To overcome this I began to pray earnestly for the preacher, and to listen for good things, and to treasure up the best things heard. I have met some preachers who were confirmed critics. They never failed to criticise their brethren in the ministry. In this they barred themselves from any special good the preaching might do them. They embarrassed the brother in the pulpit, and rather prejudice those who hear the criticism against the preacher.

J. D. NEWCOM.

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"THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF THOUGHT."

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." (Phil. iv. 8.)

Paul here, after graphically picturing upon the canvas of Holy Writ the characteristic virtues of the Christian man for the benefit of the Philippian mind, exhorts them to think, to think definitely, to think with an object in view; to "think of these things:" "Whatsoever things are true:" not abstract terms that are wanted, give your definition in the concrete, clothe it in human form. Pilate asks, "What is truth?" But Christ did not answer, He, the embodiment of all truth, stood before him. "I am the way, the truth and the life." (Jesus.) "Whatsoever things are honest"—honorable—venerable: "That which is to be venerated on account of age and service, satisfaction from long use." "Whatsoever things are just:" conformed to the truth. The unjust judge is commended because he sought for himself a sureease from care, and not for the justice rendered in his decisions. "Whatsoever things are pure:" clean, clear, unmixed and without alloy. A pure mind is one that contemplates that which is holy, chaste and clean. A pure gospel is one unmixed with heresy. Pure gold is that that has no dross and is without alloy; and a pure Christian is one who is not tainted with sin. "Whatsoever things are lovely:" the earth blossoms, the flowers bloom for the delectation, the delight of man. "Whatsoever things are of good report:" reputation seems here to be held up before men as an incentive to holy living—the good-will—yea, more, the praise of our fellow-man—is worth the seeking—yea, more, is worth the having. "If there be any virtue:" Christian courage, fortitude, zeal for the church of God, the cause of Christ. Bravery to speak and to act in defense of Christianity, loyalty to the church militant. "If there be any praise." Are you praised? says Paul, "I praise you not." Do you stand worthy of recognition by a godly community for your consistent and virtuous life—are you praised? "Be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your minds." (Paul.) "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he." The worth of Christian thinking; thought is transforming in its nature; it recreates. The power of thought, close, consecutive thought, has solved mysteries, demonstrated problems of science and philosophy, materialized inventions, and to-day controls the industries and lands of a universe. How and of what should we think? Properly directed, thought brings to us not only temporal blessings, but, as well, a large share in all the spiritual graces of the divine nature and life. Can we not exalt our manner of thinking just as we can our manner of living? or, rather, Can not we exalt our manner of living by our manner of thinking? How many are dependent upon others to do their thinking for them? See how largely the politician depends upon the newspaper for the forming of public sentiment and opinion.

The church to-day needs men capable of thinking; of thinking not only for themselves, but men who are also qualified to wrestle with the deep things of God: those who are interested in God's plan of salvation, in human redemption, in the fearful penalties of sin as visited upon the transgressors of the divine law, as well as the results of the fall to posterity. The power of thought? "See Newton standing under an apple tree, and, by the simple process by which an apple fell to the ground, discovering and handing down to mankind the laws of attraction and gravitation—laws which govern as well with the falling of a leaf as with the parabola of a comet: Benjamin Franklin flying a hemp-string kite discovers and hands down to us electricity—one of the most useful forces yet known to man. Again, see Watts as he watches the boiling tea-kettle, and from this incident grasps the idea of utilizing the power thus generated by steam. See Fulton and the first steam engines and steamboats as they ply the mighty waters of the Hudson, or traverse as locomotives the vast prairies or dense forests. Galileo counting the strokes of the massive chandelier, as he stands in the entrance-way of the grand Pisa Cathedral, and compares the strokes with the pulsations of his own heart-beat, discovers the isochronism of time, and thereby enables man to utilize the greatest time-saving mechanism made." (Farrar.)

It has well been said that "thought rules the world," for what other force is so potent for man's weal or woe? "All art and science and philosophy are evolved from the silent workshop of the brain." There in the quiet recesses of the cellular tissues of the cerebral membranes there is generated thoughts and ideas which are to dominate the commerce, to control the traffic, and to regulate the industries of two continents. There are solved the problems of human life and the destinies of the nations. All philanthropic enterprises, all charitable institutions, and all evangelical effort is first conceived, planned, and executed in the mind; whether only in imagination as air castles, to be lost in wild and weird speculations, or whether as the practical monuments of the nobility and saintliness, the sagacity and the ingenuity of some nobleman. "Edison in his study is a more potent factor in the scientific world than a thousand workmen with spade and loom and forge."

"So the influence of a Christian life, lived along gospel lines, thought out upon the divine plan, does more to elevate the lives of men than much shallow talk and loud profession." (Haynes.) Give the church thinking men and women, students who have been educated in the deep things of God, and whose largest aspirations are for the furtherance of his kingdom upon earth—men and women who are educated, trained to think for themselves—and you have then turned loose upon society and in the church of God a force for good, the results of whose lives eternity alone can reveal.

W. BAZEMORE VAN VALKENBURGH.

Ada, La.

A DEARTH OF PREACHERS.

I have been reading articles under the above caption for some time past, and must say I think some of them are begging the question. I think the subject of an educated ministry is fully settled. The church has acted wisely in this matter. She has said her ministers must be educated, because it is a "sine qua non" to a progressive Protestant Church and an effective ministry. A call to preach means a call to prepare to preach. The question, then, is not, Must we educate?—but, How must we educate that we may be best prepared for the work? I think just here lies most of the trouble with the ministry at the present time and all time past.

Education does not simply consist in stuffing the mind with books or laws and sciences. A man may go through college and learn all these, and then be a fool, a crank, or a knave. As man is a tripartite being—endowed with soul, mind and body—he should be educated as such, if he is ever truly educated. His intellect, sensibility and will must all be educated after the divine plan, so that he can think right, feel right, and act right.

The law of the church is sufficiently flexible. All that is necessary is for the Examining Committees to exercise good judgment in their examinations. Some men come from college with less real education than others who have come from the public schools. The church will take into her ministry all who prove themselves educated after the divine plan, whether they come from the college halls, log school-house, or the chimney corner. The only real educational qualification the Christian church has ever demanded of her ministers is a mind trained to think right, a soul trained to feel right, and hands trained to work right. These should be required, and anyone who is not thus prepared is not fit for the high and holy calling.

J. A. POE.

Marianna, Miss., Nov. 22, 1899.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Mary G. Bancroft (nee Ramsey) was born in Chatham county, N. C., Feb. 7, 1823, and departed this life in Forest, Miss., Oct. 11, 1899. When nine years of age she moved with her family to Alabama, in which State she lived till grown. She was educated at the Female Seminary in Tuscaloosa, and while there joined the Methodist Church under the ministry of Rev. C. Hardy. She was the daughter of Mr. A. K. and Nancy Ramsey, and sister of Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, of the North Mississippi Conference.

She was married to Rev. George Bancroft, of the Alabama Conference, Dec. 24, 1847. God blessed their union with eight bright and happy children, three of whom remain with their aged father to mourn her loss. In 1878 her husband was transferred to the Mississippi Conference, where he labored as a faithful itinerant till December, 1893, at which time he was superannuated. Within a year or so afterwards they came to Forest to live with their granddaughter, Mrs. Mary Gardner, whose faithful attention and loving devotion to them has been greatly admired by the people here.

Sister Bancroft was a faithful preacher's wife. She was a helpmeet indeed to her husband in all his labors as a pastor. She was ever willing to deny herself the pleasure of his company in order that he might visit his people and attend to the work required of him. Since her death Bro. Bancroft told me that she never threw so much as a straw in his way, but was always a great help to him. They journeyed together in this life nearly fifty-three years, and it will not be long before they will be reunited in heaven, never to separate again.

It was my privilege to be with Sister Bancroft often during her last illness, and it affords me pleasure to say to her friends that she bore her sickness with Christian fortitude. She was patient and resigned to the will of God, and when the time came for her to go she was ready, and died a triumphant death in the Lord Jesus. The last words she spoke were, "Glory! glory! glory!" Well may it be said of her, She fought a good fight and kept the faith. To-day she is wearing the crown of righteousness that was laid up for her at God's right hand. In the language of the poet we say:

"Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

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"The pains of death are past,
Labor and sorrow cease;
And, life's long warfare closed at last,
Her soul is found in peace."

Her pastor, D SCARBOROUGH.

Home Mission Society.

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Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society, Delhi District, Louisiana Conference.

MINUTES.

The first district meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Delhi district opened at Collinston, Friday morning, Sept. 23, 1899; Mrs. M. E. Carr, district secretary, presiding. After the hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," Rev. D. C. Barr conducted the devotional exercises. Next in order was the appointment of Miss H. D. McLaurin as recording secretary. Then followed the usual roll-call of auxiliaries by the president: Mer Rouge, Monroe, Oak Ridge, Bastrop and Collinston. It was moved and seconded that Collinston Auxiliary be made members of the convention, and that Bros. Barr and Randle be made members of this body, with privileges of the floor.

An address of welcome on behalf of the Collinston Auxiliary was given by Miss H. D. McLaurin. An appropriate response was made by Mrs. F. M. Williams, of Mer Rouge. Then followed appointment of committees: On Courtesies, Publication, and Resolutions.

Report from Mer Rouge was then heard, Mrs. Renwick stating the adult auxiliary of Mer Rouge was in a flourishing condition. Mrs. Williams reported the juvenile auxiliary as in a hopeful condition, they having had many discouragements to contend with. Total membership, 40; subscriptions to Our Homes, 16; amount of dues since March, $10.90.

From Oak Ridge Juvenile Auxiliary, Miss Mattie Hawsey reported: Enrolled, 26; average attendance, 20; average collections per monthly meeting, $1.25; amount sent forward since last session of Louisiana Annual Conference, $13.45; collected on Educational Loan Fund, $5, to make their pastor, Rev. D. C. Barr, a patron of that fund. Mrs. Randle here made a thrilling talk on Our Homes and homes for our preachers' families, and gave us the history of the first organization of Parsonage and Home Mission Auxiliary at Oak Ridge by her in May, 1887.

We were next entertained by the reading of two interesting articles by Misses Minta Reily and Mattie Hawsey; subjects, Miss L. B. Helm and Miss Belle Bennett.

Report from Monroe Juvenile Auxiliary, given by Miss Nina Sanders, showed fine work done by the juveniles. This auxiliary was organized by Mrs. Carr, our district secretary, only last April, and they now have 56 members. Dues collected, $15, besides local charity work done.

Mrs. Howell's report from Collinston Auxiliary showed that deep interest had been manifested by members of this auxiliary in our Home Mission work. For the two years they have been organized they have, aside from their connectional dues, in various ways raised money and furnished their church with pews, and made other improvements.

Then followed the address of our district secretary, delivered in soft, sweet accents, showing the magnitude of woman's work in our society, which impressed us with the opportunities of the present and possibilities of our future.

The remainder of the programme was varied by readings, recitations, and songs by the choir. Misses Etella Reily and Jennie Vaughan had appropriate recitations, which were appreciated. A paper on "The Twentieth Century Fund," prepared by Mrs. Wimberly, of Mer Rouge auxiliary, was, in her absence, read by Mrs. F. M. Williams, which was an intellectual feast.

Mrs. J. T. Howell entertained us by an interesting reading on Soule Bennett Memorial School. Mrs. M. A. Carr made a most interesting address to the juvenile department of the Collinston Auxiliary. Mrs. J. T. Howell was appointed lady manager of this department—a just tribute to her tact for interesting and managing children.

Rev. T. S. Randle was made a patron of the Twentieth Century Educational Loan Fund by the juveniles of Collinston, which was most heartily endorsed by the adult members of the auxiliary, this auxiliary being made up of both adult and juvenile members.

A paper, "The Best of the Child for the Best for God," was next read by Mrs. McLaurin. A splendid talk (by request) from the president followed on the mission work done, and to be done, in the mountainous district of Kentucky, which stirred the hearts of all.

Mrs. Randle secured a list of new subscribers for Our Homes. Throughout the convention her good talks were an inspiration.

After the reports of committees it was voted that the convention accept the invitation extended by Monroe's delegates to hold its next annual meeting at that place.

After a most earnest prayer by Rev. T. S. Randle for our work, and thanksgiving to our Father in heaven for the success of our W. H. M. work in Delhi district, the hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," was sung, and Bro. Randle dismissed us with the benediction.

MISS HUGH D. MCLAURIN,
Recording Secretary.

The Christian Life.

DO YOU PRAY IN SECRET?

Prayerfulness will scarcely be kept up long unless you set apart times and seasons for prayer. There are no times laid down in Scripture except by the example of holy men, for the Lord trusts much to the love of his people and to the spontaneous motions of the inner life. He does not say, "Pray at seven o'clock in the morning every day," or, "Pray at night at eight, or nine, or ten, or eleven," but says, "Pray without ceasing." Yet every Christian will find it useful to have his regular time for retirement. And I doubt whether any eminent piety can be maintained without these seasons being very carefully and scrupulously observed. We read in the old traditions of James the Apostle that he prayed so much that his knees grew hard through his long kneeling; and it is recorded by Fox that Latimer, during the time of his imprisonment, was so much upon his knees that frequently the poor old man could not rise to his meals, and had to be lifted up by his servants. When he could no longer preach, and was immured within stone walls, his prayers went up to heaven for his country, and we are in these times receiving the blessing. Daniel prayed with the windows open daily and at regular intervals.—Spurgeon.

THE PURPOSE OF THE BIBLE.

The purpose of the Bible is to save the souls of men. Incidentally it promotes the safety and comfort of the body. Incidentally it also teaches many very useful things. But we must never lose sight of the fact that the root-thought of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, is how sinful men may find a refuge in Jesus Christ from the divine indignation toward sinners and sin. Every chapter in the Bible must be read in the light of this fact.—H. M. Simpson.

ARE 10,000 MEN MISTAKEN?

Unless about 10,000 men, mainly professional men—lawyers, doctors, editors, preachers and all other classes, including the writer, are very much mistaken, the Electropoise effects cures and gives relief where all other known remedies have failed. Especially is it efficacious in the cure of feeble women and children. "I have used one for the past two years, and find it invaluable as a curative agent."—Rev. Zaphaniah Meek, D D., Editor of Cen. Methodist, Catlettsburg, Ky.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS BY FAMOUS PEOPLE.

Miss Clara Barton, President Red Cross Armenian Relief Expedition, writes from Constantinople: "As you remember, I am not an entire stranger to the virtues of the Electropoise, and I will take great pleasure in passing your offering to afflicted humanity."

Rear-Admiral Luce, U. S. N., Retired, writes from his home in Newport, R I.: "It gives me pleasure to inform you that the Electropoise has been used in my family for the past eighteen months with most satisfactory results. The one just ordered is the second I have had of you."

Venerable Archdeacon Horatio Gates, of Kansas City, Mo., writes: "Last Winter my daughter was attacked by La Grippe, and through the ravings of this terrible disease reduced to a helpless cripple. In eight weeks after the first application of the Electropoise my little girl was entirely restored."

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FROM THE WORK.

BROOKSVILLE, MISS.

The old church at Brooksville, Miss., has just been torn down to give place to a new and more modern one. This old church has served its day and generation well. It dates back to the fifties, when the colored slaves belonged to the same church with his master. Its membership in the beginning was composed of those who constituted the church at Union Chapel.

The Brooksville house of worship was built in 1835. Hon. Thos. H. Dixon was the moving spirit in its erection. For several years a close leader in the Union Chapel Church, he was fitted to be the leader in this larger and more inviting field. The writer has before him the class book used by Bro. Dixon for several years before the erection of the Brooksville Church and for some years thereafter. In this book appear the names of the charter members of the Brooksville Church. To-day, as we stand between a glorious past and a more glorious future, and look back over the large list of those whose membership has been here, we find but one person living whose name appears upon the charter roll—Mrs. M. A. Dixon, widow of the man who was the prime factor in the erection of the old church. Sister Dixon tells with thrilling interest how they struggled to raise the money to build the house. In the Summer of 1855 the house was finished sufficiently to be used, and Dr. W. P. Harrison came and dedicated it. Rev. Geo. Shaffer was the presiding elder, and A. J. Coleman, preacher in charge. Rev. Wm. Vaughn was pastor here in 1856-7. In 1858 Rev. Robt. K. Hargrove, now Bishop, who had left a position in the University at Tuscaloosa to join the itinerancy, was preacher in charge. He and his young wife spent a pleasant year here, and at its close he was assigned to Columbus station, and instead of selling everything he did not care to move, he did the generous and handsome thing of giving his cow to his presiding elder, Bro. Koger, and his pet pig to his special friend, Sister Dixon. W. C. Hearn was here in '59. J. A. Peebles and Crymes served the work most of the time during the war. Dr. Henry Urquhart, now editor of the Alabama Advocate, served the work in 1870, but went back to Alabama when the Columbus district was taken out of the Alabama Conference and the North Mississippi organized. Since that time O P. Thomas, J. L. Futrell, J. T. Cunningham, J. W. Perry, J. F. Evans, H D Howell, E. H. Cacey, J. W. Luter, D. L. Cogdell, J. A. Leech and the writer have served the work respectively.

During the forty-four years of the church's existence thousands of dollars have been raised by the congregation for religious purposes, and there has been a steady increase in the yearly contributions. While the past two or three years have drawn heavily upon the church by death and removal, the church is still in a healthy and growing condition. Twenty-five have been added to the church this year. This congregation has raised more money for religious purposes during 1899 than in any other year of its existence. The new house that is going up will be a credit to the town, and an honor to the industry and fidelity of its liberal membership.

Many useful men and women have gone out from this church to bless the world with their consecrated lives. May God help the present membership to face the future with all of its problems, and, girding on the panoply of God, to go forward to the conquest of the world! In reference to the new house now going up I would say, "Long may she wave and never waver." E S LEWIS.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

The Conference year is drawing to a close; so I believe I will send in a report from "East End." Our congregations have held up very well from the beginning. There have been ninety-five (95) accessions during the year. Eighteen infants and twelve adults have been baptized. I think the Conference claims will all be met. And as our church has a reputation of meeting all assessments, I hope this will not be an off year. I have made nearly six hundred pastoral visits.

We held a ten days' meeting this fall. Bro. W. M. Sullivan, of Vossburg, did most of the preaching. Dr. Weems, of Central Church, and Bro. H. M. Ellis, of West End, were with us, preaching occasionally and doing other efficient work during the meeting. Souls were born into the kingdom. It is a great pleasure to have our ex-presiding elder, Bro. P. A. Johnston, and his excellent family in our congregation. Bro. Johnston's body is feeble, but his faith is strong. His sweet prayers are a benediction to us. Also we have with us Bro. D. G. W. Ellis, with whom we often have sweet counsel. He does a good deal of preaching at points not far from the city.

D. P. BRADFORD.

A PASTOR'S HEART.

Here is Bishop Wilberforce's advice to a clergyman who wished the Bishop to tell him why he had failed, and how he was to succeed: "Show the people that you have a pastor's heart, and I do not think they will be long in giving you the natural return—their support. I can not tell you how earnestly I long for such a change in your ministry, in its fundamental character. I see not the love of soul, I see not faith in your Master's presence in it. Your ministry looks to me like the stinted unwilling service of that fearful character—the mere professional priest. God knows if this is so. I speak of the aspect which outwardly your ministry wears. My advice, for which you ask, is pray! pray for more thorough conversion of the heart—pray for ministerial zeal—pray for love to Christ. Pray for the outpouring of the Spirit on your own soul, and on your ministry, and then live in your parish, live for your parish; work in it only as a man can work who has come to his work from intercession for his people."—Southern Churchman.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1899.

AT GREENWOOD.

We were present at the North Mississippi Conference most of the time dnring its recent session. Being bnsy with pnblisher's bnsiness, we engaged the facile pen of "Gilderoy" to report the proceedings. Bishop Candler's presidency gave great satisfaction. He dispatches bnsiness with wonderful rapidity. His address at the Educational Rally was a masterly production, and prodnced a profound impression; and the same may be said of his Thanksgiving sermon. The brethren gave us a most cordial reception. Greenwood entertained the Conference most royally. Our new church, jnst completed, is the handsomest we have seen in the State of Mississippi. (We have not yet seen the new church at Vicksbnrg.) It is modern in style, and almost perfect in all its appointments. It has eleven rooms besides the auditorium and the Snnday-school room. We hope to give a cnt and a fnller description at another time. We most heartily congratulate the enterprising pastor and his liberal flock upon the erection of such an edifice.

We were entertained in the home of Bro. and Sister Mayre, to whom we are under lasting obligations for their generous hospitalities. We had as onr co-guests Bros. J. W. Boswell, W. B. Murrah, M. L. Burton, W. M. Thornton and J. B. Streater.

The Conference passed resolutions strongly commendatory of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and promising increased diligence in extending its circnlation.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

THIRTIETH SESSION.

The North Mississippi Conference met in the Methodist Church in Greenwood, Miss., Nov. 29, 1899. Bishop W. A. Candler in the chair.

The opening exercises were conducted by the Bishop. The hymn was No. 221, and the Scripture lesson Rev. i. The recording secretary of the last session called the roll, and a large majority of the members answered to their names.

Revs. G. H. Lipscomb, W. A. Dollar, H. P. Gibbs, A. J. Jones and B. F. Phillips had died during the year.

T. W. Lewis was elected secretary; R. M. Evans, recording secretary; J. M. Bradley, assistant secretary, and J. R. Countiss, statistical secretary.

The honrs for meeting and adjonrning and the bar of the Conference were fixed. The usual standing committees were then appointed.

Communications from the Publishing Honse and from the several connectional Boards were received and referred to the appropriate Boards and Committees without reading.

The characters of all the presiding elders were passed. Rev. J. S. Oakley was not able to be present, but, by appointment of the Bishop, Rev. N. G. Angnstus represented the Durant district. Bro. Oakley's character was passed, and his name referred to Committee for the Snperannuated Relation. The secretary was instrncted to convey to Bro. Oakley the love and sympathy of the Conference in his afflictions.

Reports of Boards of Trnstees of Millsaps College, Grenada College, and the Woman's College of Oxford were referred to the Board of Edncation.

The names of W. J. O'Bryant, J. A. Lowe and B. S. Rayner were referred for the snpernnmerary relation.

C. N. Terry, J. W. Bates, J. M. Hampton, W. R. Rainey, W. S. Harrison, S. A. Ellis, Joseph Johnson, J. W. Poston, T. L. Foster, C. C. Grisham, J. A. Leech and A. P. Sage were referred for superannuated relation.

Those who remain on trial and the deacons of one year were examined and passed to the classes of the next year.

As far as examined the characters of all the preachers passed.

It was announced that a Thanksgiving sermon would be preached on Thursday by Bishop W. A. Candler.

After annonncements Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

The Conference met at the appointed hour with Bishop Candler in the chair. The opening services were conducted by Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved. The roll was called for the second time.

Communications from several of the General Boards were presented and referred to proper Committees and Boards without reading.

Question 10 was called, and Gersham F. Morehead, Robt. A. Clark, A. Howel Mitchell, W. B. Pinson and M. L. Ward, local preachers, were elected to deacon's orders.

Question 14 was called. H. B. Estes and W. T. Browning were elected to elder's orders as local preachers.

Question 12 called, and S. A. Brown, J. J. Garner, C. P. Moss, W. L. Anderson and J. W. Raper were elected elders.

The hour for preaching having arrived, Bishop W. A. Candler preached a Thanksgiving sermon of great depth, compass and power and of great spiritual force. A collection was taken for the Orphans' Home at Water Valley, Miss.

THIRD DAY.

The Conference convened at nine A. M.; the Bishop in the chair. The religious exercises were conducted by Rev. T. J. Newell, of the Memphis Conference. The Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

The following were admitted on trial in the traveling connection: Gersham S. Morehead, Harry D. Estes, W. E. Brogan, Thos. H. Porter, Jno. T. Lewis, W. B. Pinson and Jesse W. McGee were admitted on trial.

W. D. Parrish, from North Alabama Conference, and S. L. Pope, from Indian Mission Conference, were received by transfer.

The report of the trustees and manager of the Orphans' Home at Water Valley was submitted and adopted. Rev. M. L. Burton, the manager, resigned, and Rev. Jas. G. Galloway, of the Mississippi Conference, was elected to fill the place.

H. C. Parrott and W. G. Bark were readmitted.

W. T. Browning and Earl R. Tucker were called forward to answer the disciplinary questions preparatory to admission into full connection. The address of the Bishop was full, rich and vital with the power of God.

Earl R. Tucker was elected to elder's orders as a traveling preacher.

The names of the preachers of the Grenada district were called, and their characters were passed.

Rev. J. G. Galloway; Rev. George D. French, pastor of Presbyterian Church, and Dr. Featherstun were introduced.

The Conference adjourned with benediction.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference convened at the appointed hour, with the Bishop in the chair.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. D. Newsom.

The Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

J. W. McGee was elected to deacon's orders as a local preacher.

The characters of the preachers of the Winona, Durant, Colnmbus, Corinth, Holly Springs and Greenville districts passed.

Rev. A. T. Buck, an elder, was located at his own reqnest.

Dr. Hammond, secretary of the Board of Education, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in behalf of the great interest committed to his hands.

The report of the Committee on the American Bible Society was read, and the Conference was addressed by the Rev. George D. French, of the Holston Conference, agent of the Society.

The privilege of addressing the Conference was extended to Rev. W. C. Black, in view of the fact that he had to leave on the next train. The report of the committee will be presented later.

It was ordered that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock.

Adjourned with the benediction.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 3 o'clock P. M; Rev. Amos Kendall in the chair by appointment of the Bishop. Religious exercises conducted by Dr. J. W. Boswell.

The Minutes of the morning session read and approved.

The report of the Joint Board of Finance was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Temperance was read and adopted.

The report of the Sunday-school Board was read to the Conference and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was presented and adopted.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals made its report, which was read and adopted.

Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Answer: West Point.

It was moved that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock to-morrow (P. M.).

The report of the Ministerial Relief Association was read for information.

Conference adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING.

Conference convened at the appointed hour, with Rev. A. Kendall in the chair by appointment of the Bishop.

The Minutes of Saturday afternoon session and the memorial session read and approved.

A resolution in reference to the seating of Congressman Roberts was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on District Conference Records was read and adopted.

The Committee on Bible Cause made a second report for information.

The Committee on the Spiritual Interests of the Church submitted its report, which was read and adopted.

The Joint Board of Finance made its report, which was read for information.

Report of the Board of Church Extension was presented for information.

The Bishop reported the names of those ordained to deacon's and elder's orders.

The Epworth League Board submitted its report to be spread upon the Minutes of the Conference.

The Board of Education presented and read an able and full report on such matters as had been referred to it. Pending the consideration of this report Dr. Murrah and Rev. W. M. McIntosh addressed the Conference in behalf of their respective charges. The report was adopted.

Resolutions of thanks to the citizens of Greenwood for entertainment and to railroads for reduced rates.

The report of the Committee on the Sabbath was presented, amended and adopted.

The Board of Missions presented its report, and it was placed on record in the Minutes.

The Conference, by resolution, requested the Bishop to appoint Rev. J. W. Malone to the presidency of the Woman's College at Oxford, Miss.

The statistical secretary made his report.

Minutes read and approved.

The last question was called, Where are the preachers stationed this year? (See Appointments.)

APPOINTMENTS.

SARDIS DISTRICT.

W. S. Lagrone, P. E.
Sardis, Amos Kendall.
Como, Thomas Cameron.
Senatobia, W. W. Mitchell.
Arkabutla, C. P. Moss.
Cold Water and Loves, L. M. Lipscomb.
Cockrum, W. D. McCullough.
Tyro, W. J. Burt.
Pleasant Grove, B. P. Jaco.
Batesville and Wesley, J. C. Lowe.
Courtland, O. L. Savage.
Eureka, L. D. Worsham.
Longtown, T. G. Freeman.
Hernando, J. H. Smith.
Pleasant Hill, R. P. Goar.
Wall Hill, G. H. Jacobs.
Burges mission, to be supplied by J. A. Goad.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

R. G. Porter, P. E.
Grenada, T. Y. Ramsey.
Grenada circuit, W. W. Williams.
East Grenada circuit, R. C. Calloway.
Water Valley, Wood Street, W. S. Shipman.
Water Valley, North Main, R. O. Brown.
Water Valley mission, E. H. Rook.
Coffeeville, J. R. D. King.
Oxford, R. M. Standifer.
Oxford circuit, to be supplied by J. H. Huggin.
Toccopola mission, J. M. Huggin.
Paris, J. H. Rogers.
Slate Springs, W. B. Pinson.
Minter City and Strathmore, S. M. Thames.
Cassilla and mission, R. S. Lawson.
Pittsboro and mission, D. M. Geddie.
Elzey, to be supplied by J. M. Gean.
Charleston, C. H. Pittman.
Grenada Female College, W. M. McIntosh.
Woman's College, J. W. Malone.

WINONA DISTRICT.

J. H. Mitchell, P. E.
Winona, J. C. Park.
Winona circuit, J. B. Stone.
Vaiden, H. T. Cunningham.
Carrollton, T. W. Lewis.
Carrollton circuit, B. B. Sullivan.
Greenwood, R. A. Burroughs.
West, R. A. Ellis.
Black Hawk, W. C. Lester.
McNutt, J. Ritchey.
Indianola, W. H. Sanders.
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Ittabena and Sidon, W. T. Browning.
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Ethel, J. M. Massey.
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Tibbee, J. M. Barnes.
Winstonville mission, J. H. Bass.
Shuqualak, M. E. Tumlin.
Lagrange, G. S. Morehead.
Hebron, S. L. Pope.
Cedar Bluff mission, J. D. Newsom.
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Shaw, H. C. Morehead.
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Cleveland, W. C. Harris.
Shelby and Duncan, J. C. Mims.
Clarksdale, J. T. Murrah.
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Bolivar and Glen Allen, J. M. Moose.
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Chaplain State Penitentiary, J. W. McGee.

CONFERENCE NOTES.

BY "GILDEROY."

The Conference sessions are held in the beautiful new Methodist Church in Greenwood, erected at a cost of $18,417.

The Bishop said on Thursday that up to that time no layman had said one word to him about the appointments, and this is well, for the Bishop has nine gentlemen capable of giving him all the help he needs. They were selected for that purpose.

The preachers are all well clad and seem to have been well fed. Some of them are of the lean kind.

Thursday night was the anniversary of the Sunday-school Board, and Mr. J. R. Pepper, of Memphis, Tenn., made the address. It was brimful of fine suggestions in regard to this arm of our work. Bro. Pepper stands at the head of the Sunday-school workers in our Methodism.

Rev. Jno. W. Boswell, D. D., our confrere of the Nashville Advocate, was present, smiling, happy and busy, looking after the affairs of the Publishing House. He is a member of the North Mississippi Conference.

Bro. Towson, of the Japan Mission Conference, was on hand looking after the interests of the Review of Missions, one of the best publications of its class on the continent.

The Orphans' Home, under the management of the Rev. M. L. Burton and his estimable wife, has been a splendid success. The Home is free of debt, the property in fine condition, and a great and noble work has been done.

Dr. Featherstun was on hand looking after the work of the Epworth League in the North Mississippi Conference. His best energies are devoted to this department of church work.

The beautiful city of Greenwood, on the bank of the Yazoo river, afforded abundant and abounding hospitality to the members of the Conference.

All the business sessions were largely attended by the citizens of the town and by the people generally.

The editor of the ADVOCATE and Dr. Boswell, of the Nashville Advocate, were kept pretty busy settling accounts and counting shekels.

Some few of the preachers' wives are present enjoying the Conference. It is a great pleasure, refreshment and uplift to them. Some of them hear their husbands' old sermons over and over till they get hungry for some good preaching.

The anniversary of the Board of Education was held on Friday night for the purpose of having a grand Twentieth Century Fund Rally. The address was made by Bishop Candler. This address was massive, packed with information, sparkling with wit and hot with inspiration. The like of it was never heard before in these parts. The subscriptions to this fund amounted to $5,600.55.

Snnday was a great day in Greenwood. The sermon by Bishop Candler was one of rare power. It stirred the hearts of all the people. This was followed by the ordination of deacons, both traveling and local. The spacious church was packed full of eager and expectant people.

The love-feast was a season of grace to all present. The testimonies were many and full of assurance and love.

The anniversaries of the Board of Missions and of the Epworth League were held Satnrday night. The missionary address was made by Rev. T. J. Newell, of the Memphis Conference, and the League address by Rev. H. Walter Featherstnn, of the Mississippi Conference, and president of the State Epworth League.

The memorial service at 3 P. M., Sunday, was followed by the ordination of elders, traveling and local.

Greenwood did herself fine in entertaining the Conference. Each member and visitor had the best home. The homes were all good, better and best.

Rev. W. B. Murrah preached a fine sermon to a full house on Sunday night.

Bro. J. H. Mitchell is hard to beat as Conference host. He was alert, kind, courteous and patient, and attentive to the wants of everybody.

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Miss Helen Gould has given $1,000 to a Y. M. C. A. library at Texarkana, Texas.

Rev. J. J. Kelly, of the Louisiana Conference, let the light of his countenance shine into our den recently.

At the recent session of the Virginia Conference, Rev. S. A. Steel was stationed at Centenary Church, Richmond.

A brother who modestly withholds his name sends us ten dollars as a thank-offering, and wishes it applied to missions.

Bro. Beeson, of Alabama, father of Prof. J. W. Beeson, of E. M. F. College, recently adopted an orphan from our Water Valley Home.

Rev. J. C. C. Newton has been transferred from the Japan Mission Conference to the Virginia Conference, and stationed at Crittenden.

Rev. F. G. Hocutt passed through the city Tuesday en route to Conference at Monroe, and made an appreciated call at the ADVOCATE office.

Rev. E. A. Schell has resigned the Epworth League secretaryship in the M. E. Church, and Dr. W. P. Thirkield has been elected in his stead.

Mrs. M. M. Kersh, of Pelahatchie, Miss., has given $500 to our Orphans' Home at Water Valley. A most praiseworthy act. May her example prove contagious!

Rev. P. D. Hardin, of the Mississippi Conference, writes: "We are winding up in good shape. Our people gave us an appreciated pounding 'Thanksgiving night.'"

Pastors of the Mississippi Conference should bear in mind that the Board of Education expects them to carry with them to Vicksburg the Twentieth Century Educational Fund roll-books.

Rev. R. M. Blocker, of the Louisiana Conference, writes: "For more than three weeks my wife has been quite ill with spinal trouble. We have very little hope of her recovery. Pray for us." We bespeak for our brother the sympathies and prayers of the brethren.

Rev. M. L. Burton has resigned his position as manager of the Water Valley Orphans' Home, and Rev. J. G. Galloway, of the Mississippi Conference, has been elected in his stead. Whether Bro. Galloway will accept we are not informed. Bro. Burton will go into the pastorate in the Mississippi Conference.

Below we give an extract from a private letter recently received from a young lady who is a professional teacher: "I am a Baptist; but I have thrown my whole heart into the work of upbuilding the people of this community; and, as it is a Methodist neighborhood, I am trying to introduce their church paper into every family. Only one family in this church takes it. I herewith send you their names and addresses in order that you may send them some sample copies. Later I will call and ask them to subscribe. I am teaching here, and it has been my experience that I do better where my patrons take their church paper." If all Methodist preachers had the zeal and the wisdom of this Baptist sister, an uplifting force would be put into operation whose ultimate results no mathematician can compute.

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Mrs. Robert Elliot, Edwards, Miss., writes that she is much pleased with the machine recently ordered from the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE.

REV. T. B. WHITE.

The Conference year is drawing to a close, and we have many things to regret, and more to thank God for. While the death angels visited our camp meeting and took our beloved brother, T. B. White, from among us and from his earthly labors to that heavenly mansion prepared for the finally faithful, and while we bow with submission to the divine will of God, we sorely regret the death of our beloved brother; but we mourn not as those that have no hope, for we know our loss is his eternal gain. And in behalf of the tent-holders of Siloam Camp Ground, we offer Bro. White's bereaved family our heart-felt sympathy in this, their deep sorrow, and can but point them to the Lamb of God, our great burden-bearer, and pray his guidance through this vale of sorrow to that celestial city where they will be reunited with their loved ones again.

MRS. L. E. WILCOX,
DR. R. P. JEFFERIES,
J. L. MOORE,
Committee.

The longer I live the more I am certain that the great difference between men, between the feeble and the powerful, is energy—invincible determination, a purpose once fixed, and then, death or victory! That quality will do anything that can be done in this world, and no talents, no circumstances, no opportunities will make a two-legged creature a man without it.—Sir Thomas Fowell Buxton.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

"Some history of lake shipping and much information about the enormous trade of the Great Lakes," is the subject of an article in the December Ainslee's. The story of the invention of the tug is particularly interesting.

In the December number of the American Monthly Review of Reviews there is an editorial summary of the results of the elections, with a discussion of their import as an indorsement of the administration's policy. The editor also describes the progress of the Philippine campaign, the war in South Africa, and many other matters of international interest. A curious chapter in Oriental diplomacy is contributed by Mr. William N. Brewster, who writes on China's Secret Mission to Japan.

McClure's Magazine, for December, with its drawings by such artists as Howard Pyle, Frank Du Mond, and C. K. Linson, is notably artistic. In the introduction and prologue of Dr. John Watson's (Ian Maclaren's) Life of the Master, there is a more than satisfactory opening of what promises to be a unique and valuable feature throughout the year. There are two Christmas stories—one of the South and tramp life; one of the West and railroad life. There is a characteristic poem by the author of The Man with the Hoe. The dramatic story of Laurens' special mission to France, that saved the cause of the American Revolution, is effectively told by James Barnes, illustrated by Howard Pyle; Ex-Secretary Bontwell gives the inside history of The Impeachment of Andrew Johnson, of which he was one of the Congressional managers; and there are a number of other contributions of notable quality and interest.

The first illustration in the December number of the Self-Culture Magazine is an exquisite reproduction of a mural painting of The Adoration of the Magi. The paper in which this series appears is entitled A Unique London Chapel, and describes a chapel of rest in which no service will ever be held, no sermon will ever be preached, and no artificial light will ever be need, the purpose of its founder being to provide a place of retirement from temporal cares where the mind may be led to spiritual rest through the contemplation of religious paintings, details of which are beautifully reproduced. Other splendidly illustrated articles describe the Death of George Washington, the centennial of which falls on the 14th of December; Our Spanish-American Fellow-Citizens of New Mexico; Fort Ancient, the remains of the Mound-Builders of Ohio; Greenwich, Its Kings, Queens, and Heroes; a paper on Florida, entitled The Manatee, and some Japanese scenes and portraits.

If we exclude sympathy and wrap ourselves round in a cold chain armor of selfishness, we exclude ourselves from many of the greatest and purest joys of life.—John Lubbock.

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REV. THOMAS B. CLIFFORD, Jackson, La., EDITOR.

MISSISSIPPI.

REV HENRY G. HAWKINS, Madison, Miss., ASSOCIATE EDITOR

We have heard several readers of the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE speak of the benefit which they have received from reading the sixth, or Home Circle, page. One father stated that this one page was more than worth the price of the paper. One young lady worker, twenty years of age, remarked recently that she had been benefited more by reading this page than by anything else that had touched her life. Any young person who reads this page weekly is apt to grow in heavenly knowledge, and also in the practical knowledge of the things of this life.

Any young person who adds to the above weekly reading a weekly perusal of the Epworth Era, and a daily study of a small portion of the Bible, is not only growing in grace, but is being educated.

If your chapter has not within it a circle of members who are systematically studying the League course, at least have one or two selections from the books read periodically at the literary and social meetings, or even at the devotional services. Such a reading as "Moon Help" from the little book, "Among the Forces," would require only about three minutes, but interest all listening.

Miss Vic Thompson, State secretary, has sent the following:

MISSISSIPPI STATE LEAGUE.

Assessment received to Nov. 20, 1899: Starkville, $2; Vossburg, $1.35; Madison, $1; Tupelo, $2; Columbus, $5; Shuqualak, $1.10; Inka, $1.35; Canton, $2; West Point, $1.65; Sardis Juniors, $2.10; Greenville, $2.50; total, $22.

Jas. B. Holland, president of the West End League, Meridian, in a recent issue of the Epworth Era, had the following report concerning the League Union of his city:

"The Epworth League Union, of this city, is composed of Central, West End, South Side, and East End Leagues. Meetings are held bi-monthly, at which an interesting programme is rendered, besides the usual business. A Board of Control—composed of the pastors, president, three vice-presidents, and secretary—govern the Union and offer recommendations. An Executive Committee, composed of one member from each League, prepares the social programmes, etc. The last meeting, conducted by the president, Mr. W. D. Hawkins, the most enthusiastic Leaguer of our district, and to whom much credit for the growth and worth of our city's League is due, was one greatly enjoyed by a goodly number of Leaguers. When the business was concluded the social feature of the League was taken up, and a most delightful rendition of music, solos, addresses and papers were furnished the audience. The president spoke in high terms of the Epworth Era, which is, doubtless, the best young people's paper published, and urged that every Leaguer who could possibly do so should take advantage of the present extremely liberal offer and subscribe.

"A committee is preparing a Thanksgiving celebration, to occur at the City Hall, which promises to be a great success.

"With best wishes for the Era and the Epworth League."

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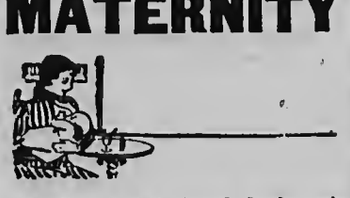

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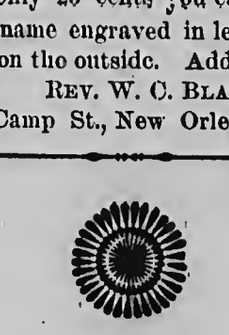

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CARLOS G. PORTOCARRERO.
Cane Cuba, Aug. 10, 1899.

Home Circle.

THE ONE WHO STAYS AT HOME.

The wheels of the world go round and round,
In the press of the busy throng,
Morn with its matin melody,
And night with its vesper song;
The tides are out and the tides are in,
Like the sea with its ebb and flow,
For there's always one to stay at home,
Where there is one to go.

Abroad on the highway's noisy track,
There is rush of hurrying feet,
The sparks fly out from the wheels of time,
To brighten the bitter and sweet;
But apart from the beaten road and path,
Where the pulse of earth runs slow,
There is always one to stay at home,
Where there is one to go.

Over and over good-byes are said,
In tones that die with the day,
When eyes are wet that can not forget,
And smiles have faded away:
Smiles that are worn as over a grave,
Flowers will blossom and blow;
For there's always one to stay at home,
Where there is one to go.

Always one for the little tasks,
Of a day that is never done;
Always one to sit down at night,
And watch with the stars alone;
And he who lights on the world's broad field,
With banner and blast and drum,
Little dreams of a battle gained,
By the one who stays at home!

—Selected.

"WHAT FOOLS WE MORTALS BE!"

Paley, "one of the sublimest spirits in the world," died at thirty-nine, of overwork. The great naturalist, Linnæus, so exhausted his brain that he did not recognize his own work, and forgot his name. Henry Kirke White won the prizes at Cambridge with his life. When Timothy Dwight was a student at Yale, he studied nine hours and taught six hours a day, taking no exercise. His mind entirely gave way, and it was a long time before it recovered.

The list of men and women who have been suicides, or almost suicides, from overwork, might be indefinitely prolonged.

Imagine the surprise of the angels at the death of men and women in the early prime and vigor of life. Could we but read the notes of their autopsies, we might say less of mysterious Providence at funerals. These would run somewhat as follows:

What! is it returned so soon?—a body framed for a century's use returned at thirty?—a temple which was twenty-eight years in building destroyed almost before it was completed? What have gray hairs, wrinkles, a bent form, and death to do with youth?

Has all this beauty perished like a bud just bursting into bloom, plucked by the grim destroyer? Has she fallen a victim to tight lacing, over-excitement, and the gayety of fashionable life? Poor thing!

Here is an educated, refined lady who died of lung starvation. What a tax human beings pay for breathing impure air! Nature provides them with a tonic atmosphere, compounded by the Divine Chemist, but they refuse to breathe it in its purity, and so must pay the penalty in shortened lives. They can live a long time without water, a longer time without food, clothing, or the so-called comforts of life; they can live without education or culture, but their lungs must have good, healthful air-food twenty-four thousand times a day if they would maintain health. Oh, that they could see, as we do, the intimate connection between bad air, bad morals, and a tendency to crime! It hardly seems credible that there are thousands of wealthy people, living on the best streets of large cities, who actually deny themselves the free air of heaven, and starve, literally starve, for sunlight, the source of all physical life and power. How many children, sent to induce man to return to Paradise, live and sleep where plants would die!

Here are the ruins of an idolized son and loving husband. Educated and refined, what infinite possibilities beckoned him onward at the beginning of his career! But the devil's agent offered him imagination, sprightliness, wit, eloquence, bodily strength, and happiness in eau de vie, or "water of life," as he called it, at only fifteen cents a glass. The best of our company tried to dissuade him, but to no avail. The poor mortal closed his "bargain" with the dramseller, and what did he get? A hardened conscience, a ruined home, a diseased body, a muddled brain, a heart-broken wife, wretched children, disappointed friends, triumphant enemies, days of remorse, nights of anguish, an unwept deathbed, an unhonored grave. And only to think that he is only one of many thousands! "What fools these mortals be!"

Did he not see the destruction toward which he was rushing with all the feverish haste of slavish appetite? Ah, yes; but only when it was too late. In his clenched hand, as he lay dead, was found a crumpled paper containg the following, in lines barely legible, so tremulous were the nerves of the writer: "Wife, children, and over forty thousand dollars all gone! I alone am responsible. All has gone down my throat. When I was twenty-one I had a fortune. I am not yet thirty-five years old. I have killed my beautiful wife, who died of a broken heart; have murdered our children with neglect. When this coin is gone, I do not know how I can get my next meal. I shall die a drunken pauper. This is my last money, and my history. If this bill comes into the hands of any man who drinks, let him take warning from my life's ruin."

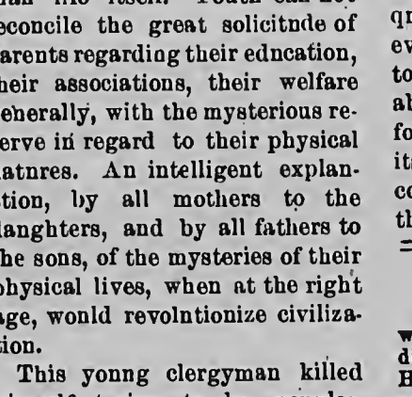
What a magnificent specimen of manhood this would have been if his life had been under the rule of reason, not passion. He dies of old age at forty, his hair is gray, his eyes are sunken, his complexion sodden, his body marked with the labels of his disease. A physique fit for a god-fashioned in the Creator's image, with infinite possibilities, a physiological hulk wrecked on passion's seas, and fit only for a danger signal to warn the race! What would parents think of a captain who would leave his son in charge of a ship without giving him any instructions or chart showing the rocks, reefs, and shoals? Do they not know that those who sleep in the ocean are but a handful compared with those who have foundered on passion's seas? Oh, the sins of silence which parents commit against those dearer to them than life itself. Youth can not reconcile the great solicitude of parents regarding their education, their associations, their welfare generally, with the mysterious reserve in regard to their physical natures. An intelligent explanation, by all mothers to the daughters, and by all fathers to the sons, of the mysteries of their physical lives, when at the right age, would revolutionize civilization.

This young clergyman killed himself trying to be popular. This student committed suicide by exhausting his brain in trying to lead his class. This young lawyer overdrew his account at Nature's bank; and she foreclosed by a stroke of paralysis.

This merchant died at thirty-five by his own hand. His life was slipping away without enjoyment. He had murdered his capacity for happiness, and dug his own spiritual grave while making preparations for enjoying life. This young society man died of nothing to do and dissipation at thirty, very little brains found.

Here is a good old man of sixty, his gray hair, if we could believe his enlogists, a mark of wisdom. But such wisdom ought to have saved him from dying of "old age" at sixty. Did he not know that his hair was growing gray, his face becoming pinched and wrinkled, his brain losing its former activity, his step becoming feeble because his blood no longer carried its full load of nutriment to all parts of the body? Did he not realize the simple truth that man begins life in a gelatinous condition and ends in an osseous state, being soft in infancy and hard in old age? Did he ever think that age is but ossification, and is produced by too much of the carbonates and phosphates of lime in food and drink, which not only harden the bones, but also thicken arteries and veins, and check the fullness and freedom of the flow of the human River of Life?

What a miserable farce the life of men and women seems to us! Time, which is so precious that even the Creator will not give a second moment until the first is gone, they throw away as if it were water. Opportunities which angels covet they neglect as of no consequence, and die failures, because they have "no chance in life." Life, which seems so precious to us, they spurn as if but a bauble. Scarcely a mortal returns to us who has not robbed himself of years of precious life. Very few return to us dropping off in genuine old age, as Autumn leaves drop in the forest. If they could but see the wonders of the human body, whose exquisite beauties excite admiration even in heaven, they would not torture it with hideous dress, abuse its sacred functions with foolish excesses, or even neglect its thorough care. Has life become so cheap that mortals thus throw it away?—Success.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GILLESPIE—Died on Thursday, Oct. 26, 1899, at the residence of his grandson-in-law, S. B. Spann, near Opelousas, Col. JOHN CRAWFORD GILLESPIE, in his eighty-fourth year.

Col. Gillespie was born in Montgomery county, Va., Jan. 8, 1816. He was the son of Rev. Samuel P. V. Gillespie, of the M. E. Church, who served the church in the States of Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, and Mississippi.

Col. Gillespie was a man of remarkable integrity of character, and filled many positions of trust in State and National employ. In 1842 he married Miss Evalina N. Foard, of Alabama, and in 1873 emigrated to Texas, residing at Bryan until 1880, when he came to Opelousas and took charge of his wife's estate in that vicinity. He was for years an earnest member of the M. E. Church, South, and was well informed in all that pertained to the history of that church. It was most interesting to converse with him upon church subjects. His experience was rich, and his knowledge of men and things extended. It was in his personal Christian life that he was more than interesting, and became a teacher. How beautiful was his faith, simple and child-like his trust! When he talked of his Lord, his mercy, love, and grace, it was evident that he spoke out of the fullness of the heart. He had tasted and seen that the Lord was good. The promises had for him a reality that came of testing, and Christ was indeed to him a present Savior, whom he loved and of whom he was under no circumstances ashamed, but whose honor was his chief delight. The Bible was his chart, and the Spirit his guide. He was a great sufferer, and had been confined to his room almost continually for the past two years. His end was in peace, and he fell "on sleep" as an infant upon its mother's breast.

T. K. F.

DRAKE—Mrs. NONA DRAKE, wife of Mr. C. R. Drake, of Ebenezer, Miss., and daughter of Mr. F. R. and Mrs. Scottie Nixon, died in Durant, Miss., Sept. 2, 1899, aged twenty-six years and one month. She was joined together with C. R. Drake in the holy estate of matrimony, Jan. 18, 1899, with whom she lived happily till our Lord called her to a higher sphere. She joined the M. E. Church, South, at Salem, Ebenezer charge, in 1897, where she continued a consistent member. A devoted wife, a Christian and true friend to all, has gone to her reward.

We extend our sympathies to her bereaved husband, relatives, and many friends, and pray that the Holy Spirit may comfort their sad hearts, and that he may lead them through this land of sorrow and bereavements to the land of bliss, where we shall meet again, and where sickness and pain and death are no more. Those who knew her best loved her most. A great loss to us, but gain to her. Let us say, "Thy will be done."

"Mourn not for those who sweetly rest
In heaven above in Jesus' breast."

Her pastor, J. W. TRADWELL.

CALCOAT—Mrs. SARAH E. CALCOAT (nee Powell) was born April 1, 1851; married to W. A. Calcoat, Dec. 1, 1870; passed peacefully away June 24, 1899.

Sister Calcoat has been a loyal member of the Methodist Church for about fifteen years. So long as health admitted she was a regular attendant at church. For eleven years Sister Calcoat was an invalid, most of the time confined to her bed. She bore her suffering patiently, and set her friends an example of fortitude. She leaves behind a husband, two sons, two daughters and many friends to mourn her death. Her loved ones and friends were faithful and unfailing during all her sickness. She has fought her fight against sin and misery, and has gone home to her reward.

Loved ones, grieve not that she is through with this world of sin, sorrow, and trouble. May you prove faithful to her God, that you may some day meet her in that bright world where loved ones meet to part no more!

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ELLISON—Mrs. MARY ELLISON (nee Moore) departed this life Oct. 20, 1899. She was born in Alabama, July 14, 1814. At an early age she came to Mississippi, where, in young womanhood, she was married to Mr. Thomas Ellison, with whom she lived happily until his death in 1894. Their union was blessed with eleven children, six of whom are living to mourn their loss.

Sister Ellison was a consecrated member of the M. E. Church, South, for sixty years. Hers was one of those homes where the weary pilgrim at always found a welcome. She was true and faithful in all the relations of life. As a church member, she was steadfast; as a neighbor, she was kind; as a mother, she was dutiful and loving. To the community in which she lived she has left an example worthy of imitation; to her children and grandchildren, a legacy worth more than silver or gold. Of her we think it might be said, as of Mary in olden time, "She hath done what she could." For two years previous to her death she was a great sufferer, but she bore her sufferings with Christian fortitude. During her last days she was faithfully ministered unto by her daughter, Miss Julia, and her niece, Miss Mattie Moore, as well as by numerous friends and relatives. The body was laid to rest in the family burying-ground, there to await the resurrection morn. May the bereaved ones so live as to meet her "in the city not made with hands, eternal in the skies!"

Her pastor, J. J. GOLDEN,
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HANSEL—SARAH P. HANSEL, daughter of B. E. and S. E. Powell, was born in Williamson county, Tenn., Dec. 4, 1811; moved with her parents to Marshall county, Miss., in February, 1847. She was twice happily married. January 22, 1861, she married Mr. J. W. Grovis. He lived only a short time. She married Mr. Hubbard Hansel, March 10, 1875. She was the mother of four children, two sons and two daughters. The sons are now living, and are members of the church.

Sister Hansel gave her heart to God and her hand to the M. E. Church, South, in her sixteenth year. She was a model Christian, a devoted mother, both to her own and her foster children. At the time of falling on sleep she was the superintendent of the Sabbath-school in Early Grove Church. When the final summons came, July 16, 1899, in her own home in Early Grove, Miss., she was fully ready. Her son, Hagh, is now in her place in the Sabbath-school. The Lord ever guide the children of Bro. and Sister Hansel.

D. L. COGDELL.

WOOD—Died at the family residence on Scott street, Alexandria, La., on Thursday, Oct. 5, 1899, Mrs. LOUISA E. A. WOOD; born in Rapides parish, Nov. 4, 1815. Her grandfather, Mr. Charles Stewart, moved from Kentucky to Rapides parish in the year 1802. The deceased married Giles C. Wood, of Maryland, in this parish in 1833. She was the mother of eleven children; three living (daughters), all of Alexandria. The deceased has been a widow for many years.

The death of Mrs. Wood takes from Alexandria her oldest native citizen. Her mother was the only sister of Ann H. Carlin, of Alexandria. The deceased's father was D. Kimball, a planter of Rapides parish; reared in the Methodist Church, Methodist at heart. I often heard her sing the old Wesleyan hymns. She joined the Episcopal Church with her children; a devoted, true wife and mother. She left us to join the angels in heaven. Rector Dr. H. C. Duncan, St. James Church, officiated at the funeral.

From one who knew and loved her from childhood, L. L. CHEVALIER.

KELLY—Tribute of respect to Capt. JOHN KELLY by Tchula Sunday-school, Tchula, Miss.:

Whereas, Almighty God, in his all-wise providence, has seen proper to remove from our midst our beloved brother and faithful worker, Capt. John Kelly; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to this inexorable decree, knowing that he doeth all things well; that we wish to express our appreciation of his services as a Sunday-school worker among us; that we greatly deplore the loss of so valuable a teacher and so zealous an advocate of Sunday-school interests.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved wife and family our heartfelt condolence, but can assure them of the fact that their loss is his gain. He has gone to his reward and rest. We commend his life as an example worthy of imitation.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the Minutes of Tchula Sunday-school, and our county papers and NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE be requested to publish the same.

H. Christmas, Mrs. W. H. Madden, Jackson Reeves, Committee.

KIDD—Resolutions by the Bunkie, La., Methodist Sunday-school in memoriam of Mr. W. B. KIDD, a consistent member of the senior class, who passed away Oct. 3, 1899;

Whereas, It has pleased the great Superintendent of the universe to remove from our school our brother and fellow-student; therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we deplore his removal, yet we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well. We miss him, but how much greater the loss and how much more the grief of the loved ones in their lonely home! We condone and sorrow with them, and point them to the haven of rest, praying that they may be joyfully reunited there.

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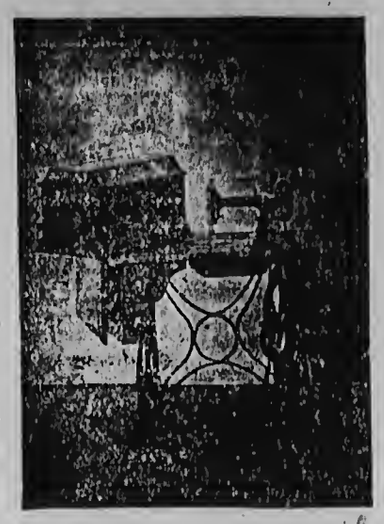

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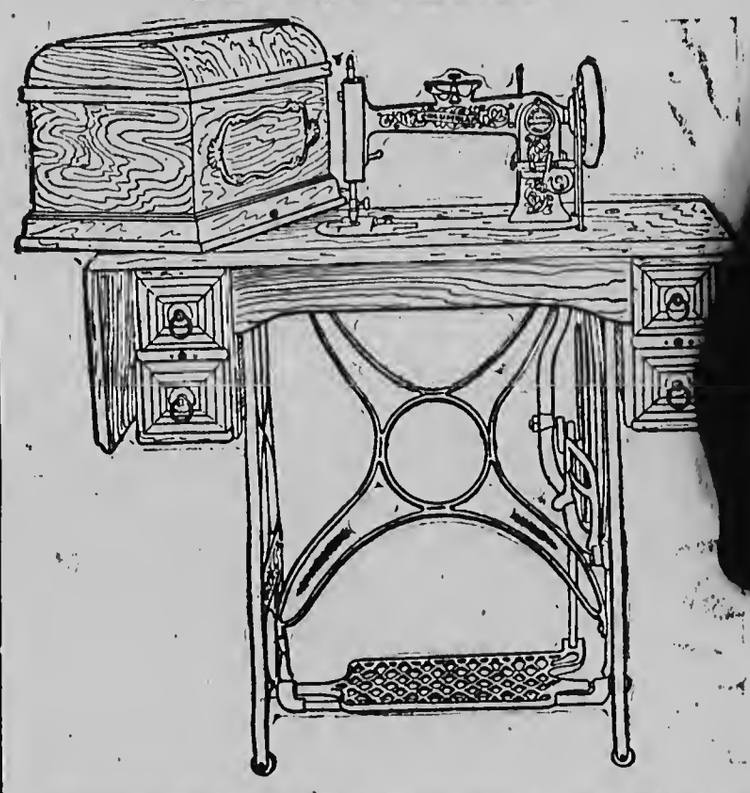

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Congress opened on Dec. 4.

The Cuban census has been completed.

The Filipino garrison at Bayombong has surrendered to the Americans.

The Society of Total Abstinence, just formed in Vienna, is the first ever established in Austria.

The British transport "Huronia" with a cargo of mules has reached Cape Town from New Orleans.

A bill has been introduced in the House appropriating $2,000,000 for a new postoffice at New Orleans.

Joubert has concentrated his forces near Colenso, and promises to sturdily contest Buller's advance across the Tugela.

Commander Booth-Tucker, of the Salvation Army, held several services in this city on Sunday, which were well attended.

Eight thousand men are employed by the British in strengthening the fortress, at Gibraltar. Spanish workmen have been dismissed.

All the association cotton mills of Fall River, Mass., employing 28,000 hands, have declined to grant a 10 per cent. advance in wages.

Great Britain is mining her harbors hastily, but thoroughly, with a view, it is said, of asking France to explain her unfriendly attitude.

The leader of the native rising in Mindanao Island has been assassinated by a native official, who treacherously led him into a trap.

The call for more troops has given England something of a shock, and the public has begun to look forward to a long and bloody war.

American troops have taken Santa Cruz and Tagudin, in the Philippines, the natives meeting the victorious Americans with brass bands.

The Republicans in the House will object to the seating of Roberts, the polygamist. It looks now as though the matter will be made a strict party issue.

England and Italy have partitioned territory which really belongs to Abyssinia, and King Menelik is expected to be heard from soon at the head of 100,000 men.

The battle at Modder river proved to have been undecided. The British failed to drive the Boers from their strong entrenchment, but the Boers retired during the night.

It is said that the American Sugar Trust has arranged to buy all the more important independent refineries in the country, and increase its capital from $75,000,000 to $200,000,000.

Gen. Meyer has introduced a bill in the House providing for the immediate acquisition by the United States of the Jetties, the government to maintain the channel through South Pass.

One of the most important developments of late, in connection with public matters in Germany, has been the campaign inaugurated by Emperor William in favor of a materially increased navy.

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There are 48 vessels of all classes under construction for the navy, of which four battle-ships should be finished early next year, and another in October, 1900; of the three other battleships under construction, one should be finished in 1901, and the two others in 1902. The cruiser "Albany," now building in England, and most of the thirty-three torpedo boats, ought to be finished during the coming year, and the four monitors in 1901.

The week opens without a word of news such as the British public is so anxiously awaiting. With a larger army in the field than the country ever before mobilized, it can only be said that the loss of 3,500 men, entailed before the enemy's borders have been crossed, is a serious matter, and while there is no feeling of despondency as to the eventual result of the war, it is regretfully admitted on all sides that the strength of the Boer resistance has been woefully underestimated.

The opening week of the session of the House promises to be crowded with stirring events. At the very threshold of the session will come the contest over the admission of Representative-elect Roberts, of Utah. The Roberts case has attracted the attention of the whole country. It is said the Republican leaders have adopted a plan of procedure which is designed to prevent Mr. Roberts from taking the oath of office until after the charges in connection with his alleged polygamous practices have been investigated by a special committee.

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BARNES—DOGAN.—At the residence of Mr. James Dogan, Charleston, Miss., Nov. 22, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Williams, Mr. S. C. Barnes to Miss Lizzie Dogan, all of Charleston, Miss.

BROADFOOT—WICKER.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Trenton, Miss., Oct 29, 1899, by Rev. D. C. Langford, Mr. A. M. Broadfoot and Miss Tinie Wicker, both of Smith county, Miss.

PULLIN—TRAXLER.—At the residence of the bride's father, near Polkville, Miss., Nov. 26, 1899, by Rev. D. C. Langford, Mr. Henry Pullin and Miss Rhoda Traxler, both of Smith county, Miss.

DRUMMONS—BERRY.—At the residence of Mr. A. H. Thompson, Tryna, Miss., Nov. 28, 1899, by Rev C. McDonald, Mr. Albert Drummons to Miss Jennie Berry.

DEFATO—HARRIS.—At the residence of the bride, near Daisy, La., Nov. 29, 1899, by Rev. J. F. Sonrieck, Mr. John DeFato to Miss Sarah J Harris.

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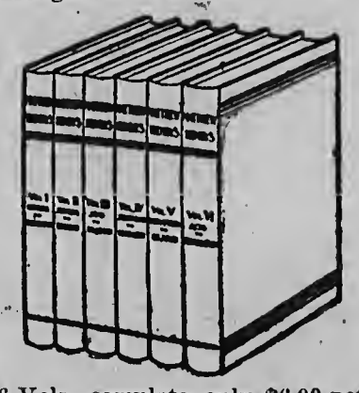

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Victory is in sight for the moral sentiment of the country in the Roberts case. Mr. Roberts was not allowed to take the oath as a member of the House of Representatives, and his right to do so has been referred to a committee, with instructions to investigate the charges against him, including that of being a polygamist, and report to the House. This was all that the opponents of Roberts asked, as they claim to be able to furnish absolute proof of his guilt. There is little doubt that the committee will report against him, and that the House will be practically unanimous in adopting the report of the committee. The vote on the adoption of the resolution for the appointment of the committee does not reflect the sentiment of the members of the House on the Roberts case, because there was a division of opinion as to the proper method of procedure, the minority favoring allowing him to take the oath before the investigation. Those who have made this victory possible do not intend to stop with having Roberts shut out of Congress; they intend to keep up the fight until a constitutional amendment against polygamy is adopted.

President McKinley, in the concluding sentence of that portion of his annual message to Congress dealing with the Philippine Islands, used this language, worthy to be printed in letters of gold in every educational institution under the American flag: "Our flag has never waved over any community but in blessing. I believe the Filipinos will soon recognize the fact that it has not lost its gift of benediction in its world-wide journey to their shores." Is there another head of a great nation who can truthfully say as much?

Senator Lodge has made a suggestion that the Senate create two new committees, to be known as the Committee on Pacific Islands, and the Committee on Relations with Cuba and Porto Rico, which has been well received. The first-named committee would have jurisdiction over legislation affecting the Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, and the island in the Samoan group that will be formally transferred to us as soon as the treaty arranging therefor, which has already been signed by the representatives of the United States, Great Britain, and Germany, goes into effect. These islands being now American territory, matters pertaining to them can not properly be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and many senators think it too suggestive to give the Committee on Territories jurisdiction over this legislation.

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis delivered the first of the series of lectures arranged by the Y. M. C. A. for this season, his subject being, "John Ruskin's Message to the Twentieth Century." Dr. Hillis declared his belief that Ruskin was "the first prose writer in all of England in the last three centuries," and that his message to the twentieth century was his famous creed that men and women of righteousness were the greatest blessings of a nation. Mr. Justice Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court, introduced Dr. Hillis to the audience, among whom were Secretary and Mrs. Gage, at whose home Dr. Hillis is a guest.

Commissioner of Education Harris, in his annual report, makes some interesting statements about education in the new possessions of the United States. For instance, the report says of Alaskan schools: "The Sitka Industrial School, founded by the Missionary Board of the Presbyterian Church, has accomplished excellent work in educating the young of the Indian and Eskimo tribes, particularly in industrial arts. Other schools under various denominations have either been supplied a teacher, or paid an allowance per pupil." And of Hawaii: "The present status of the educational system of Hawaii is all that can be desired. The school system of the islands has for some years been noted as remarkable for its completeness, even when compared with school systems on the continents of America and Europe." The report says the reported population of Porto Rico is 890,000, of which 500,000 are white; that illiteracy is stated to be 87.4 per cent. of the white and 86.8 per cent. of the colored population, and that a reorganization of the school system of the island is now in progress. Some figures are presented concerning the Philippines, but they all came from Spanish sources, which means that they are unreliable. Perhaps there will be some reliable data concerning those islands available by the time the Commissioner of Education prepares his next annual report.

Secretary Root has been deservedly complimented for the paragraph in his annual report dealing with army canteens. After stating that he agreed with the present construction of the law, he added: "It is, however, questioned by many citizens, and it is very desirable that if Congress does in fact intend to absolutely prohibit the sale of beers and light wine in post exchanges to the soldiers of our army in States where such sale is permitted by law to all other persons, this intention should be expressed in terms which are free from doubt."

Washington, Dec. 6, 1899.

Communications.

CHARTER OF INCORPORATION OF WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE.

The purposes for which this charter is granted are as follows:

ARTICLE I.

The following-named persons: I. W. Cooper, E. H. Monnger, A. C. McNair, B. F. Jones, J. T. Butler, Frank B. Catching, J. F. Powell, J. M. Morse, I. W. Lampton, Julia R. Love, Addie V. Marshall, J. Wesley Martin, R. L. Harrell, W. W. Simmons, together with the president of said college, the preacher in charge of Brookhaven station, and the presiding elder of the district in which the college is located, are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by and under the name and style of Whitworth Female College, and by that name they and their successors may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and have a common seal and break the same at pleasure, and may accept donations of real and personal property for the benefit of the college, and contributions of money or negotiable securities of every kind, in aid of the endowment of such college, and may confer degrees and give certificates of scholarship, and make by-laws for the government of said college and its affairs, as well as for their own government, and do and perform all other acts for the benefit of said institution and the promotion of its welfare, that are not repugnant to the Constitution and By-laws of this State, or of the United States; all of such acts to be under the general direction of the Mississippi Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

ARTICLE II.

The presiding elder of the district in which this college is situated shall be ex-officio president of this body corporate, and as soon after the issuance of this charter as convenient shall call together the persons named in Article I., who shall meet in the city of Brookhaven in this State, and shall complete their organization by the election of a vice-president, secretary and treasurer; and shall prescribe the duties, powers and terms of office of said officers. They shall also select by lot from the said trustees one-half, who shall be trustees of said college for three years and until their successors are elected; and the other half, not so elected, shall continue in office for the term of six years and until their successors are chosen as hereinafter mentioned. Five trustees shall constitute a quorum of this corporation.

ARTICLE III.

The said trustees shall, before the meeting of said Conference next before the expiration of the term of office of any of their members, notify the secretary of said Conference thereof, and the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by said Conference in such a way and at such time as it may determine, and the persons so elected shall succeed to the office, place, jurisdiction and powers of the trustees whose terms of office have expired. And the said corporation, and the college established by it, shall be subject to the visitorial powers of said Conference at all times, and the said college, its property and effects, shall be the property of said church under the special jurisdiction of said Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

The said trustees, when organized as hereinbefore directed, shall be known by the corporate name set out in Article I. of this charter, and all money, promissory notes and evidences of debt heretofore collected for said college, shall be turned over to, and receipted for, by them in their said corporate name; and all debts heretofore contracted by said college shall be assumed and provided for by this corporation; and the said corporation shall have full power to issue bonds giving security therefor, raise funds, take notes or other securities for the purpose of building, endowing, maintaining, furnishing and equipping said college.

ARTICLE V.

The cost of education shall, as far as practicable, be reduced by said corporation to the lowest point consistent with the efficient operation of said college, and to this end reports shall be made to the said Conference from year to year, and its advice in that behalf taken, and every reasonable effort shall be made to bring a collegiate education within the reach and ability of the poorer classes of this State.

ARTICLE VI.

This corporation shall require as a condition for graduation from said college the completion of the curriculum laid down for colleges by the General Board of Education of the M. E. Church, South.

Selections.

THE TREMENDOUS CRISIS IN THE EAST.

BY BISHOP WARREN A. CANDLER, D. D., LL.D.

The Roman Catholic Church chooses to occupy a peculiar position among the religious bodies of the world, and must, therefore, receive treatment in accord with its peculiarities. Its head, the Pope of Rome, claims temporal power and a place among the political princes of the earth. Because this claim is set aside by Italy, he is pleased to call himself "the prisoner of the Vatican." His emissaries were ready to claim seats at the recent Peace Conference at the Hague, but their claim was denied. Romanism, by the logic of its pretensions, is also an intolerant faith. Intolerance is of its essence. When it could execute its judgments against dissenters from its tenets it denounced them as heretics and punished them as criminals.

A church having these peculiarities can not be treated with the toleration every good man should accord to such peaceful bodies as the Baptist, Presbyterian, Congregational, Episcopal, or Methodist Churches. They claim no civil power, and extend a brotherly hand to all who love the Lord Jesus. Not so Romanism. It challenges criticism by its political purposes and its religious intolerance. No good man is required to tolerate intolerance, especially when it grasps at the sword of Cæsar to work its ends.

These reflections are suggested by the situation in the Philippines and the posture of affairs in China just now. The conditions in those lands as they affect the people of this country require that the American government should teach Romanism how to keep to its place. When the case is fully understood we have no doubt the American people will see to it that justice is done.

The situation in the Philippines is suggested by the following words of Gen. Funston, recently addressed to an audience gathered at the Leland Stanford University:

"If Congress would drive out the friars and confiscate every inch of church property, the bottom would drop out of the insurrection within one week. The inhabitants of Luzon are completely under church rule."

It appears, then, that American soldiers are slain because Romish friars practice treason and incite insurrection.

More recent than Gen. Funston's utterance is an interview of Archbishop Chapelle, in which he informed the American public that he was about to depart for the Philippines, with the blessing of the Pope and the "sanction" of President McKinley, to appease and conciliate these refractory elements by assurances that the title to church property in the Philippines would be confirmed to them by the government of the United States, when it is remembered that the title to much of this property was really by purchase of the Spanish government, and not by treasure of the Romish Church, and that the government of the United States has succeeded to all the property of Spain in the archipelago, the enormity of this proposition will appear. Must we buy the islands from Spain, and then purchase peace from the friars? This seems to be the idea.

But the case is worse in China, if possible. There our American citizens and missionaries are living virtually under a papal protectorate, backed by France and administered by a mixed court, which is composed of Romish priests and local Chinese officials, with an ultimate appeal to the consuls of France (who are under Romish influence), or to the French minister at Peking. This intolerable situation is of recent date, and has been brought to pass by a diabolical diplomacy as skillful as the Jesuitism which inspired it is unscrupulous.

Some of the effects of all this nefarious arrangement may be gathered from the extracts given below, which are taken from the Shanghai Mercury, of Sept. 29, 1899. The editor gives first this horrible incident of personal assault:

"In a certain place just over the borders of Hupeh, above Kiukiang, a community sent a deputation to a certain mission asking them to open work there, and sending word that they would give a donation for the purpose. The foreigner of that mission sent a native preacher up there to investigate, with the result that it was determined to open a station entirely at the expense of the natives of the place—that is to say, there were to be no foreign funds employed. The Catholics have a place there and a native priest in residence. The Romanists said the Protestants should not open work there, but, of course, no attention was paid to this threat. One of the oldest Protestant native preachers was sent to rent a building, and carried some thirty dollars of the native subscription in his pockets. This preacher has been in connection with his mission for nearly thirty years, and is more than sixty years of age. On the road he was pounced upon by some score, or more, of members of the Roman Church, who robbed him of his money and clothing, smashed his chair, and beat him so unmercifully as to leave him on the road for dead. The man only saved his life by feigning death as he lay bleeding upon the ground. The head of the Romanist band then cut the skin of his face so as to make the blood come, and went to the priest, and reported that he had been badly mauled by the Protestant preacher. This story was reported to the officials. The mandarins acknowledged that these fellows were villains, and that they should be treated as outlaws, and refused to believe that the Protestant preacher had beaten the head of the robbers. You would only need to look at the poor, asthmatic, sixty-odd-years-old preacher to see that he is physically incapable of being able to whip an active lad of ten, much less a stalwart young blood such as he who headed the Romanists. The preacher had with him only one attendant besides his chair-bearers, who bolted at the first sign of trouble. The French priests will not allow the officials to punish these robbers, and the day our informant left Kiukiang a note was put into his hands to say that the French consul had gone up to strengthen the hands of the priest, and to protect the pirates, and to endeavor to lay all the blame on the preacher whom they now seek to incriminate. The officials are now telegraphing and sending special messengers for native Protestants to go up and face the French father and the consul. This the Protestant missionaries have refused to allow them to do. One of the missionaries has the case in hand, and he has been to Shanghai to see the United States consul to find out what can be done. If this be true, it is a flagrant piece of injustice, and we do not see what is to be done to keep things straight."

Discussing another incident, the editor makes the case still more clear. He continues:

"In Kiangsi province a Protestant mission has been receiving extraordinary success. People by the thousands are flocking to their church, and this, although they have done no work there, and although the entire district until the last three years has been intensely anti-foreign. The Roman Church has been very strong, and has carried things for years with a very high hand, so much so that both the officials and people are afraid of them. The most trivial case is magnified, reported to consuls, and even carried to Peking. Crowds of bad and worthless characters go to the Roman Catholics, and are freely taken in by them. These new converts then use foreign influence and power to work their nefarious schemes, and to oppress their neighbors. All this, continued through years, during which they have extorted vast sums from the officials and people in claims and otherwise, has given them a noisome reputation. Many petitions were sent to the Protestants to open work, and they did so, and with the result that multitudes came to them. They have a general idea that they will be under Protestant protection against the Catholics, and they are freely subscribing toward churches and such like."

It is said the American minister "has referred the subject to the headquarters of Protestant missions in the United States," whatever that may mean. This is well enough, but he would better use his diplomatic offices to change the status. It is well enough to ask in defense of expansion, "Who will haul down the flag?" But when Romanism oppresses and persecutes missionaries sent out by American Protestants, it is better to inquire if Rome has not already hauled it down, or left it flying in order to pour contempt upon it.

A "Know-Nothing" crusade is not desirable. An A. P. A. campaign need not be preached; but Protestants should cause the authorities at Washington to understand that Romish aggressions shall not be carried on under the protection of this government. Let it be understood once for all that Romanism has just as many, but no more rights under our government than Presbyterianism, Episcopalianism, Methodism, or any other form of faith. The pope is no more than any other Bishop. Cardinal Gibbons stands on the same level with other ministers of religion, notwithstanding his gandy robes of office.

Another matter: The mighty ferment in China calls for speedy evangelism of that populous land. There dwell one-fourth of all the men and women on the planet. If that huge iceberg shall melt under Protestant preaching, the religious temperature of the whole race will be raised. Moreover, the situation calls for immediate action. Changes have already taken place which make the problem of China more difficult than it was even so short a time as a year ago.

China is the most immense missionary field on the earth, and is ripe for the harvest. The United States is the richest nation that is now, or ever was, on the earth, and its wealth is mostly in Protestant hands. These two facts point to the possibility of an immeasurable triumph through our generosity or an unprecedented crime by our stinginess. No people ever confronted a greater opportunity or a more weighty responsibility.

This tremendous crisis in the East calls for our courage as citizens and for our consecration as Protestants. As citizens, we must teach the Romanists to keep their place. As Christians, we must learn the high uses of our means in this epochal hour. As servants of our Lord, we must act and act at once. "The night cometh, when no man can work."—Nashville Advocate.

Five minutes spent in the companionship of Christ every morning—aye, two minutes, if it is face to face and heart to heart—will change the whole day, will make every thought and feeling different, will enable you to do things for His sake that you would not have done for your own sake, or for any one's sake.—Drummond.

LUCY KING'S RIDDLE.

(Some years ago a prominent merchant of Trenton, N. J., said to an eccentric lady, named Lucy King, that, if taking the subject from the Bible, she would compose a riddle which he could not solve, he would give her a handsome prize. She won the prize with the riddle given below. Perhaps some of our readers are wiser than the New Jersey merchant. We shall see.—EDITOR.)

1. My body God did make complete
But without arms, or legs, or feet.
My ways and acts he did control,
But to my body he gave no soul.

2. Adam God made out of dust,
But thought best to make me first;
So I was made before the man
To answer God's most holy plan.

3. A living being I became,
And Adam gave to me my name;
I from his presence then withdrew,
And more of Adam never knew.

4. I did my Maker's law obey,
And from it never went astray.
Thousands of miles I go in fear,
But seldom do on earth appear.

5. For purposes wise which God did see,
He put a living soul in me.
A soul from me my God did claim,
And took from me that soul again.

6. And when that soul from me had fled,
I was the same as when first made;
And without hands or feet or soul,
I travel on from pole to pole.

7. I labor hard by day and night;
To modern man I give great light.
Thousands of people, young and old,
Do by my death great light behold.

8. Nor right nor wrong can I conceive;
The Scriptures I can not believe.
Although my name therein is found,
They are to me an empty sound.

9. Nor fear of death doth trouble me.
True happiness I ne'er shall see.
To heaven I shall never go,
Nor to the grave, nor hell below.

10. Now, when these lines you surely read,
Go search your Bible with all speed;
For that my name is written there,
I honestly to you declare.

READY TO GO.

My summons may come in the morning,
Or the deep, peaceful slumber of night;
It may come with a lingering warning,
Or as quick as a flash of sunlight;
It may come while I m thinking of heaven;
It may come while my thoughts are astray;
While I m sitting alone in my dwelling,
Or greeting some friend on the way.
What the day or the hour when the bidding
Comes to me I never can know,
And I pray at the call of the Master
I may answer, "I'm ready to go."
—From "At the Beautiful Gate."

Communications.

REV. R. L. MOORE.

The subject of this sketch, Rev. R. L. Moore, a member and minister of the Methodist Free Church, was born near Holly Springs, Miss., Dec. 13, 1838, and departed this life at his home near Myrtle, Miss., Aug. 5, 1899.

Bro. Moore was happily married to Miss S. J. Dodds, Sept. 7, 1858. From this union sprang three affectionate daughters and a devoted son who mourn with their sorrow-stricken mother the death of their father. But their sorrow is not one of bitterness, but of loneliness.

Bro. Moore was converted to Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, July, 1860, under the preaching of our revered Bro. J. H. Brooks—the text being John iii, 8. In 1851 he entered the Confederate Army and bravely fought for what he thought was right. When the unhappy struggle was over he returned home, and, though financially broken up and somewhat demoralized by the war, he went to his farm and worked to make a support for his young wife and growing family. In this he succeeded well. In the year 1874 he was powerfully revived in a great meeting conducted by Bro. J. M. Mitchell, who was preacher in charge of what was then known as the Hickory Flat circuit in the Holly Springs district, North Mississippi Conference.

Soon after this great revival Bro. Moore felt he was called to the ministry, and immediately made application to the Quarterly Conference for license to preach, which was granted him in the Fall of 1874. From this time on he was a close student of the Bible and other good books. He preached often and was of great help to his pastor. In 1881, for reasons best known to himself, Bro. Moore left our church and joined the Methodist Free Church, of which he was an honored and faithful member and minister at his death. He was a good provider and gave all his children a good English education. He had a happy Christian home, which was always open to the preachers of all denominations. Though he had a nervous temperament, yet he had a sweet and charitable spirit.

Bro. Moore's death was caused from catarrh of the throat, from which he suffered intensely for several months. Though his sufferings were long and severe, yet he bore them with great patience and Christian fortitude. He would often say to his family, "The Lord has done a great deal more for me than I could have asked or expected, and now I am ready, willing and waiting for the blessed summons to the home above."

Bro. Moore was a kind husband, a tender father, a good citizen, a devoted Christian. I knew him well and loved him as a brother. May the grace of our blessed Lord comfort and sustain the bereaved family and many friends!

J. W. ANDERSON.

Verona, Miss.

MEDITATIONS!

MR EDITOR: I am away out here in the country, surrounded by a primeval forest, but not like the forest of Dante's Inferno:

Where no track
Of steps had worn a way. Not verdant there
The foliage, but of dusky hue; not light
The boughs, and tapering, but with knars deformed,
And matted thick: fruits there were none,
But thorns instead, with venom fill'd."

Our forest is the cool, shady home of the sylvian nymphs:

Where stately trees grow,
And sweet fountains flow;
Where beautiful birds sing,
And make the woods with music ring;
Where the nimble squirrels play and chatter,
And make acorns and nuts clatter;
Where sweet flowers richly bloom,
And fill the air with their perfume.

I live in the country because my people live here, and thus we are more closely identified. I love to get as near my people as I can, and try to know as much of them as I can, and sympathize with them all I can. We have some of the best people to be found in the State up here in North Mississippi, and I love them. My association with them has been very pleasant. I came among them two years ago a stranger; now I feel akin to them all. No people in city or town are more refined or polite. But it has not been all joy and peace:

"For ever since the world was made,
Sometimes there's sunshine, sometimes shade:
Sometimes the gentle, blowing breeze
Will sway the flowers and bend the trees.

"Sometimes the lightning's dart and flash,
Sometimes the thunder's roll and crash,
Sometimes there's peace and joy and love
Showered down from heaven up above."

So we have had sickness, sorrow, disappointment, and death. I have stood on the border of the Beulah land. "And not a wave of trouble rolled across my peaceful breast." I am so glad that death has no sting for a Christian. We have buried some of our best and most time-honored people this year. But God has been good to us, and we have had many expressions of divine love and mercy. Some precious souls have been added to the church, and others made happy in trusting God fully.

Well, another Conference is near at hand, and we that are yet alive, and can, must go up to roll-call. I thought last Spring I would never hear the roll called again, but God has spared me, and if I live a little while longer, I will see the dear brethren who asked God to let me live longer. No, I can not see all of them, for some of them have crossed the Stygian river.

Bro. Jones, patient and meek, has gone from his long suffering, and Bro. Gibbs, consecrated and true, and dear Bro. Phillips, for many years faithful, loving, and full of good deeds, and, last, Bro. Lipscomb, zealous, true, and powerful for good—all gone before. They have laid down their labors and entered into the joys of their Lord. Precious is the memory of these dear brethren. Peace be to their ashes and joy to their spirits. May their mantle of faith and love fall on us who remain, and may we press the battle till we hear the welcome command, "Enough; come up higher!"

Oh, what a blessing and inspiration it is to go to Conference and meet our loved fellow-workers! May we all go in the spirit of the Master, and may he go with us! There is very important work to be done there. Plans must be laid for another year, and a great deal depends on how that work is done. Then the preachers and their family must be provided for. All can not get good, easy places. Some will, and some will not; some will be pleased, and some will not. My, what a solemn responsibility rests on our Bishop and his cabinet! May God strengthen them and lead them into all wisdom, love, and truth, and may all be done for the glory of his holy name, and for the advancement of his kingdom!

J. A. POE.

Marianna, Miss., Nov. 22, 1899.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

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THE PREACHER'S HOME.

It has been beautifully said that man's ideal is God's reality. In the beginning he gave us an example, creating the beautiful earth for our habitation. From mountain-top o'er valleys, plains and forests—on out to the boundless seas—the eye is ravished with beauty. Just a little dot of desert-land by way of contrast. And again, in the apocalyptic vision of our heavenly home, we see mansions of stately proportions, builded on streets of gold, and all the crowns of earth robbed of their jewels to adorn the gates that lead into that fair city.

Man, who was made in His own image, and endowed with His nature, has ever been reaching out after high ideals. In music, in painting, in art, in all things, God is the teacher, and the children of men the pupils striving for perfection.

Suppose just now that we could go one step further in science, and throw a flash-light upon the mind, photographing the impressions there created by the utterance of that one word—Home.

Probably the wandering itinerant may be thinking of the place where innocent childhood and happy maidenhood were spent, where father and mother, sister and brother all contributed their share in the home-making; where so many years were spent in the building of it, and so many silent acts of love and sacrifice helped to make it an ideal home of comfort and rest to the weary soul—that it has become a part of her life. As we look back upon that period where years of concentrated labor was spent to make the home a center of influence, a type of the heavenly one in all things, we are glad we appreciated our opportunity, for it is ours now, only in a limited sense. There is just one way, and only one, that we can still use this privilege in all its broadest meaning. We must realize that we belong to one great family, and that every Methodist minister's wife is our sister; that we are ever building for each other, and there is that scattereth and yet increaseth.

The first object of the Home Mission Society is the providing of comfortable homes for the preachers of our land; so it behooves us in coming together to determine whether it could yet be written of each of us, "She hath done what she could." We dream that if our Lord were only here in our midst, we would delight to honor him, to lay our richest treasures at his feet; but how often it is forgotten that his ministers are his representatives here, and he has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it to the least of these, ye did it unto me."

It may be truly said that the preacher's home indicates the estimation and appreciation of Christ's ministers in that community. Where poor material is accepted to go in the construction of the parsonage, and little attention is paid to its architecture, in that place the right spirit is sadly lacking.

The first thing to consider, however, is the location of the parsonage. It is a question open to discussion; but, as a general rule, the voice of our sisterhood, echoed by the little ones, will be lifted in appeal for a home under the protecting shadows of the church. Think of the many meetings that mother must attend, being compelled in many instances to carry the little ones with her, or leave them at home with a more or less trustworthy servant. Surely in either case her obligation as mother and church worker would be made easier by being only a few steps from the church. In case of sickness it is especially desirable that the home should not be far away.

If it is possible, the plan should be made by a good architect; and if the parsonage is to be built by our help, by loan or donation, I think it would be wise to have the plan submitted to a committee appointed by our Board for that purpose, for it has been clearly demonstrated that eloquent preachers and conscientious laymen sometimes have very poor ideas about the construction of a house.

It should be large enough for the average family, and a room to spare for the occasional guest, if possible; and a quiet corner-room fitted up for the pastor's study, being well-lighted and suitably furnished, remembering that a book-case and desk are a necessity. A community will be certain to be well paid for this trouble. The pastor will be stimulated to careful work, and will be properly equipped for it. Much thought should be given to the convenience and comfort of the dining-room and kitchen, for in many cases there is not even the "maid of all work" to lighten the labors of the preacher's wife; and surely she must conserve her strength to meet the many demands made upon her.

This all properly comes under the supervision of the W. H. M. S. Yea, more. To the individual or combined efforts of our good women we must look for proper furnishing, for, in the economy of our itinerant host, it is inexpedient to own much household goods. The worn traveler feels her heart grow light when she enters the new home and finds warmth and good cheer within—neat, substantial furniture; clean, comfortable beds awaiting her. She feels that the angel of love has been there, and she inwardly resolves that she will merit such kindness, and will do more toward keeping that home sweet and attractive than she has ever done in the past, for surely such loving care deserves appreciation. She need not await with such anxiety her good husband's return to know if the freight has arrived, for she sees around her everything that is necessary for the comfort of her family. Tears may be falling, but they are tears of thanksgiving that her lot has been cast with people who show their love for God's servant in a practical way.

It takes continual work and care to keep a home in repair. But it should be our pride and pleasure to leave each one in better condition than we found it, and to leave some substantial reminder that we have passed that way.

These homes are to become the centre of light and influence. Shall it not be through yon and me—rather through us—through preacher and people? The motto of my native State is very applicable, "United we stand, divided we fall."

If this message is anything, it is opportune. The time is close at hand when we must be ready to say good-bye to old friends and home, and go we know not where.

Let us return home and, with the good women of the H. M. S., prepare as for the coming of a bride, making our preparations according to the capacity of our resources. The reflex action of such work is wonderful. It is not until we have expended ourselves that we understand, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

This is such a busy life, and sometimes we grow so weary; but "the toils of the road will seem nothing when we get to the end of the way;" and, dear co-workers, draw strength for your work from the thought that our Savior has gone to prepare a place of rest for us, and eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive what God hath prepared for us. ANNETTE B. GLADNEY.

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SELF-DENIAL WEEK AT GRENADA COLLEGE.

The young ladies of Grenada College received a great blessing during the Week of Prayer and Self-denial, set apart by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. Our president's wife was the inspiration of the movement, and it was through her Christian influence and loving guidance that this week proved to be a refreshing season to many who were thirsting for the waters of everlasting life. It was she who arranged the self-denial tables in the dining-room, and my heart overflows with gratitude when I tell the readers of our column that one table was sufficient to accommodate all those who were unwilling to enter into this plan.

There was no compulsion; simply a voluntary desire upon the part of faculty and student body to enter upon this season of prayer and self-denial. Some were unable to do so on account of physical infirmity, but they gave their hearty sanction to the movement and brought gifts of love to His altar. No meat or dessert was allowed on any of the denial tables, and the money accruing therefrom was credited to the "May McIntosh" Society. Every morning a member of this society conducted devotional exercises in the chapel, following closely the program prepared by the Woman's Missionary Advocate.

On Thanksgiving day a special service was held at ten o'clock. A holy stillness pervaded the room when the first girl acknowledged God's wonderful power over her heart and life, and promised unswerving allegiance to his dear cause. One by one, like pearls slipping from a broken string, did these dear girls praise God for his compassionate love, and as gleaming pearls are hidden away in a casket for safe keeping, so we pray that their lives may be hidden in God's love, and as long as they abide in the secret place of the Most High they will dwell forever in the palace of a King. I never felt the invisible presence more wonderfully. Like Jacob of old, my heart cried out, "Surely the Lord is in this place." Through nearly every testimony there rang out a clear, full note of joy and thankfulness for the beautiful Christian influence that permeates every niche and crevice of Grenada College. After this sacred hour, that strengthened the faint-hearted, the girls and teachers attended the Presbyterian Church, where union services were held. As it was Thanksgiving we had no abstaining at dinner. A bountiful repast was enjoyed by all. On each table was placed a receptacle for a thank-offering. This amounted to about seven dollars. After dinner the girls were divided into groups. Ladened with baskets and Bibles, they started forth upon errands of love and missions of mercy. No one was forgotten that day. Even the prisoners in jail were visited. A blessed prayer meeting was held with them in bonds of the law, and fettered with the iron bonds of sin. As the shades of eventide darkened the shadowed places, these tired, but happy girls went home through the purpling twilight with angels of grace lingering about them, and through the limitless realms of the air, through the streets of the City Immortal, was wafted the fragrance of these deeds done "In His Name." These precious girls realized the quiet, sweet joy of a duty well performed; also the uselessness of searching for fruitage forbidden when the golden pomegranates of Eden are ripening within their grasp.

Our season ends to-night—Friday. We have fifteen dollars and a sweet sense of divine ownership that surpasses all the riches of this earth. With shielded eyes we look upward beyond the sunset bar, beyond the evening star, and see the yellow glow of jasper, the violet tinge of amethyst, the foundation and capstone of that city not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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THE GOSPEL OF EMPHASIS.

There are people who do not seem to clearly discern the difference between noise and power. Undoubtedly power is often accompanied with noise, but there are still greater powers which work in silence. The thunderbolt has power, but the power of the sunbeam is far greater than that of the thunderbolt. Much of the noise made by machinery is due to imperfect construction, or to defects and derangement of the parts. An engine that rattles and clatters may not have a tenth part of the power of one which is perfect in its fittings and appointments, and moves without jostling or rattling, but with a thousand horse-power. So in the gospel, men who but imperfectly comprehend the truth of Christ and the ways of God are sometimes far more demonstrative than others whose understanding is more complete and accurate. The gospel of the Son of God is no more dependent upon thunder and lightning and earthquake than the seed which is cast into the ground. When once the Word of God is sown and its vital energies have taken root in the human soul, its original work may go on in sunshine or in storm, in silence or amid the tumult, and the day of eternity alone can reveal the full extent of that mighty power which "wrought in Christ when it raised him from the dead," and which still works in the hearts of all who know his grace and share his love. No human excitement, spasmodic, struggling or artificial zeal; no politic craft working unseen to accomplish personal ends, can take the place of this divine, eternal power by which God works in the hearts of the sons of men. It is not eloquence, it is not emphasis, it is not fuss and noise and fury; it is the hidden and divine energy of him "who worketh all things according to the counsel of his own will," and whose silent, but beneficent, energies have brightened and blessed a lost world and reconciled a wandering race to God.—Exchange.

GENUINE SYMPATHY.

It is of the greatest moment that we exhibit tenderness in dealing with those who are in distress. Let it be admitted that the grief is in consequence of errors that might have been avoided. Who made us the authorized agents of swift punishment? How unreasonable to think that burdens can be lifted from the sorrowing in this way. It is often the case that self-reproach is sufficiently natural to a soul plunged in grief, without adding anything in word or look.

When Job was obliged to listen to such suggestions that fell from the lips of his false friends like poisoned arrows, his reply was a manly revolt out of his deepest nature—a revolt against that cold, censorious method with which sufferers are even now sometimes met in their helplessness: "I have heard many such things: miserable comforters are ye all. Shall vain words have an end? . . . I also could speak as ye do: if your soul were in my soul's stead, I could heap up words against you."

Like our great "Burden-bearer," we must, in a true sense, take upon our own hearts the sorrow that we would relieve. Here is no room for the conventional or the mere professional. Jesus entered the deepest depths of every sorrow. Our experience, unlike his, must of necessity be partial. But, then, if our sympathies are truly genuine, and if our hearts are open toward all forms of suffering, we will be able to bear for others—if not in the divinely perfect way, yet in our own human measure.—Exchange.

ONE SIN.

There was but one crack in the lantern, and the wind has found it out and blown out the candle. How great a mischief one unguarded point of character may cause us! One spark blew up the magazine and shook the whole country for miles around. One leak sank the vessel and drowned all on board. One wound may kill the body. One sin destroys the soul.

It little matters how carefully the rest of the lantern is protected; the one point which is damaged is quite sufficient to admit the wind. And so it little matters how zealous the man may be in a thousand things if he tolerates one darling sin; Satan will find the flaw and destroy all his hopes.

The strength of a chain is measured not by the strongest, but by its weakest link, for if the weakest snaps, what is the use of the rest? Satan is a close observer and knows exactly where our weak points are; we have need of very much watchfulness, and we have great cause to bless our merciful Lord, who prayed for us that our faith fail not.

Either our pride, or our sloth, our ignorance, our anger, or our lust, would prove our ruin unless grace interposed; any one of our sensual faculties might admit the foe—yea, our virtues and graces might be the gate of entrance to our enemies. O Jesus! if thou hast indeed bought me with thy blood, be pleased to keep me by thy power even unto the end.—C. H. Spurgeon.

PROFITABLE BIBLE READING.

In spite of all our helps and methods of study, we have a strong conviction that our young people are not as familiar with the Bible as they ought to be. How few have a knowledge of the times and occasions of the writing of the books of the Bible, or could describe their general contents! How few can quote the Scriptures which teach and support the doctrines they believe! The old way of committing proof texts may have been faulty, by reading special meanings into passages, and yet it was better than the dim, indefinite views which so many have. The more we read and study the Bible, the greater is our enjoyment and interest in its careful perusal. But the Bible should not be read merely as one studies history or science. We should read for spiritual help and the inspiration of our faith. Every Christian should be able to say, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."—Christian Guardian.

THE ONE ALTOGETHER LOVELY.

If you wear the livery of Christ, you will find Jesus so meek and lowly of heart that you will find rest unto your souls. He is the most magnanimous of captains. There never was his like among the choicest of princes. He is always to be found in the thickest part of the battle. When the wind blows cold, he always takes the bleak side of the hill. The heaviest end of the cross lies ever on his shoulders. If he bids us carry a burden, he carries it also. If there is any which is gracious, generous, kind, and tender, yea, lavish and superabundant in love, you always find it in him. His service is life, peace, joy. Oh, that you would enter on it at once! God help you to enlist under the banner of Jesus Christ!—"Last Words of Rev. C. H. Spurgeon."

In our experience of temptation, conflict, sorrow, and fear, when burdened with responsibilities and worn with care, and in the closing moments of earthly life, Christ will ask that we may receive the grace we need, and at last be received to glory. Blessed be God for the hope of heaven through him who ever liveth to make intercession for us!—Robert F. Sample.

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IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. MARY BANGS MAGRUDER.

On Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1899, at her home in Baton Rouge, Mrs. Mary Bangs Magruder fell asleep in Jesus. By nature, and through grace, she was a remarkable woman. Some account of her life and estimate of her character is eminently fitting.

She was born in Newburg, N. Y., Feb. 15, 1818. At nearly eighty-two years of age she died in full possession of her faculties. She came of noble Methodist stock. Her father, Rev. Heman Bangs, and uncle, Dr. Nathan Bangs, were both men of conspicuous ability and extensive usefulness in the M. E. Church in the earlier years of this century. She was reared in the church by godly parents, and in her youth knew a number of the choice spirits of Methodism in those days. Such men as Dr. Wilbur Fisk and Bishop Hedding she knew well. Her early associations were ever fresh in memory, and made equally profound impressions upon her character.

On Nov. 22, 1837, she was married to Mr. W. H. N. Magruder, a young Mississippian, who had been a student of the Wesleyan University at Middletown, Ct. Coming South, their first home was on a plantation in the State of Mississippi. Later Prof. Magruder entered upon his life-work as a teacher. After leaving Mississippi their home was in Jackson, La., until they moved to Baton Rouge, where, for over forty years, Mrs. Magruder spent her useful and devout life. In coming to the South, Sister Magruder was again the friend and associate of many of the noblest men and women of our church. She was privileged to know and hear such men as William Winans and Benjamin Drake, and others whose names are in the Lamb's book of life. For nearly sixty-two beautiful years she fulfilled the duties of wife and mother with Christian fidelity, and magnified the opportunities of domestic life and its most gracious hospitalities. Many students of other days and ministers of the gospel, who were the privileged guests of that home, will recall the quiet poise and sweet dignity of her place there. She became the mother of a large family. Most of her children have preceded her to the world of spirits, but there remain four sons, with their venerable father, to mourn her loss and hold in precious memory her life.

Sister Magruder was a woman of active sympathy with the practical interests of life. Nearly everything worth considering interested her. She enjoyed life. If there was a morbid element in her character, I could never detect it. Her interests were not restricted, and her mind was clear and active to the end. She was fully alive to the work of the church. In her old age she remained the faithful and efficient president of one of the ladies' societies in the church. Just a few days before her death she sent a message of exhortation to her fellow-workers. Her character was balanced; she had no eccentricities. There was a serene rest in her face. Her actions never suggested a restless mind. She had no fear of circumstances, and was not governed by the fortuitons. She was strong, but it was the peculiar strength of a disciplined womanhood. "God's gentleness had made her great."

In Sister Magruder was expressed that singular blending of the New England character with Southern characteristics. She came here with a noble nature and training, and assimilated our very best. Her religious life and character was normal. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church when about fourteen years of age. For sixty-eight years she followed the Master with unfaltering loyalty. She was soundly converted. She told me in her last illness that she had never doubted her conversion. Such a life as hers was only possible upon the basis of a clear knowledge of acceptance with God. She was devoted to the Bible. She read the Scriptures with an understanding heart, and believed them as the oracles of God.

As the last days came there was a quiet majesty in the composure of her spirit. She literally had no preparation to make; as she herself said, that was done long ago. In a last conversation she spoke to me of her peace and of the blessings of God which she had enjoyed all her life, of her willingness to go and calm rest in God, and finished the conversation, saying, "Bless the Lord, O my soul." Her work was finished, and now the Master's work in her is complete, for she beholds him face to face, and is satisfied, being awake in his likeness.

F. N. PARKER.

GONE HOME.

Mrs. Sallie V. Smith, wife of Rev. J. H. Smith, of the North Mississippi Conference, passed from earth to the mansion prepared by her Lord for her in her Father's house, Oct. 24, 1899. She died full of faith, requesting her friends and loved ones not to weep for her, as she was going home to enjoy the treasures she had duly laid up in life.

She was the daughter of Enoch and Ann Stuart, and was born near Lagrange, Tenn., May 25, 1843. While she was a child her parents moved to Coahoma county, Miss., where she was reared to womanhood. She was born the second time, of the Holy Spirit, when about fourteen years old, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at old Mount Moriah Church, now the town of Clarksdale, Miss. Her conversion was clear and sound, and she ever after lived faithful to her vows, and was a true witness for God by both word and deed. Her only daughter says of her, "Mama lived for the pleasure of others." Everyone who knew Sister Smith bears a like testimony to her unselfish devotion. She was sick for many months, which were mainly spent in the home of her kind and devoted sister, Mrs. Spotwood of Lyon, Miss., where she died. Though all the time a great sufferer, she did not murmur or complain, but was a model of patience, constantly concerned not to burden others with her suffering and care for her.

She was buried in the cemetery at Clarksdale, just by the spot where she first gave her heart to God, and her hand and name to his church. The funeral was attended by a large company of relatives and friends.

She was thrice married. The first time was to Rev. Thos. M. Melugen, of the Memphis Conference, Dec. 30, 1862. He died April 2, 1866. July 5, 1869, she married the second time to Mr. W. A. Gibson. He died Nov. 30, 1880; and Dec. 18, 1884, she was again married to Bro. J. H. Smith.

She was the mother of only two children, both the fruit of her second marriage. The first born died in infancy; the second, Miss Mattie Gibson, now a young lady, lives to mourn her great loss. Her stepfather says of her, "She was a dutiful and affectionate daughter to her mother." A fact that should give her comfort. All who have known her bear testimony that Sister Smith was a true and faithful wife, mother, and neighbor, and that she filled the difficult place of the wife of an itinerant Methodist preacher well, and was ever a true adviser and helpmeet to her husband. She shared his labors, and suffered the self denial and hardships that befall the itinerant's wife, not only without complaint, but with joy and gladness which she in manner, word, and deed proved to all. We can truly say, "She hath done what she could," and "she is not dead, but sleepeth" in the grave, awaiting the hour when she shall hear her Divine Lord and Redeemer's voice, and shall come forth to everlasting life. The disembodied spirit has already heard the applauding voice of the Father, saying, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many; Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

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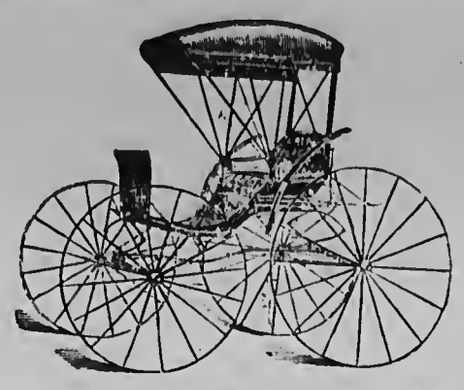
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1899.

"Let's find the sunny side of men
Or be believers in it;
A light there is in every soul
That takes the paine to win it.

"Oh, there is slumbering good in all,
And we, perchance, may wake it;
Our hands contain the magic wand;
This life is what we make it."

No rush to battle atones for sin in the tent.—G. Campbell Morgan.

Every man desires to live long, but no man would be old.—Jonathan Swift.

A man is best known by what he does when he thinks nobody is looking at him.—Ram's Horn.

When the plunge is to be made into the water, it is no use lingering on the bank.—Charles Dickens.

He who says there is no such thing as an honest man, you may be sure is himself a knave.—Bishop Berkeley.

The little that is done seems nothing when we look forward and see how much we have yet to do.—Goethe.

I would rather aim at perfection and fall short of it, than aim at imperfection and fully attain it.—A. J. Gordon.

There is time enough for everything in the course of the day, if you do but one thing at once.—Lord Chesterfield.

It is a part of my religion to look well after the cheerfulness of life and let the dismal shift for themselves.—Louisa M. Alcott.

The privilege of laboring is to me more and more precious. I would not choose the spot; I would not choose the circumstances. To be able to do something is a privilege of which I am altogether unworthy.—Mary Lyon.

God's promises were never meant to ferry our laziness. Like a boat, they are to be rowed by our oars; but many men, entering, forget the oar, and drift down more helpless in the boat than if they had stayed on shore.—Beecher.

"The difference between a statesman and a mere politician, my son, consists in the fact that, whereas the statesman understands the art of deceiving without lying, the politician lies without deceiving."—Illustrated Methodist Magazine.

We do not recollect having seen anywhere a better recipe for becoming wise than that of Solomon: "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise;" and to empasize this he asserts, "The companion of fools shall be destroyed."—Selected.

"Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply unveil them to the eyes of men. Silently and imperceptibly as we wake or sleep, we grow and wax strong, we grow and wax weak, and at last some crisis shows us what we have become."

Every man can help on the world's work more than he knows of. What we want is the single eye, that we may see what our work is, the humility to accept it, however lowly, the faith to do it for God, the perseverance to go on till death.—Norman McLeod.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

We had the pleasure of attending the recent session of the Louisiana Conference at Monroe. Our time being taken up with official business, we were so fortunate as to be able to utilize the deft pen of Rev. F. S. Parker in reporting the proceedings. Bishop Galloway's presidency was up to his usual high standard. We have never seen the business of an Annual Conference move more expeditiously or more smoothly. The session was pleasant and harmonious in a remarkable degree. Several magnates from abroad were present. Dr. G. D. French represented the American Bible Society in a speech replete with information concerning the work of the Society. Dr. Barbee made a forceful presentation of the great interest which he has in charge. The church extension cause was ably represented by Dr. P. H. Whisner. Dr. Hoss presented the claims of the Nashville Advocate in an able and witty speech which elicited hearty applause. Bishop Galloway's address at the Educational Rally was superb, and so was his address to the class for admission. The collection for the Twentieth Century Fund amounted to something over $2,300.

During our stay we had the pleasure of hearing two good sermons—one by Rev. W. W. Drake, the other by Rev. J. M. Henry. Monroe entertained the Conference royally. Dr. Pierce makes an admirable Conference host. The Conference passed resolutions strongly commending the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and urging vigorous effort for an extension of its circulation.

With our genial friend, Rev. Wm. Schuhle, as co-guest, we had the good fortune to be assigned to the hospitable home of our good friends and former parishioners, Bro. and Sister J. E. Gibbs. Our association with this elegant Christian family was most delightful.

THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE—MONROE.

To a large part of the membership of a Methodist Conference its annual sessions become registers of growth and marks of change for better—or for worse, it may be. Some of us who have hardly been allowed a place as yet among the older and more solid portions of the body, can trace the outlines of the history of the Conference by the events and character of the dozen, or more, sessions that have been convened since we looked with mingled wonder and admiration upon one of these unique assemblages of men of one work, and received our initiation into the mysteries of a system whose precise working has in these dozen years become familiar in every part, not less, but more, wonderful. The statistics to follow will afford comparisons near and remote as to material prosperity of the church, and as to membership. Figures are important, and the great accuracy and fullness of those provided for by the Methodist system afford an excellent basis for much important study. Some things figures do not tell. That the spirit of devotion, of brotherly love, of loyalty to the obligations of their calling, is vigorous; that jealousy for the honor of the church and the purity of the ministry, hopefulness for the outcome of all the difficult, delicate and important enterprises committed to them; that unity of purpose and concord of thought obtain throughout, we can safely say.

A considerable improvement in equipment for the work one would suppose upon the part of the younger members; a growth in holiness and larger experience makes the faces of the old men beautiful and their words wise. The body becomes larger year by year, and the winnowing process of trial becomes more thorough. The church can count upon a better ministry as the number of young men offering themselves for the ministry comes nearer to filling the need of the whitening harvest field.

After all that has been said upon the subject of Conference examinations, we venture to assert that the young men have been stimulated to more thorough work, and that the congregations to be served will have no complaint to make about the strengthened mental fibre, and larger information, and better teaching that must result from the so-called hardship of more accurate and thorough examinations.

As for the city of Monroe, when the Conference session was held, evidences of growth are on every hand. The cotton compresses, sawmills, brick-yards, car-shops, mercantile corporations, banks, and proposed cotton mill, compose very large business interests, owned almost entirely by citizens of Monroe. But in churches, more than in any other particular, is there an enhancement. A Presbyterian Church two years old, costing $14,000, is a thing of beauty and convenience, and the substantial fraternity of pastor and congregation have converted it into a Methodist Church for the present. Our own new church-building was to have been completed for the Conference session, but is still without ceiling or furnishing. It was begun three years ago under the pastorate of Rev. E. N. Evans, and is to cost $18,000. It is of the Romanesque style, has amphitheatrical auditorium, lecture-room opening into main room, class-rooms, and all the conveniences of the modern church plant. Dr. Pierce, the present pastor, has been very successful in raising money to pay off the local indebtedness, and the work will now be carried to completion. It is rarely that a man succeeds during the first year of his pastorate in winning the esteem, confidence and affection of his people as completely as Dr. Pierce has since his coming to Monroe.

Bishop Galloway is with us fresh from Twentieth Century triumphs in Arkansas. From the three Conferences there held by him he reports as subscribed at Conference above $15,000. The anniversary of the Board of Education was held Friday evening. Rain diminished the attendance, but from those present a subscription of $1,200 was obtained. (This amount was increased to $2,340 the following day by an appeal on the Conference floor.) The addresses were by Dr. P. H. Whisner and Bishop Galloway. Enthusiasm and information go together in this enterprise. Universal Methodism has caught the spirit of thank-offering, and Louisiana will not fall behind.

The easy and rapid flow of Conference business almost exhausted the roll under Question 20, "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" during morning of the first day. The general summary of the presiding elders in most cases showed progress on the several districts. Dr. Keener, of the New Orleans district, said that, notwithstanding the commercial quarantine, the district showed an advance. Mr. Tucker reported a very considerable financial improvement on the Baton Rouge district. Dr. Carter stated that on the Opelousas district finances were better, and three new churches had been built. Dr. Parker said that the preachers on the Alexandria district had wrought well and faithfully. Old church buildings had been replaced by new ones, parsonages had been improved, and one new one built. Dr. Sawyer reported a very successful year on the Shreveport district. Five or six charges reported the finances in full this year, as against one in full last year, and two-thirds of the preachers had gotten all the collections. Mr. Crews reported a good year on the Arcadia district. Six hundred conversions had been reported, and a net gain of 350; several charges were in excess of the benevolent assessments. New churches and parsonages had been built, and old debts paid. Mr. Harper reported a good year on the Delhi district, attended by spiritual advance and revivals.

The touching remarks of the superannuates, as their names were called, were heard with reverence by their brethren who are still in the ranks. But three of the veterans of the cross will answer no more. Thomas B. White, Joseph H. Stone and Lewis A. Reed had died during the year. Suitable memoirs will appear. J. White Davis had died in the active work. The venerable Reynolds S. Trippett was represented by letter. Bishop Galloway spoke of having seen him at his home in Doncaster, England, and having visited historic Epworth in his company two years before, while fraternal messenger to the English Wesleyan Conference. T. S. Randle offered himself again for effective service.

The Conference was specially favored by distinguished visitors this year. At Mansfield, last year, we were entirely ignored by the connectional fraternity. On this fact it was remarked, "You must be either perfected or rejected." Dr. J. D. Barbee, senior Book Agent, was introduced to the Conference, and later made a capital speech on thinking and reading. Rev. George D. French, of the Tennessee Conference, district secretary of the American Bible Society, was introduced, and later made an appeal for support of this cause. His request that an assessment be laid upon the Conference for the Bible Society was not granted, as it was thought that there were assessments enough, and doubted whether such a measure would add to the contributions. The Louisiana Conference was long accustomed to the visits of the lamented Dr. Morton. His successor in office, Dr. P. H. Whisner, visited us, and if he failed to fill Dr. Morton's place among us, it was only because we have not yet learned to know him as well. His addresses on education and church extension were well received. Dr. Hoss, of the Nashville Christian Advocate, was in Louisiana for the first time. He is a mountaineer, and has hitherto stayed away from the flats, not of choice, as he assured the Conference, but "being let hitherto." He charmed everybody; delighted, instructed and quickened the whole Conference by his address, which was a sort of apologia pro vita suo as editor. His theme brought him to touch upon almost everything pertaining to the Methodist ministry. Dr. Hoss also, with Dr. Boiling, addressed the missionary anniversary meeting.

The church extension anniversary had to be observed at an afternoon session, but was fairly well attended for an afternoon meeting. Mr. Spurgeon, I think it was, who asserted that the devil was the originator of afternoon services. Conference dinners are less conducive to alert attention than to somnolence. The church extension will show an advance of 20 per cent. in collections. Six applications for aid were granted, and three recommended to the General Board, one to the Home Mission Society. An excellent report was submitted by Rev. S. J. Davies, secretary of the Conference Board, and Dr. Whisner addressed the meeting on the necessity of the house of worship and the relation of his Church Extension Society to this necessity.

The missionary anniversary was addressed by Drs. Boiling and Hoss. The former, with his polished rhetoric and popular eloquence, and the latter, with great thought, clear statement, and earnest appeal, held for an hour and a half the magnificent audience before them. Though speaking from the pulpit of a Presbyterian Church, Dr. Hoss could not refrain from glorying a little in Arminianism as the gospel of missions. The report of the Conference Board was made by Rev. J. B. Cassity. Hon. A. M. Mayo, of Lake Charles, presented the report of the treasurer, as W. B. Thomson, Esq., of New Orleans, the long-time treasurer, was detained at home on account of illness in his family. Dr. Sawyer concluded the meeting by an appeal for a special domestic mission contribution. That the Doctor gets what he asks for may be taken for granted.

The point specially emphasized in the Bishop's address to the class received into full connection was the necessity and potency of personal fitness for the work of the ministry. Here, as everywhere else, his continuous growth and increasing strength became evident.

The great occasion of the Conference is usually the Sunday morning service and sermon by the Bishop, followed by the ordination of deacons. This was indeed an occasion long to be remembered. The auditorium and annex were crowded, even for standing room, in spite of the rain that fell continuously through the day. The sermon, upon the friends of Jesus, touched every heart, and lifted all to higher purposes of loyalty and labor for love's sake in the kingdom and patience of Jesus. Dr. Barbee preached to an overflow meeting in the old Methodist Church. In the afternoon Dr. Hoss preached at the ordination of elders.

(Monday's proceedings have not been received as we go to press.)

APPOINTMENTS.

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Mansfield, J. L. P. Sheppard.
Grand Cane, H. J. Boltz.
Pleasant Hill, J. F. Patterson.
Coushatta, W. H. Bowman.
Red River, Elton Wilson.
Wesley, T. S. Randle.
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North Bossier, G. D. Purcell.
Fort Jessup and Many, J. S. Sanders.
Florien and mission, S. S. Holliday.
Leesville circuit, J. M. Alford.
Benton, J. M. Brown.
Logansport, R. J. Harp.
Pelican, J. B. Williams.
Zwolle, R. P. Howell.
Students Vanderbilt, J. C. Sligh, A. S. Lutz, and E. L. Alford.

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Lanesville, C. F. Staples.
Bienville, J. M. Franklin.
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Ruston, H. R. Singleton, Jr.
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Vernon, J. H. Brown.
Downsville, T. M. Wafer.
Farmerville, H. B. Thomason.
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Gaunsville, H. M. Banks.
Calhoun and Tatum, H. W. Ledbetter.

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Students Centenary College, R. W. Vaughan, H. N. Brown.

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Rosedale, J. W. Lee.
Jena and Jonesville, D. E. Kelly.
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Plaquemine and Donaldsonville, J. B. Kent.
Whitecastle, I. T. Reams.
Covington and Talisheek, F. G. Hocutt.
Lutcher mission, to be supplied.
Professor Tulane University, Thos. Carter.
Student McKenzie College, B. Wright.
Carondelet Street, F. N. Parker.

NOTES.

On account of ill health Bishop Fitzgerald will not attend the Mississippi Conference. Bishop Duncan will preside in his stead.

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Any preacher who desires to supply his flock with Bibles will find it to his interest to communicate with the publisher of this paper.

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On Thanksgiving Day, Rev. C. A. Powell raised at Crystal Springs, Miss., thirty-five dollars for the Orphans' Home at Water Valley.

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"The Life of Lucinda B. Helm," of which we gave a notice in issue of Nov. 30 can be had of Mrs. Florence Russ, 3502 Camp St., New Orleans, La.

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The secular papers report that about $5,000 was raised for the Twentieth Century fund at the recent session of the Alabama Conference.

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Sister Blocker, wife of Rev. R. M. Blocker, of the Louisiana Conference, died on the seventh after a brief illness. Our brother has our sympathies and prayers in his sore bereavement.

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Bros. J. P. Drake, G. H. Galloway and W. G. Forsythe, of the Mississippi Conference, made an appreciated call at the ADVOCATE office on Monday en route to Vicksburg. They are all in good health and spirits.

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We are pained to learn through Bro. Faunt LeRoy of the death of Bro. U. T. Blacksher, of Opelousas. Bro. Blacksher was a man of most excellent Christian character, and he has been prominent in church work for many years. A memoir will appear in due time.

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Rev. W. E. Aiken, of the Louisiana Conference, was married, Nov. 30, to Miss Beniah Baker, of Summerville, La., Rev. Wilson Moore officiating. We extend hearty congratulations to the youthful pair, and invoke Heaven's richest blessings upon them through life.

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From a private letter from Miss Lelia McNemar, a missionary of the Woman's Board, stationed at Saltillo, Mexico, we quote as follows: "I am pleased with my new home. The

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need of the gospel in Mexico is even greater than I snpposed before I came. We need the prayers of onr home people."

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Miss Lizzie Forsythe Norsworthy, danghter of Rev. R. D. Norsworthy, of the Mississippi Conference, was married, Dec. 10, to Mr. Wm. M. Durbin, of Natchez, Miss. The wedding took place at the parsonage at Natchez, the bride's father offi iating. May their pathway throngh life be strewn with flowers!

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We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the marriage of Rev. F. N. Parker to Miss Minnie Jones, danghter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Bangs Jones, of Baton Ronge. The ceremony will be performed at the resi dence of the bride's parents on Wednesday, Dec. 20. May prosperity and happiness attend them throngh life!

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Geo. Edwin Pfing, pressman of the ADVOCATE office, died at the home of his mother, in this city, on the twelfth, after an iliness of about three weeks. He has been connected with the ADVOCATE for a nnmber of years, and filled his place most efficiently. He was a member of Dryades Street Chnrch. His bereaved mother and his grief-stricken wife have onr pro fonnd sympathy. May the grace of God snstain them in their affliction!

PAINT TALKS, XXIII.

WHY "PATENT PAINTS" ARE IN DISREPUTE.

It has been shown in these papers that when the ingredients are rightly selected, ready mixed paints should be both better and cheaper than any other kind of paint. It may be remarked, in passing, that there is, generally speaking, no such thing as "patent paint." Paints are furnished as dry pigments to be mixed in the paint shop with the necessary oil, turpentine and drier; as paste paints to be thinned down with oil or as ready mixed paints containing all the required ingredients ready for the brush. Some paste paints are supplied already incorporated with the tinting colors, while in other cases, especially pure lead, the color must be added to the white base.

Now if anyone will take a little white paste paint (lead for example) and add to it a small quantity of color, incorporating it thoroughly, he will find that he can apparently obtain a uniform tint; but if he will now take a small portion of this tint and grind it vigorously under a muller, he will see that the tint deepens and brightens as the grinding proceeds. This illustrates the fact that paints cannot be thoroughly mixed without mechanical means.

The beauty of the so-called "patent paints" depends on this fact; for however good or however bad they may prove to be, the ready mixed paints are beautiful.

Now when the painter takes his white base and mixes with it the color, oil, turpentine, drier, etc., necessary to fit it for application, he does at the expense of man-labor exactly what is done by machinery in the paint factory. He makes a ready mixed paint; but as the process is purely mechanical he cannot do it either so well or so cheaply as it could be done by a machine; more color will be required to produce the same tint; and the paint will not be so homogeneous, and therefore not so good.

What, then, is the matter with "patent paint?" With some of them, nothing. Everyone has seen ready mixed paints that answered every demand. Of the rest, generally speaking, it can be safely said that they have just one defect, and that is water. Water is not a good painting medium, but by the use of alkaline emulsifiers it can be made to mix with oil, and a cost of nothing per gallon, to replace linseed oil at forty or fifty cents a gallon, such paint looks all right, but it does not wear.

The test for water in paint is to soak a strip of gelatine in it over night. If the gelatine swells the paint contains water; if not, there is no water present.

Good ready mixed paints all contain a large proportion of zinc white, and the valuable properties of zinc white in paints have frequently been pointed out. If it were not for water "patent paints" would never have fallen into disrepute. Good ready mixed paints can be obtained by buying only such as bear the name of a well-known manufacturer, and making sure that they contain no water.

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LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The December St. Nicholas contains The Doll that Santa Claus Bought, Ermee's Christmas Doll, and Christmas on the Home Station—a naval story. The Rev. Dr. John Watson, popularly known as Ian Maclaren, holds Afternoon Service in God's first temples, the groves; and Marie von Vorst admits us to the home and studio of the "painter in ordinary to children," the clever French artist, Boutet de Monvel. In The Lost Colony we see the first of a series of colonial story-and-travel sketches by Elbridge S. Brooks.

The cover of the December Century is suggestive of the approaching Christmas season. The brief opening poem, The Old Master, is decorated by Edward Edwards, and illustrated by Louis Loeb in a frontispiece as seasonable as the cover. The Christmas Dancers, a poem embodying a Saxon legend, is accompanied by several full-page pictures by Mr. Hutt. In this number Sir Walter Besant begins a series of papers on life in East London—a subject that no writer knows more intimately. In telling the story of an imaginary girl of the tenement-houses, he is aided by the pencils of Joseph Pennell and Phil May, the best known of pictorial interpreters of the London slums. In the second installment of his study of Oliver Cromwell, Mr. Morley takes up his hero at the beginning of his parliamentary career, and carries him forward to the call to arms, in 1642. Dr. Weir Mitchell continues his revelations of the seamy side of the medical profession in The Autobiography of a Quack; Ernest Seton-Thompson, as author and artist both, gives a further glimpse of the life of a man-killing bear, in The Biography of a Grizzly; and other contributors of fiction are Margaret Sutton Briscoe, Harry Stillwell Edwards, Gelett Burgess, and Virginia Woodward Cloud. Zionism is explained by Prof. Richard Gottheil, of Columbia University, who interprets it as "a tremendous yearning to be better Jews, in order to be better men."

In the Coming Age, for December, is an elaborately illustrated paper by the editor on The Life and Work of F. Edwin Elwell, Sculptor. The conversations also call for special notice. J. J. Enneking, one of the few American artists who enjoys an international reputation, discusses Art from the Standpoint of Painter. Mr. Enneking's picture forms the frontispiece of the number. Rev. J. Henry Wiggin discusses in a most interesting and valuable manner the early dramatic history of Boston, in a conversation entitled Puritanism and Play-Houses of Boston. Rev. Robert E Blabee contributes a very timely paper on Washington After a Hundred Years. The philosophical interpretation of the Poems of Emerson is continued by Mr. Charles Mailey, president of the Boston Emerson Society. Dr. E. M. Babbitt, LL.D., answers a question raised by Prof. Dolbear in a previous paper under the title, Is Our Universe Primarily Spiritual? This number contains three notable poems, suitable for the Christmas season, one entitled, Great God is Near, by the talented young poetess, Miss Coletta Ryan; The Coming of the Prince, by Dr. James Hedley; The Christmas Tide, by J. A. Edgerton. An illustrated Christmas story by Mrs. Reifsnider is also a most attractive feature of this issue.

The December number of The American Illustrated Methodist Magazine has for frontispiece a portrait of Rev. William Nast, the John Wesley of German Methodism. Coleridge's Ancient Mariner, by James Main Dixon, is given first place in this number. The author furnishes a fresh and suggestive interpretation of this popular poem and discusses the circumstances which led Coleridge to write it. The illustrations of the article are reproduced from the Dore edition of the poem by permission of Messrs. Harper Brothers. Rambles in Normandy, by SaLees Kennard, is a descriptive article on this picturesque province, and is beautifully illustrated. Bishop Charles B. Galloway contributes an interesting article on Blennerhassett. The story of Harman Blennerhassett, seldom told and almost forgotten, possesses a weird mingling of romance and tragedy, and forms a part of one of the most thrilling chapters of our national history—that in which Aaron Burr played such a conspicuous part. The tenth chapter of The Illustrated History of Methodism is The First Decade of American Methodism. It takes up the early preachers who began to plant societies in New York, Philadelphia, Maryland, and elsewhere in the colonies.

The Christmas number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly is one of surpassing beauty and literary distinction. The following is the table of contents: Room Forty five, a farce, by William Dean Howells, illustrated by Grunwald; Paste, a complete story by Henry James, illustrated by Howard Chandler Christy; Christmas Presents, an inimitable sketch by Marietta Holley ("Josiah Allen's Wife"), illustrated by Grunwald; Miss Mason's Christmas Dinner, a complete story by Margaret E. Sangster, illustrated by Chominski; the opening installment of The Bath Comedy, the new serial story by Agnes and Egerton Castle, illustrated by F. Luis Mora; John Howard Payne, an illustrated account of the strange, eventful history of the life and death of the author of Home, Sweet Home, by Milton E. Ailes; The American Woman as a Home-Maker, by Mary A. Livermore.

DEPARTED.

Bro. Barney Cassity, son of Rev. J. B. Cassity, of the Louisiana Conference, passed peacefully away on Nov. 22 here, in Many, after four days' illness with swamp fever. He bore the suffering without a murmur; expressed himself as having no fear and fully resigned to God's will. Bros. Cassity and Marvin were with him for two days before he left us. He has left many friends in this country, who esteem him very highly, and his second turning to God, and his devoted Christian life since has borne much fruit for the Master, and his memory is precious to many.

J. S. SANDERS.

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Rev. H. W. Featherstun, State League president; W. F. Lagrone, first vice-president; Mrs. G. H. Mathis, third vice-president, and Miss Vio Thompson, corresponding secretary, and some of the district secretaries met in Greenwood, devising plans for the operation of Leagues in Mississippi, and arranging the program for the next State League Conference. Among other things, steps were taken looking to the rising of the Leagues for the prevention of deficits in missionary collections of the circuits and stations, and to prevent deficits in the districts and in each Annual Conference as a whole; a sinking fund is proposed. It was decided to hold the State League Conference on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the last week of April, 1900. It will be devoted to methods of League work and models of the different League meetings.

At the sitting of the State League cabinet the following items were caught: At West Point the League holds an occasional missionary mass meeting on Sunday evening, in place of the regular preaching service. At the last one nineteen dollars was contributed. At Tupelo the collection basket is passed at every devotional service. At Columbus the League meetings held at the church have been attended by two or three hundred people. The League itself has one hundred members, or more. But it is very difficult at Columbus to get a boy or young man to read or speak in public, their training in this point having been neglected.

Rev. R. H. B. Gladney, of Enpora, allotted to his League the task of raising his assessment for foreign missions. Several members of the League assumed the responsibility, and succeeded in getting the full amount.

The Leagues in the Holston Conference help in raising the missionary collections, so that there is no longer a deficit in that Conference. It is the Holston plan that is proposed for the Mississippi Leagues.

The Leagues elect new officers this month. Much depends upon a wise choice. A League is what its officers make it. We have in mind one Leaguer who, whenever put at the head of any department, brings that department to the front and makes it chiefest.

The brethren of the North Mississippi Conference, during the session at Greenwood, contributed twenty-five dollars towards the erection of the Lambuth monument at Pearl River Church, which is in the Jackson district.

There are being developed in Mississippi some fine League workers. Besides the members, many of the young preachers are learning how to make this wheel run. And some of the older preachers have put their brains and hearts into the work among the hands of young people, and have found therein sources of strength.

We note in Our Home that the Leagues of Oxford, Holly Springs, and Crawford Street, Vicksburg, have recently make contributions to the Orphans' Home.

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It is not so much the language you use,
As the tones in which you convey it.

"Come here!" I sharply said,
And the baby cowered and wept;
"Come here!" I cooed, and he looked and smiled
And straight to my lap he crept.

The words may be mild and fair,
And the tones may pierce like a dart;
The words may be soft as the Summer air,
And the tones may break the heart.

Whether you know it or not,
Whether you mean it or care,
Gentleness, kindness, love and hate,
Envy and anger are there.

Then would you quarrels avoid,
And in peace and love rejoice,
Keep anger not only out of your words,
But keep it out of your voice.

—Youth's Companion.

WHY PEOPLE ARE OUT OF WORK.

It is most interesting to study the people who hang about employment offices in great cities, or who are constantly going about looking for work, "trying to get a job." They often claim that the trusts or untoward social conditions are to blame for their idleness. But, if we examine these people, we shall find, in many a case, that there is a screw loose somewhere. Some of them are dissipated; some have been drifting about for years as "Jacks-of-all-trades;" some are slovenly or have filthy personal habits; most of them are shiftless; many have bad manners, or have been so wretchedly brought up that employers could not endure them in their stores or offices; some are lazy, while many of them are hopeless wrecks. The great majority do not know how to do things properly. They have not been trained to accuracy or thoroughness; they only half do things.

This is the great secret of the army of the unemployed. Not more than one in twenty of the domestic servants who are seeking situations can fill a position efficiently. They botch their work; they are careless; they do not seem to know how to live with civilized people; they scratch costly furniture, ruin tapestries, break valuable china, while most of them do not know even the first principles of cleanliness, and practically nothing of sanitary science. Not one cook in a hundred knows anything of the chemistry or science of the kitchen, and yet most of them complain of a condition of things which keeps them from getting work.

Probably not more than one person in fifty of those who are looking for positions as bookkeepers knows how to keep a set of books. They are not naturally accurate; they do not know how to concentrate their minds, and consequently blunder, make erasures, and blot their pages. Thousands of stenographers are out of positions, but how rare it is to find one who is really competent. Very few of them know anything of the laws of punctuation or English composition; they can not spell correctly, and most of them are so narrow in their education and experience that they are of little use to a broad-minded man. They know little of geography, biography, or history; and, if reference is made to anything outside of their office routine, they are utterly at sea. They know little of books, of countries, or of men. They have simply learned to write shorthand mechanically, entirely overlooking the fact that, in order to be a really successful stenographer, one must have a broad general education. How difficult it is to find an office boy who is bright, quick, thoughtful, attentive, discreet, courteous, and polite.

Every employer very quickly appreciates merit, and notwithstanding the army of unemployed in every large city who can not procure situations, scores of business men and institutions are constantly looking for employees who can properly fill positions. First-class stenographers, bookkeepers, hotel employees, clerks, etc., are exceedingly rare; and there are very few young men and women who are thoroughly competent to serve as managers, superintendents, or in any other positions of a responsible character.

Competency and efficiency are always in demand, while incompetents and inefficient workers by the thousand are starving for want of employment.—Success.

A TRAMP'S ELOQUENT LECTURE.

A tramp asked for a free drink in a saloon. The request was granted, and when in the act of drinking the proffered beverage, one of the young men present exclaimed:

"Stop; make us a speech. It is a poor liquor that doesn't unloosen a man's tongue."

The tramp hastily swallowed the drink, and as the rich liquor coursed through his blood he straightened himself and stood before them with a grace and dignity that all his rags and dirt could not obscure.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I look to-night at you and myself, and it seems to me I look upon the picture of my lost manhood. This bloated face was once as young and handsome as yours. This shambling figure once walked as proudly as yours, a man in the world of men. I, too, once had a home and friends and position. I had a wife as beautiful as an artist's dream, and I dropped the priceless pearl of her honor and respect in the wine-cup and, Cleopatra-like, saw it dissolve, and quaffed it down in the brimming draught. I had children as sweet and lovely as the flowers of Spring, and saw them fade and die under the blighting curse of a drunkard father. I had a home where love lit the flame upon the altar and ministered before it, and I put out the holy fire, and darkness and desolation reigned in its stead. I had aspirations and ambitions that soared as high as the morning star, and broke and bruised their beautiful wings, and at last strangled them that I might be tortured with their cries no more. To-day I am a husband without a wife, a father without a child, a tramp with no home to call his own, a man in whom every good impulse is dead. And, all swallowed up in the maelstrom of drink."

The tramp ceased speaking. The glass fell from his nerveless fingers and shivered into a thousand fragments on the floor. The swinging doors pushed open and shut again, and when the little group about the bar looked up the tramp was gone.—New Orleans Picayune.

FAMOUS FARMER BOYS.

There are some people foolish enough to laugh at the homely virtues of a farm life. They are fortunately few and they are fortunately growing fewer; but it is well sometimes to look at the list of great men who came up from the farm—not all of them, for that would fill a thousand volumes, but some of the most notable ones that flash into mind in a moment.

Nearly three-fourths of the men who have been chosen by the people for the great offices of the nation are men who were early familiar with wooded hills and cultivated fields. For example, Washington, Lincoln, Grant, Garfield, Hamlin, Greeley, Tilden, Hayes, Blaine, Harrison, and many others almost equally conspicuous in current events of living memory. Among journalists, Henry Watterson spent his early life in rural Kentucky, and Murat Halstead was born and lived on a farm in Ohio; W. H. Vanderbilt was born in a small New Jersey town and early engaged in the business of ship chandlery; Russell Sage was born in a New York village; Jay Gould spent his early years on his father's farm in New York State; Whittier and Howells spent their youth in villages, the former dividing his time beween farm employment and his studies. Follow the list out yourself and see how long it will become.—Kansas City Times.

PLEDGE THE BOYS.

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Let us beware how we make ourselves too busy to secure life's great end. When the excuse rises to our lips and we are about to say we are too busy to do good, let us remember we can not be too busy to die.—Christian Worker.

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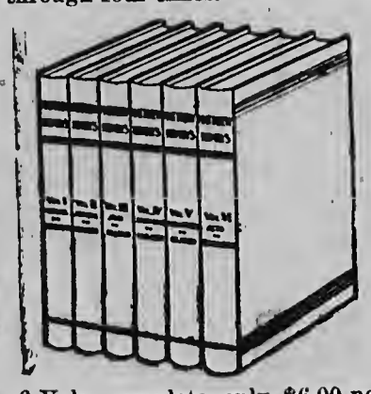

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LEWIS—NANCY CARTER was born near Winchester, Tenn., Aug. —, 1826. She was married to W. R. Lewis when about twenty years of age, and moved to Elyton (now Birmingham), Ala., and later to Louisiana, where the husband died several years ago. To them were born three children, all having preceded them to the better world. She long since united with the M. E. Church, of which she was an esteemed member until the time of her death, which occurred Sept. 1, 1899, aged seventy-three years.

Her last illness was not of long duration, though her health had been failing for some months. She always expressed herself ready to go to her heavenly home when the Father saw fit to call her. When loved ones were hovering around her bed she spoke calmly of her approaching death, and though loth to leave her family and friends, she expressed a perfect willingness to go, and after two days of unconsciousness passed peacefully away. She leaves one grandson, a niece (foster daughter) and her son, one brother and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Mrs. Lewis will long be mourned by neighbors and friends whose homes she has visited in hours of deep affliction. She was ever ready to speak cheering words to the sorrowing, and supply the wants of the needy, but most she will be missed in the family circle, where her gentle smile and encouraging words were as sunbeams in the hearts of those who loved her and were filled with grief at the separation; but let us remember:

"When our loved ones in dust are sleeping,
Nevermore to wake below,
Let no cease our bitter weeping,
And appease our sharpest woe.

For as Christ, the King Immortal,
Died that death might be his prize,
Rose to break the grave's strong portal,
So the dead in Christ shall rise.

If we, then, with Christ ha risen,
Let us set our hearts above;
Earth is but a transient prison,
Heaven an endless home of love."

AMES—Died, MIRIAM ROSE AMES, infant daughter of Alberta Yerger and Alex. H. Ames, aged ten months. "And a little child shall lead them."

God lent her to us for awhile,
We thought she came to stay,
And all our hopes and all our plans
In her small hands did lay.
She did the lonely hours beguile,
And made our life a Summer's day;
But angels wanting our sweet child,
They could not let her stay.

They whispered softly to each other:
"Shall we, can we, leave her here?
Or bereave a loving mother
And a father fond and dear?
Our Lord has need of just such flowers
In his glorious realm above,
And this little child shall lead them
Till they find his wondrous love."

Hovering o'er the cradle
Where in our darling lay,
They waited yet a little while,
Then bore her soul away.
Her baby form we robed in white,
And placed beneath the sod.
Her sinless soul had winged its flight
To Life, to Love, and God.

Yes, a little child shall lead thee
Thro' the path which she has trod;
An upward journey leading
To the bright courts of God.
Oh, follow in the footsteps,
You'll be free from every ill;
At your journey's end you'll find her
In Jesus' arms, but yours still!

JESSIE Y. BONNAY.

SIBLEY—BERTHA MAY, infant daughter of R. A. Sibley, Jr., and Alletha B. Sibley, was born in Newton county, Miss., Oct. 26, 1898; was baptized by her grandfather, R. A. Sibley, Sr., Jan. 29, 1899; died in Meadville, Franklin county, Miss., July 15, 1899, after an illness of three months and one day.

Sweet little Bertha May's angel now beholds the face of our heavenly Father. Her mother, Alletha Belle Sibley, wife of R. A. Sibley, Jr., of the Mississippi Conference, followed her little one month later, who departed this life Aug. 16 1899 in Meadville, Franklin county, Miss. Alletha Belle Sibley was daughter of Wm. E. and M. E. Mangum; born in Smith county, Miss., Oct. 23, 1870; was converted and joined the church in early girlhood; was married to R. A. Sibley, Jr., June 2, 1897. She was mother of four children, three of whom survive her; also a broken-hearted husband.

Oh, how sad to have mother and babe separated from us! But it will be but a short separation; we will rejoin them on that eternal shore.

Our daughter, Alletha Belle, was a devout Christian, known only to be loved; kind mother, affectionate wife, useful church member. Our irreparable loss is her eternal gain. Mother and babe are waiting and watching for us at the beautiful gate. We shall soon be there. R. A. SIBLEY, Sr.

WADE—SHANNON L., son of Elisha and Mary Ann Wade, was born in Jones county, Miss., Aug. 5, 1836, and died at his home in Attala county, Miss., Oct. 20, 1899. He was married to Miss Nannie Glass, Jan. 7, 1861, the happy union being blessed with but one child, which preceded the father to their heavenly home.

Bro. Wade was a great sufferer for twenty-eight years, but bore his suffering with patience, realizing that in the deepest sorrow and severest pain God's grace was sufficient.

He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life, and continued in the faith till the Master called him from labor to reward. He was for many years a steward of the church, and while affliction prevented him from being as active as he desired to be, it can truthfully be said of him, He was the preacher's friend, and his was the preacher's home.

The writer was with him frequently in his last illness, and found him perfectly resigned, and patiently awaiting the summons which was to deliver him from his suffering and call him to his rest, sweet rest. We shall miss him here, but expect to meet him again.

A. T. BUCK.

Salilis, Miss.

HEARON—ROSA MAY HEARON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Hearon, died Sept. 17, 1899.

Oh, how full of sorrow are these few words to the many who loved her so dearly! How beautiful was her life! Though ended in the very dawn of its morning, she leaves the impress upon our hearts of a most lovely little Christian. She often asked her mama about heaven, and would sit for hours and listen to the reading of the Scriptures. From the time she could lisp the name of Jesus she said her prayers every night. A more conscientious child I never knew.

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Resolved, That we submit to the afflictive providence which robs us of our beloved member, comforting our hearts with the thought that she is now in the presence of God.

Resolved, That we cherish her memory, trusting that the example of her sweet Christian life may inspire us to more active and willing service for our Master, and we will try to meet her in heaven.

Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy, and ask that a copy of these resolutions be sent them.

MRS. J. J. GARNER, Pres.
MARY ELLA FAIZELL, Sec.
Poplar Creek, Miss.

FLEMING—J. G. FLEMING was born April 2, 1830; joined the M. E. Church in 1867, and has been a faithful member up to the time of his death, which occurred Oct. 11, 1899. He was ripe for the beautiful beyond. A beautiful Christian character, full of good works. He and his faithful companion could truthfully say to their children, "Follow me as I follow Christ." They lived together here as one, and have gone to heaven to live as one through the ceaseless ages of eternity. To the children I would say: Live as they lived, and one day you will meet them at the beautiful gate where partings are felt and feared no more.

ROBT. H. BARR, P. C.

FLEMING—MARGARET ELIZABETH FLEMING (nee Wiggins) was born Jan. 23, 1840, and departed this life Oct. 15 1899. She joined the M. E. Church in Butler county, Ala., in 1853, and came to Mississippi in 1854; was married to J. G. Fleming in 1855, who preceded her only six days to the glory world. She was a faithful wife and mother up to her death. She was paralyzed some time before her death, but, Job-like, bore her afflictions with patience. She was a Methodist of the olden type, living a consistent Christian life six days in the week. She has gone to see the Savior she loved so well, face to face.

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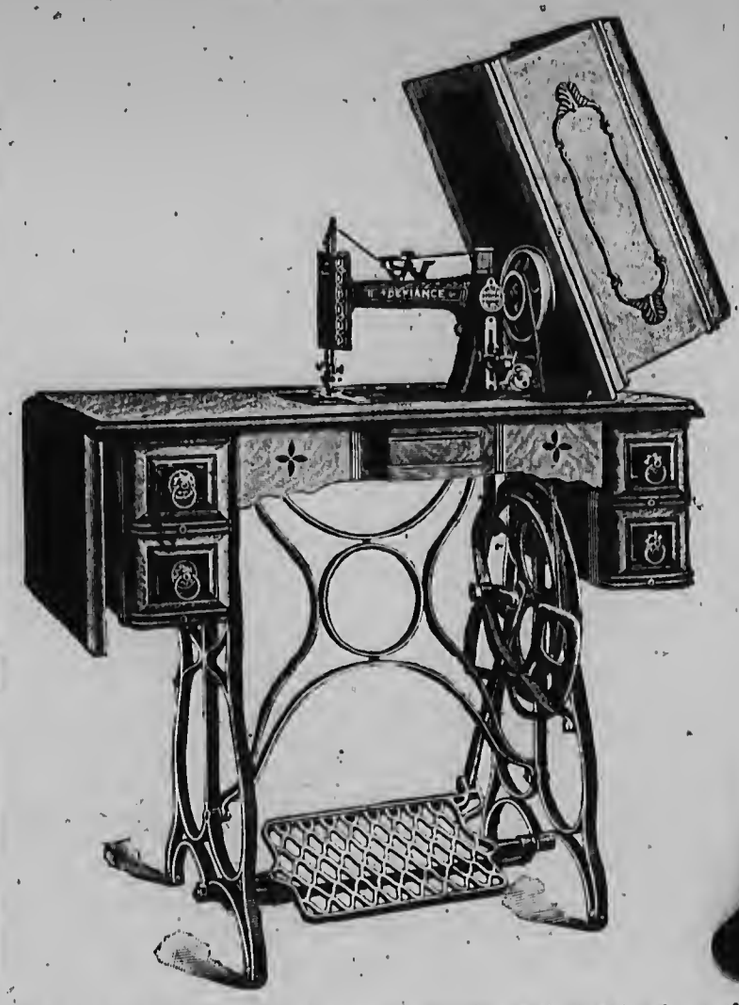

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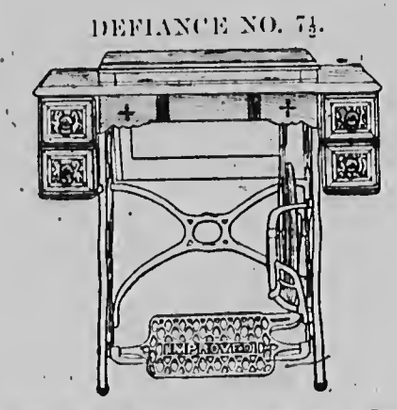

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gen. Otis declares that the rising in the Island of Negros is of small importance.

An English syndicate has contracted with Mexico to lease the Tehuantepec railroad for fifty years.

Mr. Montagne White says Kruegor will fight to the last ditch, and that the Transvaal women will not let him make terms.

In a mine explosion at Carbonado, Wn., a large nnmber of miners were killed, sixteen bodies having already been recovered.

A sortie from Ladysmith stormed and captured Lombard's Kop, a hill overlooking the town, pntting ont of action two cannon and captnring a Maxim.

Four new steamships, duplicates of those sold to the government dnring the war with Spain, will be bnilt by the Southern Pacific for the trade between New Orleans and New York.

The trial of the Roberts osse began on Dec. 9 before the Honse committee. The polygamist denied some of the charges made against him and bitterly denounced one of his accusers.

Duluth has been added to the list of cities receiving from Mr. Carnegie gifts for the erection of free public libraries. The sum is $50,000, to be expended upon a building, provided that the city gives a satisfactory site for it.

It is expected the President will soon send to Congress a special message regarding rewards for officers and men of the north Atlantic fleet who distinguished themselves dnring the war with Spain, and whose gallantry has not yet been recognized.

The French government has formally demanded the degradation of the viceroy of Canton because the order to execute the Chinese magistrate who was responsible for the murder of two French officers at Montao has not been carried out. The tsung-li-yamen will probably refuse.

The American Beet Sugar Manufacturers' Association held a meeting at Omaha, Neb., recently, which is of special interest to everybody interested in the Louisiana sugar industry. The beet sugar manufacturers adopted resolutions protesting against the proposed admission, either duty free or at a reduced tariff, of sugar and other products of the islands recently captured from Spain.

An expedition, headed by the battleship Oregon, has left Manila for Subig. It is reported that the Filipino commander, General Alejandrino, with his staff, has surrendered to General MacArthur, and there is also a rumor that Alejandrino is at Aguilar, suffering from a wound received in a fight between insurgents and bandits, and that he will be given an opportunity to surrender and will be properly cared for.

The ugly dispute which has arisen between the friends of Admirals Schley and Sampson is rapidly finding its way into Congress, and there is a very good chance that the whole matter will be aired in the National Legislature, unless wise counsels prevail and the attempts of the radical element in the navy to damage Admiral Schley's reputation be abandoned. A resolution has already been introduced extending the thanks of Congress to Admiral Schley, and it is said that a vigorous effort will be made to pass the measure.

The opposition to General Wheeler's taking his seat as a member of the House of Representatives from Alabama, is to be renewed by Representative Bailey, of Texas, whose resolutions last year brought a report from the House judiciary committee that a military and congressional office could not be held at the same time. General Wheeler is now in the Philippines, but it has been understood that he would return to take his seat. The sergeant-at-arms has over $2,000 to the credit of the Alabama member, covering salary from March 4 last to date, but General Wheeler has not asked for the amount, and has expressed an unwillingness to sign the certificate usually required of members in the settlement of their accounts.

It is hardly too much to regard General Gatacre's repulse near Stormberg as the most serious defeat British arms have yet sustained in the whole campaign in the Transvaal. Already the official advices show that two men were killed, nine officers and seventeen men were wounded, and nine officers and 596 are missing. But it is evident that the worst is not yet known. The proportion of wounded and killed is so small, when compared with the missing—who are undoubtedly prisoners in the hands of the Boers—that the supplementary list of casualties is awaited with serious misgiving. It is also feared that there were serious losses of guns and equipment. The most serious aspect of the affair is the effect it is likely to have on the Dutch in Cape Colony, who have been wavering as to whether to throw in their lot with the Boers. Hosts of the northern farmers are now likely to join the rebellion. Defeat is also serious because it will delay the junction of General Gatacre with General French at Naauwpoort. The plan was for their combined forces to relieve the pressure on Lord Methuen's column.

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Another reason for the decline of oratory, and probably the most powerful of all, is the growth of the reading habit and the critical frame of mind which reading begets. A man reads generally alone, and can, if he pleases, pause and weigh what he reads. At all events, he remains perfectly cold in the presence of the type, and gets used to a great deal in newspaper articles of what would a generation ago have passed as eloquence if delivered in court or on the stump. Then it must be confessed that oratory does not bear very well the criticism of the calm, reasoning mind. Most of it consists of what used to be called "claptrap"—that is, points which few men would venture to present to their neighbors round a table, but which is somehow, when addressed to an audience in a loud voice, with gesticulation, more or less exciting or amusing. The ease with which an assembly laughs at the poorest and stalest joke does much to explain oratorical success. In a crowd the critical faculty is as it were suspended, but newspaper and other reading is fostering it and enabling it to resist the crowd influence. The tricks of orators, which fifty years ago no one noticed, are considered legitimate features of the art, are now objects of general merriment or contempt. These things are true, not only of this country, but all countries. The democratic age, contrary to general expectation, is proving unpropitious to oratory. It is compelling everybody who talks in public to "talk business," because what he says will, by most people, be seen in print only and have to bear fireside examination.—The Evening Post.

MARRIAGES.

NICHOLS—WEAVER.—At the residence of the bride's father, Vicksburg, Miss., Nov. 30, 1899, by Rev. W. W. Cammack, Mr. Foster Nichols to Miss Calledonia Weaver.

ROBINSON—SPIARS.—At the home of the bride's mother, in Mayersville, Miss., Sept. 10, 1899, by Rev. W. T. Griffin, Mr. Geo. Robinson, editor of Spectator, to Miss Imogene Spiars, all of Issaquena county.

COLLINS—COLLINS.—In the Methodist Church, Mayersville, Miss., Nov. 22, by Rev. W. T. Griffin, Mr. I. J. Collins, of Ben Lomond, Miss., to Miss Mamie Pharr Collins, of Mayersville, Miss.

SEAMAN—BROWN.—At the home of the bride's brother, of Duncansby, Miss., by Rev. W. T. Griffin, Mr. I. M. Seaman, of Bermont, Ark., to Miss Roberta F. Brown, of Duncansby, Miss.

FRITZ—REED.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Wool Market, Miss., Dec. 6, 1899, by Rev G. W. Huff, Mr. Ferdinan Frits, of New Orleans, to Miss Estella Reed, of Wool Market, Miss.

SHUMATE—THRASH.—At the residence of the bride's parents, seven miles north of Meridian, Miss., Nov. 26, at 3 P. M., by Rev. Hervie Mellard, Mr. J. L. Shumate to Miss Fannie Thrash, all of Lauderdale county, Miss.

ROBERSON—SAUNDERS.—In the Methodist Church in Charleston, Miss., Oct 15, 1899, by Rev. W W. Williams, Mr. W. H. Roberson to Miss Daisy L. Saunders, all of Tallahatchie county, Miss.

EPLEY—RAEZER.—At the residence of the bride's father, Plaquemine, La., Dec. 5, 1899, by Rev. Jno. B. Kent, Mr. Alvah Epley to Miss Maggie Raezer, both of Plaquemine, La.

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Greenwood station	23, 24
Morehead	Jan. 6, 7
Vaiden, at Vaiden	13, 14
Carrollton and McAurey, at Carroll'n	20, 21
Indianola and Falconia, at Indianola	27, 28
Sidon and Etta Bena, at Etta Bena	Feb. 3, 4
Black Hawk, at Black Hawk	10, 11
Winona circuit, at Bethlehem	17, 18
Carrollton circuit, at Marvin	24, 25
West circuit, at West	Mar. 3, 4
McNutt and Sunnyside, at McNutt	10, 11
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Senatobia	7, 8
Coldwater	13, 14
Hernando	20, 21
Burges	20
Eureka	27, 28
Courtland	Feb. 3, 4
Tyro	9
Wall Hill	10, 11
Cockrum	17, 18
Pleasant Hill	24, 25
Longtown	Mar. 3, 4
Pleasant Grove	4, 5

The district stewards will meet at Senatobia, Jan. 8, at 10 A. M. It is important for you to be present, brother. Will you be there?
W. S. LAGRONE, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Water Valley—Wood Street	Dec. 17
Water Valley—Main Street	24
Oxford station	31
Coffeeville circuit, at Coffeeville	Jan. 6, 7
Water Valley cir., at Wyatt's Chapel	20, 21
Toccopola circuit, at Toccopola	27, 28
Paris circuit, at Paris	Feb. 3, 4
Banner circuit, at Banner	10, 11
Ellzey circuit, at Hurricane	17, 18
Pittsboro circuit, at Pittsboro	24, 25
Slate Springs cir., at Slate Springs	Mar. 3, 4
Minter City and Strathmore, at M. C.	10, 11
Cascilla circuit, at Pleasant Ridge	17, 18
Charleston circuit, at Charleston	24, 25
East Grenada circuit, at Mars Hill	31, Apr. 1
Oxford circuit, at ——	7, 8

The district stewards will hold their meeting at Water Valley, Tuesday, Jan. 16.
R. G. PORTER, P. E.

DURANT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Durant station	Dec. 24, 25
Sallie, at Harmonia	30, 31
Ebenezer, at Hebron	Jan. 7, 8
Eupora and Maben, at Maben	12
Cumberland, at Long Branch	13, 14
Tomnolen, at South Union	15
Lexington and Tchula, at Lexington	20, 21
Pickens, at Goodman	27, 28
Rural Hill, at White Hall	Feb. 3, 4
Belzona, at Lawrence	10, 11
Poplar Creek, at Wesley	17, 18
Kosciusko circuit, at ——	24, 25
Chester, at Chester	Mar. 3, 4
Louisville, at Rocky Hill	10, 11
Ackerman, at Weir	17, 18
Kosciusko station	24, 25
Ethel, at Marvin	Apr. 1, 2

T. W. DYE, P. E.

HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Coenersville circuit, at Bethlehem	Dec. 30, 31
Holly Springs station	Jan. 6, 7
Holly Springs cir., at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	20, 21
Waterford circuit, at Waterford	27, 28
Potts Camp circuit, at Potts Camp	Feb. 3, 4
Ashland circuit, at Union Hill	10, 11
Red Banks circuit, at Victoria	17, 18
Shawnee circuit, at Harmony	24, 25
Olive Branch circuit, at Miller	Mar. 3, 4
Randolph mission, at ——	10, 11
Pontotoc circuit, at Pontotoc	11, 12
Mt. Pleasant circuit, at Mt. Pleasant	17, 18
Abbeville circuit, at Mt. Zion	24, 25

District stewards' meeting at Holly Springs, Jan. 6, 1900, at 10 A. M.
J. W. HONNOLL, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Booneville station	Dec. 16, 17
Corinth station	23, 24
Inka station	30, 31
Inka circuit, at Snowdown	Jan. 2
Ripley and New Albany, at New A	6, 7
New Albany circuit, at Mt Olivet	9
Jonesboro circuit, at Gatlin's	13, 14
Ripley circuit, at New Hope	15
Blue Springs circuit, at Bethel	20, 21
Mantachie circuit, at Shiloh	23
Guntown circuit, at Baldwyn	27, 28
Kossuth circuit, at Pleasant Hill	Feb. 3, 4
Corinth circuit, at Gaines Chapel	5
Jacinto circuit, at Jacinto	10, 11
Brown's Creek circuit, at Paradise	13
Marietta circuit, at Blythe Chapel	17, 18
Belmont circuit, at Liberty	20
Booneville circuit, at Blackland	24, 25

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A Serious Decision.

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THE FOURTEENTH CHAPTER OF JOHN.

If pastors ask the sick what Scripture they desire, it is only a form, for there is one chapter which every man and woman wants to hear in great sorrow, or when the shadow is falling. The leaf which contains the fourteenth chapter of St. John's gospel should be made movable in our Bibles in order that it might be replaced every ten years. By the time a man has got to middle age that leaf is thinning, and by old age it is only a brown film that is barely legible, and must be gently handled. Yet with every reading—say six times a week—the pastor notices that it yields some new revelation of the divine love and the kingdom of heaven. If one is sinking into unconsciousness, and you read, "In my Father's house are many mansions," he will come back and whisper, "Mansions," and he will wait till you finish, "Where I am, there ye may be also," before he dies in peace.—Ian Maclaren, in Cure of Souls.

Notice.

The preachers of the Durant district will please inform me at once the places where the first quarterly meetings will be held.
T. W. DYE, P. E.

We have referred more than once to the desperate and despicable measures resorted to by some representatives of the tobacco manufacturers to develop a taste for tobacco in growing boys, in order to keep up the demand. The opposition which the anti-cigarette reformers have had to meet is not less underhanded and ingenious than that displayed by the advocates of the saloon. A recent phase of the campaign is the manufacture and sale of a variety of chewing gum containing nicotine. It has been very popular with Chicago school children since its introduction. On complaints by parents and teachers the health department recently analyzed the gum, pronounced it dangerous to health, and ordered its sale stopped. This latest invention is worthy to be placed along with the brandy and whiskey candies as an example of the admirable ethical principles characteristic of these twin industries, the liquor business and the cigarette business. Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to the use of tobacco and liquor by adults, we never heard of any reputable physician or scientist who did not pronounce them highly injurious to children.—Baptist Standard.

Bishop Geo F. Pierce.

I am anxious for the full name of everyone who was named after the now sainted Bishop George Foster Pierce, of the M. E. Church, South. The names received will be used in connection with a souvenir soon to be issued. In writing, please give the date and place of birth. Address
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A personal letter from a country minister comments thus on the tendency of the times: "This pleasure-seeking age does not at all grasp Paul's 'Rejoice.' It is thoroughly saturated with another formula. The pleasant is the right. Play is become the first business of life. It is an easy recipe for happiness to turn all tragedy into comedy, to take life lightly. A popular author says, 'There is nothing so much a man's business as his amusements.' No doubt this is successfully used by many—and all the higher problems and destinies of life left out. Christ's religion is absolutely opposed to this. We need a new asceticism that shall snub this pleasure-seeking and make self-control a higher and than happiness." There is food for serious thought in such words, especially in these midwinter weeks, when faithful ministers and laymen are watching, as one watcheth for the morning, for the dawn of better times in the churches. Is not this inordinate "pleasure-seeking" one great hindrance?—Congregationalist.

Dr. D. M. Bye, of Indianapolis, Ind., Certainly Cures Cancers, and Sufferers Should Know It

CLARKSVILLE, TENN., JULY 25, 1899.

It has become very common to write certificates or testimonials to the worth of something, or some person undeserving, and which frequently proves to be a palpable fraud. This I would avoid, and would not make this statement, which I do voluntarily, without even a suggestion or request to do so, did I not hope to bless some poor sufferer, feeling conscious in my own heart that the man whose merit I may extol is honored of God; is deserving of greater praise and reward than I am able to bestow. Without entering into full details, I will simply state that I had a Tumor on my left breast of nineteen years' growth. About the time it commenced giving some pain a very dear friend lost her life from the use of the surgeon's knife on just such a looking Tumor as mine. Of course, I was not encouraged to pursue that treatment; in fact, my physician advised me against it, as he thought possibly it might not for long years, if ever, cause serious trouble. The time, however, did come. The growth seemed very slow until late years. Finally it came to great size, and continued growing rapidly, having two bleeding sores or ulcers about three inches apart near the size of a baby's head. I called in my doctor, one of the best and most successful surgeons of the State, a man of piety and Christian integrity. He examined the Tumor carefully, and pronounced it malignant; said it had been growing so long that the roots had possibly taken hold between the ribs, and there was no hope or safety with the knife in such a case. I was left in despair, hope vanished; and there was nothing before me but great suffering from this loathsome affliction and certain death. I read many advertisements promising certain cure. My physician said they were generally humbugs to get money, which is true. However, my husband wrote to several specialists, and one that he had the most faith in answered honestly that he did not believe it could be cured in its present late stages. Others thought they could cure it for $150 or $200. At last my eye caught a statement in the "Silver Knight Watchman" from a Texas minister, stating the wonderful skill of Dr. D. M. Bye, of Indianapolis, Ind., in a case very similar to mine. There was such force of earnestness in the statement that it impressed me as inspired purposely for my benefit. We wrote Dr. D. M. Bye at once, giving diagram and measurement, 22 inches in circumference, 9 inches in length, 6 inches across, giving age, conditions, health, etc. He answered that he had relieved cases as bad, and believed he could cure mine. I ordered his remedies by express, and he sent directions by letter, which I followed closely. Used his Oils first month with no apparent results, excepting the softening and slight reduction in the size of the Tumor. Not the slightest pain attended the treatment. I then began on the second month's treatment. The first remedy, as he said it would, brought the two bleeding sores together in one, and formed a hard scab three inches in diameter. This caused no pain. Then he used a remedy to separate the diseased flesh from the sound. Soon the whole Tumor dropped out with all its roots and branches, leaving a cavity as large as a small tea cup, and I have suffered no pain whatever from it since. Now my breast is entirely healed, and I believe is as sound as ever. Of course, it left a scar, but that's nothing. I would take a dozen such to get rid of so loathsome a thing; indeed I regard the cure as wonderful, something akin to a miracle, and my dealings with Dr. D. M. Bye stamps him as a pure Christian gentleman, whose first object is to do good and relieve suffering. Truly he must be a man blessed of God and endowed with skill in his high calling. If any sufferer wants further particulars, I will take pleasure in answering inquiries, and those who do not know me or my husband can write any citizen or officer of Clarksville, Tenn.
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A PRAYER AND ITS ANSWER.

THE PRAYER.

"Give her, I pray, all good;
Bid all the buds of promise grow
To perfect flowers of happiness,
Where'er her feet may go.
Bid Faith's bright shield, and Love's strong arm,
Protect her from all coming harm.

"Lest there should be some other thing,
Better than all the rest,
Which I have failed to ask," I said,
"Give her the very best,
Whatever that to thee may seem,
Of all that I can ask or dream."

THE ANSWER.

She lies before me, still and pale:
The roses that I prayed
Might bloom along her path of life,
Are on her bosom laid;
Crowned with a strange, rapt calm, she lies
Like one made dumb by sweet surprise.

"The best that I could ask or dream;"
This was my prayer, and now
That she is wrapped in sweet repose
With God's peace on her brow,
I wonder, sobbing, sore dismayed,
If this is that for which I prayed.

—Observer.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Gen. Leonard Wood, now military governor of the province of Santiago, Cuba, and generally believed to be about to become military governor of the entire island, delivered an address before a meeting of the American Auxiliary of the Cuban Provisional Red Cross, in Washington, this week, on the educational needs of Cuba, that was full of practical suggestions and good advice. He said, "There is an enormous number of children there who, while not exactly homeless, are drifting about, and not receiving any education." He said that he had long had the idea of introducing industrial schools in Cuba; that there are many buildings available for use for such a purpose which could be obtained, but added these words of caution: "The work must be conducted on business principles. Unless it be conducted on hard business lines, it will fail." Senor Quesada, who addressed the same meeting, said that Gen. Wood had left him nothing to say, except that he endorsed every word he had spoken. Among those who attended the meeting were Mrs. Hull, wife of Representative Hull, of Iowa, who presided; Mrs. Hay, wife of the Secretary of State; Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Radcliffe; Mrs. Sternberg, wife of Surgeon-General Sternberg, of the army, and Mrs. Henderson, wife of the Speaker of the House.

Owing to a newspaper statement that the War Department was about to increase the number of chaplains in the army by appointing a chaplain for each of the volunteer regiments now in service, the department has received applications for the places from several thousand ministers of all denominations. The number of chaplains in the army is regulated by law, and the War Department can not make a single appointment until Congress authorizes it. That no chaplains were provided for the volunteer regiments was an oversight on the part of the last Congress, and it is very probable that at the present session a bill authorizing a number of chaplains for the volunteers will be passed.

One of the congressional practices that ought to be reformed is that of introducing bills "by request." If no senator or representative can be found willing to assume responsibility for a bill, it is fair to assume that the bill either belongs to the class known as "crank" bills, or that it is put forward for some wrongful or fraudulent purpose. The bill for the pensioning of ex-slaves, which has been introduced, always "by request," in a number of Congresses, is unquestionably one of the latter class. This week this bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Pettus, of Alabama, who expressly stated that he was in no way responsible for it. Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Pension Committee, declared that the bill was a bad one, introduced for no other purpose than to obtain money from ignorant ex-slaves by making them believe in the possibility of its becoming a law, which he declared it never would. Senator Mason stated that he had been induced to introduce a similar bill in the last Congress, which he afterwards ascertained was used for a bad purpose; and Senator Thurston, who introduced the bill, "by request," in the Fifty-fourth Congress, also made a similar statement. Senator Cockrell declared that such a bill ought not to be even dignified with being referred to the Pension Committee, but it was decided that the best way to get rid of it was to have that committee make an adverse report upon it, which could be used to show its fraudulent nature.

Dr. Henry McCook, of Philadelphia, delivered an interesting address before the Presbyterian Alliance of the Presbytery of Washington City, Tuesday evening.

Dr. J. G. Butler closed the golden jubilee of his pastorate of Luther Memorial Church with his fiftieth annual sermon, which was largely a resume of his experiences during the period in which the national capital has grown from a straggling town of 40,000 to an imperial city, admittedly the most beautiful in this country, and among the most beautiful in the world, of nearly 300,000 inhabitants. He said near the close: "No part of our record gives greater satisfaction than remembrance of the years through which the nation passed in the time of greatest trial. We have come forth a nation of free men, and by the influence of the gospel the wounds of the nation have been healed, so that to-day we are a united people, and know no North or South. All are loyal to the flag of freedom."

Solicitor-General Richards, who argued the case in which the United States Supreme Court recently handed down the decision against the Addyston Pipe Trust, is very positive in his opinion that the decision in question makes any laws against trusts that Congress may see fit to enact, in addition to those already in the statute books, valid. In his own words: "The Supreme Court held that Congress may prohibit the performance of any contract between individuals or corporations where the natural and direct effect of it is to regulate or restrain interstate commerce. In other words, the anti-trust law applies to every agreement in restraint of interstate trade, whether made by corporations or individuals." Although there has been no official statement to that effect, it is presumed that the decision will result in other trust prosecutions by the government.

Washington, Dec. 13, 1899.

LETTER FROM "GILDEROY."

There, now; Bishop Candler has gone and done it, he has. He jerked me out of a good, warm, comfortable, cozy nest, and put me on a district as large as all out of doors. I had rather be two pastors than one presiding elder. This is the most thankless job in our Methodism except the Bishop's job. I have had twelve years' rest from it. I am not proud of the promotion, I am not. I dread the responsibility. I hate to be parted from my wife. We have been jogging along side by side for forty years. At best we will not journey together much longer. I begrudge every hour I am away from her. I love books, papers, magazines and Reviews, but a presiding elder has little time for reading, and when he has time he is too tired to read profitably. I love to write. Writing has been a sort of mania with me from childhood. It is not a task, but delightful recreation. It is difficult to think and write when one is fatigued. I am not old; oh, no. I am not only on the outside, I am young on the inside; but, really, I am older than I was forty years ago. I am getting so I like to roost every night on the same limb, in my own bed. I don't rest as soon after a hard ride as I did years ago. I am not as supple and limber-jointed as a boy. The nights are darker than they used to be, or else I can not see as well in the dark. If it were left to me to choose my work, I'd never choose to be a presiding elder. I would not. The Bishop sent me to it. I go because I am sent. I promised to do that forty-one years ago. I go cheerfully; would go cheerfully to any charge in my Conference, or any other. It is a great honor to work for my Lord in any corner. I am not going to go growling; that would be ugly. A sour start hurts the preacher and the work. It begets a ferment. I feel like I am too small a man to be spread out over so wide a territory. It is hardly a smell of butter to the slice of bread. This last was an upsetting Conference. If I count correctly, there were one hundred changes. The Bishop gave us a new deal in presiding elders. All the new ones, but two, had been "a horse" before. We will see how Young and Woollard pull. The boys must "scotch" for them up hill. They will need to get breath up all the long hills. There will be many of them. The presiding eldership looks like a big thing to some men at long range. When one gets there the enchantment is all gone. Well, I must do my best. The shadows are growing long. I am on the sunset side of the hill. What I do must be done quickly. The supernumerary or superannuated relation is not far ahead of me. The journey that ends in the grave will soon come to an end. I've no time to fool away now. I must work while it is day. I go to new territory. I am glad of this. My old sermons will be new to new people, provided they have fresh fire and love in them. Without this, or these, the newest sermons are older than the oldest. It is the Spirit that makes sermons, new or old, burn and blaze with pith and power. There ought to be thought, lots of it, but it ought to be thought on fire. I am going, but I can't help looking back longingly, not for onions and leeks, but for books, pens, paper, and ink. How do Bishops find time to read? They are forever on the go. I am sorry for them. It is a wonder to me that they do not run dry. I would, I know. Four years on a district pumps me dry, or it did years ago. None but full men ought to be put in these corners. Few men have resources enough to run effectively and efficiently longer than four years in district work. Most men need to stop and fill up. Presiding elders can not take water on the fly. The tanks are about four miles—years—apart. Let me off at four, better at three, still better at two, and, best of all, at one. I will be out of water and short of steam one year hence. My tender-room and steam capacity are small, very small. When a man works at one thing too long it disqualifies him for other work. I'd like to keep my hand in on several kinds of work. If Bishops were not such great men, they would get so they would not know how to do anything else but to be Bishops. It is a treadmill sort of life—the same thing over and over. Variety, the spice of life, is wanting. An Annual Conference will do, but six or seven of them in a string, and for years, would come to be monotonous. Quarterly Conferences do to presiding elders. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper comes to be too much a matter of business—becomes common.

GILDEROY.

Dec. 9, 1899.

THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE—MONROE.

(Concluded.)

1. Who are admitted on trial? Daniel E. Kelly, John G. Sloane, Luther Lee Roberts.

2. Who remain on trial? H. N. Brown, J. M. Martin, E. L. Alford, C. D. Atkinson, Geo. D. Parker, Geo. D. Purcell, W. R. Harvell, J. H. Montgomery, M. F. Johnson, Martin Hebert, George P. White, Barnett Wright, W. G. Roberts.

3. Who are discontinned? E. T. Denson, at his own request.

4. Who are admitted into full connection? H. W. Ledbetter, F. N. Sweeney, P. H. Fontaine, J. M. Alford, W. T. Woodward.

5. Who are readmitted? None.

6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? R. W. Dodson, from the Little Rock Conference; H. R. Singleton, from the St. Louis Conference; I. W. Cooper, from the Mississippi Conference.

7. Who are the deacons of one year? P. R. Knickerbocker, P. O. Lowrey, T. M. Wafer, W. H. Benton, W. A. Clark, C. C. Wier, A. W. Turner.

8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Henry W. Ledbetter, and his ordination on Sunday morning was announced and certified by the Bishop.

10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Daniel E. Kelly, Luther L. Roberts, Denny F. Turner, James M. Manly, and their ordination by himself on Sunday was reported and certified by Bishop Galloway.

12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Ira L. Bronson, C. P. Smith, and W. H. Hatfield, and their ordination Sunday afternoon was announced and certified by the Bishop.

13. No local preachers elected elders.

16. Who are located this year? W. J. Roberts, at his own request.

17. No supernumeraries.

18. Who are superannuated? R. S. Trippett, George Jackson, M. C. Manly, P. A. Johnston, J. M. Johnston, J. L. Wright, Wilson Moore, J. F. Sonrlock, A. D. McVoy.

19. What preachers have died during the year? Lewis A. Reed, Thomas B. White, J. H. Stone, J. White Davis.

20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? was naked. Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

22 and 23. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,132. Adults? 717.

24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 64. Members of Leagues? 2,078.

29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? $1,400.

30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? How has it been applied? $2,970.

31. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, $5,363.81; domestic, $1,971,11.

32. What has been contributed for church extension? $1,325.32.

33. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? $239.65.

36. What is the number of societies? 385. Of houses of worship? 303.

37. What is the value of houses of worship? $483,135.

39. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness? Value, $71,543; indebtedness, $5,870.50.

40. What is the number of district parsonages? 4, valued at $6,700. Of presiding elders' districts? 7.

45. Where shall the next Conference be held? Baton Rouge, New Iberia and Arcadia were nominated, and Baton Rouge selected.

The Conference adjourned Monday morning. The changes were not many, and the appointments gave general satisfaction. With the reputation of Monroe's hospitality as high as ever, the preachers left joyfully for their fields of labor, triumphs and trials awaiting them, but strong in the Lord, and uplifted by the new high views and by the inspiring companionship they had received and enjoyed during this delightful session.

Selections.

THE WORK OF PREACHERS.

Recently a lawyer in a tirade of abuse, in which he declared that women and preachers could neither perceive nor tell the truth, also said preachers are parasites in society, living on the honest toil of other people while making no return for what they get. The applause given the sentiment by some preachers present and by others indicates that the sentiment has something, in some part, of the public mind to support it. I have long seen inklings of the fact that there are preachers who feel that the ministry is a class exempted from the honest toils of humanity. These feel no moral obligation to earn a living. They are sponges and dead beats. To say this is in no way to concede the truth of the allegation aforesaid, any more than to affirm that there are lawyers who are courthouse bullies and all-round toughs is tantamount to vulgarizing the whole legal profession.

Passing from the low exceptions in the ministry to the general high level of the highest calling on earth, and remarking as we pass that preachers need not complain at being classed with women in any classification of virtues, I come to deal with the work of preachers. They must stand or fall by their Master's rule: "By their works ye shall know them." The man who reads history can not remain ignorant of the fact that with the coming of Jesus Christ into the world there came the greatest regenerating force among men humanity has felt. His teaching went to the secret sources of all human conduct. When Jesus left the world, he gave his teaching into the hands of his chosen ministry. The expanded Judaism stripped it of its swaddling clothes, gave it a new heart-beat, opened to the world its true meaning, and taught the sanctity of all human life and the universal brotherhood of man. Ministers bearing the message of their Master renewed the hopes of the race. They lifted humanity above the bestialities of heathenism and reconstructed the thought and life of the people who heard them. When the vast Roman empire fell by its own corruption, ministers garnered the seeds of the Christian civilization and sowed them amid persecutions, poverty and martyrdoms beside all waters.

Ministers, directly and indirectly, have founded every college, seminary and university in Christendom. Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburg, Glasgow, Berlin, Heidelberg, Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Brown, all of them and all the rest, State universities not excepted. Ministers have not only founded these, but they have stood by them and guarded them through the centuries. Ministers have been the foremost force through the ages in popularizing learning. They do now give and always have given a greater per cent. of their scanty income to schools and education than any other men on earth. They have stood for the church and the schoolhouse side by side, and these are the lighthouses that dispel the enveloping darkness of all times. These, the church first, are the civilizing forces operating constantly to build a better social order.

Preachers have made and enriched the literature of civilization. They have written a vast volume of the world's best books. They have held the light for the writing of what else is good. But for the work of preachers enlightening the masses in England there would have been no Shakespeare, no Lord Bacon, no written English jurisprudence. Over the mother isle to-day would reign the uncultured barbarism of our heathen ancestors. Our own great country would be unknown on the map of the world. No statue of liberty enlightening the world would have been dreamed of. There would be no liberty. England and America would be no other but heathen nations. Christianity is the heart and life of modern civilization, and preachers are the heaven-ordained light bearers of Christianity.

Preachers more than all others have built the American commonwealth with the truth they are commissioned to preach. The Bible is humanity's book. Its Divine Author is humanity's best friend. The gospel is a message of freedom to the race; freedom from destructive vices first, and freedom from outward oppression next. It is no accident that where there is the free preaching of the gospel the people enjoy liberty. A great political philosopher has said: "All people are as free as they deserve to be." The gospel builds character and secures freedom by making people ready for it. Preachers, with the scantiest living, plain, unpretentious men, have traversed mountains, valleys and plains, laying the foundations of civilization, and have builded the present social state, themselves little knowing the value of their service to the world. They thought most of heaven, but enriched both worlds. Preachers have enriched the commerce of the world. They have gone to all lands and taught people how to live. Barbarians are neither good producers nor good buyers. The higher Christian life is the longer life. Its power to produce is enlarged. Its needs are multiplied. Christianity is the greatest commercial force in the world, because Christianity leads the race toward all possibilities. Many a preacher, moreover, has enriched a neighborhood by a hundredfold more than he was paid for his services. He has broken up saloons, led men to sobriety, and taught them to use their money in right ways. Thus whole communities have risen from poverty and squalor to affluence and refinement, and the plain preacher did it with his heavenly message, told maybe in poor English.

Preachers have, by their teaching, contributed more than physicians to the health of humanity. Better than healing is prevention. Christianity tends powerfully to the longevity of the race, because it works in the individual the conditions of health. Whatever properly regulates the life makes for health.

Preachers have stood for every great moral and social reform. They have heroically fought back the destructive tides of evil which submerge human hopes in despair. They, as a class, stand for sobriety against the saloon, for honesty against gambling, for the home against the brothel, for marriage against concubinage; they stand for law against licentiousness. The church and the preacher are the bulwarks of society against all combinations of evil.

Preachers have been the founders and unfailing supporters of all forms of benevolence. They have followed the drunkard, the libertine, the gambler to his last hour with calls to a better life, and when he sank into the grave, the victim of his own vices, they said the best words they could at the grave, and then took his orphans to some friendly asylum and cared for them till they could care for themselves. All this preachers have done, without money and without price, purely for the love they feel and preach.

As a great class, preachers have done all these things and more, all the time knowing they could never hope for more than a common living. They have enriched the world, content themselves to remain poor. There is not another class among men who have done half so much for the world and received so little of this world's goods in return. Their reward is on high. They do not expect it here; they do not seek it. But to call them parasites is a graceless falsehood.—Baptist Standard.

YET PURSUING.

BY THOMAS MACKELLAR.

After the storm blow'th over,
The grass will sparkle anew;
Though clouds above you may hover,
They only brighten the blue.

There is no virtue in worry,
No good in picking up cares;
Be calm, nor rush in a hurry,
Or you may trip unawares.

Life's duty lieth in labor,
Such as the Master will crown;
Go lend a hand to your neighbor,
Uplift the man that is down.

All human praises eschewing,
Let motive sanctify act:
The Lord beho'deth the doing,
And sifteth the fable from fact.

At work with brain or with finger,
Thy working hallow'd by prayer,
No storm will over thee linger,
The clouds will vanish in air.

Away with sighing and sadness!
Grieve not the Heavenly Dove;
But up and labor with gladness
In faith, in hope, and in love.

—Exchange.

Communications.

ADVANTAGES OF EARLY REVIVALS.

We desire to say a few things to pastors with reference to the advantages of early revival meetings.

1. Early revivals bring the pastor and his people together in those warm attachments that are dependent upon the labor of love and associations of a revival for their birth. This especially applies to those pastors who have been assigned to new appointments. In most charges there are people who never meet the new pastor until the "big meeting" comes on. This ought not to be. Nevertheless, in many instances it is true. Many among this class never contribute anything to the support of the pastor until they become acquainted with him, and learn to love him. The sooner a disease is treated the better the chances are for recovery.

2. Early revivals give the pastor a better showing to test that oft-repeated adage that "a new broom sweeps clean." He can exercise his evangelistic gifts with a much better degree of success than he can to wait till the year is half gone. He can better impress the people with the great purpose of his mission, which is the salvation of souls. The people know that the new pastor has not had time to learn anything about their individual failings from hearsay; hence the pastor can preach against the devil and all sin, and drive the truth home to guilty consciences, and his hearers are minus that imaginary wall of prejudice growing out of the suppositions on the part of some individuals that the pastor has familiarized himself with the history of their cases from what others have told him. There is a point here. People like to be told of their wrongs from the pulpit (that is, the sincere ones do), but the truth has a more direct and better effect if the one to whom it applies does not have the idea that the pastor has had a personal informant. An early revival is a near route to a successful year. It makes a great deal of difference, too, for sinners to get the idea that the pastor is specially interested in their personal salvation. They will love him quicker, and are, consequently, easier won to Christ.

3. Early revivals have their corresponding financial advantages, both as to the support of the pastor and the Conference collections. The people—farmers and merchants, poor people, and the better to do—have more money during the first part of the year than in the Summer, and are, therefore, better prepared to meet their financial obligations to the church. The people, as a rule, are all at home in Winter, instead of being away on long tours to Summer resorts, pleasure trips, etc.; hence, more of that important class attend Winter revivals, and are benefited, and more readily give of their means to the cause of God. The writer has seen pastors test Winter revivals time and again. Not a great while ago one of our most worthy pastors, whom I never shall cease to love, moved on to his new work, and went about his Master's business at once. He saw that a revival was what his people needed, and must have. He was a good preacher and a revivalist himself; but he arranged with me to assist him. We began the meeting one cold, rainy night, with a small crowd, and continued ten days. The result was one of the greatest revivals I ever saw. More than threescore souls were added to the church. The meeting was in a small town on a circuit. The pastor, up to the time of the revival, had received but little money at that place. At the close of his revival the people paid him in subscription and cash about three hundred dollars, and seventy or eighty dollars on a parsonage debt, after having paid this helper over a hundred dollars. Again: Not many Winters ago I assisted one of our pastors in a revival just after he had reached his appointment—a station. We continued the meeting three weeks, through rain, sleet, snow, mud, and sunshine, which resulted in one hundred additions to our own church, and the inmates of the parsonage well provided for. A genuine revival is the condition of church finances. Early revivals are better for pastors, better for the church, better for sinners, and better for the glory of God.

W. D. BASS.

Corinth, Miss., Nov. 25, 1899.

WHAT A LOCAL PREACHER THINKS ABOUT AN EDUCATED MINISTRY.

DEAR BRETHREN: Much has been said through the press, and otherwise, about an educated ministry. The terms are improperly stated; it should be a ministry educated. This implies men educated in the doctrine and discipline of our church, after they have been called of God and commissioned to preach the everlasting gospel, and not men educated specially for the ministry. God makes no mistake, and when he calls men to preach the Word, if they enter the work with their soul in it, he will certainly qualify them to do the work. I don't oppose education, but I do oppose losing sight of the spiritual man and laying too much stress on the mental man. What we want to-day is men anxious about the salvation of the souls of men, having the same mind that was in St. Paul when he said, "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of Christ." Too many of our boys to-day glory in the fact that they are college graduates; and if some of these young men could control Methodism, it would not be long till our church would be run by college graduates, and those men who have borne the burden and heat of the day would have to take a back seat. This, in my opinion, would be manifesting more zeal than knowledge, and running the church on a scientific scale rather to please men than to please God.

Some of the most influential men, and men of power in the church, have been called from the humble walks of life. God and the church in harmony have taken them in charge, and through the discipline of our church, backed by the Word of God, they have come up to the full stature of men in Christ Jesus, doing the work no other man could but those called of God. God is not ignorant of the fact that we are in a progressive age, and all this fuss about an educated ministry is nonsensical and uncalled for. What we want in our church to-day is more evangelical Christianity, and that will give us the power, whether we be noble or ignoble, bond or free. If the church will put into practice what they know, they will come out right in the end. We have men to-day who, no doubt, have been called of God, and would be a power in the church but on account of the rigid examinations, and, being forced to some extreme part of the district to stand said examination, are held back, thus frustrating God's plan. No one need to be a graduate to understand the fact, from a Bible standpoint, that the great masses of the people to-day are in sin's destructive ways, and anyone who has the love of God in his heart can admonish them to look to Christ and live. The plan of salvation is based on the fact, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved;" and if we would preach more on this line, and leave off those geographical surveys and planetary expansions, we would come nearer reaching the hearts of the people. What do we care about this old earth as to whether it once was boiling hot, and taken it billions of years to cool before it could be inhabited by man? One thing we know: We are here walking about as rational men, and held accountable to God for our walks through life. And then they soar to the starry heavens, and try to tell us of the countless worlds, and almost locate the house not made with hands, with its innumerable rooms 16x18 feet square for each soul. We might conjecture a thousand times told, and never get this thing right. But the uneducated man can point sinners to the cross, and be a successful worker in the vineyard of the Lord.

Yours for what is right,

JOHN FRANKLIN, L. D.

Vernon parish, La.

Selections.

REPLY TO PROF. ATWATER.

BY MARY H. HUNT,

Supt. of Scientific Temperance Instruction for the World's and National W. C. T. U.

There is going the rounds of the press a report of the experiments of Prof. Atwater, of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., on the effects of alcohol on a man shut up from four to twelve days in a small air-tight metal chamber. Here, in addition to an ordinary diet, he was fed with alcohol to the amount usual in three glasses of whisky per day, and all his bodily processes watched. From the effect of the alcohol as noted in this experiment, in conditions wholly outside of ordinary human experience, broad deductions and generalizations are drawn which Prof. Atwater thinks should change the present temperance teaching of the pulpit, the platform, the Sunday-school and public school.

Happily, in the abstract of his report he tells what he thinks are the errors in the present teaching which call for correction to make it tally with the case of this man in the box. He says, "The errors are in insisting that alcohol is not a food, but a poison, and that in any quantity, large or small, it is necessarily harmful and not useful."

Prof. Atwater further says "The question of alcohol being called a poison depends on the definition of the term poison." If so, any teaching on the question of whether alcohol is a poison, or not, should be based on a correct definition of a poison.

After admitting that so much depends on the definition, Prof. Atwater fails to give his definition of a poison except as the following statement, applied to alcohol, may be considered one. He says, "Alcohol used in quantities and ways which cause no injurious effects can not be called a poison."

Would he say that no substance which can be used in quantities and ways which cause no injurious effects can be called a poison? If so, a new classification of nearly all substances known to the scientific and popular mind as poisons would be called for. A long list would have to be taken out of the catalogue of poisons, such as strychnia, arsenic, belladonna, opium, and others used by physicians as medicines in quantities and ways which they claim cause no injurious effects, but benefit instead. If the possibility of these substances being used in ways which are not injurious does not take them out of the poison list, why should the same possibility, if such possibility exists, take out alcohol?

STANDARD DEFINITIONS OF A POISON.

Prof. Atwater's definition of a poison—if a definition it may be called—differs essentially from that which appears in such standard authorities as medical dictionaries, encyclopedias, and the writings of eminent medical men. The instruction concerning alcohol as a poison, given in the indorsed physiologies used in the public schools, is based on these standard definitions. Prof. Atwater's criticism of this instruction is based on a conception of a poison which is entirely different from the definitions of the standard dictionaries.

"A poison is a substance which, when absorbed into the blood, is capable of seriously affecting health or of destroying life," says Alfred Swain Taylor, M. D., F. R. S., lecturer on Medical Jurisprudence in Guy's Hospital, London. His definition is virtually the one used by the scientific world of to-day, and is the one followed in the foregoing public school instruction. Dr. Taylor classes alcohol as a poison. Quain's Dictionary of Medicine says, "A poison may be defined as a substance having an inherent deleterious property which renders it capable of destroying life by whatever avenue it is taken into the system;" and among such poisons it enumerates alcohol. Dr. Adolf Fick, professor of physiology in the University of Wurtzburg, Germany, says: "From an exhaustive definition we shall have to class every substance as a poison which, on becoming mixed with the blood, causes a disturbance in the function of any organ. That alcohol is such a substance can not be doubted."

It will be found, on examination, that the definitions of a poison given in the indorsed temperance manuals for the public schools are in harmony with the foregoing authorities, and that in calling alcohol a poison the school text-books teach that alcohol is a substance with inherent properties which render it capable of injuring health and destroying life. Who can deny that it has this capability?

In the indorsed manuals for public school use a definition in substance like the foregoing is given in nearly every case, in direct connection with the statement that alcohol is a poison. Thus there is no occasion for misconception as to what is meant by this term. Whoever is taught from the pulpit, the platform, the Sunday-school, or public school, that a poison is a substance which has the inherent power, when introduced into the circulation, to injure health and destroy life, and that alcohol is such a poison, is learning truths he will not have to unlearn.

The question whether alcohol, as a medicine, can be used in quantities and ways which cause no injurious effects, is not a topic for the public schools, but for medical colleges. The nature and effects of alcoholic drinks—that is, of alcohol as a beverage, not as a medicine—is what the laws of forty-one States and the National Congress require taught all pupils in all public schools as a part of physiology and hygiene; therefore, the effects of alcohol, when used as a medicine, are purposely omitted from the indorsed school physiologies.

SHOULD ALCOHOL BE CLASSED WITH THE WORLD'S FOOD SUBSTANCES?

Prof. Atwater says, "Whether alcohol is to be called a food, or not, depends upon the definition of a food." We wish he had given the public his definition of a food, that we might know whether, in using that term, he means what is generally understood by it.

The common idea of a food is a substance which can be depended on to nourish the body without doing it immediate or ultimate injury. Prof. Atwater apparently considers that anything that can be oxidized in the body and yield energy should be classed as a food. This may be a proper chemical definition of a food, but it is not the ordinary definition. If it were, many violent poisons, as, for instance, muscarine, the active principle of the poisonous mushroom plants, which is oxidized in the body and thus liberates energy, should be classed as foods. If chemistry, for its own purposes, frames a definition of a food which will admit such known poisons together with alcohol, it should in all honesty tell the people that by a food it does not mean a nutritious substance that will nourish without harming the body.

It is evident that other considerations than the mere ability to oxidize and yield energy must enter into a consideration of food values from any rational or practical point of view. Alcohol is a narcotic, and like other narcotics it has the power to create an uncontrollable desire for itself. Sugar and fats are not narcotics, and have not this power. On the contrary, the desire for them is soon satisfied, and then no more is relished. Prof. Atwater himself admits that "many begin with the moderate use [of alcohol], which leads to disastrous excess." No one can tell how soon his attempted moderation will result in excess. "The evil of this excess," Prof. Atwater admits, "is one of the most serious facts with which the physiologists, sociologists and moralists of to-day have to deal."

Truth, the whole truth, can be trusted; it will not beguile to destruction. The whole truth in regard to alcohol, stated in its proper relations, will not leave the false idea that alcohol is a food in the same sense that fat and sugar are foods.

NOT PROVEN.

In conclusion, we submit that inasmuch as Prof. Atwater says the classification of alcohol as a food or a poison depends upon the definition of these terms, and inasmuch as he has not proven the standard definitions of a poison inaccurate, nor the popular ideas of a food wrong, therefore, he has not sustained his charge that the pulpit, platform, Sunday school and public school are in error when teaching in accordance with these definitions and ideas.

If, by any merely technical definition which the world will accept, Prof. Atwater is able to claim that alcohol is a food, we reply by quoting the following from Wood's Therapeutics concerning alcohol, "For a person in health it must be considered as one of the most wasteful, uncertain, and often deleterious of known substances which are considered foods."—Zion's Herald.

The Christian Life.

MORE AND MORE.

Of the many Bible words which grow and grow into our thought and life, with our advancing years, few seem more impressive, even from the standpoint of merely worldly experience, than the familiar idea phrased in the text, "Unto him that hath shall be given." We give more and more love to those worthy of our affection; we bestow an ever-increasing confidence upon those whose friendship we have tested; and we are ready to multiply honors and rewards for those who have rightly won them already. And this text is the best explanation of the oft-asked question, "Why we do not ask favors and aids of those who have the most leisure time, but rather of those who are the busiest and most sought for?" In this world, and in every line of work, we are pretty sure to want the men who are wanted by others. A word of counsel or a minute's help from one who has shown efficiency in every labor, is worth more than a sermon from an idle by-stander, or a whole day's attempted service on the part of him whom the world very properly lets alone. Those who have the most to do are the very ones who are readiest, whenever possible, to do something more; and the qualities which make their time most valuable to themselves and others are the very qualities which they are readiest to enlist in still further service at the call of duty. Notwithstanding all the element of truth in Gray's lines about mute, inglorious Miltons and village Hampdens, or in Milton's assurance that "they also serve who only stand and wait," let us not forget the fact that it is a good thing to be wanted in this world of work.—Sunday-School Times.

A GREAT HINDRANCE.

The desire of appearing to be useful, rather than of being so, is a dreadful hindrance to real usefulness. Making present visible results the measure of value for one's labor leads to superficial habits of thought and action. Sham and show hinder excellence and reality. Setting up pretense and parade in place of truth and honesty destroys the earnestness and sincerity of nature, corrupts the simplicity of our motives, and makes us vacillating and time-serving rather than single-hearted and true. The man whose aim is to seem rather than to be, is self exiled from the noblest field of human activity, which lies always in the strong, deep, still, under-current of influences which, unheeded by the thoughtless multitude, act slowly, silently, but irresistibly and effectually. He is not permitted to do a thing in the best way, unless this way should happen to be that which will secure to him present honor. He will not hold on the even tenor of his way, through good report and evil report, but he must be a sort of public weathercock, shifting with every popular excitement, and ever on the outlook to win the applause or escape the blame of men. Such men love the praise of men more than the praise of God, and their empty hearts and hollow lives collapse before the pressure of temptation or adversity, as a hollow tree goes down before a hurricane. If we would be strong, we must be honest, faithful and true to ourselves, our conscience and our God.—Exchange.

RELIGION SUPERIOR TO CIRCUMSTANCES.

It is easy to persuade ourselves that we would serve God better if we were in easier circumstances. Every man feels that he is capable of gratitude, and he does not see how he could be indifferent to heaven if God would bless him as he did Job. And most of us are sure that if our minds were free from financial care, religious duties would be a delight. But experience has not shown that the rich are more grateful than the poor, or that the rich find it easier to serve God than the poor, or that those who have no burdens think more upon the name of the Lord than those who have hardly a moment they can call their own. The mistake is in supposing that religion is the creature of one's surroundings. Multitudes have gotten the idea into their heads that if they are lost, it will be because of their surroundings, and are anxiously looking for better surroundings as their only hope of being made better. We are not saved by surroundings, but by Christ. It is the glory of Christianity that it saves men in spite of their surroundings, and then sets them to work to better their surroundings. It is the duty of a Christian to seek to improve his circumstances in life; but it is worth remembering that men in the best of circumstances have been lost, and that men in the worst circumstances have been saved. Not even the almost ideal situation suggested by the prayer, "Give me neither poverty nor riches," insures a man's salvation.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

LIVING WELL TO-DAY.

Living well to-day is the best anyone can do. We can not live in the future. We must live in the present. If that be lived wisely, there need not be any anxious concern for the morrow; for, says a judicious writer, "the value of the future depends entirely upon the value attached to to-day; there is no magic in the years to come; nothing can bloom in those fairer fields save that which is sown to-day. The great aim of Christianity is not to teach men the glory of the life to come, but the sacredness of the life that now is; not to make men imagine the beauty of heaven, but to make them realize the divinity of earth; not to unveil the splendor of the Almighty, enthroned among angels, but to reveal the deity of the Man of Nazareth. He has mastered the secret of life who has learned the value of the present moment, who sees the beauty of present surroundings, and who recognizes the possibility of sainthood in his neighbors. To make the most and best of to-day is to command the highest resources of the future, for there is no future outside of us; it lies within us, and we make it for ourselves."—Religious Telescope.

DON'T FORSAKE YOUR FIRST LOVE.

Every genuine preacher of the gospel fell in love with his work. It may have been when he accepted Christ as his Savior and entered upon his service; or it may have been after calm deliberation and reflection for several years. But whenever the decision was made it was accompanied with a glow, and a warmth, and an enthusiasm which he had never experienced before. It was an Edenic hour, like "a little heaven below." This rapturous experience should be cultivated by the preacher through life. It should keep flaming through his heart and mind and his whole being. It should be carried with him to his study, to his pulpit, to the places of his social meetings, and to the homes of his people. In all his intercourse with his people and with his fellow-men it should glow in his face, sweeten his lips, and give a love touch to his hand. And if his love for his work at any time seems faint, and his devotion to it cold, he should pour out his lamentation of this before God, and make it the burden of his request, in secret prayer, that God would bring him back to his first love.—Exchange.

Troubles are tests. Tests of men and women. The Evangelical Messenger says that "as to trouble men are four. Number one is overwhelmed, goes down beneath the waves, and rises not again. Number two just manages to keep his head above water; but what a time he has of it, how loud and strong his lamentations, what a pitiful object! Number three swims easily out and does not mind it much; he gets wet, but he is a philosopher and soon dries himself, making no fuss about it nor coming to any harm. Number four feels the force of the flood as much as the other three, but he is so encased in rubber that the stream only tosses him forward on his way and he exults at the strange means God has taken to promote his progress. Defeat, devastation, peace, triumph—which will we have? The Almighty is able to make his children victorious over all their trials, turning them into means of grace for which hearty thanks can most fitly be given. It is possible not merely to bear them with patience and resignation, but to exult at the glorious results therein wrought."—Exchange.

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Barnard E. B. Cassity, the oldest son of Rev. J. B. Cassity, of the Louisiana Conference, M. E. Church, South, was born Feb. 28, 1872; was converted at the Cypress Camp Meeting, in DeSoto parish, at about fourteen years old. He lived a consistent Christian for a few years, when he was drawn away by wicked associates, and became more wicked than at any former period of his life. He began working for Allen Bros. & Wadley, at Allenton, in 1896, and moved to Zwolle in 1897 to work for the same firm. At the time of his death he was the planer foreman and shipping clerk for the H. J. Allen Lumber Co.

He married Miss Girtie Hayes in June, 1898. She died suddenly on July 3, last. After her death he was deeply convicted of sin, and his testimony was that, for three months he had lived in torment and slept on pillows of thorn. In this condition he attended the Zwolle Holiness Camp Meeting, and on Oct. 15, 1899, during the altar service in the afternoon, he rushed up to the writer, handed him two cigars, and said, "Bro. Howell, I surrender all, and I want all God has for me." He then went down at the altar in a perfect agony. Knowing that he felt a call to preach the gospel, I stooped and asked him if he was willing to do what he knew God wanted him to do. He said he was; so I announced immediately that he would preach that night. He did not get the assurance of pardon until the "grove prayer meeting" at sundown the same day. He preached that night from the text, "Prepare to meet thy God," and when he called for penitents the altar was filled with probably 75 or 80 penitents, he himself going to the altar to seek the blessing of entire sanctification. At that service there were at least thirty people either converted or sanctified. The following Friday evening, at our holiness prayer meeting, after walking blamelessly in regeneration for five days, he was wholly sanctified, and until his demise, which occurred on Nov. 22, 1899, he was constant and clear in his testimony to these two great blessings. He was "instant in season and out of season," and full of good works.

At his funeral, which took place in our church at Zwolle, after a memorial service we called for penitents, and at least one soul was happily converted, and many rejoiced because of the special and mighty influence of the Holy Ghost. We laid him away beside the one he so loved in this life, but we expect to meet him where there shall be no more parting. Barnie is gone, but, thank God! we will soon be with him and like him, having our robes washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb. His pastor,

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FROM THE WORK.

CADDO CIRCUIT.

Caddo circuit has three appointments, as our pastor learned when he reached here after hearing the edict of the Bishop at the Annual Conference—Greenwood, Caddo Chapel, and Keachie. Our Bishop sent us a brand-new man, or, at least, new to this charge. He was received very graciously by the whole work. Our presiding elder (also new) was with us at our first quarterly meeting, which was held at Keachie in January, and assessment made for support of pastor; also a division of his time. Greenwood, two Sabbaths of each month; Caddo Chapel, one Sabbath; Keachie, first and fifth Sabbaths. Conference claim collections by the pastor have been good, and while his salary has not all been paid, he expresses himself as very grateful to his charge for the sympathy and kindnesses extended to him and family, "strangers in a strange land." And while there has not been that degree of visible success which we desired on the work this year, yet we think there has been quite an advance on some lines of church work.

1. Two Epworth Leagues have been organized—a feature of church work never before known in the history of this circuit; and, I may add, both are doing fairly well.

2. There has been an increase in Sunday-school work at some points, and while the increase has been small, we return thanks to the Giver of all good gifts for interest manifested in this important field of labor.

3. There has been one class meeting which, for part of the year, met regularly every two weeks, and those who attended found it a great benefit to their spiritual condition.

We have had a decrease in membership this year to quite a goodly number. Some have passed "over the river" to that clime from whence no traveler returns, and the angels are peering over the battlements of heaven, waiting for others who are looking for the summons, "Come up higher; your work is finished." Some by certificate and otherwise.

The financial report for ministerial support will be far below that of last year. The circuit will fall behind nearly one hundred dollars on pastor and presiding elder's salaries, while collections ordered by the Conference will be in advance of last year.

Besides all this, we have raised about one hundred and sixty dollars for repairs on church and parsonage at Keachie; and just here I would like to ask a question, Why is it that a preacher's salary is considered canceled (the balance due) when the Annual Conference convenes? It is not thus with any other debt under the sun. If, perchance, the preacher owes a few dollars, it must be paid, though his family are in need, while we, who promised to pay our pastor a stipulated amount for actual support of his family, consider our obligations canceled after Conference convenes, and the Bishop either returns our former pastor, or sends us another. Why, oh, why, is this difference without a distinction made? Is it just? Is it what "Jesus would do?"

Our pastor is a good, consecrated Christian, giving his whole time to his people. He has labored earnestly and faithfully in the Spirit of the Lord, and whatever failures may have been, we humbly crave that it may not be ascribed to him; and should the Bishop see fit to return Rev. J. O. Bennett to the Caddo work, we will not only return thanks to him, but the whole cabinet, for we point at him with pride, and say, "He is our pastor."

Keachie, La., Dec. 6, 1899.

A WORD OF CAUTION.

The old saying that "a man, who is naked can't give away his shirt," is only another way of saying that you can't give what you haven't got. The man can't give "free medical advice," or any other kind of medical advice who hasn't got a medical education and a certificate to the fact, in the form of a diploma. And in this particular a woman has no more privilege than a man. She can't give medical advice without medical education and medical knowledge.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1899.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

The Conference convened in Vicksburg at 9 A. M, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1899, in the main auditorium of the new Methodist Church. In the absence of a Bishop, Rev. T. L. Mellen was elected president pro tem by ballot. The religious exercises were conducted by Bro. Mellen, the opening prayer being offered by Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt, and after the singing of an appropriate hymn, the Conference was led in prayer by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy. The roll was then called by Dr. C. G. Andrews. Nearly all the clerical members and a goodly number of lay delegates answered their names.

Dr. Andrews was elected secretary-in-chief, with the following as his assistants, namely: Revs. J. A. B. Jones, G. H. Galloway, J. T. Leggett, G. S. Harmon, H. G. Hawkins, and C. F. Emery.

Organization having been effected, a motion was passed to accept the kind invitation of Rev. Dr. Hillhouse, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, to hold the sessions of the Conference in the Presbyterian Church, and the Conference immediately adjourned to that building. The change was made on account of the fact that the unfinished and open condition of the new church, and the noise from the work in progress, would have interfered seriously with the comfort of all present, as well as with the deliberations of the Conference.

Business having been resumed in the new place of meeting, the usual standing committees were appointed; a number of communications and reports were read and referred to the proper committees. Nine A. M. and 1 P. M. were fixed as the hours for meeting and adjournment. Dr. P. H. Whisner, secretary of the Board of Church Extension; Dr. J. D. Barbee, agent of the Publishing House; Dr. Geo. D. French, agent of the American Bible Society, and Rev. C. D. Atkinson, solicitor for the Review of Missions, were introduced, and each addressed the Conference in behalf of the special cause he represented. Dr. John J. Tigert, editor of the Bi-monthly Review, on being introduced, stated that he would address the Conference on another occasion. Later on Dr. Hillhouse, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Vicksburg; Dr. Sproles, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Dr. W. B. Murrah, president of Millsaps College, were presented to the Conference.

A resolution of appreciation and commendation, which was unanimously passed by the Louisiana Conference during its recent session respecting Rev. P. A. Johnston, a venerable and saintly superannuate who has just transferred back to the Mississippi Conference, was read, and awakened a tender and hearty response in the hearts of the brethren. Bro. Johnston was for over thirty years an active and highly useful member of the Mississippi Conference, and it is eminently fitting that the closing years of his life should be spent among those who have known him longest and best, especially as he became a member of the Louisiana Conference merely as the result of the change made several years ago in the boundary between the two Conferences.

Shortly after the noon hour Bishop Duncan arrived, and took the chair. After expressing regret at being unable to reach the Conference sooner, the Bishop mentioned that he felt it a great pleasure to be permitted to be present.

Question 20, "Are all the preachers blameless in their lives and official administration?" was next called, and the characters of the presiding elders having been passed, each made a report of the work and condition of his district. The reports were nearly all gratifying, and indicated that substantial progress has been made the past year along all lines.

The characters of the following were passed, and their names were referred for superannuation to the Committee on Conference Relations, namely: A. B. Nicholson, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, R. A. Sibley, J. H. Evans, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador, T. W. Brown, R. B. Downer, and W. W. Hurst. Bro. Hurst has been effective up to this time, but, on account of age and failing health, he announced that he wished to superannuate. The name of J. W. Sandell was referred for a supernumerary relation.

After various announcements Conference adjourned with the benediction.

SECOND DAY.

Conference was called to order at 9 A. M.; Bishop Duncan in the chair. After roll call and the reading and approval of the Minutes of yesterday's session, the characters of J. M. Cowan and G. R. Ellis were passed, and their names were referred to the committee for a supernumerary relation. The name of J. H. Holland was referred for superannuation. The passage of character was continued, and action was taken in the case of the undergraduates as follows: Thos. J. O'Neal, F. L. Crowson, J. W. Campbell, L. F. Alford and J. J. Golden, having stood approved examinations, were continued on trial and advanced to the class of the second year. W. L. Blackwell and R. L. Webb were continued on trial and in the class of the first year. H. A. Gatlin, M. A. Thurman and W. A. Terry were continued in the class of the second year. L. E. Alford and H. J. Moore were advanced to the class of the third year. R. A. Sibley, Jr., and Geo. W. Huff were continued in the class of the third year. J. H. Foreman, Jas. C. Ellis, Henry C. Brown, Geo. P. McKeown, John A. Moore, Geo. M. Hull and F. B. Ormond were advanced to the class of the fourth year. H. B. Trevilion was continued in the class of the fourth year. Thos. B. Cottrell, having stood an approved examination on the fourth year's course, was elected to elder's orders.

It was announced that A. H. Shannon, who is now a student in Vanderbilt University, has transferred to the Tennessee Conference.

At his own request Thos. J. Norsworthy, who this year served the Camden circuit, was granted a location.

The following local preachers were elected to deacon's orders: H. P. Lewis, Jr.; Jas. Johnson, who is a full-blooded Choctaw Indian; R. L. Webb, W. L. Blackwell and Geo. W. Hiveley.

The passage of character was resumed, and reports were heard from a considerable number of the itinerants.

The report made by Rev. A. F. Watkins for the Crawford Street Church, Vicksburg, was highly gratifying. All the assessments have been raised in full. Forty members have been received during the year by letter and on profession. Notwithstanding the fact that over $16,000 has been expended on the new house of worship now nearing completion, the sum of $250 has been subscribed by the members to the Twentieth Century Fund, thirty five of which has been paid. Splendid reports were also made by Revs. R. W. Bailey, pastor of First Church, Jackson; J. M. Weems, pastor of Central Church, Meridian, and by D. P. Bradford, pastor of East End, Meridian. The brother last named reported ninety-nine accessions for the year, and a net gain in membership of seventy. Central Church, Meridian, has, perhaps, the largest Sunday-school in the Conference, the total enrollment being 588. The report made by Bro. Geo. W. Huff indicated phenomenal success, he having received into the church on the Whittington circuit this year 194 new members, and raised nearly $3,000 for all purposes.

A report from East Mississippi Female College was read by Pres. J. W. Beeson, and referred to the Board of Education. As the report showed, this institution is in a most flourishing condition. The enrollment for this session has already reached three hundred, of which one hundred and fifty-eight are boarders. Thirty-one of the students have professed conversion since the opening. Shortly before adjournment Dr. Tigert, the Book Editor, came forward, and made an eloquent appeal in behalf of the Bi-monthly Review, which is so dear to his heart, and also gave some needed advice and information respecting the compilation of our church statistics, especially with reference to the supposed decrease in our membership, about which there has been so much talk of late.

Bishop Galloway came in a little while before the close of the session, and was warmly welcomed both by Bishop Duncan and by the Conference. The Conference was honored this morning by the presence of Revs. C. P. Colmery, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Edwards, Miss.; J. A. Bowen, of the North Mississippi Conference; F. S. Parker and V. D. Skipper, both of the Louisiana Conference.

After sundry announcements came the benediction.

THIRD DAY.

Conference met at the usual hour, Bishop Duncan in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. C. G. Andrews. After the reading and approval of the Minutes, a resolution offered by Rev. C. F. Emery was unanimously adopted extending cordial thanks to our Jewish friends in Vicksburg for their kindness and courtesy in permitting the Crawford Street congregation to use their synagogue during the past eight months, pending the construction of the new church.

Question 20 was taken up, the characters of all the itinerants not previously acted upon were passed, and reports were heard from all the remaining pastoral charges. C. M. Crossley, having stood an approved examination, was advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Dr. G. C. Harris, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, was presented to the Conference.

J. W. Tinnin was announced as having withdrawn from our church and ministry, and his credentials were turned over by his presiding elder to the secretary of the Conference.

Thos. H. King was readmitted into the traveling connection.

The following were admitted on trial, namely: James M. Corley, James Erastus Williams, John Robert Jones, William S. Hightower, and John Early Gray.

Mr. Norman Guice, a bright young student of Millsaps College, who is soliciting funds for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building at the college, was introduced to the Conference, and made a short talk in behalf of this worthy enterprise.

Rev. I. L. Peebles introduced a resolution making it the duty of each pastor to get up at once in his charge a petition to the next Legislature asking for the enactment of a law prohibiting the running of excursion, freight and passenger trains on the Sabbath. After some discussion the resolution was passed by a large vote. If each pastor will respond heartily to this resolution, the numerous petitions sent up to the Legislature are sure to have great weight.

A resolution was introduced by Rev. H. G. Hawkins petitioning Congress to greatly increase the number of chaplains for our army, the present number being wofully insufficient, considering the recent large increase in our military force; and also asking that no discrimination be made against army chaplains as to pay in comparison with other military officers. Same was adopted.

It having been announced that Rev. P. H. Howse recently had the misfortune to lose two horses—a loss he could ill afford to sustain—a collection was taken for his benefit, and the sum of $56 was quickly raised.

The report of the Board of Directors of our Orphans' Home at Water Valley, which was read by Rev. A. F. Watkins, mentioned that eighty-seven children have been cared for by this splendid institution this year. Twenty-seven of these have been adopted into good Christian homes. Fifty-three remain in the Home. The North Mississippi Conference has contributed $2,800 the present year for the support of the Home; the Mississippi Conference about $2,365. There is not a dollar of indebtedness on the institution, and everything is in fine working order. The report expressed great regret at the resignation of Rev. M. L. Burton, who has proved himself a most efficient manager, and stated that Rev. W. S. Harrison, of the North Mississippi Conference, has been elected local manager, with Rev. W. T. Griffin, of the Mississippi Conference, as field agent. Rev. R. J. Jones and R. L. Bennett were elected to fill the vacancies in the Board of Directors caused by the expiration of the terms of office of two members.

The report made by Rev. I. L. Peebles this morning was one of the most gratifying that has been heard this Conference, there having been 169 accessions to the church at McComb City this year, the net gain in membership being 103. Bro. Peebles has baptized 100 infants.

Another splendid report was that made by Rev. R. A. Breland, of the Amite Church, who mentioned having received over 200 members, the net increase on the charge being 125 members. The amount raised on the circuit for all purposes is fully double that of last year.

Rev. P. D. Hardin had the good fortune to report all his assessments as overpaid.

The best report, perhaps, as regards the Twentieth Century Fund, was made by Rev. B. F. Lewis. Unless we are misinformed, Vossburg, under the pastorate of Rev. W. M. Sullivan, has made the largest offering—$112—to our Orphans' Home.

FOURTH DAY.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. A resolution offered by Rev. C. F. Emery, and others, petitioning our National Congress not to recognize the claims of Brigham H. Roberts to a seat in that body, and asking for an amendment to the Constitution absolutely prohibiting polygamy, was unanimously adopted.

A resolution offered by Rev. T. L. Mellen was adopted, recommending the erection of a Methodist Church in North Jackson, near Millsaps College.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was read by Rev. I. L. Peebles, and adopted without change.

Rev. J. N. Tucker, missionary to the Choctaws, made a report of his work. His character was passed, and he was located at his own request.

Rev. J. W. Crisler read the report of the Committee on Publishing Interests, some items of which were discussed at considerable length, the report being finally adopted after being amended by the striking out of a clause censuring the publisher of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE in admitting certain advertisements deemed objectionable by some. Pending the adoption of the report, the editor of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE addressed the Conference in behalf of its official organ. A resolution, signed by H. M. Ellis and J. A. B. Jones, was passed, thanking Dr. W. C. Black for the recent liquidation of the debt of long standing on the ADVOCATE. Revs. R. J. Jones, L. Carley, and A. F. Watkins were reappointed on the ADVOCATE Publishing Committee.

A resolution, signed by Geo. H. Thompson, C. G. Andrews, J. M. Weems, and others, was adopted, providing for the election at this Conference of a committee of three, the same to confer with a like committee from the North Mississippi Conference, which shall inquire into the practicability of publishing a Methodist paper in Mississippi.

Rabbi George Solomon, of Vicksburg, was at this point introduced to the Conference.

Report No. 1, of the Board of Education, recommending adverse action in regard to the new charter recently obtained by Revs. J. W. Chambers, J. M. Morse, and others, for Whitworth College, having been read, President Chambers rose and made a speech of some length, in which he stated the grounds and reasons for the action that had been taken. Final action in the matter was deferred till the afternoon session, which it was decided to hold, beginning at 3 P. M.

By the adoption of the report of the Committee on Conference Relations, all the brethren whose names had been previously referred for superannuation were granted that relation. The request of G. R. Ellis and of J. M. Cowan for a supernumerary relation was refused. At his own request J. M. Cowan was then located.

The following were admitted into full connection after having answered the disciplinary questions satisfactorily, to-wit: H. J. Moore, L. E. Alford, and G. S. Harmon. Bishop Duncan's address to the class thus admitted was brotherly, humorous, original, and full of the soundest wisdom. The golden suggestions and advice it contained were greatly enjoyed by the Conference, and will prove of lasting benefit to many.

Just before adjournment a resolution introduced by Rev. T. B. Holloman was adopted, inviting Bro. G. W. Bachman, colporteur of the North Mississippi Conference, to travel through our Conference year as far as practicable the coming year, in view of the fact that we have no regular colporteur. After a number of announcements, Conference adjourned with the benediction.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference reassembled at 3 P. M.; Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt in the chair by request of Bishop Duncan. Rev. C. D. Cecil led in prayer, after which reports from the following committees were read and adopted, with some amendments in one or two instances: Joint Board of Finance, on Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Epworth League, Bible Cause, and District Conference Records. The General Secretary of the Epworth League having asked for an expression of opinion from the Conference as to the advisability of holding a General League Conference next year for the Leaguers of Southern Methodism, the Epworth League Committee declared against the holding of such a gathering.

The debate on the report brought in this morning by the Board of Education was resumed, and continued until a late hour, the report being finally adopted without change. By virtue of this action the Conference repudiated the new charter recently obtained for Whitworth College, and disavowed the legality of any mortgage upon the property of that institution by reason of certain express stipulations in the original deeds of gift to the church.

A telegram was received from Rev. V. V. Boone, who was called home yesterday to the bed-side of his mother, stating that she had just died. A resolution expressing condolence was passed, and Rev. J. A. B. Jones was instructed to communicate the same to Bro. Boone.

Rev. W. B. Lewis, of Yazoo City, continues to be one of our most successful pastors, as his report to-day indicated. All his assessments were raised in full. Over $2,700 was raised for all purposes, and 33 new members were received during the year.

Sundry announcements were made, and the benediction was pronounced.

Following is the program as announced for Sunday:

At the new Methodist Church: 9 A. M., love-feast, conducted by W. B. Lewis; 11 A. M., sermon by Bishop Duncan, followed by the ordination of deacons; at 3 P. M., sermon by Dr. Hunnicutt, followed by ordination of elders; 7:30 P. M., sermon by Rev. H. W. Featherstun, followed by sacramental service conducted by Dr. C. G. Andrews.

First Baptist Church: 11 A. M., sermon by Dr. W. B. Murrah; 7:30 P. M., sermon by Bishop Duncan.

Presbyterian Church: 11 A. M., Rev. J. E. Carpenter; 7:30 P. M., Rev. J. M. Weems.

Wesley Chapel M. E. Church: 11 A. M., G. H. Thompson; 7:30 P. M., W. T. Griffin.

South Vicksburg: 7:30 P. M., W. J. Ferguson.

Calvary Baptist Church: 11 A. M., Rev. R. W. Bailey; 7:30 P. M., Rev. J. E. Carpenter.

SIXTH DAY.

Conference met at 9 A. M., Bishop Duncan in the chair. Rev. C. Mc Donald conducted the devotional service. A resolution offered by Rev. J. P. Drake was unanimously adopted, the purport of which was that the Conference in the action that it took Saturday afternoon respecting Whitworth College did not intend to reflect upon the integrity and sincerity of Revs. J. W. Chambers, J. M. Morse, and others, in obtaining a new charter for the college.

Reports were heard from the Sunday-school Board and Church Extension Board.

Brookhaven was selected as the place for holding the next session of the Conference.

Miss Addie Purnell, president of the Woman's Home Mission Society, was introduced, and made an interesting talk in behalf thereof. The Conference by resolution expressed its thanks to Miss Addie Purnell and her co-adjutors for their valuable assistance to the brethren in repairing and building parsonages.

A splendid report was then read from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society by Mrs. Scott Phillips, president of the Vicksburg District Society.

Rev. A. F. Watkins introduced a resolution expressing the cordial thanks of the Conference to the Vanderbilt family for their continued liberality to Vanderbilt University, and requesting Secretary Andrews to forward a copy of the same to them. Adopted.

A resolution offered by Capt. S. B. Watts was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee to take steps to secure proper title deeds for all our institutions of learning and looking to the prevention of the putting of any incumbrance upon such property.

Report No. 2 on Publishing Interests recommended the appointment of Rev. M. M. Black as assistant editor of the NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE. Adopted.

Report No. 2 of the Board of Education, giving some important facts and suggestions regarding the Twentieth Century Movement in our Conference, was read and adopted.

Report No. 3 of the Board of Education and the report of the Board of Missions were then read and adopted.

A resolution offered by Rev. H. W. Featherstun was adopted, expressive of sympathy with Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald in his infirmity, and also thanking Bishop Duncan for his kindness in coming to hold the Conference in place of Bishop Fitzgerald, and for his courteous administration thereof.

The Conference then went into memorial service in honor of Rev. J. M. Pugh, who died during the year, the memoir prepared by Rev. W. B. Lewis being read by Rev. J. P. Drake. Appropriate tributes were paid by a number of the brethren.

A number of committees called for by certain resolutions previously passed were announced, as were also the standing committees for the ensuing year.

The usual resolutions of thanks to the railroads, to the secular papers and to the people who entertained the Conference, were adopted by a rising vote.

Following are some of the items read at this juncture by the statistical secretary:

Number of local preachers, 120; number of members, 37,756. Infants baptized, 1,018; adults baptized, 656; number of Epworth Leagues, 80—an increase of 23 over last year; Epworth League members, 2,339—an increase of 349; number of Sunday-schools, 357; Sunday-school teachers, 2165; Sunday-school scholars, 17,532; amount raised for superannuates and for the widows and orphans of deceased preachers, $4,288.26; amount raised for foreign missions, $6,122.25; amount raised for domestic missions, $2,613.26; amount raised for church extension, $1,854.37; number of societies, 448; number of houses of worship, 403; number of pastoral charges, 120; number of parsonages, 109.

Then followed the reading of the appointments, after which Conference adjourned sine die.

APPOINTMENTS.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

E. H. Mounger, P. E.

Vicksburg, Crawford Street, A. F. Watkins.

South Vicksburg, to be supplied.

Rolling Fork, R. Selby.

Anguilla, Geo. P. McKeown.

Mayersville, J. G. Cammack.

Warren, H. L. Norton.

Satartia, C. C. Evans.

South Warren, J. R. Jones.

Edwards, C. A. Powell.

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Jackson, Capitol Street Church, C. F. Emery.
Fannin, H. P. Lewis.
Brandon and mission, J. A. B. Jones and W. A. Terry.
Steen's Creek, G. M. Hull.
Madison, H. G. Hawkins.
Canton, N. B. Harmon.
Sharon, F. M. Williams.
Camden, J. N. Ware.
Tranquil, supplied by W. D. Dominick.
Silver Creek and Bee Lake, J. D. Ellis.
L. City and Lodi, J. D. Crymes.
Yazoo City, W. B. Lewis.
Benton and Midway, G. H. Thompson.
Vaughan's circuit, T. B. Cottrell.
Terry, H. C. Brown.
Professor in Millsaps College, J. A. Moore.
Editor NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, W. C. Black; assistant editor, M. M. Black.
Epworth League Secretary, H. M. DuBose.
Secretary of Education, H. G. Hawkins.

FOREST DISTRICT.

T. L. Mellen, P. E.
Forest, D. Scarborough.
Hillsboro, Thos. J. O'Neal.
Walnut Grove, G. R. Ellis.
Shiloh, P. D. Hardin.
Clarksburg, to be supplied.
Trenton, D. C. Laugford.
Raleigh, R. S. Gale, J. E. Williams.
Montrose, W. W. Morse.
Lake, W. M. Stevens.
Newton and Hickory, J. G. Galloway.
Decatur, L. S. Jones.
Carthage, M. L. White, H. J. Moore.
Chunkey, B. W. Lewis.
Rose Hill, J. H. Foreman.
Vossburg and Hedelberg, W. M. Sullivan and J. M. Corley.
Neshoba, P. H. Howse.
Conference Missionary Secretary, T. L. Mellen.
Indian Mission, supplied by W. P. Donnell.
Morton circuit, W. L. Linfield.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

C. G. Andrews, P. E.
Meridian, Central Church, J. M. Weems.
Meridian, South Side and Poplar Springs, L. F. Alford.
Meridian, East End, D. P. Bradford.
Meridian, West End, H. M. Ellis.
DeKalb, H. Mellard.
Binnsville, C. D. Cecil.
Porterville, I. B. Robertson.
Lauderdale, G. S. Harmon.
Vimville, R. E. Rutledge.
North Kemper, R. L. Phillips.
Enterprise and Stonewall, M. L. Burton.
Pachuta, W. J. Ferguson.
Shubuta, A. T. Bell.
Mathersville, R. H. Barr.
Middleton, J. C. Ellis.
Waynesboro and State Line, J. T. Nicholson.
Wayne mission, supplied by D. C. Farmer.
Winchester, F. B. Ormond.
Daleville, C. M. Crossley.
Leakesville, W. L. Blackwell.
Fairview College, W. W. Moore.

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

W. W. Simmons, P. E.
Moss Point, R. W. Bailey.
Americus, J. W. Campbell.
Escatawpa, W. J. Dawson.
Biloxi, V. V. Boone.
Ocean Springs and Scranton, H. W. Van Hook.
Coalville, G. W. Huff.
Pearlington and Logtown, G. H. Galloway.
Lumberton and Poplarville, B. S. Rayner.
Purvis, W. W. Cammack.
Columbia, W. M. Williams.
Hattiesburg, B. F. Jones.
Brooklyn, Wm. L. Hightower.
Ellisville and Laurel, B. F. Lewis.
Vancleave, H. B. Vandenburg.
Williamsburg, R. L. Webb.
Nicholson, G. W. Roberts, supply.
East Covington, F. L. Crowson.
Bay St. Louis, R. D. Norsworthy.
Gulf Port, J. S. Parker.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

H. W. Featherstun, P. E.
Brookhaven, T. W. Adams.
Magnolia, F. M. Keene; J. W. Sandell, supply.
Tylertown, B. H. Rawls.
Fernwood, H. B. Trevilion.
McComb City, I. L. Peebles.
Summit, J. P. Drake.
Topisaw, J. J. Golden.
Pearl circuit, J. E. Gray.
Gallman, R. Bradley.
Hazlehurst, J. T. Leggett.
Crystal Springs, R. J. Jones.
Mt. Carmel, M. A. Thurman.
Westville, L. E. Alford.
Caseyville, J. A. Moore.
Adams, W. G. Forsythe.
Wesson, J. M. Morse.
Beauregard, H. A. Gatlin.
Providence, C. McDonald.
President Whitworth College, J. W. Chambers.
Agent Mississippi Orphans Home, W. T. Griffin.
Lincoln circuit, supplied by Geo. W. Hively.
Bayou Pierre, T. H. King.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

W. L. C. Hunnicutt, P. E.
Natchez, Jefferson St., J. E. Carpenter.
Natchez, Wesley Chapel, H. D. Howell.
Washington, J. W. Brown.
Fayette, W. H. Huntley.
Barlow, E. F. Edgar.
Roxie, J. T. Abney.
Gloster, J. W. McLaurin.
Centerville, M. H. Moore.
Wilkinson circuit, supplied by C. C. Griffin.
Woodville, J. W. Crisler.
Percy Creek, K. S. Enochs.
Meadville, R. A. Sibley; junior preacher, D. F. Guice.
Harriston, A. D. Miller.
Liberty, R. A. Breland.
Homochitto, supplied by J. B. Blackburn.

Transferred to Tennessee Conference, A. H. Shannon.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The new Methodist Church in Vicksburg, which is now nearing completion, is not surpassed in beauty, adaptability and general excellence by any in the State. It will be quite an ornament to the city, an honor to Methodism, and the joy of the congregation who are to worship therein. It will cost, when finished, about $26,000. The lot on which it stands is worth $10,000 additional.

The Conference was brightened by the presence of twenty-five, or more, preachers' wives, who enjoyed, if possible, even more than their husbands, listening to the highly interesting proceedings of our annual assembly. No more heroic set of women can be found than the wives of Methodist itinerants.

Dr. Tigert's sermon, Wednesday night, was both pleasing and powerful, and was eagerly listened to by a large audience.

The Rally, Thursday night, in behalf of the Twentieth Century Fund, was a grand success. Magnificent addresses, to which no synopsis could do justice, were delivered by Bishops Galloway and Duncan, and were followed by a collection, which resulted in the raising in cash and subscriptions of over $3,500. One thousand of this amount was subscribed by that untiring friend of education, Major R. W. Millsaps. The collection was all the more gratifying as, on account of the inclement weather, the audience was much smaller than was expected. The preachers, however, were on hand, and more liberal givers than they can not be found on this earth.

Our Conference was honored by the presence of the genial and portly G. W. Bachman, and the devout and sweet-spirited J. A. Bowen, of the North Mississippi Conference.

We were glad to have with us also from the Louisiana Conference the gentle and scholarly F. S. Parker, the modest P. H. Fontaine, the energetic V. D. Skipper, the consecrated C. D. Atkinson, and the loyal and persevering J. M. Alford.

In calling for the reports, Bishop Duncan put great emphasis upon the Twentieth Century Thank-offering movement. If the pastors do not push this matter vigorously and enthusiastically during the year 1900, our lack of zeal will not be the Bishop's fault.

As a host, Pastor Watkins was thoughtful, obliging, and tireless, and could not be improved upon. He is deservedly popular, both in his charge and in the Conference.

The following preachers' brides were in attendance, namely: Mrs. H. G. Hawkins, Mrs. J. J. Golden, and Mrs. L. E. Alford.

Bishop Duncan's sermon, Sunday morning, in the new church, which was packed almost to its utmost capacity, was a grand and searching presentation of the duties, qualifications and responsibilities of a spiritual shepherd. At its conclusion the following were ordained deacons: G. S. Harmon, H. P. Lewis, Jr.; R. L. Webb, W. L. Blackwell, Jas. Johnson, and Geo. W. Hiveley.

Bishop Duncan was to have preached at the First Baptist Church, Sunday night, but not being well, Rev. T. L. Mellen delivered a most excellent sermon in his stead.

At 3 P. M., Sunday, after a very forceful and thoughtful sermon by Dr. W. L. C. Hunnicutt, Revs. F. B. Ormond and T. B. Cottrell were ordained elders.

It was the breeziest session that has been held for several years.

Pres. L. T. Fitzhugh, of Belhaven College, was a welcome visitor to the Conference.

A successful and interesting missionary rally was held Saturday night.

Friday afternoon Rev. L. S. Jones preached a strong and moving sermon.

The sermon by Rev. J. E. Carpenter, Friday night, was highly spoken of.

The people of Vicksburg displayed a most lavish and kindly hospitality during the Conference. In consequence thereof, a larger number of visitors than usual were in attendance. We were delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Griffith, to whom we are indebted for marked courtesies and kindness.

The Conference was highly delighted with the presidency of Bishop Duncan, who, both in the chair and in the pulpit, impressed all with his eminent fitness for the bishopric. He is a man of tremendous force, wise in counsel, and radiant with the spirit of love. The remarks that he interspersed at intervals as the Conference business proceeded were so pertinent and sensible as to be like pearls

NOTES.

Rev. H. G. Hawkins and his accomplished bride are spending a few days in the Crescent City.

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The ADVOCATE office was recently honored with a call from the following brethren of the Louisiana Conference: B. F. White, P. O. Lowry, C. D. Atkinson, K. W. Dodson, F. S. Parker.

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The pastoral charge to which Rev. J. W. Lee was appointed at the recent session of the Louisiana Conference is Mellville, Big Cane, and Rosedale—not simply Rosedale, as published in our last issue.

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A MEMORY.

BY EUGENE FIELD.

The fire upon the hearth is low,
And there is stillness everywhere;
Like troubled spirits, here and there
The firelight shadows flattering go.
And as the shadows round me creep,
A childish treble breaks the gloom,
And softly from a farther room
Comes: "Now I lay me down to sleep."

And somehow with that little prayer,
And that sweet treble in my ears,
My thought goes back to distant years
And lingers with a dear one there;
Again I hear the child's Amen,
My mother's face comes back to me;
Crouched at her side I seem to be,
And mother holds my hand again.

Oh, for an hour in that dear place!
Oh, for the peace of that dear time!
Oh, for that childish trust sublime!
Oh, for a glimpse of mother's face!
Yet as the shadows round me creep,
I do not seem to be alone—
Sweet magic of that treble tone—
And "Now I lay me down to sleep."

"COMMODORE" VANDERBILT.

"I have three teams here that I want to get over to Staten Island," said a boy of twelve, one day in 1806, to the innkeeper at South Amboy, New Jersey. "If you will put us across, I'll leave with you one of my horses in pawn, and if I don't send you back six dollars within forty-eight hours, you may keep the horse." The innkeeper asked the reason for this novel proposition, and learned that the lad's father had contracted to get the cargo of a vessel, stranded near Sandy Hook, and take it to New York in lighters. The boy had been sent with three wagons, six horses, and three men, to carry the cargo across a sandspit to the lighters. The work accomplished, he started, with only six dollars, to travel a long distance home over the Jersey sands, and reached South Amboy penniless. "I'll do it," said the innkeeper, as he looked into the bright, honest eyes of the boy. The horse was soon redeemed.

"My boy," said the same boy's mother, on the first of May, 1810, when he asked her to lend him one hundred dollars to buy a boat, "on the twenty-seventh of this month you will be sixteen years old. If, by that time, you will plow, harrow and plant with corn the eight-acre lot, I will advance you the money."

The field was rough and stony, but the work was done on time, and well done. From this small beginning Cornelius Vanderbilt laid the foundation of a colossal fortune. He would often work all night, carrying vegetables from and to Staten Island.

The young boatman's courage was put to the test one day when a gale swept over the harbor, and disaster threatened anyone who might start out in face of the storm. Mariners and boatmen generally agreed that it would be unsafe to venture on the raging waters, and the boatmen—all but one—remained at home with their produce intended for the New York market, waiting for fair weather. Not so Cornelius Vanderbilt. With the keenness which characterized him in later life in his steamship and railway undertakings, he perceived that should he make his way to New York on a day when the other boatmen did not dare to cross, he would be sure to get much higher prices for his produce, and he felt confidence in his ability to guide his craft safely through the angry waves. Vanderbilt started, with many premonitions of evil on the part of those who were standing about when he pushed off from the Staten Island shore. He reached New York in safety with his load, and was hailed with surprise and joy by the city marketmen, who were anxious for his stock of fresh vegetables. The boldness of the young boatman, and his skill and success as a navigator, were talked of everywhere, and people said that, whatever happened, Vanderbilt was certain to make his trips with regularity, and also with safety. At the Staten Island and the New York landing-places travelers waited for Vanderbilt's boat, preferring it to others which were starting earlier, or whose owners offered to take passengers for less than Vanderbilt.

Cornelius Vanderbilt was always reliable, and this reliability helped him to get an important contract for transporting provisions to the forts in the vicinity of New York during the war of 1812. Other carriers made lower bids than young Vanderbilt, but he was already well known as certain to carry out an agreement under any and all circumstances, and the authorities felt that if they accepted his terms, neither stress of weather nor any other condition would prevent the arrangement from being carried out. It was of vital consequence, with hostile English men-of-war hovering about the entrance to the harbor, and the forts liable to attack at any time, that the supplies should go to the forces stationed there with certainty and regularity, and it was decided that the record of the young Staten Island boatman gave assurance that his service would be both certain and regular. This contract, making Vanderbilt, who was still a minor, an important factor in the defense of New York against the public enemy, may have been the turning-point in his career. It called general attention to him as a man who possessed the confidence of those charged with the nation's interests, and it proved his capacity for higher and broader responsibilities.

In 1818 Cornelius Vanderbilt had saved $9,000, and owned two or three small vessels. He was a believer in the power of steam, as applied by Robert Fulton, to propel boats in the water, and he became captain of a steamboat which ran between New York and his new home at New Brunswick, New Jersey. He and his wife kept a hotel there, which Mrs. Vanderbilt made popular by her careful attention to the needs of the guests, her industry and unwearying good humor.

Such was the beginning of the great Vanderbilt fortune. Hard work, enterprise, reliability, and daring in seizing opportunities from which others shrank, were the characteristics which enabled the first Cornelius Vanderbilt to become the master of a railway empire and the founder of a house whose wealth probably aggregates half a billion dollars.

There was no chance; there was no luck about his operations. He succeeded where others failed because he had courage, industry, and ability in a degree superior to his competitors. He also had a remarkable faculty of concentration.

Cornelius, or—as he came to be known on account of his large steamship interests—"Commodore" Vanderbilt, entered upon the second stage of his career by chartering steamboats, and running opposition to all the old lines, up the North river, up the East river, up the Connecticut river—everywhere. As he made money, he invested it in stocks which were available in cash, and always ready for a bargain. Honorable in trade, prompt, firm, and reliable, he was decided in his business, and could drive as hard a bargain as any man in the city. His custom was to conduct his business on the cash principle, and never allow a Saturday night to close without every man in his employ getting his money. If anybody was about to fail, wanted money, had a bargain to offer, he knew where to call. Nothing came amiss. A load of lumber, coal, or cordage; a cargo of a ship, or a stock of goods in a factory; glassware, merchandise, or clothing—the Commodore was sure to find a use for them.

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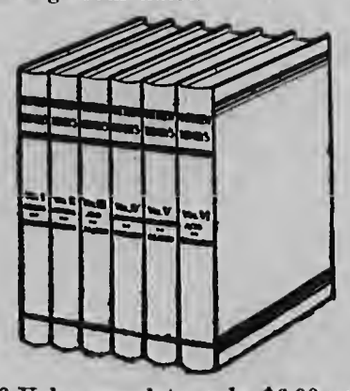

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WILLIAMS—Miss NARCISSA A. WILLIAMS was born in North Carolina; the daughter of Rev. R. T. and Nancy Rush Williams. With her father's family she moved to Logtown in 1846. For several years she, with her devoted sister, Miss Jane Williams, has resided in Ruston with an older sister, Mrs. S. M. Faulk. Of their father's family there is but one more, besides these three devoted women—Mrs. N. M. Calhoun, of Vidalia, La.

Miss Nancy's Christian character and example made her presence a constant inspiration to holy living. She was timid, reticent; in frail health, but one of the most regular of attendants at the preaching and prayer-meeting services, and her saintly character made her presence a benediction to all who "seek those things that are above." She never made excuses, or tried to evade responsibility, but was ready always to perform a duty.

With such a life it is not at all surprising that her testimony to the last was definite and satisfactory. She repeatedly stated that she trusted fully in the Lord, and that he was with her. She was without doubt or fear, having "full assurance of faith."

After five weeks of excruciating pain she very calmly passed away, Nov. 18, 1899. A large number of friends gathered for the simple service at the church Sunday morning. We sang, "Children of the heavenly King," "We praise thee, O God, for the Son of thy love," and, "There is a fountain filled with blood"—hymns of her own selection. Her pastor, in a short address, paid a beautiful tribute to her life. The remains were taken to Monroe, and thence to the family cemetery, Faulk's Chapel, and laid to rest with the glorious hope of the resurrection.

A LOVING FRIEND.

WALSWORTH—KISIAH MAULDIN was born Sept. 8, 1818, in Edgefield district, S. C.; moved to Alabama with her parents while young. She was married to William Walsworth, July 2, 1835; moved to Tippah county, Miss., in 1836; was converted at Salem Camp Meeting in 1837 or 1838, and joined the M. E. Church, South; moved to Louisiana in 1850, and settled in Jackson parish, where they have lived ever since. She remained in the M. E. Church till 1885, when, moving to a different settlement, and for convenience of church, she joined the M. P. Church, of which she was a consistent member till death, which happened Oct. 6, 1899. Being too feeble to keep house, they were living with their son, D. F. Walsworth, at the time. On Friday morning the family got up early, in order to go to Siloam Camp Meeting, and she got up to help them off; was well and lively, when a pain seized her. Clapping her hands to her head, her son soon had father and all in the room where she was. She lived about half an hour, when, looking up heavenward, she exclaimed, "O Jesus!" and fell asleep. To them were born six boys and two girls, of whom four sons and husband are here to mourn our loss.

May God comfort the aged husband in this deep trial, and finally bring him and his children to the mansion that Jesus hath prepared, and may we all be one unbroken family in that home, sweet home!

Her loving son, H. O. WALSWORTH.

Jackson, La.

BAGGETT—ANNY BAGGETT was born in 1816; died Nov. 14, 1899, at the home of his son, Robt. Baggett, near Sugartown, La.

"Uncle Andy," as he was called, has been a member of the Methodist Church, South, for about forty years, and lived an exemplary life, and when age and disease came on us found him at his post. We have never been associated with a more congenial spirit. He was prepared; death had no terror for him, but he surveyed it with joy and met it with composure. A few days before his demise I stood by him and asked him how he felt, and he said he was weak in the flesh, but strong in the spirit. He was a kind neighbor and a true friend. He died the death of the righteous; he was conscious to the last. Truly a good man has died and gone to rest, and to join the loved ones above that have passed through the bloody-waved throng, there waiting and watching for him on the golden shore. We laid him to rest in the Sugar Creek Graveyard with the distinguished dead on Nov. 15. A large congregation of loved ones and friends attended the last rites at the grave. He was the father of seven children, of which six children and his two wives preceded him. Weep not for him, dear ones, but let's all pray to join him some sweet day in the heaven of rest.

H. L. HUGHES, P. C.

Dry Creek, La.

WESTBROOK—Mrs. ALCIA ANN WESTBROOK was born in Drew county, Ark., March 15, 1850; moved with her parents to Mississippi and settled in Amite county. She was married to J. E. Westbrook in 1873, and to this happy union was born four children; three survive her. Her husband died while the children were young, and the fearful responsibility of training the children rested wholly upon the young mother. The beautiful Christian character developed in the children is a living demonstration of her fidelity to this sacred trust. She was a daughter of the late Rev. Wm. Wood, L. E.

It was my privilege to be her pastor for three years. She was true to her church. After her husband's death she made her home with her mother. It was indeed pathetic to see how tenderly she cared for and affectionately administered to the wants of her aged mother. She was both daughter and companion. Visiting the home after her death, the mother, referring to her, said, "She was the most affectionate child I ever saw." She suffered long and painful; death was a great relief. The angels came for her June 22, 1899.

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SEALES—WALTER HAAS, infant son of Walter and May Seales, was born Feb. 21, 1899, and after suffering for two long months with slow fever God called him home the twenty-second of October, 1899, aged eight months and one day.

Oh, what grief-stricken hearts the bearing away of this little treasure has produced! Little Haas was a dear, sweet little babe; the pride of his parents, the light and life of their home. Never was a soul more tenderly nursed and cared for than was this little one, the fond mother and father watching over his little cradle day and night, administering to his wants; and, oh, how we prayed that he might be spared to them! But, alas! He who doeth all things well saw fit to remove from this earth their only son, and we can but bow in humble submission to His will. Weep not, dear parents; your little darling's voice has been hushed in silence here to break forth on that far-off shore, where is no more suffering, no pain, no death.

"There is no death; an angel form
Walks o'er the earth with silent tread.
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You have a tie in heaven now, dear father and mother, that binds you to live so that you may meet him again and live with him throughout eternity. HIS AUNT.

COWAN—Once more a budding flower has been plucked while in the bud to bloom in that land of everlasting felicity; EDNA, daughter of S. C. and Margaret Cowan, aged eight years three months and eleven days. As the stars were giving way to the great orb of day on the morning of Nov. 4, 1899, her spirit took its flight from this rough clime to the Giver of all good, from whence it came.

Edna was a great sufferer, having been afflicted with rheumatism from her third year; but she bore her affliction with the fortitude of one far beyond her years. She was a bright, winsome little girl; the idol of the home. She leaves a father, mother, and seven brothers and sisters, to mourn her untimely demise. May God bless the sorrowing ones!

W. B. INABNET.

Lapice, La.

FORSHAG—By resolution of the Amite City Sunday-school of the M. E. Church, South, a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions suited to the death of our co-worker, PHILIP P. FORSHAG. In compliance with the above, your committee beg leave to submit the following:

Whereas, Philip Peter Forshag, our pupil, co-worker and companion, was called hence on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1899, at the age of seventeen years and twenty-five days; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Peter Forshag his Sunday-school teacher loses a bright pupil, the Sunday-school a helper, the church a pillar, the community a preceptor, and his family a jewel.

His was a life of Christian work without simulation. When the old church bell rings, and the familiar hymns are sung, his classmates of many years will be reminded of Peter, for many a time have his little hands called us to the service of God—his God—and in song service his voice was amongst the loudest. His was a living example of Christian consecration, and may his precepts urge us to try to renew our companionship in the life everlasting.

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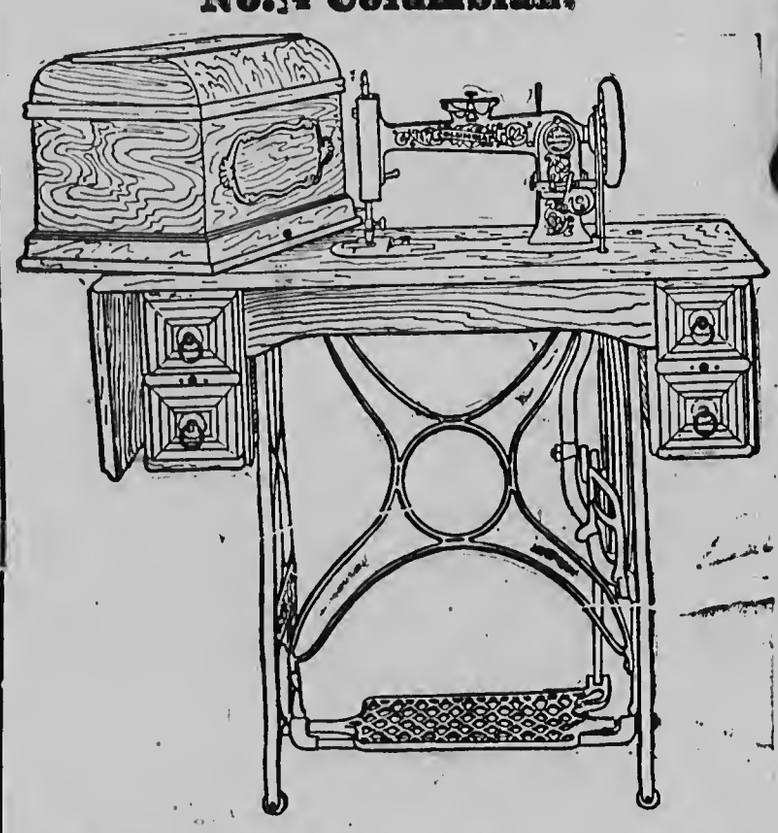

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Broadway National Bank of Boston failed.

Exciting scenes followed a pro-Boer meeting held in Dublin.

Great distress prevails in Persia owing to the high price of bread.

Plans have been perfected for the erection of a sugar refinery in Tampa, Fla.

The Boers are further entrenching and strengthening their position at Modder river.

Secret meeting of Boer sympathizers are being held in various parts of Cape Colony.

The Mexican government will expend $7,000,000 in improving the harbor of Manzanillo.

The British government has accepted the offer of a further Australian contingent for South Africa.

As a result of the British reverses in South Africa the whole country north of Sterkstrom is in rebellion.

Gen. Joubert says the Transvaal government has been preparing for war ever since the Jameson raid in 1896.

Lieut. Thomas M. Brumby, flag lieutenant to Admiral Dewey during the Manila campaign, has died at Washington.

Gen. Buller has appointed a commission to inquire into the losses of the people of Natal resulting from the Boer invasion.

Baron Roberts has been appointed to the chief command of the British forces in South Africa, with Gen. Kitchener as his chief of staff.

Officials of the Bureau of Yards and Docks report that satisfactory progress is being made in the construction of the Algiers Dry Dock.

Representative Sulzer (Democrat) of New York introduced a joint resolution in the House recognizing the belligerency of the Transvaal Republic.

Rear Admiral Farquhar, commanding the North Atlantic squadron, has sailed from New York on the flagship "New York" for San Domingo.

The British military authorities have called out the remaining portions of the army reserve. The Seventh Division will proceed to Africa without delay.

Mr. Paine, of the National Republican Committee, withdrew his motion looking to the cutting down of representation in the nominating convention from the South, owing to opposition from Mark Hanna.

Mrs. Arthur Eliot Fish is the originator of the scheme for furnishing the poor of New York with fuel at a nominal rate. The plan is to be carried out by the Minerva Club, an organization of fashionable women.

Never within the range of the longest memory has Great Britain met with three such military reverses in a single week, and hence it is not surprising that notes of anxiety should be heard amid the general chorus of press expressions of grim philosophy and resignation.

Already the annual wagon loads of Christmas gifts are beginning to flow into the White House. They come from all sections of the country, and the majority are from persons personally unknown to both the President and Mrs. McKinley. Each gift that bears the name of the person sending it is acknowledged by one or other of President McKinley's private secretaries.

Major March, of the Thirty-third Infantry, has abandoned his pursuit of Aguinaldo, and has reached Bagnen, in the heart of the Grand Cordillera, where the range is 1000 feet high, and where food is scarce and travel almost impossible. Major March's command was depleted 20 per cent. by the two days' march from Cervantes to Bagnen, so he returned to Cervantes, Dec. 10.

Three hundred Japanese colonists located two years ago in the southern part of Oaxaca, Mexico, under authority of a concession granted by the Mexican government. The colony has been experimenting in tea growing, and has made such a success that 5000 more Japanese men and their families are to be brought to Mexico to join the original colony. Other tropical products are also raised by the colonists.

The British met another severe reverse in South Africa on Friday, the third in a week. Since last Saturday all three of their main columns have been hurled back—Gatacre's at Stormberg, Methuen's at Magersfontein, and now Buller's at Tugela river. Gen. Buller's repulse was the most important of the three, because he has a greater reputation as a soldier and a strategist than the other two, and because his command is much heavier both in battalions and batteries.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen, having selected the place where the dead of the "Maine" are buried, is now making arrangements for the reinterment substantially on the same lines as those followed in the case of Santiago victims. It is expected that the President, the members of his Cabinet, most of the army and naval officers in Washington and a large number of persons will be present at Arlington when the final interment takes place, probably the last week in December.

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Cured me of indigestion. I had suffered for ten years. I had tried almost every medicine, but all failed. Since taking Lemon Elixir I can eat anything I like.
W. A. GRIFFITH.
Reevesville, S. C.

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N. D. COLEMAN.
Beulah, S. C.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE DAY.

January 7, 1900, is the "great day" in our Epworth League calendar. Program for this occasion may be found in the Epworth Era of Dec. 21, 1899, and is also printed on convenient slips, which will be furnished at 50 cents per hundred by Messrs. Barbee & Smith, Agents, Nashville. Order at once what you will need.

MARRIAGES.

ALSTON—FRIDAY.—At the home of the bride's parents, Noxubee county, Miss., Dec. 6, 1899, by Rev. E. S. Lewis, Mr. R. P. Alston and Miss Emma Friday.

COCKRELL—DISMUKES.—At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Dell Cockrell, Noxubee county, Miss., Dec 10, 1899, by Rev. E. S. Lewis, Mr. S. B. Cockrell and Miss Blanche Dismukes.

CLARK—HOYNES.—In the Methodist Church at Belzona, Miss., Dec. 8, at 9:30 A. M., by Rev. L. M. Lipscomb, Mr. R. P. Clark and Miss Gracie Hoynes.

WHITE—PROSSER.—At White Chapel Church, Oct. 27, 1899, by Rev. J. P. Haney, Mr. Carl White and Miss Susie Prosser.

KELLEY—LAPER.—At the home of the bride's father, Mr. I. Loper, Dec. 13, 1899, by Rev. J. P. Haney, Mr. Alonzo Kelley and Miss Edna Gertrude Laper.

HARGROVE—MOORE.—At the residence of Mr. Tate, Brookeville, Miss., by Rev. P. E. Duncan, Mr. D. A. Hargrove to Miss Beasie Moore.

MOSS—MURPHY.—At the Methodist Church in Lake Charles, La., Wednesday evening, Nov. 29, 1899, by Rev. B. F. White, Mr. Clement Dillard Moss and Miss Mary Catherine Murphy, both of Lake Charles, La.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE NOTES.

We are very much encouraged by the attendance at our college this session. Our roll shows that there are equally as many students in attendance now as there were at this time last session. Having weathered successfully three years of fever and epidemic, we feel confident that no adverse circumstances of any kind can ever hinder our progress in the future.

We are glad to know that some new apparatus has been ordered for the further equipment of our gymnasium, for we realize that the body, as well as the mind, needs development, each one aiding the other in the preparation for our life-work.

Rev. Jno. A. Lewis and Rev. W. E. M. Brogan, both graduates of Millsaps College, paid us a visit last week. Both have joined the North Mississippi Conference, and were given appointments at its last session.

Rev. J. B. Mitchell, who has been occupying the Methodist pulpit at West Point, Miss., has returned to college.

The senior class in geology made an expedition to the Rankin County Quarry, about sixteen miles from Jackson, last Saturday, obtaining many perfect and valuable fossils, which are to be placed in the college museum. A perfect fish of the perch species was found firmly imbedded in a piece of solid limestone.

The first issue of the Millsaps Collegian for this session will make its appearance this week. The editorial and business staff is as follows: E. H. Galloway, editor-in-chief; S. L. Burwell, literary editor; C. N. Guice, local editor; G. R. Bennett, Y. M. C. A. editor; T. W. Holloman, exchange editor; R. T. Liddell, business manager; H. G. Fridge, first assistant business manager; L. F. Magruder, second assistant business manager. We hope that the friends of the college throughout the State will help this enterprise of the students by subscribing for the magazine.

New walks have been laid around the college campus.

Several new residences have been built in the vicinity of the campus; among them is the residence of one of our instructors, Prof. E. L. Bailey.

We owe to the North Mississippi Conference many thanks for the gift of $6,000, a part of their Twentieth Century Thank-offering, which they have directed to be used in the equipment of Millsaps College.

The Carrollton Sunday-school, in giving $100 as a thank-offering, directed that it be used in the equipment of the Science Department of Millsaps College.

Some of our ministerial students went to Vicksburg to attend the session of the Mississippi Conference. XXX.

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B. T. CREWS.
Arcadia, La., Dec. 14, 1899.

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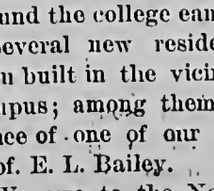

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Districts.	Bish.	Conf. Fd.	For. Miss.	Dom. Miss.	Ch. Ex.	Ed'n.	Bible Cause.	Expenses Gen. Conf.
Jackson	$ 220	$1,000	$1,380	$ 600	$ 484	$ 388	$ 150	$110
Brookhaven	220	1,000	1,380	600	522	345	150	110
Meridian	215	1,000	1,380	600	501	387	150	105
Vicksburg	190	900	1,380	600	527	301	140	95
Seashore	190	900	1,290	600	412	301	135	100
Forest	185	850	1,200	520	349	259	135	90
Natchez	180	850	1,200	600	353	341	140	90
	$1,400	$6,500	$9,210	$4,120	$3,148	$2,322	$1,000	$700

ASSESSMENTS FOR LOUISIANA CONFERENCE FOR 1900.

Districts.	Conf. Claim'ts.	Bishops.	Education.	Minutes.	Payne & Lane.	Del. to Gen. Conf.	For. Mis.	Dom. Mis.	Church Exten.
New Orleans	$ 742	$ 207	$ 257 50	$ 44 50	$ 40	$ 103 50	$2,000	$ 750	$ 593 75
Baton Rouge	623	171	205 90	34 00	30	85 50	1,300	500	275 50
Opelousas	675	183	208 40	25 00	20	91 50	1,300	500	283 75
Alexandria	579	158	180 00	22 00	20	79 00	750	350	212 50
Shreveport	600	168	207 00	39 00	35	84 00	1,400	450	353 50
Arcadia	609	156	190 90	34 50	30	78 00	1,225	450	343 50
Delhi	572	157	188 30	31 00	25	78 50	1,125	400	322 50
	$4,400	$1,200	$1,432 00	$230 00	$200	$600 00	$9,100	$3,400	$2,385 00

JOHN T. SAWYER,
Secretary Louisiana Conference.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tchoupitoulas mission	Dec.	17
Felicity Street		24
Algiers		31
Carrollton Avenue	Jan.	7
Slidell		14
Louisiana Avenue		21
Dryades Street		28
Plaquemine	Feb.	4
Rayne Memorial		11
Parker Memorial		18
Covington		25
White Castle	Mar.	4
Carondelet Street		11
Burgundy Street		18

Let all be prepared to answer Question 5.
District stewards will meet in pastor's office of Carondelet Street Church, Thursday, Jan. 11, 7:30 P. M.
S. S. KEENER, P. E.

DELHI DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Bastrop	Dec.	30, 31
Oak Ridge	Jan.	6, 7
Monroe		13, 14
Girard		20, 21
Bonita		27, 28
Delhi	Feb.	3, 4
Floyd		10, 11
Lake Providence		17, 18
Waterproof		24, 25
Gilbert and Vidalia	Mar.	3, 4
Harrisonburg		10, 11
Wineboro		17, 18

J. M. HENRY, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Calhoun, at Calhoun	Dec	30, 31
Lisbon, at Lisbon	Jan.	6, 7
Downsville, at Downsville		13, 14
Farmerville, at F		15
Ruston		20, 21
Lanesville, at L		24
Simsboro, at Salem		27, 28
Bienville, at B	Feb.	2
Gibsland, at G		3, 4
Vernon, at New P		10, 11
Arcadia, at A		17, 18
Valley, at Cotton Valley		23
Minden		24, 25
Homer, at H	Mar.	3, 4
Haynesville circuit		10, 11
Ganaville, at Ganaville		17, 18

District stewards will please meet me at the Methodist Church in Arcadia at 11 o'clock Tuesday, Jan. 9.
B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Morgan City and Berwick, at M. C	Dec.	30, 31
Patterson	Jan.	3
Franklin		6, 7
Jeanerette		10
Abbeville, at Abbeville		13, 14
New Iberia		17
Lafayette		20, 21
Opelousas, at O		24
Chicot and Washington, at Chicot		27, 28
Indian Bayou, at I. B		31
Crowley	Feb.	1
Prudhomme, at P		3, 4
Plaquemine Bisale, at Rayne		7
Lake Arthur		10, 11
Lake Charles		15
Grand Chenière, at Leesburg		17, 18
West Lake, at West Lake		21

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

First Church, 11 A. M.	Dec.	24
Texas Avenue, 7 P. M.		24
Benton, at Benton		30, 31
North Bossier, at Collinsburg	Jan.	8, 7
South Bossier, at Haughton		13, 14
Caddo, at Greenwood		20, 21
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane		24
Logansport, at Logansport		27, 28
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport		31
Weeley, at Davis Springs	Feb.	3, 4
Leesville		7
Fort Jessup and Many, at Ft. Jessup		10, 11
Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville		17, 18
Red River, at Campo Bello		24, 25
Florien, at Prospect	Mar.	1
Zwolle, at Zwolle		3, 4
Coushatta, at Coushatta		10, 11
Mansfield		14
Pelican, at Benson		17, 18

The district stewards will please meet me at First Church, Shreveport, at 11 A. M., Dec. 20, 1899.
JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

West Point	Dec.	17, 18
Starkville circuit, at Smyrna		23, 24
Starkville station		24, 25
Hebron circuit, at Hebron		30, 31
Macon	Jan.	1
Winstonville, at Mashulaville		4
Shuqualak, at Shuqualak		6, 7
Columbus circuit, at New Hope		13, 14
Columbus station		14, 15
Brooksville, at Brooksville		20, 21
Crawford, at Crawford		27, 28
Tibbee, at Mayhew	Feb.	3, 4
Sturgis, at Sturgis		10, 11
Cedar Bluff, at Griffith		17, 18
Lagrange, at Lagrange		24, 25

The district stewards will meet at Artesia, Thursday, Jan. 11.
W. T. J. SULLIVAN, P. E.

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tupelo	Dec.	10
Amory and Nettleton, at Amory		16, 17
Aberdeen station		23, 24
Okolona station		30, 31
Prairie circuit, at Muldon	Jan.	6, 7
Montpelier circuit, at Prospect		13, 14
Houston and Wesley, at Houston		14, 15
Buena Vista circuit, at Buena Vista		20, 21
Shannon circuit, at Shannon		27, 28
Okolona circuit, at Tranquil	Feb.	3, 4
Verona circuit, at Verona		10, 11
Aberdeen circuit, at Paine Memorial		17, 18
Fulton and Smithville, at Fulton		24, 25
Tremont circuit, at Asbury		26
Nettleton circuit, at New Chapel	Mar	3, 4
Quincy circuit, at Quincy		10, 11

The district stewards will meet in the pastor's study in Aberdeen, Thursday, Jan. 4, 1900, at 1 P. M.
W. W. WOOLLARD, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Greenville	Dec.	
Arcola		15, 16
Shaw		22, 23
Shipman's Chapel		30, 31
Boyle	Jan.	1
Sandy Bayou		6, 7
Merrigold		7, 8
Lula		13, 14
Clarksdale		14, 15
Jonestown		21, 22
Tunica		27, 28
Austin		28, 20
Friar's Point	Feb.	4, 5
Hillhouse		11, 12
Gunnison		18, 19
Rosedale		25, 26
Winterville	Mar.	4, 5

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Meridian—Central	Snn., Tues.	Dec. 24, 26
Meridian—West End	Sat., Sun.	23, 24
Meridian—East End		30, 31
Meridian—South Side		31, Jan. 1
Lauderdale, at Lauderdale		6, 7
North Kemper, at Pleasant Grove		13, 14
DeKalb, at DeKalb	Sun., Mon.	14, 15
Porterville, at Porterville		20, 21
Binnsville, at Scooba	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M.	21, 22
Vimville, at Why Not		27, 28
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	Fri.	Feb. 2
Winchester, at Chicora	Sat. P. M., Sun. P. M.	3, 4
Wayneshoro, at Buckatunna	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M.	4, 5
Leakesville, at	Tues.	6
Pachuta, at Pachuta		10, 11
Enterprise, at Enterprise	Sun., Mon.	11, 12
Middleton, at Hopewell		17, 18
Mathorville, at Liberty	Sun, Mon.	18, 19
Daleville, at Soule Chapel		24, 25
Shuhuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon.	Mar. 4, 5

District stewards will please meet in Central Church, Meridian, Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 9 A. M.
C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

McComb City	Dec.	30, 31
Summit, at Norfield	Jan.	6, 7
Lincoln, at Adam's Chapel		13
Brookhaven		13, 14
Gallman, at Bethesda		20, 21
Crystal Springs		21, 22
Fernwood, at Fernwood		27, 28
Magnolia		28, 20
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Feb.	3, 4
Wesson		4, 5
Caseyville, at Sweet Water		10, 11
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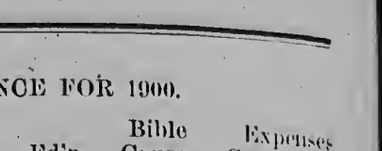
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THE IMMORTAL THINGS.

BY PRISCILLA LEONARD.

Only the immortal things,
For the things of time are fleeting,
To and fro the pendulum swings,
Love and Death forever meeting,
Joy forever quenched in tears
Through life's swift and tragic years.

Only the immortal things—
Naught beside is worth endeavor,
Wide on their eternal wings
They upraise the soul forever,
From the struggle of the years
To their own unfading spheres.

—Exchange.

Correspondence.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Representative Little, of Arkansas, who has since he entered the Fifty third Congress introdnced at the beginning of each Congress a bili prohibiting the sale of intoxicants in the Capitol, has again introdnced the bill and it has again been referred to the Committee on Pnblic Buildings and Gronnds. In each of the preceding Congresses Mr. Little's bill has been pigeon-holed by the committee, and the same resnlt will follow in this Congress, unless something can be done to get action from the committee. I will not go so far as to say that the bill can be passed by the House, but am quite certain that if the temperance constitnents of the members of this committee will bring a little pressnre to bear on them the bill can be got before the House and the members compelled to put themselves on record for or against it. Following is the Committee on Pnblic Bnildings and Grounds: D. H. Mercer, Nebraska, Chairman; C. W. Gillett, New York; S. Bartholdt, Missonri; G. W. Weymouth, Massachnsetts; B. F. Howell, New Jersey; A. Stewart, Wisconsin; J. B. Showalter, Pennsylvania; W. A. Rodenberg, Illinois; J. H. Bankhead, Alabama; J. H. Little, Arkansas; W. G. Brantley, Georgia; J. Norton, Sonth Carolina; J. W. Smith, Maryland; C. R. Thomas, North Carolina.

Dr. Talmage, former pastor, preached the sermon, and Dr. Bryon Sunderland, pastor emeritus, gave the charge, at the installation of Rev. Donald C. McLeod as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Dr. Talmage some months ago. The Constitutional qnestions to pastor-elect and people were read by Dr. Easton, and the charge to the people was given by Dr. Alexander. At the close of the services the new pastor held a reception and received the right hand of fellowship and a cordial welcome to Washington from his congregation and fellow-ministers of the Washington Presbytery.

Prof. C. A. Young, instructor in Hebrew at the University of Virginia, preached at the Vermont Avenne Christian Church, Sunday morning, on the completeness with which Jesus meets all the needs of humanity, and at night he discussed "Bible Teaching and Young Men." He said in part on the latter subject: "From the standpoint of culture alone, to say nothing of Christianity, every educated man should have a fair knowledge of the Bible. The Divine Library which we call the Sacred Scriptures contains the noblest biography and the best literature, surpassing the divine comedy of Dante, the great epic of Milton, and 'Plutarch's Lives,' and no education can be called 'higher,' however broad and varied, which neglects the literature which has exerted the greatest influence upon our Christian civilisation. The symmetrical education of our young men demands not only athletic training and intellectual discipline, but the development of the religious nature also. That our State universities should have religious influence thrown around them is in keeping with the past history of our country. True, we are thoroughly committed to the separation of Church and State; it is also true that we can not use State funds for religious instruction; but the law of our land is not opposed to the teaching of the Bible from the standpoint of history and literature. On the contrary, it desires the co-operation of the church in the higher education of the youth. To refuse to recognize the authority of the Bible in the development of our students would be contrary to the genius of our institutions, and even to the spirit of our laws."

The Anti-Saloon League, of the District of Columbia, is preparing to make a new assault on the liquor traffic. At the last meeting of the League a resolution was adopted to prepare a mammoth petition to Congress, which alone has authority over the District of Columbia, asking that the sale of intoxicants to be drank where sold be absolutely prohibited. The theory of those who instigated this movement is that Congress will recognize the right of a majority of the residents to control and will legislate in response to the petition, if it be signed by a majority. The signatures are to be asked for in a house-to-house canvass of the District, to be made in a single day, as the Church canvass was made a year or two ago, all expenses to be borne by the Anti-Saloon League. Great confidence is felt that the signatures of an overwhelming majority of the residents of Washington will be obtained for this petition.

Mr. F. E. Cleveland, the widely known blind lawyer of Connecticut, who is also Secretary of the State Board of Education for the blind, and Rev. H. R. Conden, the blind Chaplain of the House of Representatives, were the speakers at a unique meeting, in the interest of the establishment of educational institutions for the blind, held in Metropolitan M. E. Church. Both speakers agreed that the blind could earn their living if taught how, and cited cases where eminence as ministers, lawyers, physicians, etc., had been attained by the blind; and they were living citations themselves.

The adjournment of Congress for the Christmas recess will not stop the work of the Roberts Committee, as the committee has authority to sit during the recess. Several witnesses from Utah, including Dr. S. E. Wishard, superintendent of Presbyterian missions in Utah, have testified that Mrs. Maggie Shipp Roberts, one of Mr. Roberts' plural wives, was introduced by him as Mrs. Roberts to some and as his wife to others. Mr. Roberts objected to this testimony, on the ground that the committee had nothing to do with what he did prior to March 4, 1899, the date his congressional term began.

Washington, Dec. 20, 1899.

Report of the East Mississippi Female College to the Mississippi Annual Conference.

I am delighted to be able to give you a good report of the work of the East Mississippi Female College. This institution is now in decidedly the most prosperous condition it has been in at any time in its history. We have enrolled up to date this session 158 boarding students in the college, and over 300 matriculated altogether. We have the largest enrollment in music, in art, in dressmaking, and in stenography, and more in the college proper than at any time in any previous session. We have been compelled to secure a building adjoining the college to accommodate the large increase in the number of boarders. This building we have completely renovated, repainted, repapered the walls, added hot and cold baths, sewer connections, etc., putting it in fine condition, and have it filled with pupils and teachers. We have also added four new rooms to the north wing, have added several new pianos, and replaced much of the furniture with handsome new oak bed-room sets. We have also spent a considerable sum on repairs and other improvements, furnishings, apparatus, etc. All this has been done without calling on the Board of Trustees or any individual for assistance.

Besides these improvements, we have reduced the outstanding debt several hundred dollars, and have not made a dollar's increase of obligation. We have paid every teacher, officer and servant every cent of salary up to date, and some in advance, and met every financial obligation, without asking credit, or loan, or indulgence. We have made no bills, but paid cash for all expenses. Truly the Lord has been good to us. We are not getting rich, Mr. President. No one who has had the management of a boarding-school, with the great competition and the present low prices, will accuse us of this. But we are keeping out of debt, have an excellent faculty, are doing good work, and making good and useful women. We are not in this work for the money there is in it. If this were our aim, we would not be running a boarding-school. The same amount of money, business sense and management that it takes to run a boarding-school, and keep it in a prosperous condition at the present day, would make money in other lines of work. We feel God's call to train young women for him, and we are obeying the call by investing our all—our money, brains, time, talent, energy; yea, our whole life—in this great work for the Master. It is a very difficult, trying work, full of responsibilities and severe testings; yet somehow our Father is honoring the feeble efforts, and bringing success to it in every department. It has been a sure and steady growth ever since he called us to this work, and that amid most adverse circumstances. Only God could have given such success with such environment. Blessed be his holy name for his gracious manifestations to us in the work.

Along with the material improvements, we are continually raising the course of study. It is already as high as that suggested by the Commission of Education, and in some cases higher, but is not yet identical, as we have some studies not required in the report of the commission, and have omitted others they have placed among required studies. We are rearranging the course of study, and adjusting it to that recommended by the committee as rapidly as we can, not to make changes too radical. We have this year, with one or two exceptions, the same excellent faculty we have had for some time, with the addition of a teacher of science and history, who has just completed a year of special preparation in the University of Chicago.

The health of the college is almost perfect. Out of the 180 pupils, teachers and officers boarding in the building, there has not been a case of serious illness this session worthy of any notice at all. This is due principally to the excellent bored well water, the fine sanitary surroundings, and the best of overnight, regular habits, and plenty of good, wholesome, well-cooked food.

While the material and intellectual development of the school have been carefully looked after, the spiritual needs have not been neglected. Out of the 158 boarding students who have been enrolled this session, nearly all are church members; but, according to their statements, less than half were saved when they came; less than half had the witness of the Spirit to their conversion. Already 31 have professed conversion. These conversions occur from time to time during the session. Hardly a week has passed since school opened that we have not had some bright experiences among the girls in the college. Indeed, we have had some wonderful manifestations of the Spirit. Most of these occur in their own little meetings on Sunday nights, in their Young Women's Christian Association meetings, conducted by the students. Sometimes they occur in their bed-rooms, or sometimes in the college parlor, or office, or in a teacher's room. The very atmosphere seems to be pervaded with the Holy Spirit, and at morning and evening services, and even about our duties, his presence is felt. We take every step in prayer, and, as we believe, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Every teacher and officer is selected on our knees, and after much prayer for his leadings. Every letter written to patrons is sent out with prayer, and we ask the Father to send us only such students as he would have us train for him, and to keep away such as he would not have us teach. So, Mr. President, we never worry over the consequences. When yellow fever excitement and quarantine come, just a week before we are to open, and would seem to ruin us forever, sweep away our all which we have invested after much prayer, we leave it all in his hands, move forward and do our part, and he brings it all out right so beautifully and so sweetly. It is such a gracious Father that we have to bring the end out all right every time, when we fully trust him, never wavering nor doubting. He is so good to help us in the management of the girls. There has hardly been a ripple on the surface; hardly a show of friction during the session. He oils the machinery by his Spirit upon us. We are trying to do the work for the Master, and he helps in every detail of the work. We have 17 Bible training-classes, composed of about 90, or more, students, voluntarily joined together to study God's Word for self-help, and to prepare for Christian work. This is in addition to the regular Bible study of the class-room and to the one held on Saturday nights in the college chapel. Among these girls we have some of the finest Christian characters and best religious workers we have ever known. If the pastors utilize these workers and put them on duty when they return home, they will have excellent helpers, which are so much needed among young people all over the land. It is our one great aim to make noble, educated Christian women of the highest type. Of course, we do not succeed in every instance, but God has greatly honored the work, and set his seal upon it. To him be all the glory for whatever of success we may have attained.

J. W. BRYSON, Pres.

Meridian, Miss.

Selections.

THE MAN AND THE OCCASION WILL MEET.

There is a great wave of prosperity sweeping over the land, and everything indicates that the whole country is now entering upon a new era of progress and material prosperity. This is especially true of the North and East and West. There the hum of industry is heard on all sides. Every interest and enterprise is feeling the impulse of the present industrial and commercial buoyancy.

Mississippi should, by reason of its great and varied natural advantages, enjoy a full measure of this prosperity. All that is needed now to push the State to the very front on the road to material and industrial advancement is a high-class, broad-gauge State administration. One that will look to the highest good of the people; that will consider the great industrial, agricultural and commercial interests of the State; that will seek to elevate the standard of official life, and that will use the great functions of government, not for selfish and personal ends, but exclusively for the welfare and well-being of the State.

We want the investment of capital in the State encouraged; we want to build cotton mills and factories rather than to cultivate personal and partisan politics; we want more railroad and better dirt roads; we want a development of the great timber interests of the State; in a word, we want our administration of the affairs of the State put on a basis that will command the respect and confidence of our own people, as well as that of our fellow-citizens of the other States of the American union.

The occasion is auspicious, and all the conditions invite just this kind of a State administration as the one thing needed to put the State to the front.

The governor-elect has been nominated and elected to the highest office in the State in a manner and under circumstances which could not fail to be gratifying in the highest degree to any man. He will enter upon the discharge of the responsible duties of the office with the good-will and good wishes of the people of the entire State. And the people already have the assurance of the distinguished gentleman himself that he is without pledge or committal of any sort that can stand in the way of a pure and independent administration of the great trust and responsibilities that are to be placed in his keeping.

The opportunity for advancing the welfare of the State by broad-gauge legislation and a broad executive policy stand unequaled in any previous epoch of the history of the commonwealth. Never before in the history of Mississippi have the people manifested such a deep concern—thanks to a magnificent and devoted press—on the subject of developing the industrial and material interests of the State. The people of Mississippi are looking to the incoming administration with confidence in the hope of the inauguration of a State policy that will place Mississippi far above petty machine politics, and in the line of progress and prosperity, and abreast of the best thought and ideas of the times. Such an administration will meet the approval and secure the support of the very best and most patriotic men in the State, and a golden opportunity is presented to the governor-elect to render the State conspicuous service, and to place his own name high on the honor roll of those public men who have served Mississippi in the past patriotically and unselfishly, and with fidelity to the great public trusts that have been reposed in them. Those who know the man best do not doubt for a moment his ability or his patriotism; nor do they doubt that he will fulfill the high expectations entertained for the success of his administration. To this devout consummation every patriotic son of the State—men who will not seek and who do not desire office—will yield an earnest and cordial support.—The Picayune.

(We heartily commend the sentiments expressed in the above. The standard here set for the chief executive is a high one, but who will deny that it is the right one? That Mr. Longino will measure up to this standard there is good reason to believe. His record in other public positions justifies the belief that in his administration of state affairs he will play the part of a statesman rather than a politician; that he will ever keep an eye single to the public weal.—EDITOR.)

A MINISTERING ANGEL INDEED.

The heroism to be found in life is greater than that in books, and it is not necessary to seek in other times striking examples of self-sacrifice. Father Damien devoted his life to the care of the lepers in the South Sea Islands. Rose Hawthorne Lathrop is devoting hers to the care of unfortunate sufferers from cancer in the slums of New York City. Mrs. Lathrop, the daughter of Nathaniel Hawthorne, and a most cultured and charming woman, left the ease and comfort and protection of refined home life and took up her abode in a tenement house attic, because she felt that urgent work was there, waiting to be done by somebody. In the home for incurables in Cherry street, into which her very small beginning has grown, Mrs. Lathrop received a representative of Success and talked of her work.

"I began very humbly, three years ago," she said, in a voice that was noticeable for its soft and musical quality. "The most unfortunate people in the world are those who, in addition to extreme poverty, are afflicted with cancer. All, or almost all, are incurable, and, therefore, the hospitals do not want them. They are a burden to their relatives; in this whole city there was no free home for them. Their disease is such that few care to shelter them. They are mostly well advanced in years. Helpless and shunned, the work of extending a hand to even a few of them, of cheering them, of putting a little sunshine and comfort into the last years of unfortunate lives, seemed to be worth the doing. I thought of it long. It would mean a total change of life—the beginning of a new life. It is difficult to quite sever old ties and associations, you know. To be frank with you, I thought that this undertaking would mean much self-sacrifice.

"But it has not been so. What has been lost has been counterbalanced by what has been gained—an uplifting purpose in life, and the satisfaction coming from relieving in some degree aged and weary shoulders from their burden of suffering. Why, when I or my associates are absent, even for a day, we are actually homesick to get back and to work. Instead of feeling it to be a sacrifice now, I am absorbed in the work, and find it difficult to understand why hundreds of others are not engaged in it.

"My first step was to take a course in the Cancer Hospital, here in New York. When that was completed I rented some very cheap rooms on the top floor of a Water street tenement, and took in one patient, an aged and homeless woman, who had been in the Cancer Hospital, but had been sent away because they could do nothing more for her, and room was needed for more urgent cases.

"Since my start I have moved three times, and each time into larger quarters. I have three associates now. That the work is growing, that we are finding the means to do more every year, is very encouraging to us, and often we need encouragement. Kindly interest helps us to keep on. But our constant regret is that we can not do more. We would like to have a home for men as well as for women.

"We greatly desire to extend our sphere of work, and hope to have in various parts of the city homes like this, and eventually a great home, where many of these poor people may pass their last days in comparative cheerfulness and comfort."—Success.

REV. J. W. McLAURIN.

Our community was very much surprised on last Tuesday when it was made known that the late Conference had transferred Rev. J. W. McLaurin from Canton to Gloster. His departure brings deep regret not only to his own congregation, but to the other congregations of the town and the entire community. His consistent, conservative and truly Christian demeanor towards our entire community, as well as his own church, merits the highest commendation of our entire people. We know his work in his own church has been most beneficial, and we feel sure he would have done greater things during the incoming year had he been restored. We voice the sentiments of our people when we say we deeply regret the change coming at the end of one year; but we wish for him unbounded success in his new field.—Canton Times.

THE SCULPTOR.

Chisel in hand stood the sculptor-boy,
With his marble block before him;
And his face lit up with a smile of joy
As an angel dream passed o'er him.
He carved it then on the yielding stone,
With many a sharp incision;
With heaven's own light the sculpture shone,
He had caught that angel's vision.

Sculptors of life we are as we stand,
With our souls uncarved before us,
Waiting the hour when at God's command,
Our life-dream shall pass o'er us.
If we carve it then on the yielding stone,
With many a sharp incision,
That heavenly beauty shall be our own,
Our lives that angel vision.

—Anon.

Communications.

AN INFAMOUS COLLUSION.

MR. EDITOR: I heartily endorse your criticism of Bishop Nelson's attitude towards temperance in opposing prohibition. (NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, Nov. 23.) This is an imbecile concession to the infamous rum power. The proposition is, "Since prohibition does not prohibit, let us license whisky." This is tantamount to saying, "Since the legal enactment against murder does not prohibit it, let us license it."

A few weeks ago this conversation occurred between the writer and other passengers of a local train that had stopped in the suburbs of a prominent town of Mississippi: Said a drummer, "This town is in a fearful condition." Said another drummer, "Yes, it is full of blind tigers;" to which a telegraph line repairer subjoined, "It is generally known that you can buy whisky in dry goods houses, groceries, at fish markets, fruit stands, etc." Some one queried, "What is the cause of all this?" to which reply was made, "A rotten city government." Another passenger superadded: "The bribery and perjury, which makes it possible for the blind tiger to exist, is worse than the illicit sale of whisky; and if I were commissioned with power to remedy the matter, I would punish the police and officials for bribery, and the municipal authorities for perjury, and when this is done the 'blind tigers' would not live a day."

So apparent is the "mystery" of this rum-devil egregiousness that the foregoing is the natural conclusion from a cursory view. Because the law against murder is often rendered fugatory from inexecution, shall we substitute it by a code of honor with a twofold purpose of mitigating the criminality of the crime? Would the mantle of chivalry palliate the heinousness of murder? a groan answers from the Dark Ages. Moral philosophy teaches us that a concession made to any demand of an opposing evil is but to yield that much to its ascendency. This whisky demon, like the Arabian camel, has his head in the tent, and is inciting bribery and perjury to get his body in. The plea of the anti-prohis is, "License whisky in order to control it, and dissipate the bribery and perjury." What! extirpate bribery by yielding to the object of its demands? Eradicate perjury by submitting to the object of its infamy? Control the camel by letting him bodily in the tent? Oh, yes; yield to the pressure—license whisky—and down goes the integrity of municipal administration!—down, the honor of the commonwealth!—down, the convictions of eternal right!—down, public veracity and fidelity! Triumph perjury! triumph bribery! reign whisky devil!

"But we want the revenue for our schools." All right; a bargain. Here, monster! is our boys; march them to the poor-house and penitentiary! Our girls; send them to shame and death! Take our national virtue, take our sunny Christian land, and pollute its balmy air with the foul breath of Gehenna!

Harry P. Crowell, manager of the great anti-prohibition fight of Pennsylvania, was asked by the Nebraska liquor dealers, "How did you manage, Mr. Crowell, to get so many ministers on your side?" "Oh," he answered, "that is the easiest thing out. No; I did not go to the preachers as I did to the politicians, but I always found out a good man in the church who could work the preacher with but little trouble, for half the preachers are cowards. Then I hired, for so much a name, some old, broken-down newspaper man or politician to go around with a petition and get the names of ministers and lawyers, which we published with fine effect. We talked about high license all the time. Never try to defend the saloon; if you do, you lose the influence of church members and ministers; but talk about the revenue, and, especially, 'Prohibition don't prohibit.'"

The rum casualties in the city of Meridian during the time of the recent Fair and Ringling Bros. Show was comparatively insignificant as to the number experienced on similar occasions under the saloon regime. God Almighty awaken the moral sentiment and patriotism of this great commonwealth, so that by one convulsion she may clear herself of parasites, and dash these contemptible "pot stills" and "blind tigers" out of existence. ROBERT L. PHILLIPS.

Porterville, Miss., Dec. 10, 1899.

BRO. HENRY, AND ELSE.

Work on a district covering a fourth part of all the territory of a seven-district Conference is about enough to satisfy the average ambition for work in the period of one year. Seven thousand miles' travel, and two hundred and forty-seven sermons, with divers talks and exhortations, all accomplished in a period of eleven months, with one month out on account of sickness, is no small task—no easy job.

These and other matters being considered, I think neither Bishop Galloway, nor anyone else, can attach blame to the writer for asking to be returned to the ranks of "the circuit rider." And so it is. If the Lord and the people help during A. D. 1900, there will be results at Simsport and Marksville which will make us glad. The packing for the move is well on the way, and soon we expect to be domiciled in the parsonage at Simsport under circumstances which will sometimes tempt another disciple to "go a-fishing."

Well, at Monroe I read Bro. Henry's criticism of my views anent college-bred preachers. He calls for "facts." This means comparison of results from the labor of individual preachers by name. No general average will do, as Bro. Henry will see if he re-reads his criticism, now it has got cold. He compares the labor and its results of (I am not sure as to the exact numbers he gives) fourteen college-trained men with more than a hundred who had no collegiate education, and concludes the college boys have done most good. In this he does not consider a number of factors which enter into the results he names.

1. He makes no allowance for the fact that these college boys work principally in towns and wealthy communities, where the per capita contributions are always—and should be—larger.

2. He makes no allowance for the zeal of youth on the one side, nor the feebleness of age on the other. To make his comparisons prove what he wants to prove, he should take an equal number of men, similarly situated and in similar stage of moral and intellectual development. These things he must not disregard if he wishes to make just comparisons and cause conviction in the minds of his readers.

Be it understood I have never written in defense of ignorant and uncultured preachers. Such men are failures, to begin with. Such men never will and never did succeed. An educated minister may not be able to read Tacitus nor Xenophon, but he knows the gospel and the power of God, and has intelligence enough to preach "in a known tongue." Our course of study is not too broad, but our starting-point may be too high. "Received on trial" means that we have to deal in an unknown quantity as to heart and brains. J. A. PARKER.

A WISE SELECTION.

In electing the Rev. W. S. Harrison manager of our Orphans' Home at Water Valley, I am satisfied the trustees of that noble institution made a wise selection. Bro. Harrison has lived in Starkville for a long number of years, and has the respect and esteem of every man, woman and child in the place. He is a man of scholarly attainments, of extraordinary ability as a preacher, of practical common sense, and of the finest and most exemplary character. Though his name has appeared upon our Conference roll as a superannuate for several years, he is not by any means infirm. Aside from a chronic throat trouble—laryngitis—which unfits him for constant public speaking, he is healthful and vigorous. Sister Harrison also is admirably suited for the work which will devolve upon her in the Home. Domestic, practical, and kind-hearted, the children will find in her a true and sympathetic friend. The Methodists of Mississippi need have no fears or misgivings on account of the change in the management of our orphanage. Bro. Burton did well, and we regret to lose him, but the institution is in safe hands. This much I have felt impelled to say as Bro. Harrison's pastor.

R. A. MEEK.

Starkville, Miss., Dec. 10, 1899.

Correspondence.

FROM BRO. P. A. JOHNSTON.

We are all more or less given to think, talk, and write about ourselves. I hope not so much so as to preclude this from the columns of the ADVOCATE.

I was profoundly impressed with my visit to the Louisiana Conference at Monroe. The sympathy and love as expressed by the brethren in my affliction humbled me very much, and made me feel very grateful indeed. You could see there was a compassion and tenderness in every one of them for me. One brother ventured the remark that I was the pet of the Conference. I said: "Oh, no, no, brother; they just love me and I love them." The sermons preached, the addresses made, the songs and prayers offered were all calculated to lift one heavenward, and feel that he was in the presence and company of the saints. There is not a more royal and loyal set of men on earth than the body of men that compose the Louisiana Conference. It was with a sense of loneliness and regret that I felt constrained to transfer from them. But after consulting with Bishop Galloway, I thought it best for me to do so. The Bishop readily agreed with me and so transferred me. May many blessings rest upon every one of them, and may our heavenly Father crown all their endeavors to advance their Lord's kingdom!

I was most cordially welcomed back into the Mississippi Conference, both by resolution in open Conference and a warm brotherly shake of the hand—many of the brethren saying, "You belong to us, and we are glad you have come home to be with, and one of us." I am not worthy of such honors. I could tarry only one day and night with them at Vicksburg, as I was so feeble. What a privilege to be counted worthy to have a place with such a body of men! I suppose while I am writing this Bishop Duncan is giving them their appointments and marching orders for another year. May our God go before them and crown every one of them with great success! Not many of that class to which I specially belong at this time answered to their names when called, being too old and feeble to stand the hardship of travel and the severities of weather, of storm and wind, incident to such this time of the year. They will all answer to the general roll call up yonder. What a privilege the church should feel to take care of them in their declining years. The church nor the world will never know what they have passed and are now passing through to do and suffer their Lord's will.

P. A. JOHNSTON.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 18, 1899.

FROM BRO. KILGORE.

MR. EDITOR: Please say to the brethren of the North Mississippi and Mississippi Conferences, through the columns of the ADVOCATE, that if any of them desire help in their meetings, I would be glad to assist them as far as my time will go. My postoffice address is at McCondy, Miss. I will be very grateful if you will give this notice.

Yours fraternally,

E. G. KILGORE.

Home Mission Society.

EDITORS.

Mrs. J. B. Stone, of North Miss. Conference
Conference Officers of Mississippi Conference
Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, of Louisiana Conference

ITEMS FROM NORTH MISSISSIPPI W. H. M. SOCIETY.

The first item I mention is inserted by the "order" of our Conference secretary. She says: By Dec. 12, six weeks from the time of annual meeting, our annual reports will be out and in process of distribution. Can any Conference Society show a better record? The credit for this is due to our president, Mrs. E. W. Foote, who attended to the printing and mailing, but also very largely to our vice-president and editor, Mrs. J. B. Stone, who at the request of the recording secretary, prepared the manuscript, executing that important task so promptly and accurately that all delay was avoided.

The only new auxiliary for the past quarter is McCarley. Mrs. W. F. Long was elected president, with a good corps of officers and ten members.

The most complete report of the quarter comes from the secretary of Sardis district, Miss Julia Jones.

In compliance with Miss Bennett's request, letters of remonstrance against the seating of Congressman-elect Roberts were sent to Congressmen Catchings, Allen, Fox, and Spight. Messrs. Catchings, Allen and Spight sent courteous acknowledgments. Hon. Thos. Spight says: "Please present my compliments to your lady co-workers in this righteous cause, and assure them that I shall bend every energy to the accomplishment of the result so earnestly desired by them and the noble women all over this land."

The society at Boyle is striving with all diligence to provide a home for their preacher. On Dec. 8 they met at the home of Mrs. Boyle, and held what they styled "A Musicale and Experience Meeting." The house was beautifully decorated with bamboo vine, red haws, mistletoe, holly, and red, blue and white bunting. Each lady member had promised to earn a dollar, and now she came to tell how she had managed to do so. Some had cooked, some washed and ironed, some had nursed. One had sold pop-corn, another greens. Various plans had been devised, but the result—the dollar—was the end reached by all. The musicians of the crowd contributed their part to the enjoyment of the evening, and its close found the ladies with $31.30 as the result of the affair. This same society proposes to have a "Measuring Party" in February, from which we hope to hear.

Our new secretary for Winona district, Mrs. E. T. Buckley, writes as follows of Carrollton: "I will say to those who may not know, that Carrollton is the home of our brother, J. R. Bingham, a layman whose name and deeds are known all over Mississippi."

Mrs. B. says: "We did not observe the Week of Prayer, but made a contribution of $15. Of this sum, $5 made Sister Cunningham a patron of the Preachers' Wives' Loan Fund. The remainder enrolled the names of Bros. Cunningham and Sullivan on the Educational Endowment Fund. We have paid $5, pledged for us at the annual meeting, and added four names to the Baby Roll. As a thank-offering, we sent a barrel of clothing to the Orphans' Home, containing 106 ready-made garments and 198 yards of uncut cloth, 25 pairs of stockings, and some bedding, with other small articles. Usually such offerings are secured by solicitation, but this time a number asked the privilege of giving, and made liberal contributions. A very beautiful incident occurred in connection with it. A Presbyterian brother, who lost his wife last Summer (and has been converted since), saw in the weekly paper a little notice of the barrel. He brought two dress-patterns that his wife had bought for herself just before she died, and asked to be allowed to give them; said he thought it would meet with her approbation if she could know, and he wanted to do good with them. Surely, he felt 'the love of Christ constraineth me.' So we have 'cleared the deck' at Carrollton for the Twentieth Century Fund another year, and already some are planning and saving for their gifts for that."

Winona Auxiliary is moving forward. With a part of our contribution during Week of Prayer, we have placed the name of our new pastor, Bro. Park, on the Educational Endowment Fund. We are not quite ready for our Twentieth Century Offering, but hope to be in the near future.

Now, in conclusion, let me urge upon auxiliary corresponding secretaries the importance of reporting "regularly" and "promptly" to your district secretary. If she writes to you, courtesy, at least, demands a reply. Do not think because your society is small and weak, it does not matter about reporting. It does matter very materially, I assure you. Let us learn to be business women, and attend to the details of our work as we are so earnestly requested to do. And please send me any items of interest that come to your work. MRS. J. B. STONE.

The Christian Life.

THE GOSPEL.

The gospel is able to reconstitute society by reconstituting the character of individuals. Through its effect on persons it opens the way for vast national advances. It teaches not merely the highest themes, but all the themes that are associated with them and immediately pertinent to the interest of mankind. It teaches frugality and industry and honesty, by express command and by the divine example of Him who brought it to us. It turns men, as it has been forcibly said, out of the trails of blood and plunder into the path of honest toil. It is a gospel for every creature, that is, for every created thing, and gardens bloom in a lovelier beauty under its influence, and harvest festivals, of which the country is full to-day, are only its natural and beautiful fruit and trophy. It exalts womanhood, and by the honor it puts on womanhood and by the honor it puts on childhood it inaugurates the new family life in the world. It honors, as no other religion does or ever did, the essential worth of the immortal spirit in man, and it forces him, pushes him, crowds him, into thoughtfulness and educational discipline when it will not allow him to be manipulated into paradise by any priestly hand, but comes to him in a book and sets him to work to investigate its contents, to inquire concerning it, to look out widely around it and to inform himself by careful thought of what it is and what it means.—Rev. Dr. R. S. Storrs, in Western Methodist.

DANA'S TRIBUTE TO THE BIBLE.

One of the standard works on journalism is that of Charles A. Dana on "Art of Newspaper Making." In answering the question, "What books ought you to read?" Mr. Dana paid this tribute to the Bible:

"There are some books that are absolutely indispensable to the kind of education that we are contemplating and to the profession that we are considering; and of these the most indispensable, the most useful, the one whose knowledge is most effective, is the Bible. There is no book from which more valuable lessons can be learned.

"I am considering it now not as a religious book, but as a manual of utility, of professional preparation and professional use for a journalist. There is perhaps no book whose style is more suggestive and more instructive, from which you learn more directly that sublime simplicity which never exaggerates, which recounts the greatest events with solemnity, of course, but without sentimentality or affectation; none which you open with such confidence and lay down with such reverence. There is no book like the Bible.

"When you get into a controversy and want exactly the right answer, when you are looking for an expression, what is there that closes a dispute like a verse from the Bible? What is it that sets up the principle for you, which pleads for a policy, for a cause, so much as the right passage of Holy Scripture?"—Chas. A. Dana.

UNCONSCIOUS SIGNS.

Men carry unconscious signs of their life about them. Those that come from the forge, and those from the lime and mortar, and those from the humid soil, and those from dusty travel, bear signs of being workmen, and of their work. One need not ask a merry face or a sad one whether it hath come forth from joy or from grief. Tears and laughter tell their own story. Should one come home with fruit we say, "Thou art come from the orchard;" if with hands full of wild flowers, "Thou art from the fields;" if one's garments smell of mingled odors, we say, "Thou hast walked in a garden." But how much more, if one hath seen God, hath held converse of hope and love, and hath walked in heaven, should he carry in his eye, his words, and his perfumed raiment, the sacred tokens of divine intercourse!"—Henry Ward Beecher.

BEWARE OF MISJUDGING.

Perhaps it were better for most of us to complain less of being misunderstood, and to take more care that we do not misunderstand other people. It ought to give us pause at a time to remember that each one has a stock of cut-and-dry judgments on his neighbors and that the chances are that the most of them are quite erroneous. What our neighbor really is we may never know, but we may be pretty certain that he is not what we have imagined, and that many things we have thought of him are quite beside the mark. What he does we have seen, but we have no idea what may have been his thoughts and intentions. The mere surface of his character may be exposed, but of the complexity within we have not the faintest idea. People crammed with self-consciousness and self-conceit are often praised as humble, while shy and reserved people are judged to be proud. Some whose whole life is one subtle, studied selfishness get the name of self-sacrifice, and other silent heroic souls are condemned for want of humanity.—Ian Maclaren, in The Potter's Wheel.

We can not remember too often those pungent words of Dr. Alexander Maclaren that: "The worst and most fatal sins may be the small continuous vices which root underground and honeycomb the soul. Many a man who thinks himself a Christian is in more danger from the daily commission—for example—of small pieces of sharp practice in his business than ever David was at his worst. White ants pick a carcass clean sooner than a lion will." Alas! what great sinners we may be in small things! Little irritations of heart and speech, little meannesses in dealings, little tricks and insincerities, little jealousies and spites, little neglects of kind acts that we ought to do—all these are the little foxes that make wretched havoc with the vines. Instead, therefore, of trying to whitewash faults by calling them "weaknesses" and "infirmities," we ought to label them by their true name, of vices and sins. Everything that is not right is wrong, and a Christian's sins are doubly mischievous.—Cuyler.

Defeat makes the school in which most of us have to be trained. In all kinds of work men learn by mistakes. The successful business man did not begin with success. He learned by experience, and the experience was very costly. The true science of living is not to make no mistakes; but not to repeat one's mistakes. Defeat, when one has done one's best, and when one takes a lesson from his defeat, is not something to be ashamed of, but something to be glad for, since it sets one's feet on a little higher plane. Defeat which makes us wiser and better is a blessing to us. We owe more to our defeats, with the humblings of the old nature, the cleansing of motive and affection and the deepening of trust in God, than we owe to the prouder experiences which we call our successes.—Northwestern Advocate.

When things get beyond your control, when you face an unknown future, and when trying conditions confront you, remember that there is a governing God in Israel, and that it is his to bring light out of darkness, joy out of sorrow, and hope out of despair. Be patient and acquiescent. Let the Ruler of the universe and the Lord of the individual manage affairs in his own way and at his own time. Neither grow weary nor become too anticipative. Roll upon a covenant-keeping God your cares, taking his dispensations as they come, and multiplying sorrow neither by distrust nor by foreboding. God unravels the future day by day, hour by hour, and moment by moment, accompanying the distribution with his supporting and sanctifying grace.—The Presbyterian.

THE LESSON IN DEWEY'S SUCCESS.

In his success there are two lessons. One is for the young. In him they see the reward which the State has to offer to its best servants. From him they learn how feeble and poor are the results of selfish endeavor, of money-making, of self-seeking, compared with the glory that comes from working for the State.

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URIAH T. BLACKSHER.

Died in Opelousas, La., St. Landry parish, Dec. 2, 1899, Uriah T. Blacksher, at the ripe age of seventy-seven years and six months.

Bro. Blacksher was born in Coneculh county, Ala., but was brought up in Sumter county. Shortly after the war he emigrated to Louisiana, and settled at Plaisance, St. Landry parish, and was a successful cotton planter.

Bro. Blacksher joined the Methodist Church in 1837, but was not converted until five years after at a camp meeting held in Alabama in 1842. This was really the commencement of his long and useful church life. He then and there immediately began to work for her advancement. He loved her altars, and sustained them with his substance. It was indeed his life-work. For fifty-six consecutive years he was one of her stewards, and died as president of the board of the Opelousas Church; in fact, filled every position that a layman could fill; several times elected to the General Conference, and was rarely left out of the lay delegation to his Annual Conference. The name of U. T. Blacksher is inseparately connected with Methodism in Louisiana. Especially is this true of the southwest portion of the state, that history could not be correctly or recorded without the mention of his name. Here was his field of labor; here his substance was given, and his energies expended.

About the last act of his life, as he lay suffering on what proved to be his death-bed, was to collect from his attendant physician five dollars for his pastor, and then to collect from another brother his subscription to the Opelousas Camp Ground—the last effort of his declining years, the child of his old age. He thus may be said to have died "with harness on." Three churches and the four camp grounds may be accredited to his energy and push in church work.

Bro. Blacksher was a man of strong convictions, with the courage to maintain and defend them. His perception was clear, his judgment sound, being blest with that rarest and best of all human gifts, "good common sense," which caused his long life to be a success. When the dark and turbulent days of '61 to '65 he was no drone nor idler, but did his part in those trying years, and was one of those who, at "his country's call," left peaceful pursuits, donned the grey, bid adieu to home and family, took his place as captain of a company, and for four long and weary years contended for the liberty of his people, the sovereignty of his State, the sanctity of his home, keeping step with the noblest company of men that ever answered a sovereign's call to arms; fell in line with those who knew how to suffer for the right, starve for bread, and die, if needs be, for the Southland that they loved so well.

U. T. Blacksher was "a Confederate soldier"—suitable epitaph to mark his tomb.

Bro. Blacksher was twice married: in 1847 to Miss Elizabeth Patton, of Alabama, and again to Miss Elmira Talliaferro in the year 1863, who also was a native of Alabama. Four out of seven children are left to mourn a father's death, and to emulate a father's example in the path of duty well performed.

T. K. F.

DEPARTED.

Mrs. Louisa Ophelia Blocker, wife of Rev. R. M. Blocker, of the Louisiana Conference, M. E. Church, South, died at her home at Lake Arthur, La., at 5 P. M., Dec. 7, 1899, aged 45 years 11 months and 7 days.

Sister Blocker was the daughter of F. P. Welch, of Vernon parish, of this State. She was born in Arkansas, Dec. 31, 1854, and was reared in Western Texas and in Louisiana. She was married to Bro. Blocker, Oct. 12, 1871, and became the mother of nine children, one of whom passed in to glory at the age of three years.

Sister Blocker was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1872; was sanctified in 1888. She was a beautiful Christian character, living consistently and beloved by all who knew her.

For the five weeks preceding her death she suffered untold agonies, but withal retained her hope in Christ, and whenever conscious gave every evidence of her readiness to meet her God. About a week before her death she called her family together in a time of consciousness, and bade them good-bye, told them to meet her in heaven; had them to pray with her, then she herself prayed for her children as only a devoted Christian mother can. She then left messages for some friends, and this message for all her friends: "Good-bye; meet me in heaven." She scarcely regained consciousness after this time.

Rev. Manly, of Rayne, conducted the funeral services.

W. H. NEY.

Texas Advocate please copy.

SENSITIVENESS IN THE MINISTRY.

Preachers, as a rule, are very sensitive to criticism. No one understands this better than the editor of a religious paper. They do not like to have their statements called in question in the public prints, or their position assailed. They are quick to take the written views of one another on the opposite side of a subject as personal and to reply to them in that sort of spirit. Lawyers go into the court-room or into the prints and hammer each other unmercifully, and then talk the matter over in private and have a big laugh at the expense of one another. It is the rarest thing imaginable for them to carry away the remnant of bitterness, or on account of their heated discussion entertain grievances. It usually passes with the occasion, and that is the end of it. Not so as a general thing with ministers. They come at one another with bristles up, say very sharp things, and when it is all over, the one getting the worst of the conflict feels that he has been injured, and he remembers it a long time.

Then again, it is a difficult matter for ministers to discuss a question in the paper without becoming personal and using sharp words. They do not always bite and devour one another, but sometimes they even do this, and then feel hurt when for the sake of the family peace the man at the helm closes down on the controversy. If the old blue pencil upon the desk of the editor were to tell all that it knows about the elimination of sharp words from communications it would prove an interesting story to a majority of the saints who are possessed of guilelessness of spirit. The brethren love to dig one another, but such brethren do not enjoy being digged in return. This ought not to be, for of all people preachers ought to learn how to bear and forbear and to give and take in a controversy. More than this, they ought to take it for granted that no one of them has all of the knowledge and wisdom touching any given subject of discussion. Controversy is not carried on for the personal victory of any one of the disputants, but to throw light upon a given subject. If one brother differs from another, it is not a personal difference, but a difference of judgment and of opinion, and when the matter is fully discussed it is better understood by those who want further light upon the subject. There is no need for this sensitiveness upon the part of preachers. It is out of place and does harm.—Texas Advocate.

AGED MINISTERS.

Your minister is "superannuated," is he? Well, call a parish meeting, and vote him a dismission; hint that his usefulness is gone; that he is given to repetition; that he puts his hearers to sleep. Turn him adrift like a blind horse, or a lame house dog. Never mind that he has laid aside his pen and listened many times and oft, with courteous grace, to your tedious, prosy conversations, when his moments were like gold dust; never mind that he has patiently and uncomplainingly accepted at your hands the smallest pittance that would sustain life, because "The Master" whispered in his ear, "Tarry here till I come."

Never mind that he has grown grey in your thankless service—that he has smiled on your infants at the baptismal font—given them lovingly away in marriage to their heart's chosen; and wept with you when death's shadow darkened your door. Never mind that the wife of his youth, whom he won from a home of luxury, is broken down with privation and fatigue, and your thousand unnecessary demands upon her strength, patience, and time. Never mind that his children, at an early age, were exiled from the parsonage, because there was not "bread enough, and to spare, in their father's house." Never mind that his library consists only of a Bible, a Concordance, and a Dictionary; and that to the luxury of a religious newspaper he has long been a stranger. Never mind that his wardrobe would be spurned by many a mechanic in our cities. Never mind that he has "risen early and sat up late," and tilled the ground with weary limbs, for earthly "manna," while his glorious intellect lay in fetters—for you. Never mind all that, call a parish meeting, and vote him "superannuated."

Don't spare him the starting tear of sensibility, or the flush of wounded pride, by delicately offering to settle a colleague, that your aged pastor may rest on his staff in grateful grey-haired independence. No! turn the old patriarch out! give him time to go to the moss-grown church-yard, and say farewell to the unconscious dead; and then—give "the right hand of fellowship" to some beardless, pedantic, noisy college boy, who will save your sexton the trouble of pounding the pulpit cushions and who will tell you and the Almighty in his prayers all the political news of the week.—Fanny Fern.

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PRAYER AND POWER.

Unless the teaching of the Scriptures be rejected, every Christian must admit that the connection between prayer and power in the spiritual realm it not merely alliterative, but of the most vital nature. After that memorable night of wrestling with the angel at the brook Jabbok, Jacob's name was changed to Israel, which means "Prince;" for "as a prince he had power with God, and prevailed." Apart from frequent communion with God, there is no spiritual strength nor joy. Only those who wait upon the Lord in prayer have access to the grace that enables them to stand firm in times of temptation and "rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Not every praying Christian is strong in faith and in the resistance of sin, but no disciple ever becomes a spiritual Hercules except in the training-school of prayer and Bible study. Without exception, the Old Testament worthies and the apostles and eminent saints of the gospel dispensation were men who poured out their souls to God in prayer. Abraham, Moses, David, Isaiah, Ezra, Nehemiah, Samuel, Elijah and others were distinguished for their fervency and perseverance in prayer. This was the secret of their splendid triumphs and of their surpassing courage. Cornelius, that devout and God-fearing Roman centurion, to whom the Lord granted so cheering a vision, we are told, "gave much alms to the people and prayed alway." How graciously God visited this earnest inquirer and his household! Imagine the Apostle Paul, if you can, neglectful of prayer, and priding himself upon his superior genius and strength of will in the battle against the forces of evil! He it is who exhorts the Christian to "pray without ceasing," and "in everything give thanks." His was the might that comes only through supplication.

The secret of the weakness and coldness of the average professing Christian is his prayerlessness. No wonder that doubts arise, and that evil habits and besetting sins will not down, when many give so little time and thought to secret prayer. John Wesley, who was one of the busiest and most successful toilers that ever lived, accomplishing during his career the work of well-nigh a dozen ordinary men, spent an hour each morning in praying and searching the Scriptures. When he emerged from his closet it is said that his face was radiant with the light of heaven. Martin Luther said that "prayer was the best book in his library, and the longer he expected his day's work to endure, the more time he devoted to prayer." Oliver Cromwell, Washington, Von Moltke, Havelock, Stonewall Jackson, and several other great Christian commanders, used to take their battle plans to the Lord in prayer.

So great is the pressure of business in these times, so manifold and dazzling are the allurements of the world, that Christians, in large measure, are becoming neglectful of this duty, while many who still keep up the form have almost entirely lost its spirit by reason of the hastiness of their devotions.

We seriously question whether any man can enjoy the favor of God who does not pray daily. Every morning and evening, at least, we should supplicate the throne of grace. As Dr. Hoss pertinently says, "He is a bold man who dares to begin any day without asking God's blessing, or to close it without invoking his forgiveness." The prophet Daniel used to pray three times a day with the window of his chamber open toward Jerusalem. When and how many times a day we should enter our closets each must determine for himself. Those Christians who have adopted the plan of communing with God morning, noon, and night, have derived wonderful benefit therefrom.

Not only should we have a regular time for prayer, and observe it as far as practicable, but when we come before God we should take time to compose our minds, and banish outside things. Sometimes the Christian is in the praying spirit when he enters the closet; but at others times it may require several minutes, or longer, for him to put his mind and heart in frame for acceptable prayers. How easy it is to drift into lip devotion!

Prayer is often unavailing because it is not earnest or sincere. Spiritual blessings are asked for, not always because there is intense longing for them, but because the believer recognizes them as good. God pays little heed to the half-hearted seeker; but those who come in the spirit of the Syro-Phenician woman are sure to have their request granted; not always, it is true, in the way expected, but in the way that is best. The weak disciple who, seeing the waves of sin about to close over him, cries out in agony, "Lord, save, or I perish," is as certain to be rescued as Peter was.

When we approach God in prayer our petitions should be definite and well-considered. "Do not," says Bishop Fitzgerald, "pray for everything in general and nothing in particular." As John R. Mott aptly phases it, 'Our prayers are not measured by their extent, but by their content." While the efficacy of prayer is far from being guaged by its length, yet it must not be supposed that brevity in devotion is generally commendable and advantageous. Oftimes it is necessary for the disciple to tarry long on his knees until his faith and consecration rise to the level where God is pleased to bless the suppliant.

Nor does true prayer consist entirely of petitions and supplications. In its highest form it is communing with God as friend with friend. It is taking with him and realizing his blessed presence. Thus practiced, it becomes the holiest exercise in which man can engage.

Gaudly does the poet Cowper embody the teaching of Scripture when he sings:

Prayer makes the darkened cloud withdraw,
Prayer climbs the ladder Jacob saw;
Gives exercise to faith and love;
Brings every blessing from above.

Restraining prayer we cease to fight;
Prayer makes the Christian's armor bright;
And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees."

THE ADVOCATE OF 1900.

The NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on the fifth of July of the incoming year, the first number having been issued July 10, 1850. We will get out a jubilee number containing many articles of interest. A more specific announcement will be made later. Several thousand extra copies will be issued. During the year we expect to make the paper more efficient as a Conference organ, and as a religious paper adapted to the wants of our people. As stated in our last issue, Rev. M. M. Black has been associated with us in the capacity of assistant editor. How much this means to the editorial department our readers will soon realize.

We urgently solicit the co-operation of all our preachers in extending our circulation. It will aid them much in this work if they will call attention to our premium offers. Our offers are extremely liberal and of a popular character. Sample copies will be sent on application.

LITERARY NOTES.

BY W. F. B.

The contributed articles in the December Critic are: Cupid and the Lady Contributor, a story by Katharine Pearson Woods; The Art of Fritz Von Uhde, by Chas. De Kay; Concerning Literature, by B. H. Hinckley; The Early Polish Drama, by Helena Modjeska, and The Stevenson Letters, by Isabel Strong.

Among the many interesting and timely articles in the December Forum are A British View of the Transvaal Question, by J. Castell Hopkins; The Status of Puerto Rico, by Judge H. G. Curtis, of the Insular Commission; The Trust Problem—Its Real Nature, by Prof. E. W. Bemis; Recent Developments in the South, by Leonora Beck Ellis; The Fundamentals of Fiction, by Prof. Richard Burton, of the University of Minnesota; Africa; Present and Future, by O. P. Austin, Chief of the United States Bureau of Statistics, and Zangwill's Play, The Children of the Ghetto, by A Cahan.

The December Open Court contains an important article entitled, Anticipate the School, by Dr. Carus. It gives many suggestions regarding the training of children.

The December number of the Cosmopolitan contains a story by A. C. Doyle entitled, The Crime of the Brigadier; The Cot and the Rill, by Frank R. Stockton; the second of Olive Schreiner's essays on The Woman Question; Miss Olga Nathersole's story of her early efforts, My Struggles to Succeed, and an article by Flora C. Briggs on The Child Brought Up at Home.

Joel Chandler Harris contributes to the Christmas number of The Saturday Evening Post an authentic account of the daring attempt to warn the Confederate Cabinet of the great movement whereby Grant and Sherman were to co-operate in crushing the Confederacy. How the attempt failed, and why it failed, are the subjects of a chapter of the little-known history of the secret service.

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APPOINTMENTS.

MR. EDITOR: In your list of appointments for Forest district, Mississippi Conference, as published in yesterday's ADVOCATE, there are two errors.

Clarksburg circuit was not left to be supplied, but was abolished, the several churches heretofore constituting that circuit being distributed among adjacent charges.

To Montrose circuit the Rev. W. W. Morse was sent as preacher in charge, with the Rev. O. H. Wingfield to supply a part of the work.

Yours faithfully,

T. L. MELLEN.

Forest, Miss., Dec. 22, 1899.

The late Robert Ingersoll, while in Mr. Beecher's study, at one time, saw a large globe standing on his table—a globe that showed, in elegant outlines, the contour of the earth's continents and seas.

"That is a fine globe you have there, Mr. Beecher. Who made it?" was Mr. Ingersoll's inquiry.

"Oh, nobody," answered Mr. Beecher.—Boston Transcript.

HOW TO TREAT THE OLD.

We do not know anything that requires more tact and more tenderness than the treatment of old men by those who are younger than themselves. Treat them as those whose day is past, as those from whom nothing may be expected in the way of labor, and you touch them where they are peculiarly tender and sensitive. Treat them as though you expected full work of them, and make no allowance for the infirmities of age, and you wound them again. In dealing with them, Scylla is to be avoided on the one hand and Charybdis on the other. But it is worth the trial to minister to one who has borne the burden and heat of the day, and who has sown for others to reap. Show a kind and thoughtful regard for his feelings; give him something to do that he can do; be respectful, deferential, reverential even, and you will reap a rich harvest of hope in a heart in which, perhaps, it was almost dead, and of gratitude and affection for yourself; the more so as the old man is beginning to distrust his own powers and sometimes asks himself the question if his day of usefulness is not past.—The Religious Herald.

POWER OF THE UNSEEN.

God's great men, from Abraham to Livingstone, have been men with whom the future has overshadowed the present. Nothing but this can save a man from becoming a slave to the present material life. There is a fascination about the wonderful material developments of the day which tends to draw men away from the unseen and make them satisfied with the visible. There is nothing which makes the heroic fiber of such men as Paul, Luther, and the Pilgrim fathers, like a sublime dissatisfaction with the present in the contemplation of the future. Such visions set men free from discouragement and oppression and fear, and make them able to stand fearlessly for the right. Mystics we all need to become in the sense of seeing beyond our beautiful earthly cities a city eternal, whose builder is God.—Sunday School Times.

SELECTING A JURY.

The fact that one of the courts of a great State has spent twelve days in the selection of twelve men to serve on a jury for the trial of a murder case, and that 504 talesmen were compelled to leave their business, in answer to a summons from the court, has once more emphasized the necessity of some change in the manner of selecting juries. The latitude which is now allowed the interested parties is so wide, and the restrictions which surround a talesman are so narrow, that the wheels of justice move very slowly. The accused in the case mentioned has already been in jail more than eight months. After all this delay it took twelve days to select a jury, and the trial may be prolonged indefinitely. To subject an innocent man to such an agony is the refinement of cruelty; to defer the punishment of a guilty one so long is a travesty of justice.—Zion's Herald.

ALARMING.

Canon Wilberforce delivered a temperance address in London the other day in which he solemnly declared that there has been an enormous increase of intemperance in England during the past 30 years. "The register-general's reports show that deaths from intemperance among men had increased 58 per cent. and among women by 100 per cent."

These figures are literally appalling! The case is not so terrible here, but it is bad enough. In spite of all the churches and temperance organizations and philanthropic people are doing, drunkenness steadily increases. And drunkenness in the slums is not our greatest present danger. It is the revival of tippling in high social circles—the debauchery not of the alley, but of the boulevard.—Epworth Herald.

Not accuracy nor speed, but accuracy first, and then speed is the law of successful effort. The man who tries to do a thing quickly first, and accurately afterwards, is hardly less wise than the man who is content to do a thing well without regard to the time consumed in doing it. If you want to go off on the next train, you need to be accurate in finding the way to the depot, but if you have no regard for speed you may get left.—Baltimore Advocate.

A NEEDED REFORM.

The Legislatures of the various States ought to enact laws prohibiting the horribly demoralizing posters of the theaters and vaudevilles. Just now they are portraying acts of murder, the stabbing of women and men; of countrymen introduced to scandalous scenes; and of villainies of all kinds. We do not see how boys could more effectively be taught that crime is heroic, and obscenity simply amusing. The streets of a city and the highways of the country are public property, and if they are thus employed to the detriment of public morals, and to the offense of decent people, the public and every citizen in the measure of his influence, is responsible for it. This thing has been cutting lower and lower, becoming more and more shameless and pernicious. It is time to stop it short.—The Observer.

If I owe a man a dollar and demand a receipt after I have handed over 99 cents, he either laughs at me or gets angry, depending on his disposition. It is doubtful if he could be argued out of his impression that the dollar is not paid until the last penny is out of my pocket and in his. Yet I might claim that the minute the cipher in $0.99 is changed into a one in $1.00 I have entered on the second dollar, none of which is part of my debt. He would reply that he did not care how the sum looked in writing, he must have that penny. The nineteenth century is not complete until its hundredth year is ended. That hundredth year has the first two figures belonging to the following century, for the same reason that the last cent of the dollar has a one on the left of the decimal point—because the first cent of the dollar and the first year of the Christian era were numbered not zero but one. This looks simple enough, yet some very able men have brought up the old question again in the attempt to prove that 1900 is the first year of the twentieth century. All their arguments come down in the end to this, that the date looks as if the century had changed. Things, however, are not always what they seem. Also some wise men are easily fooled.—Standard.

Is time a sacred thing to you? Do you realize that in its right use are bound up all your hopes and prospects of satisfaction and success in life? Is it a thing so sacred to you that you fully understand that if you spend time foolishly, you destroy self-respect; if you misapply it, you are parting with all prospects of success in life; if you abuse it, you forfeit the hope of wealth and fortune and honor in life; if you waste it, you abuse God's best gift and sin against him? He who rightly appreciates the value and sacredness of time will neither waste it with frivolous companions nor in the performance of foolish deeds. He will be choice both of his companions and of his actions. He will be afraid to do or think less than the best possible things at all times. He will walk circumspectly before the Lord, ever seeking to redeem the time.—Standard.

Religion is no haggard and stern monitress, waving you from enjoyment; she is a strong angel, leading you to noble joy. The Bible is not a book of repressions and prohibitions; it is a book of kindling inspiration. God would not have you crouch like a poor, timid, startled creature, torturing yourself with a terrified watch over your lower desires. He would see you stand erect and manly, like a victor, in heroic confidence, with these enemies beneath your feet.—Archdeacon Farrar.

I believe that the greatest revival that the United States of America has ever seen is at our doors. The trouble with many revival movements of recent years is that they were too shallow. I believe in the old Methodist revivals—those that transform many and set them to doing the Lord's work with all their strength.—Bishop Thoburn.

Some men are so excessively acute at detecting imperfections that they scarcely notice excellences. In looking at a peacock's train they would fix on every spot where the feathers were worn, or the colors faded, and see nothing else.—Archbishop Whately.

The postoffice address of Rev. W. W. Cammack is Hattiesburg, Miss.

NOTES.

Do not fail to read the note, "Take Time by the Forelock," on our fifth page.

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We invite special attention to the communication of Dr. Cooper on the fifth page.

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Rev. H. W. May let the light of his countenance shine into our sanctum a few days since.

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Rev. D. W. Carter, of the Mexican Mission Conference, has been transferred by Bishop Candler to Cuba.

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D. L. Moody died, a few days since, at his home in Northfield, Mass. A prince in Israel has fallen.

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An Educational Rally will be held in Memphis the latter part of this week, at which Bishop Galloway will deliver an address.

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We regret to have missed a call last week from Dr. J. T. Sawyer, of the Louisiana Conference, who was in the city on a business trip.

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Rev. F. N. Parker began his pastorate at Carondelet last Sabbath. His theme was "Personal Responsibility," and his discussion of it was scholarly and forceful.

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Rev. Horace Maillard DuBose, D.D., editor of the Epworth Era, was married, Dec. 20, to Mrs. Gertrude Vanghan Amis, of Winston, N. C., Bishop Galloway officiating. The ADVOCATE extends its heartiest congratulations.

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Prof. G. W. Burton died at Franklinton, La., on the twentieth after a brief illness. He was a fine educator and a man of most excellent character. A large circle of friends will be deeply pained by this announcement.

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On the floor of the Mississippi Conference, at its recent session, Dr. W. L. C. Huntiontt used the following language: "I bought from Dr. Black the best Bible I ever saw—the Combination Bible. I would not take fifty dollars for it if I could not get another."

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Miss Belle Kearney, having completed a lecture tour of four months in the East, has returned to her home at Flora, Miss., where she will remain until March, when she will engage in W. C. T. U. work in Louisiana.

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All the new pastors in the city, with the exception of Rev. F. N. Parker, were in their pulpits the first Sunday after Conference. Bro. White, at Dryades; Bro. Lowry, at Burgundy; Bro. Dodson, at Algiers; Bro. Atkinson, at Parker Memorial, have each made a good beginning.

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Sister L. F. Cooper, widow of the late Rev. Preston Cooper, of the Mississippi Conference, and mother of Dr. I. W. Cooper, died recently near Enterprise, Miss. She was a most excellent Christian woman. A memoir appears in this issue from the pen of Rev. W. B. Lewis.

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At the recent session of the North Mississippi Conference, Rev. Amos Kendall, by request of the Conference, preached a semi-centennial sermon, which was highly interesting and replete with gospel truth. (The above note was inadvertently omitted from our North Mississippi Conference issue.—EDITOR.)

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Rev. H. C. Morehead, of the North Mississippi Conference, writing from Shaw, Miss., says: "We have received from the good people of this town a warm and hearty welcome. Their many thoughtful and kindly acts are fully appreciated by us. We hope, by God's grace, to prove ourselves worthy of their confidence and generosity."

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The first correct solution of "Lucy King's Riddle" was sent in by Mrs. S. E. Howe, Ellisville, Miss. The following persons have also solved the problem: Mrs. S. D. Robbins, Vicksburg, Miss.; Mrs. M. E. Nelson, Jackson, Miss.; C. M. McLean, Enstatia, La.; J. J. Armistead, 2453 Dauphine street, New Orleans; Mrs. E. A. McCormick, Sibley, La.; Mrs. J. A. B. Jones, Brandon, Miss. The answer is "The Whale," as one can easily see when he thinks of Jonah.

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It is just four months until the Mississippi Epworth Leaguers have their annual State gathering. We will be held to account for the way in which we spend these months. Shall we improve the talents already given?

The statistical report at the session of the Mississippi Conference showed that there are now eighty Leagues within the bounds of the Conference. This is four times as many as there were a few years ago. We are coming up; but still our work in this direction is very imperfect, and in a very crude state. Workmen are needed; young men and women who will lay this cause as a burden on their hearts. Not much prominence was given to the Epworth League and Sunday-school interests at the recent session of the Mississippi Conference. It seems that these causes must depend for their inspiration upon the special gatherings devoted to each during the year.

The New Hope League on Vaughan's circuit raised thirty dollars on the Conference collections during the past year.

We missed the face and words of Dr. H. M. DuBose at the Conference at Vicksburg, but we hope to see him at the Epworth League Conference to be held at Vicksburg in April.

The Mississippi Conference Board of Education, in its recent report, urged the pastors to make use of their Epworth Leagues in raising the Twentieth Century Fund. Let the forces be rallied; the time is short.

The nineteenth century draws to a close. The changes among men and the nations during its latter years have been many. The world is making awful strides forward. But the young people of to-day whom the Father may spare to live long in the world shall see yet greater changes. Indeed, their hands will turn the wheels of change. Will you, my reader, prepare yourself to take a part, or will you skulk away to your tent and be a mere spectator of what others do?

MANLY HOME.

For the next week's issue of the ADVOCATE we will furnish a full report to date of amounts paid in on the Manly Home. I am glad to say that Bro. Manly is now in his new home, and it is newly paid for—that is, within a hundred dollars. Let the brethren send in their contributions at once. R. M. BLOCKER.

Lake Arthur, La.

In order that a watch may give good service it must have a mainspring well adjusted to its requirements. It is the same with a human being, and the only mainspring that can cause a human being to give satisfactory service is the Spirit of the living God.—W. S. Casemore.

MEMOIR OF MRS. PRESTON COOPER.

Lucretia Finch Eppes was born in Newberry district, S. C., Nov. 4, 1814, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. S. Burdine, near Enterprise, Miss., Nov. 22, 1899. She was the grand daughter of Edward Finch, of the noted Bethel Academy, a Methodist School in South Carolina. In the year 1794 the South Carolina Annual Conference was held at the home of Mr. Finch, and was presided over by Bishop Asbery.

The subject of this sketch joined the Methodist Church early in life, and at the time of her death had been a member seventy-five years. She was twice married; first, to Mr. Middleton, and after his death to Rev. Preston Cooper, late of the Mississippi Conference. Mr. Cooper was a man of deep piety, of great force of character, and of superior talents as a preacher. In his day he filled the most important appointments of his Conference with great acceptability. He was the founder of Cooper's Wells, near Raymond, in Hinds county, Miss. He died Aug. 1, 1858. Mrs. Cooper was a widow 41 years.

Our departed sister was the mother of ten children, the youngest of whom is the Rev. Inman W. Cooper, president of Centenary College, Jackson, La. Upon his worthy shoulders the mantle of his illustrious father has fallen. Mrs. Cooper was known and loved by a wide circle of acquaintances, who saw in her many excellent traits of character, among the most prominent of which was unselfishness. She loved her God supremely and her neighbors sincerely. In the spirit of self-sacrifice she devoted her life to the good of others. Like her Savior, she recognized the fact that she came into this world not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and she did it wisely and well. But her labors on earth are ended, and doubtless in a rich reward in heaven. She retained the use of her mental faculties to the last, and just before her departure repeated the comforting words of the Psalmist, "The Lord is my Shepherd," etc.

At her request she was buried in Edwards, Miss., by the side of her little granddaughter, Florence Cooper, who died twelve years ago. Her death saddened many hearts below, but gladdened many above. May her children and grandchildren, without an exception, meet her in heaven!

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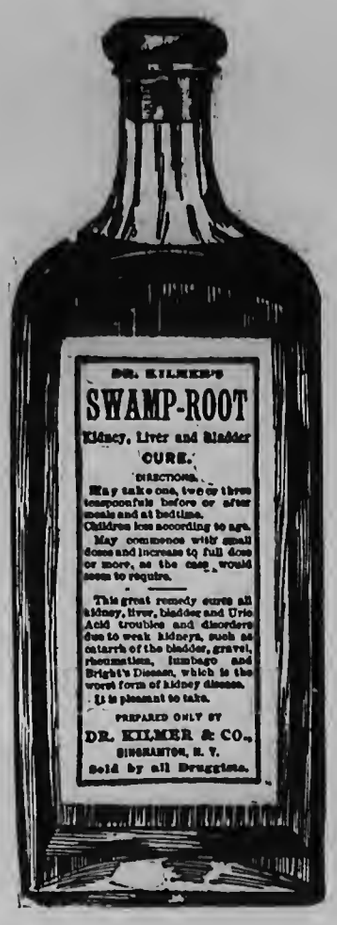
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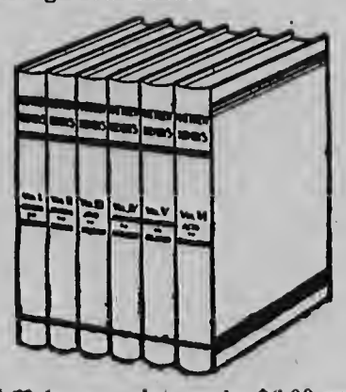

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This potent spell, this charm of the inexact, cast over us in early life, is the fountain-head of the all-prevalent insincerity that marks more or less every individual's career; and ungallant as it may seem to make the statement, this brief dealing with plain facts necessitates that women are to be placed in the front rank in this regard. Not a new bonnet at Easter or new dress at a reception but calls forth the "How lovely!" and "Perfectly exquisite!" that ripple charmingly from rosy lips, but did not bubble up from the heart. Alas! the fair creatures, when they reach home, say to themselves or to their sisters, of this same bonnet or dress, "Wasn't it horrid!" And in the crowded street, when they meet their acquaintances, every one for the moment is their dearest friend, and the sole pleasure of the morning had been to meet them; out of hearing, how frequently this dearest friend is stabbed in the back! How very wonderful and incomprehensible is this power of the inexact, and how very unnecessary.—Lippincott's Magazine.

A SUGGESTIVE ACTION.

One of the good deeds worth recording is that of certain of the owners of the Newport News, Hampton, and Old Point Railway. Last December the company was shown to have a surplus to its credit in the bank of twenty-four thousand dollars. Mr. Darling, his wife, his son, and his son's wife own two-thirds of the stock. They proposed to the stockholders to divide the surplus among the employees, to whose faithfulness much of the success of the road was, of course, due. The other stockholders objecting, Mr. Darling and his family divided their share, being sixteen thousand dollars. Miss Grace Hones, formerly a teacher in the Hampton Institute, tells the story in The Boston Transcript: "At half-past two o'clock on Christmas morning, after all the cars were in and housed, the employees, at the call of Mr. Darling, met at the power house, for what purpose they knew not, for they had already received their usual Christmas turkey. Here they found Mr. Darling awaiting them, and he proceeded to present each one, from the cashier in the office to the track greaser, an envelope containing a check, in amounts varying from fifty to one thousand dollars, according to the time each employee had been with the company. The effect upon the men can be better imagined than described. More than one shed tears of joy. Among them were several hard-working men whose little homes were still cumbered by a mortgage, and through their tears they beheld the magic piece of paper that would wipe the debt out and leave them sole possessors."—The Churchman.

SOMETHING EVERY GIRL SHOULD CULTIVATE.

If there is anything girls should cultivate it is repose. Simply do not allow your feet to swing and your brows to pucker, but compel face and feet to mind your will, and will to be calm and tranquil on the outside if not beneath the surface. A result of this will be that the looking quiet, and moving gently, and holding yourself in control, will bring about a restful condition of mind. You will feel better and be less nervous if you put down the expression of nervousness.

Indigestion is at the bottom of half of our maladies. Schoolgirls should eat plenty of good food at the right times, and should avoid too many sweets. Many a headache and fit of the blues can be traced back to a pound of candy, delicious candy, but too much for the stomach to manage. Bonbons and caramels and all such tempting confections should be eaten after a meal as dessert, not munched all day between times.

One more hint. Never put off writing a letter of thanks the very first day you receive a gift. No matter how small the courtesy shown you, return it in a little graceful note.

In taking leave, thank your entertainers for the pleasure they have given you, and as soon as you reach home write a note to your hostess again thanking her, and assuring her of your safe return.

A POINTER FOR BOYS.

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Mothers, train your boys to be neat in the house. They should be taught to look after themselves, and to keep their hats and coats in their proper places. A boy can help clear away after a meal, sweep the floor, polish the stove, or wash the dishes, just as effectively as a girl. He, as a rule, is stronger. He will love his home more, and when he becomes a man, and has a home of his own, he will respect his wife all the more for having been taught to respect his mother and sisters.—Selected.

A Small Beginning.

A little snow ball on the summit of the Alps, rolled up by the winds, moves slowly downward. Gaining in strength and size, it grows rapidly to giant proportions, and finally becomes the frightful avalanche, destroying everything in its path. Consumption begins with a little cough, a trifling pain, a passing flush on the cheeks. This is but the beginning of the avalanche, consumption, that knows no pity, recognizes no distinction. Just at the beginning thousands commit the error of not checking and curing the disease by using MARSDEN'S PECTORAL BALM.

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OBITUARIES.

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McGEE—SARAH ANGELINE COWSERT was born in Pickens county, Ala., Aug. 11, 1835. Here she resided twelve years. Moving with parents to Holmes county, she resided at Goodman five years. Removing to Winston county, Miss., after four years she was married to Henry Bonner McGee, March 9, 1852. They lived near Durant till 1867, when they moved to Acona, where they resided till death. Mrs. McGee joined the Baptist Church in Winston county, but joined the Methodist church at Acona with her husband. In 1876 they moved to their present home near Tchula, where she died Wednesday morning at 1:30 o'clock Aug. 9, 1899.

Mrs. McGee was a woman of great energy and force of will. She was noted for economy and good management; was a fine housekeeper and had strong business sense. She was quite attractive in person, and kept a neat and tasteful house. She was hospitable, and enjoyed entertaining her friends. Her home and heart were alike open to her guests. She was a real helpmeet to her husband. She was fond of reading, and never ceased to be interested in people and books. She was a faithful loyal church member. She loved her church and its ministry. She was a devoted woman. She loved the prayer and song and sermon of the sanctuary, and the devotion of family circle and the closet. After a life unselfish toil and sacrifice for those she loved, she has gone to the rest that remains to the people of God. N. G. AUGUSTUS.

GRANTHAM—FRANCIS ALBERT GRANTHAM was born Nov. 14, 1849; joined the Methodist church in 1879; married Mrs. E. L. Buchanan, Dec. 20, 1880, and died Oct. 15, 1898, at his home in Baldwin, Miss.

In the church, as well as the home of the deceased, is made sad. Our dear brother loved the songs of Zion, and for many years his voice was heard in the choirs of church and prayer (Bath-shoo). He was a devoted husband and father and his gentleness at home, his love for God and the church, his kindness to and for the ministers, his religion in business affairs are worthy of imitation. He taught not so much by precept as by example. He lived the truth, never intruding himself upon the views and opinions of others, so that, without exception, the sweetness, the amiability of character, impressed and elevated his associates. His occupation was the culture of flowers and with the rarest and the beautiful often adorned the house of worship, lending this influence to the glory of God. His service was controlled as to unkindness toward his neighbor. If he had no word of commendation, he was silent. A lover of God, the church and humanity has left us. Sweet, gentle spirit, loving and kind, thou hast gone from the thorny paths of earth to the beautiful fields, the flowery plains of rest beyond.

J. F. EVANS.

Tchula, Miss.

BAILEY—RICHARD C. BAILEY was born in Amelia county, Va., March 18, 1821; married Mary H. Robertson in 1841; professed religion and united with the church the same year; BEAM—The subject of this obituary, Mrs. MOLLIE BEAM, was born Oct. 9, 1844. She was the daughter of Alexander and Lucretia Carruth. She had six brothers and two sisters, all of whom are living but one brother. The Carruth family are Methodist.

Sister Beam was converted Oct. 28, 1864, and joined the Presbyterian Church in the town of Summit, Miss. She was an active Christian. She was very gifted in prayer, and always cheerful and hopeful. On Dec. 13, 1883, she was married to Mr. C. W. Beam, who was a widower with several children, and some of them small. She was a kind wife, and very much devoted to her step-children and the children born to her. She loved the Methodist Church, but said, "I do not think that it is necessary to change churches." On Aug. 28, 1899, after about one week's illness, she died at her home in the town of Summit. She leaves a husband and her step-children, and a host of relatives, to mourn their loss. How they will miss her! I trust that her beautiful life will help those that survive to appreciate the opportunity of doing God's will, and that they may so live that they will meet again to part no more. We pray God's blessings on all the bereaved. B. H. RAWLS.

Tylertown, Miss.

BOLDEN—Mrs. M. L. BOLDEN was born Aug. 4, 1834, and died Nov. 10, 1899. She leaves behind her three children to mourn the loss of a loving, faithful mother. She was on a visit to her son-in-law, S. A. Lewis, and while there was taken ill. She was sick but a few days, and was conscious to the last. On the morning of the tenth she told her loved ones that she would like to live until the next day, that she might see her daughters once more, but said she would not live later than ten o'clock of that morning, and just a few minutes before ten she quietly passed away. She said, "It is well with my soul."

It was the privilege of the writer to know Sister Bolden for several years, and a more devoted Christian one seldom meets. She never missed a service when it was possible for her to go, and she was ready for every good word and work. Not only did she give her time, but she gave liberally of her small means to the cause she loved so well. For her death had no sting; it was only to sleep in Jesus, to awake in the city of God.

May her beautiful life be a light to illumine the pathway of the loved ones left behind, and may they all meet in peace at last in that home where there will be no parting and no more tears! G. A. GUICE.

LANKFORD—Miss E. J. SAUNDERS, daughter of W. P. Saunders, was born in Marion county, Ga., May 2, 1847. She, with her parents, moved to Laurel Hill, Neshoba county, Miss., near a fine school at the old Presbyterian Church (known as the Carolina Church). She entered that school, obtained a classical education, was a perfect belle in society; professed religion and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the year 1863, thus beautifying her life by her walks of piety, and was married to Mr. J. H. Lankford in the year 1567; was blessed with four children—two girls and two boys—named respectively Eva, Lula, Abbie, and Emery. Later on in her life she, with her affectionate family, moved to Walnut Grove, Newton county, Miss., and thus too far to her church, or to attend her meetings, joined the M. E. Church, and remained. About the first day of December, 1899, she contracted pneumonia, bore her afflictions without a murmur, and at 9 o'clock A. M. the end came, when her spirit took its eternal flight from whence it came.

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Gilbert, La.

BAILEY—JOSSIE A. BAILEY, daughter of Kennon and Lola Bailey, was born Jan. 9, 1892; died July 30, 1899.

ETHEL O. BAILEY, daughter of Kennon and Lola Bailey, was born May 7, 1894; died Aug. 17, 1899.

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PENN—From Mansfield, La., Sunday, Nov. 19, 1899, little SARAH PENN, only child of Rev. J. V. and Caro Minor Penn, entered on the rest which He bought for her who lay in a manger at Bethlehem. She was born at Boligee, Ala., Dec. 23, 1895, and was an attractive, beautiful baby. There was a touch of seriousness in all she said and did. Her pose, "who lived with God in heaven," was a real personage to her, and the dream of her short life was of the time when she and little mother could be with him. Just as her babyhood dream was realized may the purpose of her life be accomplished through "Him who knows the end from the beginning." LULA GAULDING WATKINS.

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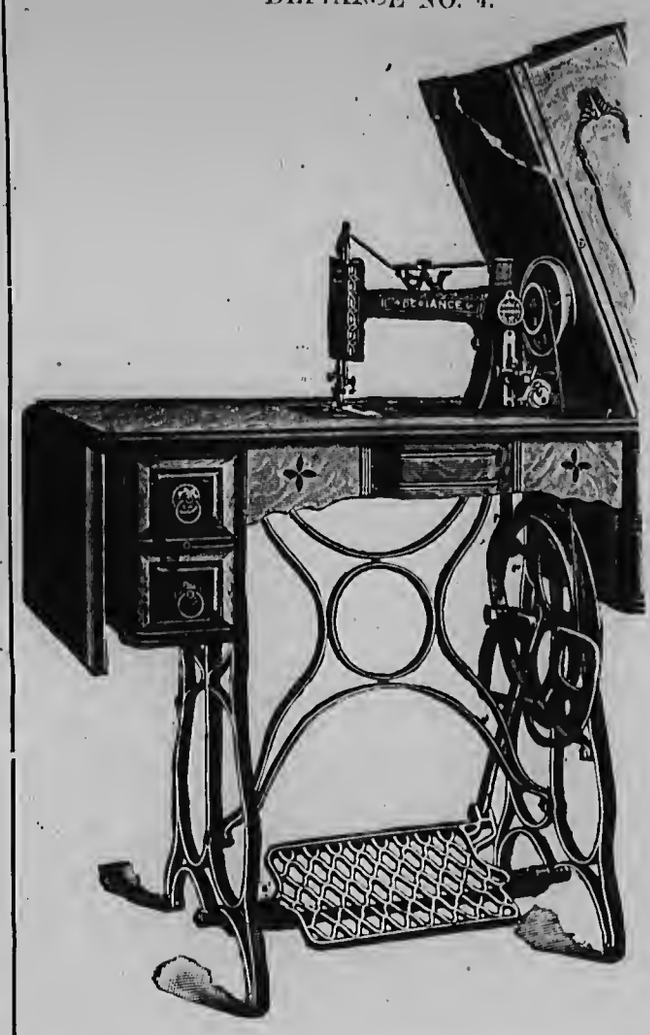

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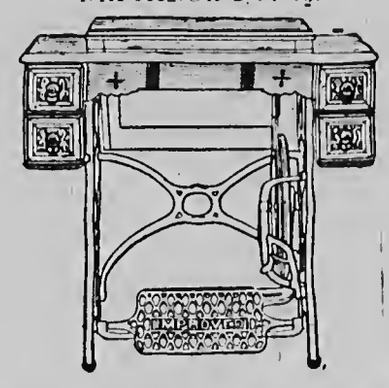

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conditions.
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... teachers in this city have
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vention, which met at Baton Rouge,
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lar to the residents of the Chambers of
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issued a call for a national convention
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United States.
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Generals of volunteers caused by the
death of Gen. Lawton will not be filled
until after the funeral services in Ma-
nila over his remains.
The Secretary of War has issued an
order announcing to the army the death
of Gen. Lawton in the Philippines.
... body will be temporarily in-
terred in Manila to-day.
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killed in the Brazneli, Pa., mine disas-
ter. The bodies were horribly mutila-
ted. It is said the explosion was due to
a disregard of the mining laws.
The Democratic State committees of
Kentucky have issued an address to the
Democracy of that state, asking for an
indorsement of their course in instituting
a contest for the state offices.

The Mexican Supreme Court has announced a decision disbarring John B Wellcome from practice, because he paid $10,000 to State Senator Clark to influence his vote for United States Senator.

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Rolling Fork, at Rolling Fork	10, 11
South Warren, at Bovina	17, 18
Rocky Springs, at Rocky Springs	24, 25
Utica, at Utica	Mar. 3, 4
Warren, at Bradley Chapel	10, 11
Satartia, at Bentonia	17, 18
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Homochitto	30, 31
Washington	Feb. 3, 4
Oak Grove	10, 11
Wesley Chapel	17, 18
Jefferson Street	24, 25
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Brandywine	10, 11
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Vossburg and H., at Heidelberg	Sat. and Sun. 20, 21
Newton and H., at Hickory	Wed., 24
Lake, at Lake	Sat. and Sun. 27, 28
District stewards' meeting at Lake	Tues., 30
Missionary Institute at Lake	Wed. and Thurs. 31, Feb. 1
Raleigh, at Raleigh	Sat. and Sun. 3, 4
Trenton, at Polkville	Wed., 7
Shiloh, at John's	Sat. and Sun. 10, 11
Montrose, at Montrose	Sat. and Sun. 17, 18
Rose Hill, at Rose Hill	Thurs., 20
Decatur, at Decatur	Thurs., 22
Chunkey, at Snqualena	Sat. and Sun. 24, 25
Indian Mission, at Talla-Chulok	Thurs., Mar. 1
Neshoba, at Cook's Chapel	Sat. and Sun. 3, 4

The district stewards—C. W. Taylor, R. A. Clark, Dr. V. Russell, H. C. Carter, S. L. Eadie, W. M. Jordan, J. W. Chadwick, G. P. Chambers, C. M. Wells, D. S. Harmon, G. B. Harper, W. T. Price, A. A. Breckinridge, D. T. Myers, L. M. Herton, G. W. Mars—will meet in our church at Lake, Tuesday, Jan. 30, 11:30 A. M. The preachers in charge are requested to meet with them. The Missionary Institute will meet in the same place the next day, 9 A. M., and remain in session two days. All traveling and local preachers in the district are expected to be present through the session of the Institute. The W. F. M. and the W. H. M. Societies are requested to send a delegate from each auxiliary.

T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

JACKSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Sharon, at Mt. Pleasant	Dec. 30, 31
Madison, at Madison	Jan. 6, 7
Yazoo City	Sun., Mon., 14, 15
Terry, at Terry	20, 21
Capitol Street	Wed., 24
Vaughan's, at Vaughan's	27, 28
Benton, at Benton	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M. 28, 29
Fannin, at Unloa	Feb. 3, 4
First Church	11
Silver City, at Bee Lake	17, 18
Canton	Sun., Mon., 25, 26
Lake City, at Lake City	Mar. 3, 4
Camden, at Camden	10, 11
Steen's Creek, at Marvin	17, 18
Tranquil, at Tranquil	24, 25
Brandon and mission, at Brandon	31, Apr. 1

District stewards will meet in First Church, Jackson, 10 A. M., Wednesday, Feb. 6. Pastors are invited also to attend.

T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E.

MERIDIAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Meridian—Central	Sun., Tues., Dec. 24, 26
Meridian—West End	Sat., Sun., 23, 24
Meridian—East End	30, 31
Meridian—South Side	31, Jan. 1
Landerdale, at Landerdale	6, 7
North Kemper, at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
DeKalb, at DeKalb	Sun., Mon., 14, 15
Porterville, at Porterville	20, 21
Binnsville, at Scooba	Sun. P. M., Mon. A. M. 21, 22
Vimville, at Why Not	27, 28
Wayne, at Liberty Hill	Fri., Feb. 2
Winchester, at Chicora	Sat. P. M., Sun. P. M. 3, 4
Waynesboro, at Buckatunna	Sun. A. M., Mon. A. M. 4, 5
Leakesville, at ——	Tues., 6
Pachuta, at Pachuta	10, 11
Enterprise, at Enterprise	Sun., Mon. 11, 12
Middleton, at Hopewell	17, 18
Matherville, at Liberty	Sun., Mon., 18, 19
Daleville, at Soule Chapel	24, 25
Shubuta, at Quitman	Sun., Mon., Mar. 4, 5

District stewards will please meet in Central Church, Meridian, Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 9 A. M.

C. G. ANDREWS, P. E.

BROOKHAVEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

McComb City	Dec. 30, 31
Summit, at Norfield	Jan. 6, 7
Lincoln, at Adam's Chapel	13
Brookhaven	13, 14
Gallman, at Bethesda	20, 21
Crystal Springs	21, 22
Fernwood, at Fernwood	27, 28
Magnolia	28, 26
Beauregard, at Beauregard	Feb. 3, 4
Wesson	4, 5
Caseyville, at Sweet Water	10, 11
Topisaw, at Topisaw	17, 18
Adams, at Adams	24, 25
Bayou Pierre, at New Tabernacle	Mar. 3

BATON ROUGE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Jackson	Dec. 30, 31
Zachary	Jan. 3, 4
Slaughter, at Slaughter	6, 7
Baker, at Baker	9, 10
Baton Rouge—First Church	13, 14
Baton Rouge circuit, at Baton Rouge	14, 15
Port Vincent, at Port Vincent	17, 18
Live Oak, at Denham Springs	20, 21
Pine Grove, at Pine Grove	23, 24
Pnschannis, at Hammond	25, 26
Amite City	27, 28
Franklinton, at Franklinton	26, 30
St. Helena, at Greensburg	31, Feb. 1
Clinton	3, 4
E Feliciana, at Oak Grove	6, 7
Wilson, at Wilson	10, 11
St. Francisville, at St. Francisville	17, 18

F. S. PARKER, P. E.

ALEXANDRIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Boyce, at Boyce	Dec. 30, 31
Alexandria	Jan. 6, 7
Pineville, at Fellowship	13, 14
Lecompte and West Alexandria, at Lecompte	20, 21
Bunkie, at Bunkie	27, 28
Melville, at Melville	Feb. 3, 4
Simsport, at Simsport	5. 6
Glenmora, at Glenmora	10, 11
Natchitoches, at Natchitoches	17, 18
Colfax and Montgomery, at Colfax	24, 25
Columbia, at Columbia	Mar. 3, 4
Jena and Jonesville, at Jonesville	10, 11
Winfield, at Winfield	17, 18
Olla and Pollock, at Pollock	20
Dry Creek, at Dry Creek	24, 25

The district stewards' meeting will be held in the church at Alexandria, Tuesday, Jan. 6, at 11 A. M. We hope there will be a good attendance.

J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NEW ORLEANS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tchonpitonlas mission	Dec. 17
Felicity Street	24
Algiers	31
Carrollton Avenue	Jan. 7
Slidell	14
Louisiana Avenue	21
Dryades Street	28
Plaquemine	Feb. 4
Rayne Memorial	11
Parker Memorial	18
Covington	25
White Castle	Mar. 4
Carondelet Street	11
Burgundy Street	18

Let all be prepared to answer Question 5.
District stewards will meet in pastor's office of Carondelet Street Church, Thursday, Jan. 11, 7:30 P. M.

S. S. KEENER, P. E.

ARCADIA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Calhoun, at Calhoun	Dec 30, 31
Lisbon, at Lisbon	Jan. 6, 7
Downsville, at Downsville	13, 14
Farmerville, at F	15
Ruston	20, 21
Lonesville, at L	24
Simsboro, at Salem	27, 28
Bienville, at B	Feb. 2
Gibsland, at G	3, 4
Vernon, at New P	10, 11
Arcadia, at A	17, 18
Valley, at Cotton Valley	23
Minden	24, 25
Homer, at H	Mar. 3, 4
Haynesville circuit	10, 11
Gansville, at Gansville	17, 18

District stewards will please meet me at the Methodist Church in Arcadia at 11 o'clock Tuesday, Jan. 9.

B. T. CREWS, P. E.

OPELOUSAS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Morgan City and Berwick, at M. C.	Dec. 30, 31
Patterson	Jan. 3
Franklin	6, 7
Jeanerette	10
Abbeville, at Abbeville	13, 14
New Iberia	17
Lafayette	20, 21
Opelousas, at O	24
Chicot and Washington, at Chicot	27, 28
Indian Bayou, at L B	31
Crowley	Feb. 1
Prudhomme, at P	3, 4
Plaquemine Brusle, at Rayne	7
Lake Arthur	10, 11
Lake Charles	15
Grand Chenier, at Leesburg	17, 18
West Lake, at West Lake	21

C. W. CARTER, P. E.

SHREVEPORT DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

First Church	11 A. M. Dec. 24
Texas Avenue	7 P. M., 24
Benton, at Benton	30, 31
North Bossier, at Collinsburg	Jan. 6, 7
South Bossier, at Haughton	13, 14
Caddo, at Greenwood	20, 21
Grand Cane, at Grand Cane	24
Logansport, at Logansport	27, 28
Mooringsport, at Mooringsport	31
Wesley, at Davis Springs	Feb. 3, 4
Leesville	7
Fort Jessup and Many, at Ft. Jessup	10, 11
Pleasant Hill, at Marthaville	17, 18
Red River, at Campo Bello	24, 25
Florien, at Prospect	Mar. 1
Zwolle, at Zwolle	8, 4
Coushatta, at Coushatta	10, 11
Mansfield	14
Pelican, at Ilonson	17, 18

The district stewards will please meet me at First Church, Shreveport, at 11 A. M., Dec. 26, 1899.

JOHN T. SAWYER, P. E.

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HOLLY SPRINGS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Ossneraville circuit, at Bethlehem	Dec. 30, 31
Holly Springs station	Jan. 6, 7
Holly Springs cir., at Pleasant Grove	13, 14
Byhalia circuit, at Byhalia	20, 21
Waterford circuit, at Waterford	27, 28
Potts Camp circuit, at Potts Camp	Feb. 3, 4
Ashland circuit, at Union Hill	10, 11
Red Banks circuit, at Victoria	17, 18
Shawnee circuit, at Harmony	24, 25
Olive Branch circuit, at Miller	Mar. 3, 4
Randolph mission, at ——	10, 11
Pontotoc circuit, at Pontotoc	11, 12
Mt Pleasant circuit, at Mt. Pleasant	17, 18
Abbeville circuit, at Mt. Zion	24, 25

District stewards' meeting at Holly Springs, Jan. 6, 1900, at 10 A. M.

J. W. HONKOLL, P. E.

GREENVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Greenville	Dec. ..
Arcola	15, 16
Shaw	22, 23
Shipman's Chapel	30, 31
Boyle	31, Jan. 1
Sandy Bayou	6, 7
Merrigold	7, 8
Lula	13, 14
Clarksdale	14, 15
Jonestown	21, 22
Tunica	27, 28
Austin	28, 29
Friar's Point	Feb. 4, 5
Hillhouse	11, 12
Gunnison	18, 19
Rosedale	25, 26
Winterville	Mar. 4, 5

J. W. DORMAN, P. E.

WINONA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Winona station	Dec. 16, 17
Greenwood station	23, 24
Morehead	Jan. 6, 7
Valden, at Valden	13, 14
Carrollton and McAurny, at Carrollton	20, 21
Indianola and Faisonia, at Indianola	27, 28
Sidon and Etta Bena, at Etta Bena	Feb. 3, 4

ABERDEEN DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Tupelo	Dec. 10
Amory and Nettleton, at Amory	16, 17
Aberdeen station	23, 24
Aberdeen station	30, 31
Okolona station	Jan. 6, 7
Prairie circuit, at Muldon	13, 14
Muntpelier circuit, at Prospect	14, 15
Houston and Wesley, at Houston	20, 21
Buena Vista circuit, at Buena Vista	27, 28
Shannon circuit, at Shannon	Feb. 3, 4
Okolona circuit, at Tranquil	10, 11
Verona circuit, at Verona	17, 18
Aberdeen circuit, at Paine Memorial	24, 25
Fulton and Smithville, at Fulton	26
Tremont circuit, at Asbury	Mar. 3, 4
Nettleton circuit, at New Chapel	10, 11
Quincy circuit, at Quincy	

The district stewards will meet in the pastor's study in Aberdeen, Thursday, Jan. 4, 1900, at 1 P. M.

W. W. WOOLLARD, P. E.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

West Point	Dec. 17, 18
Starkville circuit, at Smyrna	23, 24
Starkville station	24, 25
Hebron, at Hebron	30, 31
Macon	31, Jan. 1
Winston ville, at Mashulaville	4
Shuqualak, at Shuqualak	6, 7
Columbus circuit, at New Hope	13, 14
Columbus station	14, 15
Crawford, at Crawford	20, 21
Tibbee, at Mayhew	27, 28
Brooksville, at Brooksville	Feb. 3, 4
Sturges, at Sturges	10, 11
Cedar Bluff, at Griffith	17, 18
Lagrange, at Lagrange	24, 25

The district stewards will meet at Artesia, Jan. 11, 1900.

W. T. J. SULLIVAN, P. E.

GRENADA DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Water Valley—Wood Street	Dec. 17
Water Valley—Main Street	24
Oxford station	31
Coffeeville circuit, at Coffeeville	Jan. 6, 7
Water Valley cir., at Wyatt's Chapel	20, 21
Toccopola circuit, at Toccopola	27, 28
Paris circuit, at Paris	Feb. 3, 4
Banner circuit, at Banner	10, 11
Ellzey circuit, at Hurricane	17, 18
Pittsboro circuit, at Pittsboro	24, 25
Slate Springs cir., at Slate Springs	Mar. 3, 4
Minter City and Strathmore, at M. C.	10, 11
Cascilla circuit, at Pleasant Ridge	17, 18
Charleston circuit, at Charleston	24, 25
East Grenada circuit, at Mars Hill	31, Apr. 1
Oxford circuit, at ——	7, 8

The district stewards will hold their meeting at Water Valley, Tuesday, Jan. 16.

R. G. PORTER, P. E.

SARDIS DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Como	Dec. 16, 17
Sardis	23, 24
Batesville and Wesley	30, 31
Arkabutla	Jan. 6
Senatobia	7, 8
Coldwater	13, 14
Hernando	20, 21
Burgess	20
Eureka	27, 28
Courtland	Feb 3, 4
Tyro	9
Wall Hall	10, 11
Cockrum	17, 18
Pleasant Hill	24, 25
Longtown	Mar. 3, 4
Pleasant Grove	4, 5

The district stewards will meet at Senatobia, Jan. 8, at 10 A. M. It is important for you to be present, brother. Will you be there?

W. S. LAGRONE, P. E.

CORINTH DIST.—FIRST ROUND.

Booneville station	Dec. 16, 17
Corinth station	23, 24
Iuka station	30, 31
Iuka circuit, at Snowdown	Jan. 2
Ripley and New Albany, at New A	6, 7
New Albany circuit, at Mt Olivet	9
Jonesboro circuit, at Gatlin's	13, 14
Ripley circuit, at New Hope	15
Blue Springs circuit, at Bethel	20, 21
Mantachie circuit, at Shiloh	23
Guntown circuit, at Baldwyn	27, 28
Kossuth circuit, at Pleasant Hill	Feb. 3, 4
Corinth circuit, at Gaines Chapel	5
Jacinto circuit, at Jacinto	10, 11
Brown's Creek circuit, at Paradise	13
Marietta circuit, at Blythe Chapel	17, 18
Belmont circuit, at Liberty	20
Booneville circuit, at Blackland	24, 25

W. M. YOUNG, P. E.

Notice.

The district stewards of the Corinth district will meet at Booneville, Jan. 4, 1900.
W. M. YOUNG, P. E.
Booneville, Miss., Dec. 22, 1899.

Notice.

The district stewards for Winona district will convene in Winona at the Methodist Church, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1900, at 10 o'clock A. M.
J. H. MITCHELL, P. E.
Winona, Miss., Dec. 20, 1899.

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